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## **Veteran & Family Resource Update..**

January 2020

**SAVE THE DATE!** 2nd Annual Vet Connect March 14, 2020



# VET CONNECT

Second Annual Event for Veterans & Families

#### **FREE Admission & Parking**

- Connect Veterans to Veterans
- Connect Veteran Families to Veteran Families
  - Connect Veterans & Families to Resources
    - Connect Veterans & Families to Jobs

March 14, 2020 From 10:00 am - to 2:00 pm

Embassy Suites & Conference Center 4705 Clydesdale Parkway Loveland, Colorado

Hosted by Qualified Listeners
Click here to view and print flyer

#### Greetings and Happy New Year! Our 2019 In Review:

- Completed 432 Listening Sessions, bringing the total to 670 since our start in 2017
- Expanded our Listening Program to include visitation to assisted living and Hospice facilities
- Added 605 new Veterans or family members to our support system
- Intervened in three suicide attempts with positive results
- Responded to over 4,500 emails and hundreds of phone calls for assistance
- Driven over 20,000 miles to serve the Veteran Community
- Completed two more Veteran home improvement projects

- Assisted Veterans remotely in Missouri, California, Washington State, Illinois, Nebraska, South Dakota, Kansas, Alabama, and New Mexico
- Distributed over 2,000 Veteran & Family Resource Directories bringing the total to over 6,500 in circulation
- Provided clothing vouchers to 56 Veterans
- Hosted the first annual regional "Vet Connect" Event for Veterans and their families
- Hosted the first annual "Veteran Support Day at Scheels" the Saturday prior to Veterans Day
- Organized and facilitated the second annual two-day Veteran Panel at Frederick High School
- Approved the second consecutive year as an Accredited Charity with Better Business Bureau
- Received the top Veteran Organization in Northern Colorado award from Scheels Colorado Giving Campaign

Our mission is to "Help Veterans and Families find more peace in their life." Every decision we make and every relationship we have supports this mission.

In addition, we educate and inform by giving talks and presentations to every organization who wishes to learn more about supporting our Veterans. If you know of a Rotary Club, Lions Club, Elks Lodge, libraries, Marine Corps League Detachment, VFW or Legion Post, or any other group, please let us know. Our typical talk is about 10 minutes and we will travel any reasonable distance to present.

It doesn't matter what the need is. If a Veteran can provide proof of service, we can help!

#### **Upcoming Events**

- Veteran Breakfast Club PAMVET Breakfast Click to learn more
  - Loveland, CO every Saturday morning at 7:30 AM
    - Golden Corral
  - Englewood, CO, first Saturday of every month at 7:30 AM
    - Golden Corral
- Veteran Breakfast Club
  - Loveland, CO every Monday morning at 7:30 AM

- Pepper Pod
- January 11
  - Broomfield Veterans Memorial Museum
  - Coffee & conversation 9:00 am 11:00 am
  - 12 Garden Center, Broomfield
- January 16
  - Cooper's Troopers Marine Corps League
  - Noon 1:30 pm
  - American Legion Post 161
  - 6230 W. 60th Avenue, Arvada
- March 14
  - 2nd Annual Vet Connect Event
  - Embassy Suites, Loveland

Cheyenne VA Event Calendar www.cheyenne.va.gov/calendar.asp

#### Other Stuff

- BMW Trike & Sports Trailer Touring System For Sale as a Tax-Deductible Donation! <u>Read more...</u>
- 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.

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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