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Biographical INFO

BRYAN CODY VANBOXEL **Executive Director, National Headquarters** **DAV (Disabled American Veterans)**



Bryan “Cody” VanBoxel, a service-connected disabled veteran of the Iraq War, was appointed executive director for the more than 1 million-member DAV in June 2023. He is employed at DAV National Headquarters in Erlanger, Kentucky.

As executive director, VanBoxel oversees employment initiatives, voluntary services, fundraising, accounting, membership activities, administration, information technology, communications, outreach, human resources, facilities and logistics critical to DAV’s mission of support for disabled veterans and their families.

Prior to this current appointment, he was appointed to assistant executive director in 2021. In this role, he worked closely with the executive director to oversee and guide numerous programs, services, and departments. VanBoxel worked as a leader and mentor to assist in guiding several important initiatives efficiently and through to completion. One of his proudest, being his assistance in the acquisition of DAV Patriot Boot Camp.

In 2017, VanBoxel was appointed to the position of national human resources director, where his responsibilities included advising the executive director and providing executive oversight for the company’s human resource initiatives. He participated in strategic planning, organizational change, leadership development, talent acquisition, diversity, executive compensation, performance development and benefits. He served as chairman of the DAV National Headquarters Health and Safety Committee and provided direct oversight of all facility construction and maintenance operations. He was also instrumental in the construction and design of the new DAV National Headquarters.

Prior to directing HR, VanBoxel served as assistant national human resources director from August 2015 to October 2017.

He began his career as a national service officer apprentice at the DAV National Service Office in Washington, D.C., in 2011. He subsequently transferred to Philadelphia, an office he ultimately supervised before his first appointment to DAV National Headquarters.

A native of Hambden, Ohio, VanBoxel enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps in June 2003 as an electronics maintenance technician. In 2005 he was accepted to the very selective Marine Security Guard program and subsequently served in West Africa, Eastern Europe and Asia. He spent nearly all of 2007 on duty in Iraq providing specialized security to Department of State and Multi-National Force - Iraq headquarters. He was honorably discharged as a sergeant in January 2009.

VanBoxel attended Western Governors University, earning a bachelor’s of science degree in business management. He is also a Society of Human Resources Management Senior Certified Professional.

VanBoxel is a life member of DAV Chapter 19 in Northern Kentucky. He and his wife Giedre have three children and reside in Union, Kentucky.