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New Mexico Comes Together for Veterans Day



STATE OF NEW MEXICO EXECUTIVE OFFICE SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

Proclamation

WHEREAS, New Mexico's veterans have answered our nation's call to service with extraordinary courage, honor, and selflessness, placing themselves in harm's way to defend the freedoms and values cherished by all Americans; and

WHEREAS, on November 11, 1918, our nation first observed Armistice Day to commemorate the end of World War I and to honor the service and sacrifice of those who fought in that global conflict; and

WHEREAS, in 1954, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed legislation establishing Veterans Day as a national observance dedicated to recognizing and honoring all veterans who have served in the United States Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, New Mexico is home to approximately 148,000 veterans whose leadership, resilience, and commitment continue to strengthen our communities, economy, and civic life, and whose service embodies the highest ideals of duty, honor, patriotism, and sacrifice; and

WHEREAS, as our nation commemorates 250 years of American independence, we are reminded that the liberties we enjoy today have been safeguarded through the dedication and sacrifice of generations of veterans who answered the call to serve in times of war and peace; and

WHEREAS, Veterans Day provides an opportunity to express our deepest gratitude not only to those who wore the uniform, but also to the families, caregivers, and loved ones whose unwavering support and sacrifices have sustained our service members throughout their military journeys.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Michelle Lujan Grisham, Governor of the State of New Mexico, do hereby proclaim November 11th, 2026, as:

"Veterans Day"

throughout the state of New Mexico.

Attest: Maggie Toulouse Oliver
Secretary of State

Done at the Executive Office this 4th day of November 2026.

Witness my hand and the Great Seal of the State of New Mexico.

Michelle Lujan Grisham
Governor

Each year on November 11, Americans come together to observe Veterans Day, honoring the men and women who have served in the United States Armed Forces. It is a day to recognize their service, sacrifices and dedication to protecting our nation and the freedoms we enjoy.

Veterans Day traces its origins to the end of World War I, when an armistice between the Allied nations and Germany took effect on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month in 1918. Originally observed as Armistice Day, the holiday was renamed Veterans Day in 1954 when President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed legislation expanding its recognition to Veterans of all generations.

For the New Mexico Department of Veterans' Services (NMDVS), every day is Veterans Day. Our commitment to honoring those who have served extends beyond November 11 through our ongoing mission to help Veterans and their families access the benefits, services and resources they have earned. This observance also provides an opportunity to reaffirm our dedication to serving those who have served.

As communities across New Mexico commemorate Veterans Day on Wednesday, November 11, NMDVS will participate in ceremonies and events throughout the state.

In Santa Fe, observances will begin with a parade at 9:30 a.m., departing from the PERA parking lot. A ceremony will follow at 11 a.m. at St. Francis Auditorium.

The Village of Los Lunas will host a ceremony at 11 a.m. at Daniel D. Fernandez Memorial Park, 1103 U.S. Highway 314 South.

The Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Angel Fire will hold its annual Veterans Day ceremony at 11 a.m. at 34 Country Club Road.

In Albuquerque, the Veterans Day parade begins at 9 a.m. at USS Bullhead Memorial Park and concludes at New Mexico Veterans Memorial Park at 10 a.m. A ceremony will follow at 10:30 a.m. at the memorial, located at 1100 Louisiana Blvd. SE.

NMDVS encourages New Mexicans to attend a Veterans Day ceremony in their community. Additional ceremonies and events submitted to the department are listed on the following pages.

To all New Mexico Veterans, thank you for your service, sacrifices and contributions to our communities. We also thank the families who have stood beside you, offering support and making sacrifices of their own. On Veterans Day and throughout the year, we honor and thank you.

Veterans Day Events Across New Mexico

The Veterans Day events listed below are based on information provided to the New Mexico Department of Veterans' Services (NMDVS). NMDVS does not guarantee the accuracy, completeness, or status of the event details and assumes no responsibility for any errors, omissions, or changes. Individuals are encouraged to contact event organizers directly to confirm times, locations, and other details.

