To Current and Future HOBS Supporters:

When I first came in contact with Helping Our Brothers and Sisters (HOBS), it was through a referral from the VA Health. When we first spoke on the phone, I was in the hospital. Dr. Marvin Carter came to visit me in the hospital. I found that he understood the years of discrimination I faced after being kicked out of the Marines because I was a lesbian.

With HOBS help, in addition to getting all my health care from the VA I am also receiving VA disability compensation. Before I started getting my disability compensation, HOBS helped me stay in my apartment. I had been told I was not eligible for disability compensation, even though I had served for three enlistments. With their contacts, we discovered I could apply for compensation based on my good service, and it was granted.

They continue to stay in contact with me, visiting me when I go back in the hospital and providing the moral and emotional support I need.

They are also facilitating getting my final discharge upgraded.

Please support them so they can continue to help me and others like me. I don't know of any organization like them anywhere else.

Glenda Jones, USMC Veteran