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Veteran & Family Resource Update..

February 2020

Don't miss the second annual VET CONNECT

Connecting Veterans & Families to each other, Qualified Resources, Qualified Listeners, and Careers
Saturday, March 14th, from 10 am to 2 pm
Embassy Suites | Loveland, Colorado

Click for details

How We Get Things Done

People wonder how we can get so much done in our first three years. The answer is our team of incredible volunteers who work hard to help our Veterans and their families. They share our vision of Helping Veterans & Families Find More Peace in Their Life.

Most don't know we have 17 folks here at Qualified Listeners. We have 7 Qualified Listeners, 5 supporting volunteers, and 6 board members (1 board member is also a Listener). We are all volunteers.

area, and we need more Listeners in Larimer County, Boulder County, and the Metro Area.

Who Guides Us

Please help us welcome Jennifer Hahnke and Amanda Vargas as our new Board Members. They join Kimberly Pratt, Sarah Harlow, Terry Young, and Greg Goettsch.

What We Did in January

We now exceed 700 Listening Sessions since our first one in May 2017. We continue to directly support over 150 Veterans or family members every month, in addition to those who use one of our 8,000 printed Veteran & Family Resource Directories.

Each week we receive calls about new needs. At this point I'm convinced we will never get to the spot where "we've heard it all". There are so many people with so many different life journeys.

Doing Things Properly

We are very proud to announce we've again met or exceeded the 20 standards required to become an Accredited Charity of the Better Business Bureau! This is the second consecutive year for accreditation and we remain one of our two Veteran support organizations in northern Colorado to achieve this. To learn more and read our profile, click here

PAMVET Update

There is the start of a new PAMVET breakfast club in Greeley Saturday, February 8, 2020 at 7:30 am at the Golden Corral located at 3035 S. 23rd Avenue, Greeley, CO 80631 - (970) 330-1014. For other PAMVET breakfast clubs click here

PTS or Moral Injury

Over the next few years we will hear much more about both of these topics. Do you know about moral wounds or moral injury and how it compares to PTS? Post-Traumatic Stress is mainly based on fear for one's life. Moral wounds exist when a person has seen or been a part of actions which conflict with them as a human being. Here is a great paper on this topic click here

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families. Events on this calendar are for organizations hosting events covering a region, open to all Veterans and family members.

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Other Stuff

- BMW Trike & Sports Trailer Touring System For Sale as a Tax-Deductible Donation! Read more...
- Qualified Listeners has partnered with King Soopers on a Community
 Rewards Program to support Veterans and their families. <u>Click for details</u>
- Veteran Discounts <u>www.legion.org/veteransbenefits/military-veteran-discounts</u>
- If you know a Veteran who needs clothes, <u>click here</u> to learn about our Suits for Veterans program. Any Veteran, any era.
- Helping Veterans and family members takes money and this is where you
 can help <u>click here</u> to donate to Qualified Listeners. Every dollar goes toward
 food, gas, utility bills, advocacy visits, Listening Sessions, home
 improvements, and other necessities.
- Guest Speaker
 - We are happy to come speak to your group, company or organization and share information about Veterans. Just <u>send us an email</u> to arrange a time and place for this 20 minute program. Groups enjoy learning about Veterans.

Sign Up For Newsletters

Do you know someone who would like to sign up for our Veteran & Family newsletters? You can use the FORWARD button at the bottom of this newsletter or send them this link. All it takes is first name, last name, email address, city, state, county and the preferences for the information they have the most interest in.

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