

## TripAdvisor Backs B&Bs for Vets With Over \$30k in Marketing Support Program Organizer Honored for Contribution to Veterans

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For more information about B&Bs for Vets and a list of participating properties, please visit <http://www.bnbsforvets.org/>.

### *About TripAdvisor*

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