

Sherry Pickering Outreach Coordinator Tennessee Department of Veteran Services

Sherry Pickering serves as the Veterans Outreach Coordinator for the Tn Department of Veterans Services and is the founder of the Montgomery County Veterans Coalition. She was an active-duty spouse for 19 years and is currently the spouse of a 100% disabled Veteran. She served the Fort Campbell community through 3 consecutive deployments, as a Battery and a Battalion Family Readiness Group leader, as well as serving on several care teams in service to families of fallen comrades. She is the author of *Homefires: War through the eyes of a Military Wife* and owner of Just A Wife Publishing.

She graduated from Austin Peay State University with a Master of Social Work degree and is currently working on her LCSW. Her volunteer service within the Clarksville community has included work with the Montgomery County Veterans Treatment Court, Operation Stand Down, SAFE, End Slavery in TN and on the board of the Sexual Assault Center. She has served as a commissioner on the Clarksville Housing Authority Board and on the TN State Advisory Board for Recovery Courts, and currently serves on the United 4 Housing committee, Clarksville Suicide Prevention Alliance, and the Affordable Housing Task Force.

Sherry's leadership ability and commitment to serve past and present military members and their families has resulted in her receipt of numerous awards including the Molly Pitcher Award, the Citizenship Award, the Dr. Mary Walker Award, APSU Military Alumni Excellence Award, and the TN Governor's Volunteer Star Award.