

# Volunteer of the Month

## December 2016

### Adam Obanjoko



Adam Obanjoko is the Buddy-to-Buddy December 2016 Volunteer of the Month! He trained into the program early this year, and since then he's been exceptionally reliable, enthusiastic, and supportive.

He was recently assigned to the 146th and 1771st Medical Units at the Ypsilanti armory and is eager to start making connections and assisting those who need it there. Not only does Adam consistently log all of his interactions with service members and veterans that he has through the program, he is always willing to go above and beyond when called upon to help someone who needs it.

Adam served for three years in the Air Force and then three years in the Army Reserve. After that he completed a Bachelor's degree in Political Science from Eastern Michigan University and worked for a few different companies in retail before obtaining his current position as a Regional Coordinator for the Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency (MVAA) earlier this year. In this role, he serves Clinton, Eaton, and Ingham counties and is loving it and enjoys how well it dovetails with his Buddy-to-Buddy work.

Of his motivation to become a Buddy-to-Buddy Volunteer, Adam explains that he was drawn to the program because he missed the sense of community and camaraderie he enjoyed in the military and says he's glad to experience that again. "I really enjoy feeling a genuine sense of taking care of our service members and veterans, of being able to let people know that there's someone there who really cares." Adam's personable nature makes him very approachable, and in the relatively short amount of time he's been a program volunteer, he has already helped many people in need.

In his free time, he enjoys listening to music, traveling, and staying active and fit. We are so glad he joined the program this year and look forward to continuing to work alongside him!

**Thank you for your commitment to helping service members and veterans, Adam!**