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Intro

[HGRBS isn't a traditional volunteer organization where volunteers have to physically check in and out. We're primarily an information-based ministry of the home which doesn't require any central office from which to operate. Although there's a provisional headquarters, it's not a requirement for associates to check in and out or to attend mandatory meetings.

Primarily, core associates and honorary volunteers operate from wherever we are consistent with the precepts of *HGRBS* for *connecting with* and *supporting* our private home heads on a fundamentally home- educational premise. We agree on the same operational ethics as outlined in the *HGRBS Mission, Mission Statement*, and in other posted information consistent with that.]

Brief History

The basic precepts for *HGRBS* were developed by a slew of transient volunteers, me, and consistently encouraged by an occasional entourage of personal advisors locally and from various parts of the country. Many of these participants have long since went on to other things. However, I retain a slew of informal personal advisors whom are supportive of this cause and help sustain and offer ideas for continually moving *HGRBS* into the future.

I'm only the figure head, but, as I've stressed, all the ideas and suggestions for the advancement of this ministry don't originate, solely, with me but with other volunteers who have served and serve as volunteers and personal advisors whom are experienced in various organizational realms. So, we get quite a bit of operational help from our friends.

Although, there are a few very loyal confidantes, locally, most of the advice and suggestions have originated (and do) from associates of various realms of service whom we've met in one way or another online.

Chronology

2009 - HGRBS was formed(Originally 'HGRB Services') as an online entity from our second home in *Shoreline, WA* around *Christmas* time [2009](#) (officially dated for *December 1* that year).

2010- But, actual online outreach efforts to the benefit of our private home decision makers didn't begin to be more aggressively emphasized until around *March 2010*.

2011 - By *February 2011*, we set up the [first national headquarters](#) for HGRBS at my third home in *White Center, WA* (which I, at the time, imagined to be "*Shorewood*," a nearby vicinity not to be confused with "*Shoreline*," a completely different location). By that time, we'd managed also online quasi affiliates in a number of states (approximately 32). Locally, there were only a handful of us.

By *June*, it became necessary for us to move headquarters to another area in the city. We could pool our funds to do so elsewhere in the area or in a completely different neighborhood. There was a challenge: *No one else was willing to do it*. I was the only one paying the bills. This was really an upsetting experience (Enough for us to part ways.) It was my first big experience with the impact of organizational betrayal by people I'd literally die for if need be. That was the first near collapse of the entire operation.

Later on that year, my best, most affordable option, since my only reserves were running too low to accommodate the leasing demands, was to rent a room in someone else's house in nearby *Burien*. I retained a few local associates in addition to some I met online (losing others personally associated with the "*traitors*"), but I continued to confer with "*my guys*" for guidance.

But, being as short-handed as I had become without the others, the level of cross-communication wasn't as great. There were websites which had been neglected or withdrawn to which I didn't have the user ID's and passwords. This really wasn't a good time for me.

2012 -2014 – I'd by then worked with several more on again, off again volunteers who'd start projects then go on to other things. I think the major reason was that there was quite a bit of economic instability between us. This inevitably caused me to move into even less fortunate surroundings in another sector of Seattle from where I retained support for HGRBS, barely keeping things together. If not for the online option, things will have collapsed completely.

But there were certain standards we developed among ourselves and with the help of experienced advisors. By then, the good which came out of it all was the gradual development of our [“Volunteer Associates Guide,”](#) the present [“Questions-Answers”](#) which now appear on the new, “resurrected” HGRBS *Flagship* website”, and quite a few other guiding principles for this ministry.

But we suffered from a deficiency of internal commitment to those standards. Twice I had to declare a hiatus on operations because of this. I had to literally shut down websites over which I had control because of all the [infiltrations](#), viruses and bugs which infested them. It developed into a very nasty situation. So, by the end of 2014, I needed somewhat of a break.

2015 - I was advised, instead, to revisit many of the cities and communities in the *Pacific NW* to which I should have been accompanied (but wasn't) in 2013. This time, it was for once again visiting the people of those areas for the sake of *staying current* with them. They were part of the overall constituency of HGRBS and would be more receptive to our [“Free Service Policy”](#) at some point in the future. It was something to keep my mind off all the troubles and for focusing more on the *Mission* in this realm of things. It worked.

