## HOW TO SUPPORT Meal Train

An option for community members to provide a hot meal for the program participants. Sign up on the Gale's Lodge Meal Train site!

### Donate to Support Gale's Lodge

Financial donations go toward helping the program participants to purchase things for new occupation, new housing, or required everyday life necessities.

### **Peer Support and Mentorship**

Contact the Polk County VSO for opportunities.

# PARTNERSHIP

Gale's Lodge is a partnership with the Dallas United Methodist Church (DUMC), open since 2017 when Gale's Lodge was created. DUMC has been a leader in social service partnerships for many years. DUMC offers plays a key role in many community events with support and resources. They serve as a meal site for James 2 Kitchen, a site for a variety of different support groups, as well as a produce distribution site.

For Gale's Lodge specifically, DUMC provides their campus as the location of Gale's Lodge. Program participants are also welcomed at the James 2 Kitchen meals. DUMC members have also take part in the Gale's Lodge meal train that provides meals to the program participants.

# **CONNECT WITH US**

### Polk County Veteran Services Office (VSO)

Phone: 503-751-1644

Email: vso@co.polk.or.us

**Dallas United Methodist Church** 

Phone: 503-623-2481

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### POLK COUNTY'S VETERAN TRANSITIONAL HOUSING AND EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM



# **Community Partners**

### Polk County Family and Community Outreach - Resource Center

503-751-1644

EasterSeals 971-304-7140

### Polk Community Development Corporation 503-831-3173

### Mid-Willamette Valley Community Action/ARCHES 503-585-6232

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# Program Guidelines

### This is a drug, alcohol and weaponfree program.

In order to access this temporary housing program, veterans would be required to pass a background check to ensure that no one with a violent criminal history or sex-related charges will be served at this site.

# **Program Focus**

The Gale's Lodge Program focuses on assisting Polk County Veterans with securing employment and housing. This program is intended for veterans that need a hand up in order to transition to permanent

housing.

Access to safe and secure living is the first step to this program. Gale's Lodge provides temporary housing for up to 5 single male veterans at a time. Each are provided with their own living quarters with shared bathrooms, a shared kitchen and a shared common area.

All program participants are connected to local resources to assist with employment searches, permanent housing resources, and financial assistance resources. Program participants meet with the Gale's Lodge case manager once a week to go over their individual goals and what steps they have taken to reach those goals.