

Veterans Connected and their community partners did their version of extreme Home Makeover in New Hudson.

During their annual Adopt-a-Soldier program they were contacted about a Veteran family that was in need of support. After putting all the people and resources needed in place, they sprung into action and followed through with their motto of “Leaving No Veteran Behind”, or their family’s.

On March 25th a platoon of volunteers showed up while Veterans Connected put the family up in a local hotel. New subfloors were put down then new vinyl flooring which The Furniture Store in Brighton arranged with a manufacturer to provide. Then both bathrooms were rehabbed, new toilets and tub shower enclosures. A fresh coat of paint throughout the house, cabinet and refrigerator cleaning and organization. As the father of this Veteran home was an amputee and in need of a new mobile chair and Veterans Connected acquired a new chair for him. The Second chance Resale shop provided brand new beds for dad and son, as they were both sleeping on a broke down mattress on the floor prior.

Through their support network, new linens, towels were provided. Just when the homeowner thought they were done, a new roof was provided and the contracting team of Brighton Construction LLC, All Home Services and Cross Grain Carpentry led the volunteers to a total transformation inside and out.

Troy Clogg and Unilock stepped up to help extend the wheelchair ramp with brickpavers to the sidewalk.

All in all over 40 volunteers gave up 8 hours to days of labor and over \$20,000 in in-kind and donated hours put in to help change this family’s life for the better. Veterans Connected said because of the incredible community support they are able to continue changing lives in the community.

Veterans Connect on May 14th is holding a Spring Gala on the Michigan Princess in Lansing and then Tip Up for Troops on June 11th at Kensington. Visit them on their website at veteransconnected.org or find them on facebook or Instagram.