By the end of the year, with the assistance of a few well-established and notable associates and volunteers, we were blessed with a new limited access location in a residential setting which now serves as the provisional national headquarters.

2016 – On the advice of a few close associates, I personally released a public announcement (now being, momentarily, without a copywriter) that it was necessary for the original HGRBS *Flagship* and associate websites under my control to be temporarily [shut down](#) because of the absence of capable webmasters to sustain them.

But, I avoided mentioning the fact that at that point, the sites were infested with all sorts of mysterious viruses and malware which facilitated the process.

We had an idea as to how this condition originated, but we couldn't prove it. Since this was the case, all websites under my control had to be shut down. They were all tainted and infested. Still, as I've expressed, we had only an opinion about how this happened, but we couldn't prove it. Whoever was behind this wasn't talking.

It was suggested that I started a website under my own name. The given reason was that whomever or whatever it was (more than one person) were *“honed in”* on the domain names of the flagship and on the associated sites. Whatever they had was still hovering around in cyber space and would latch on to any semblance of those domain names since shutting down the sites was still very recent. It didn't make any sense to me. But, I took the advice to heart.

This is the reason for the *Cylex* website which bore my name in the primary site link. However, since the “*resurrection*” of the [HGRBS Flagship](#) site at the end of the year, the *Cylex* site was quickly “*de-personalized*,” then delegated to the “*auxiliary*” position. It became the backup against any repeats of cross viral and malware infestation [The *Cylex* site was completely phased out by July 2017, replaced by one more consistent “*with corporate of objectives toward de-personalization of sites.*” The new site: [“American Private Homefront.”](#)]

Also, by the end of the year, “*on-the-ground*” volunteers had become low priority since our web presence was enormously lacking. There was a greater need for “*putting more muscle*” into it.

The ministry was far behind and there was a need for things to be immensely refined, updated, more convenient, and useful to our private home heads. That’s when the decision was made to outsource for online cohorts from different parts of the country to make it happen.

Since that decision, in the following quarter, more progress was made than in any other quarter since the inception of *HGRBS*. Support from active online volunteers from across the nation was enlisted to assist with crucial creative, trouble-shooting, research, and clerical tasks for increasing the free online home information service to *U.S.* residents.

2017 - By the end of the first quarter, this change of approach from the sluggishness of practically useless “*on-the-ground*” volunteers to the amazing resourcefulness of online cohorts, enabled us all to accomplish more this first quarter than in any other quarter in *HGRBS* history!

Thus far, this change of approach has resulted in:

1. A complete upgrade of the free 2-week private online home study crash course [“Protocol & Performance;”](#)
2. The creation and circulation of the free online, resident-friendly booklets/tutorials which are customized to each geographic area and now freely available in all [50 states](#), including the *District of Columbia*. [A dream come true, accomplished in only a few weeks! Outsourcing rocks!]

Now

Present projects include volunteers engaged in online proof-reading, editing, and/or collating of both official and unofficial *HGRBS* documents. The objective is to continue to build a resident-friendly web presence far better than it has ever been since *HGRBS*’ inception. These will continually and more effectively serve residential needs for being more informed, prepared, and strategized to make the best possible decisions in contract-related home project authorizations.

Looking Ahead

Once this online process is complete and sustained, grassroots recruiting and general operations will resume without having to be concerned for our sites ever again being corrupted beyond recovery. There's a lot more at stake, now.

*My best hopes and prayers in this moment is that there's more clarity with respect to the history, purpose, function, and objectives of this ministerial corporation of independent volunteers. We are exclusively devoted to U.S. private home heads in matters of new assertiveness towards ensuring the best possible contract-related home maintenance and improvement priorities.

As always, it's a pleasure and a great honor sharing useful information with others. Yet, even more than that, it's my GREATEST pleasure and honor sharing it with you!

GOD BLESS YOU, YOUR FAMILY, & YOUR HOME!

“ The leading reason for most successful contract-related home projects is that residents ‘do’ thorough enough service validations on contractors; the leading reason for most unsuccessful contract-related home projects is that residents ‘do not’ do thorough enough service validations on contractors”

[Universal Law of Home Project Success & Failure]



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