CITY	VENUE	EVENT	TIME	MORE INFO:
Saturday (Nov. 7)				
Albuquerque	Historic Fairview Cemetery	Ceremony	10 am	Event website
Alamogordo	10th and Maryland Ave.	Parade	10 am	(575)-437-6120
Artesia	Artesia Park	Celebration	10 am-1pm	(562)-860-3361
Clovis	Main Street Hilltop Plaza	Parade	10 am-11am	(575)-763-3435
Las Cruces	Downtown Main St./Lohman Ave.	Parade/Ceremony	11 am	Event website
Peñasco	Peñasco Community Center	Luncheon	11:30am-2pm	(505)-310-9660
T or C	Veterans Memorial Park	Ceremony	10 am-11am	(575) 894-0750
T or C	NM State Veterans Home Lunch & Music	Lunch	11am-1pm	(575) 894-0750
Zuni	Shiwi Ts'ana Elementary School	Celebration	10 am	(505)-782-7281
Sunday (Nov. 8)				
Paguate	The Guishdi Veterans Park	Ceremony	11:30 am	(505)-263-6722
Tuesday (Nov. 10)				
Acoma	American Legion, Gerald G. Chino Building	Dinner	4 pm-6 pm	(505)-917-1259
Wednesday (Nov. 11) Veterans Day				
Albuquerque	USS Bullhead Memorial Park	Parade	9 am	(505)-768-4495
Albuquerque	New Mexico Veterans Memorial Park	Ceremony	10:30 am	(505)-768-4495
Albuquerque	Paws and Stripes/617 Truman 87110	Event	10 am-2pm	(505)-999-1201
Albuquerque	Indian Pueblo Cultural Center	Honors	11 am-12pm	(505)-843-7270
Angel Fire	Angel Fire Vietnam Veterans Memorial	Ceremony	11am	(575)-377-2293
Belen	Veterans Memorial Eagle Park	Ceremony	2 pm	(505) 236-3618
Carlsbad	Veterans Memorial Park	Parade/Ceremony	10 am	(575)-887-1191
Clovis	Main Street Clovis	Parade	10 am	(575)-763-5392
Cuba	Eichwald Center	Parade	11 am	(505)-274-8725
Española	Veterans Memorial Wall	Ceremony	10:45 am	(505)-903-3666
Gallup	901 West Aztec Ave.	Parade	11am	(505)-863-1275
Gallup	Courthouse Square, 215 West Aztec Ave.	Ceremony	11:30 am	(505)-863-1275
Los Lunas	Daniel D. Fernandez Memorial Park	Ceremony	11 am	(505)-352-7661
Portales	Veterans Memorial Building	Ceremony	10:30 am	(575)-760-3341
Rio Communities	Rio Communitites City Hall	Ceremony	10 am	(505-861-6803
Rio Rancho	Southern and Country Club Drive	Parade	10 am	(505) 892-4499
Rio Rancho	Veterans Monument Park	Ceremony	11am	(505) 892-4499
Roswell	ITC Commons, ENMU Roswell	Celebration	11am-1pm	(575)-624-7065
Santa Fe	St. Francis Auditorium	Ceremony	11am	Event website
Socorro	Isidro Baca Park, Center Street	Ceremony	11am	(575)-835-0240
Santa Rosa	David Flores Veterans Center	Ceremony	11:30 am	(575)-472-0380
T or C	T or C Elementary	Ceremony	9 am	Event website
Saturday (Nov. 14)				
Roswell	Downtown	Ceremony	9 am	(575)-268-0220
Roswell	Downtown	Parade	10 am	(575)-268-0220

Veterans Day Programming from PBS

New Mexico PBS (KNME – Ch. 5.1, Ch. 5.4, and streaming) will present a series of Veterans Day programs throughout November honoring those who serve, have served, and the families and communities who support them. For program details, visit www.nmpbs.org. All programs will also stream for free on the PBS app after the broadcast.

