

# The Coming Home Project

## Action Plan

On Friday, October 3, 2008, The Coming Home Project hosted an all-day conference at the university on the need for providing support for returning combat veterans and their families. The conference brought together career and reserve military personnel, chaplains, community practitioners, and academics to learn from each other and to set an initial agenda for action on the part of the School of Social Work. From that day's meeting, the following action plan emerged:



### 1. The Need for Training and Continuing Education

#### Target populations:

- Religious/spiritual personnel
- Employers
- Social Services

#### Format:

- Professional Education Program (PEP) Workshops

#### Topics:

- Traumatic brain injury (TBI)
- Post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD)
- VA/State entitlements
- Military culture
- Spirituality
- Self care

### 2. Development of an Information/Resource Guide

#### Target populations:

- Returning military personnel
- Community practitioners

#### Format:

- Web-based (easily updated, easily accessible)

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### 3. Summer Institute for Military Personnel

#### Target populations:

- Military leadership

#### Format:

- Provide training opportunities for military leadership on psychological topics
- Week-long, on-campus program

### 4. Curriculum development

#### Target populations:

- BSW and MSW students

#### Format:

- Course development

#### Topics:

- Working with military families
- Military culture

### 5. Development of additional field sites related to working with military families

#### Target populations:

- Military bases
- Vocational rehabilitation
- Brain Injury Association of America