

Phyllis Abbott

Founder – Executive Director

Lady Veterans Connect, Inc.

2012- Founder and Executive Director of Sheppard's Hands – amended name to Lady Veterans Connect in 2016.

2016 – Founder and Co-Chair Veterans Resources United of Central/Southeastern Kentucky (VRUCK) bridging the gap between veterans and resources available to them in the forty-three counties served by the Lexington VA. VRUCK is My VA Community.

2010 – Present -Professor – Grand Canyon University – Marketing and Servant Leadership.

2008- 2014 – Professor – Clark State Community College.

2004 -2006 - Founded Church Under the Bridge Ministry in downtown Lexington providing church services and other programs and services for the homeless population.

2001- 2006 – Founded Women's Hope Center Ministry.

2000 - 2006 – Leader – Kindness in Action Ministry.

2000- 2006 - Leader – P.A.W.S. Ministry (Pets are Working Saints).

Awards

2016 - Recipient of the Commonwealth Ambassador Award and the Gold Star Award for Outstanding Patriotism.

2020 – Kentucky Colonel.

Boards and Commissions

2018 -Lexington Fayette County Urban County Government Veterans Commission – Founding Member.

2021 -Unite Us – Member.

Degrees

Nyack College – Bachelor's Degree

American Public University – Master Certificate in Nonprofit Management

Grand Canyon University – Masters' degrees in Organizational Leadership and Christian Studies with a focus on Urban Ministry.