SALUTE TO SERVICE 2026: A VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION

5.1: FRI. NOV 6, 9pm

Jason Kelce hosts this special with The U.S. Army Field Band, featuring unique musical performances by 8-time Grammy-winning legend Jon Batiste alongside the Six-String Soldiers. Experience training at West Point with NFL offensive tackle Alejandro Villanueva, who reminisces about his time as a cadet, and meet members of the 3rd U.S. Infantry Regiment, 'The Old Guard.' This program is a celebration of gratitude to those who have worn the uniform in service to us all.

THE MARINES

5.1: FRI. NOV 6, 10pm

This program examines the rich history and unique warrior culture of the United States Marine Corps, whose "Warrior Ethos" is ingrained into each recruit from the beginning. With access to Corps facilities around the country, this program explores their training, what it takes to become a full-fledged Marine, and the strong bond Marines share with one another and the Corps.

COLORES! The Candelaria Brothers in WWI

5.1: SAT. NOV 7, 4pm; 5.4: FRI. NOV 13, 8pm

A New Mexico Story -- In commemoration of Veterans Day, see World War I through the eyes of historian Andrés Armijo's great-uncles, Gaspar and Liberato Candelaria. Discovering his history through photographs, letters, and family stories, Armijo learns from his great-uncle's experiences before, during, and after "The Great War."

I LIED ABOUT MY AGE: A MARINE IN WORLD WAR II

5.1: TUES. NOV 10, 10pm

In the early days of World War II, Frank Wright wanted to join the Marines but was only 16 years old.

He stuffed his pockets with bananas for extra weight, then lied about his age, going on to see brutal combat on both Guam and Iwo Jima, and a very personal Japanese bayonet charge. Narrated by actor Rob Morrow.

SECRETS OF THE DEAD "Finding America's Fallen"

5.1: WED. NOV 11, 9pm and FRI. NOV 13, 3pm; 5.4: SAT. NOV 14, 8pm

A unique archaeological dig is happening in South Carolina, where veterans are investigating the site of the Battle of Camden and exploring how the Continental soldiers' devastating loss there turned the tide of the American Revolution. These veterans want to give Camden's fallen their due.

NO GREATER ACT: PUEBLO RESISTANCE

5.1: THURS. NOV 12, 7pm; 5.4: FRI. NOV 13, 9pm

Winner: Rocky Mountain Emmy Award - A timely exploration of the birth of resistance in North America, considered the "First American Revolution" by some historians. This groundbreaking film tells the fascinating story of Indigenous resistance to the Spanish colonization of New Mexico**.** Spanning two centuries, it reveals the unsung acts of resistance and resilience by Pueblo People to foreign domination that led up to the 1680 Revolt.

Upcoming NMDVS Veterans' Benefits Outreach Visits

The New Mexico Department of Veterans' Services (NMDVS) is scheduled to make the following outreach visits at the locations listed below. Veterans and/or their eligible dependents are encouraged to stop by to file for or inquire about VA disability ratings, VA medical or mental health care, retiree pensions, military burials, and other VA benefits.

Staff can also help with applying for state Veterans' benefits such as discounted fishing and hunting licenses, Veterans' license plates, property tax exemptions, state park passes, and many more state Veterans' benefits.

Please bring a copy of your DD-214, NA 13038, NOAA 56-16, PHS 1867, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty, which are necessary for filing all Veterans' benefits claims. In addition, your VA award letter showing percentage of disability, NM Driver's License, ID, voter Registration card, and Widow/Widower copy of marriage and death certificates if applicable. NMDVS can help Veterans file for lost or misplaced DD 214s.

