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Mary Hudson is the Support Services for Veterans and Families Health Care Navigator Director at Purpose Built Families Foundation / Operation Sacred Trust and a member of BCOA since 2021.

Purpose Built Families Foundation' Operation Sacred Trust (OST) formed a non-profit organization to serve homeless veterans and their families to reduce the rate of homeless veterans in Broward and Miami-Dade. Services include outreach, emergency housing, case management and health care navigation to support the vet and their family with the goal of successful permanent housing placement with appropriate levels of care and supports.

Many of the homeless in our communities are veterans—many aged 55+. Mary works with homeless veterans to provide rapid housing, and health care coordination and support services.

Growing up in Georgia and moving to South Florida in the late 70's, Mary received a Bachelor of Social Work from Florida International University and continued her education at Barry University School of Social Work. She has worked as a Social Worker, Case Manager and in management in Broward and Miami Dade counties. Her early career was in mental health with a focus on crisis intervention; Baker Act receiving facilities and forensic social work. Prior to joining Purpose Built Families Foundation / Operation Sacred Trust, Mary worked in the area of developmental disabilities with the Agency for Persons with Disabilities. She considers herself and all seniors as chronologically gifted and is always thankful to be a trainer and mentor at this time in her life.