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<u>Bridges Outreach, Inc. Recruits Retired U.S. Army Command Sgt. Maj. Angela Indardeo to Lead Its Bringing Veterans Home Initiative</u>

Bridges Outreach, Inc., the leading Region 2 provider for the state's Bringing Veterans Home initiative, is pleased to announce Retired U.S. Army Command Sgt. Maj. Angela Indardeo as the new Director of Veteran Services.

"We are thrilled to be the Region 2 provider for Bringing Veterans Home, a revolutionary approach to solving Veteran homelessness in New Jersey. By recruiting Angela to provide expert leadership for BVH, we are ensuring that every Veteran in our Region will receive the very best service from a team grounded in shared experiences and with extensive knowledge of the ecosystem. Coming from a family with deep US Military roots, I find this part of our work personal. It's a tremendous honor," said Richard J. Uniacke, President of Bridges Outreach, Inc.

A retired "Soldier for Life," Retired U.S. Army Command Sgt. Maj. Angela Indardeo served in the military from 1997 to 2023, bringing a wealth of experience with her. As a Soldier, she served in various roles, including Allied Trades Specialist, Army Recruiter/Career Counselor, Station Commander, Instructor/Writer/Developer, Division Chief, Master Fitness Trainer, Master Resiliency Trainer, Senior Master Trainer, First Sergeant, and Command Sergeant Major. In her previous roles, Indardeo has actively worked with community partners to build and establish relationships for the betterment of Veterans and their families. Prior to joining Bridges, Indardeo was the Deputy Commissioner of Community Engagement for the New York State Department of Veterans' Services.

While in the service, Indardeo received prestigious awards, such as the Legion of Merit, the Army Superior Unit Award (2), the Meritorious Service Medal (7), and the Army Commendation Medal (5). Indardeo also holds a bachelor's degree in organizational leadership, a master's degree in education (ID&T), and is actively pursuing a doctorate in Performance Psychology.

"As a retired 'Soldier for Life', I understand the unique challenges of our Veterans." Retired U.S. Army Command Sgt. Maj. Angela Indardeo shared her veteran services expertise. "At Bridges, we are committed to restoring dignity, stability, and hope to all those who served."

In her personal life, Indardeo enjoys spending time with her family and outdoor activities, such as hiking with her two-year-old Siberian Husky "Brooklyn."

About Bridges Outreach, Inc.

A leading nonprofit provider of homeless services in Northern NJ with locations in both Union and Essex Counties. Bridges' mission is to end homelessness through volunteer-driven outreach and individual case management focusing on health, housing, and independence. Bridges end homelessness by working with clients to obtain and maintain permanent housing through their Project Connect program located in Newark and Summit, NJ. Their mission is achieved through a four-step comprehensive process which includes Street Outreach & Engagement, Intensive Case Management, Housing Navigation & Placement, and Housing Sustainment & Skill Building. Learn more at bridgesoutreach.org.