Artesia	11/18, 12/16	United Veterans Hall, 402 W. Hermosa Dr.	9am-4pm
Carlsbad	11/10, 11/24, 12/9	VFW Post 8703, 1919 San Jose Blvd.	10am-3pm
Cannon AFB	11/17, 12/01, 12/15	AP Seminar, MFRC, 1554 Spear Loop	11am-12pm
Capitan	12/2, 1/6	Capitan Public Library, 101 E 2nd St.	10am-3pm
Deming	11/25, 12/23, 1/27	Luna County Senior Center, 800 Granite St.	10am-12:30pm
Gallup	11/10, 12/8, 1/12	Vets Helping Vets, 908 E. Buena Vista Ave.	10am-11am
Holloman AFB	11/25, 12/2, 12/9	TAP Seminar, MFRC, W NM Ave., Bldg. 788	8:30am-10am
Raton	11/18, 12/16, 1/20	Raton VA Clinic 1493 Whittier St.	10am-2pm
Ruidoso	12/2, 1/6	Ruidoso Community Ctr/501 Sudderth Dr.	10am-3pm
Santa Rosa	12/9, 1/13	Guadalupe County Veterans Ctr, 720 Lake Dr.	10am-2pm
Socorro/Belen	11/10, 12/8	Forget Me Not Veteran Ctr. 705 N. California St.	9am-1pm

The following are weekly outreach visits:

Santa Fe Vet Center	Fridays	6535 Airport Road	8am-4pm
T or C Vet Home	Wednesdays	State Veterans' Home, 922 S. Broadway	9am-3pm

Veterans and their eligible dependents may contact any of the NMDVS field offices statewide listed on the last two pages of this newsletter. Each office is staffed by nationally accredited Veteran Service Officers (VSO's), who can also offer assistance by phone or email.

If you know of or are hosting a Veteran or community event that would benefit from having NMDVS on site to help answer questions on benefits available, please contact NMDVS at DVS.PIO@dvs.nm.gov or visit our website at https://www.dvs.nm.gov/

New Mexico Department of Veterans' Services

Mobile Outreach Vehicle

Coming to Your Community!

Veterans – Get the Benefits You Earned!



The NMDVS Mobile Outreach Team will be on-site to help you access both Federal and State Veterans' benefits.

What We Provide:

- Assistance with VA and State of New Mexico benefit applications
- Guidance on healthcare, compensation, pension, and education benefits
- Information on State programs and services for veterans and families

What to Bring:

- DD-214 or proof of military service
- Photo ID
- Relevant medical, financial, or service documents to support your application
- VA Letters

Tue, Nov. 10	**Forget Me Not Vet Center, 702 N. California St., Socorro, NM 87801**	**10am-2pm**
Thur, Nov. 12	**NMDVS Belen Office, 719 South Main St., Belen, NM 87002**	**9am-3pm**
Tue, Nov. 17	**Springer City Hall, 36 Airport Rd Bldg. A., Springer, NM 87747**	**10am-2pm**
Tue, Dec. 1	**Farmington Navajo Museum, 1220 W. Apache St., Farmington, NM 87401**	**8am-4pm**
Tue, Dec. 8	**American Legion Post 116, 68 Pinsbarri, Pueblo of Acoma, NM 87034**	**10am-3pm**
Thur, Dec. 10	**American Legion Post 70, C.R. Quintana, Pecos, NM 87552**	**10am-2pm**
Thur, Dec. 17	**Tatum Senior Center, 121 South Avenue A, Tatum, NM 88267**	**9am-3pm**

Don't miss this opportunity to meet with a Veteran Service Officer in person and get help with your benefits.

For more information and mobile outreach vehicle schedule updates, contact:

NMDVS Central Office: (866) 433-8387 https://www.dvs.nm.gov/

The New Mexico Department of Veterans' Services is here to help Veterans and their families obtain state and federal benefits.

VETERANS DAY CEREMONY

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HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

Join the New Mexico Department of Veterans' Services at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Angel Fire as we honor the brave men and women who have served in the U.S. Armed Forces.

Keynote Speaker:
Colonel Sara Breckenridge-Sproat, U.S. Army (Retired), a 30-year Army Nurse Corps veteran and Vice President of Women Veterans of New Mexico.

Musical performance by the award-winning Cimarron High School Band

The Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Angel Fire was the first memorial in the United States dedicated to Vietnam Veterans. It was established by Dr. Victor "Doc" Westphall in honor of his son, David, and all who served.

