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**Homes for the Brave Reopens with Major Upgrades to Better Serve Veterans**

*Upgraded suites and program areas reflect the organization's dedication to holistic, compassionate support for Veterans in need.*

**Bridgeport, CT (December 3, 2025)** — Homes for the Brave recently held a ribbon-cutting ceremony held during its Grand Reopening celebration on November 24, 2025. The event marked the official unveiling of the organization's newly renovated and expanded facility, spaces designed to better meet the needs of Veterans experiencing homelessness. The ceremony brought together community leaders, elected officials, supporters, and staff who gathered to commemorate this major milestone.

The celebration featured remarks from Governor Ned Lamont, Senator Richard Blumenthal, Lt. Governor Susan Bysiewicz, and other distinguished guests. Attendees had the opportunity to tour the upgraded suites, private bathrooms, common areas, and program spaces—renovations that will enhance comfort, privacy, and dignity for the Veterans served. From the fitness center to the library, the newly renovated common spaces at Homes for the Brave are designed to promote healthy lifestyles, personal growth, and greater independence for the veterans served.

"Today we get to introduce you to the new Homes for the Brave... we are so proud to have the facility that you are going to take a look at today," said Vince Santilli, CEO of Homes for the Brave. "We put everything we had into creating this for the men and women that have served all of us."

The Grand Reopening highlighted Homes for the Brave's ongoing investment in strengthening its housing, clinical, and vocational programs. The expanded space will enable the organization to serve more individuals and continue providing the holistic, Veteran-centered care that has been its hallmark for over 20 years.

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## About Homes for the Brave

The mission of Homes for the Brave (HFTB) is, with an emphasis on Veterans, to provide the housing and services necessary for individuals experiencing homelessness to return to a productive and meaningful life. HFTB has served almost 1,800 individuals while engaging with hundreds of volunteers and local organizations to craft an ever-expanding network of support. We strive to be a beacon of hope and inspiration for the community by providing innovative, comprehensive, and compassionate programs that demonstrate our dedication to our Veterans.

For more information about Homes for the Brave or to support our mission, please visit [www.homesforthebrave.org](http://www.homesforthebrave.org).



**Photo Caption:** Community leaders and Homes for the Brave representatives join together for the official ribbon-cutting ceremony during the organization's Grand Reopening on November 24, 2025, in Bridgeport, Connecticut. *(Credit: Roger Salls Photography)*

**Appearance in photo:** *(From left to right)* Dan Onofrio, Governor Ned Lamont, DVA Commissioner Ron Welch, Senator Richard Blumenthal, Mayor Joseph Ganim, Homes for the Brave CEO Vince Santilli, Lt. Governor Susan Bysiewicz, CT DOH Commissioner Seila Mosquera-Bruno, CT State Senator Herron Gaston, Philip Conner, HFTB COO Maria Satterwhite-Porpora *(Credit: Roger Salls Photography)*