Angel Fire Vietnam Veterans Memorial
34 Country Club Rd.
Angel Fire, NM 87710
575-377-2293

Veteran Property Tax Exemptions

Veterans: Apply for your property tax exemption and your New Mexico State Park Lifetime Veterans Pass through the New Mexico Department of Veterans' Services (NMDVS) State Benefits Division.

Property Tax Exemptions:
The standard Veteran property tax exemption is $10,000 and will adjust annually for inflation. Additionally, the Disabled Veteran Exemption allows eligible Veterans or their unmarried surviving spouses to apply for a tax exemption equal to the Veteran's federal disability rating. Applications must be submitted to NMDVS and filed with your County Assessor.

New Mexico State Park Lifetime Veterans Pass:
Eligible New Mexico Veterans can apply for a free lifetime pass providing unlimited access to all NM state parks, including day-use and overnight camping. Standard entry and camping fees are waived; however, reservation and special facility fees still apply.

Documents needed to verify eligibility for the benefits:
- A copy of DD-214, NA 13038, NOAA Form 56-16, or PHS Form 1867
- Proof of New Mexico residency (driver's license, voter registration, or state tax return)
- VA Award Letter showing percentage of disability (only for tax exemption)
- Marriage certificate and the Veteran's death certificate for surviving spouses

Applications for the New Mexico State Park Lifetime Veterans Pass and Tax Exemptions are accepted and issued on-site to qualified Veterans. Information and assistance on federal and state benefits, local Veterans' programs, and referral services are available at any of our field office locations, visit https://www.dvs.nm.gov/, or call 1-866-433-8387 for more details and property tax exemption or park pass applications.

VSO Corner: Why Medical Evidence Matters More Than Ever

One of the most common questions Veteran Service Officers (VSOs) hear is, "Why was my claim denied when I know my condition is related to service?" In many cases, the answer comes down to evidence.

To establish service connection, VA generally needs evidence of a current disability, an in-service event or exposure, and a link between the two, commonly called a medical nexus.

While a Veteran's personal statement is important, medical evidence often plays a critical role in establishing that connection. Veterans should continue receiving treatment, discuss symptoms openly with healthcare providers, and maintain accurate medical records.

In some cases, a medical opinion or nexus letter from a qualified healthcare provider can strengthen a claim by explaining how a current disability relates to military service. A nexus letter is not required for every claim, but it can be valuable when the connection is unclear.

Strong claims combine credible personal statements with solid medical documentation. Working with an accredited Veteran Service Officer can help Veterans identify and submit the evidence needed to support their claims.

To meet with a VSO near you, contact NMDVS to schedule an appointment. Office locations are listed at the end of this newsletter or online at www.dvs.nm.gov/field-services/.

November is Veterans and Military Families Month



Every Veteran's story reflects service, commitment, and sacrifice. Behind those stories are families whose strength, patience, and unwavering support make military service possible. This November, during National Veterans and Military Families Month, we recognize both those who have worn our nation's uniform and the loved ones who have stood beside them.

First established in 1996 by the Armed Services YMCA, this annual observance honors the contributions of Veterans, service members, and military families whose dedication continues to strengthen our nation and communities.

Across New Mexico, Veterans continue to make a difference as community leaders, volunteers, and advocates. Their commitment to service extends well beyond their military careers, leaving a lasting impact on the communities they call home.

Throughout the year, the New Mexico Department of Veterans' Services (NMDVS) has had the honor of visiting with Veterans and their families at ceremonies, community gatherings, and outreach events across the state. Hearing their stories and witnessing the pride and resilience of military families reminds us that service and sacrifice extend far beyond those who wear the uniform.

This November, NMDVS proudly recognizes our Veterans, active-duty service members, National Guard members, Reservists, and the families who support them. Their courage, dedication, and strength reflect the very best of New Mexico.

To all who have served and to the families who have stood beside them, thank you for your service, sacrifice, and unwavering commitment to our country.

New Mexico Lap Robes for Veterans

For the volunteers behind NM Lap Robes for Veterans, honoring those who served comes with a personal touch. The nonprofit provides free lap robes to Veterans, particularly those with limited mobility, in assisted living facilities or who are homebound.



Inspired by a similar effort he encountered in New York, founder John Baerman and three fellow Veterans of Foreign Wars members established the organization in December 2024.

Volunteers make and distribute the robes, providing more than 200 across New Mexico in 2025. Their outreach has included residents of the New Mexico State Veterans Home in Truth or Consequences.



In one special presentation, representatives Garry Gaffney, and Baerman honored 110-year-old Las Cruces Veteran James Flowers with a lap robe, joined by Disabled American Veterans (DAV) Chapter 3 Commander Kelly Lacey and First Vice Commander John Lacey.

NMDVS is pleased to collaborate with NM Lap Robes for Veterans to support its mission of honoring Veterans through handmade gifts of warmth and comfort. As part of this effort, NMDVS Eligibility Interviewer Yvonne Chavez presented U.S. Army Veteran Thomas Howard Baker with a lap robe donated by the organization.

Through their kindness and dedication, NM Lap Robes for Veterans volunteers remind those who served that their sacrifices are remembered and appreciated.

For more information, visit nmlaprobesforveterans.com.

United States Marine Corps Celebrates 251st Birthday

For 251 years, the United States Marine Corps has stood as a symbol of courage, discipline, and unwavering dedication to our nation. Established on November 10, 1775, when the Continental Congress authorized two battalions of Marines, the Corps has built a distinguished legacy of service through generations of Marines who have answered the call to duty. Its motto, Semper Fidelis, meaning “Always Faithful,” reflects the commitment that continues to define the Corps.

Among the Marine Corps’ many contributions to American military history is the remarkable service of the Navajo Code Talkers during World War II. Using a unique code based on the Navajo language, these Marines transmitted critical military communications that supported operations throughout the Pacific Theater. Their ingenuity, courage, and dedication established a legacy that holds special significance for New Mexico.

That legacy continues today through Marines who carry the Corps’ traditions of honor, courage, and commitment into their communities and civilian lives. Whether serving on active duty or continuing to make a difference as Veterans, Marines demonstrate the leadership, resilience, and sense of duty that have distinguished the Corps for more than two centuries.

The New Mexico Department of Veterans’ Services proudly recognizes the Marines who have served and those who continue to wear the uniform. Their sacrifices, accomplishments, and steadfast dedication represent a proud chapter in our nation’s history and an enduring example of service to others.

Happy 251st Birthday to the United States Marine Corps. Semper Fidelis!



STATE OF NEW MEXICO **EXECUTIVE OFFICE** SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO

Proclamation

WHEREAS, *on November 10, 1775, the Continental Congress authorized the formation of two battalions of Marines, establishing a fighting force that would evolve into the United States Marine Corps, one of the nation's most distinguished military institutions; and*

WHEREAS, *for 251 years, generations of Marines have faithfully upheld the Corps' revered motto, Semper Fidelis ("Always Faithful"), exemplifying courage, honor, discipline, and an unwavering commitment to service; and*

WHEREAS, *Marines have answered our nation's call in every major conflict and contingency, defending freedom at home and abroad while embodying the highest ideals of sacrifice, perseverance, and selfless service; and*

WHEREAS, *New Mexico holds a special place in Marine Corps history through the extraordinary service of the Navajo Code Talkers, whose unbreakable code, based on the Navajo language, played a vital role in securing Allied victories during World War II and remains one of the most remarkable contributions to military communications in our nation's history; and*

WHEREAS, *the legacy of the United States Marine Corps extends beyond the battlefield and continues in communities across New Mexico, where Marines and Marine veterans lead, mentor, volunteer, and serve as examples of integrity, resilience, and patriotism; and*

WHEREAS, *the State of New Mexico proudly recognizes the active-duty Marines, reservists, veterans, families, and loved ones whose dedication, sacrifice, and steadfast support strengthen the enduring legacy of the United States Marine Corps and contribute to the security and prosperity of our nation.*

NOW THEREFORE, *I, Michelle Lujan Grisham, Governor of the State of New Mexico, do hereby proclaim November 10th, 2026, as:*

"Birthday of the United States Marine Corps"

throughout the state of New Mexico.

Attest:
Maggie Toulouse Oliver
Secretary of State

Done at the Executive Office this 4th day of November 2026.

Witness my hand and the Great Seal of the State of New Mexico.

Michelle Lujan Grisham
Governor

GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO 1912





Women Veterans Corner

"Connecting Women Veterans — One Story at a Time."

Amberly Viner, Women Veteran Program Manager

Did you know:

During World War I, 223 American women served in France as telephone operators with the U.S. Army Signal Corps. Known as the "Hello Girls," they helped military commanders communicate near the front lines. Despite their service, the Army initially classified them as civilians rather than soldiers. It took decades of advocacy before they received official military recognition and Veterans' benefits in 1977.

Topic of the Month: "I Served, I Sacrificed, I Am a Veteran"

November is a time to honor the men and women who have worn our nation's uniform. As we celebrate Veterans Day on November 11, it is important to recognize that women have served our country in every generation, across every branch of the military, and in countless roles that have helped shape our nation's history.

Yet, some women Veterans may not identify themselves as Veterans or may not realize they qualify for Veteran benefits and services. Others may feel overlooked when their military service is not immediately recognized by others.

A woman's service does not become less meaningful because she served in a support role, never deployed, or served during peacetime.

Identifying as a Veteran can be an important first step toward discovering available healthcare, education benefits, employment resources, disability compensation, and other earned services. It can also help women connect with fellow Veterans, mentors, and organizations that understand the transition from military to civilian life.

This Veterans Day, we encourage women who have served to take pride in their service, share their stories, and reach out for the resources they may need. We also encourage families, employers, healthcare providers, and communities to recognize that women Veterans are part of the Veteran community in every corner of New Mexico.

Your service counts. Your story matters. You belong in the Veteran community.

Let's make recognition more than a once-a-year gesture this Veterans Day. Ask a woman if she served. Listen to her story. Thank her for her service. Help her connect with the benefits and community she has earned.

The New Mexico Department of Veterans' Services Women Veterans Program is committed to connecting women Veterans with benefits, resources, and community support. If you or a woman Veteran you know needs assistance, reach out to the Women Veterans Program to learn more about available services.

If you are a woman Veteran seeking assistance, guidance, or connection to resources, the Women Veterans Program is here to help. The Women Veterans Program Manager serves as the primary point of contact for all women Veteran-related matters across New Mexico. The program's mission is to deliver high-quality service and advocacy of women Veterans and their families. To learn more about the services and support available to you visit: https://www.dvs.nm.gov/

Strive for 500: Preserving the Legacy of Women Veterans

For more than 30 years, the Military Women's Memorial has collected names, photographs, service records, and personal experiences of women who answered the call to serve. Today, the Memorial's National Register preserves and shares the stories of more than 341,000 women. This one-of-a-kind permanent archive ensures "HERstory" remains an essential part of America's story.

The NMDVS "Strive for 500" Campaign is making progress toward its goal of registering 500 women Veterans with the Military Women's Memorial. More women Veterans are needed to help reach this milestone and ensure their military service receives the recognition it deserves.

Registration is free and simple. Women who have served can share their stories through the Military Women's National Digital Repository. Each story helps preserve the contributions of women in uniform while inspiring future generations of New Mexicans.

You don't have to be a Veteran to help preserve this history. Family members and friends can create a Friend account and register a woman who served, whether she is a mother, grandmother, sister, aunt, daughter, friend, or another important woman in your life. Add her photograph and details about her military experience to give her story a permanent place in America's history.

Whether she served generations ago or serves today, you can help preserve her contributions for future generations.

Your service matters. Your story inspires. Your legacy deserves to be remembered.

Visit https://womensmemorial.org/make-herstory/ to register and help preserve the history of women Veterans.

Recognizing 20 Years of Women Veterans of New Mexico

The New Mexico Department of Veterans' Services (NMDVS) congratulates the Women Veterans of New Mexico (WVNM) on its 20th anniversary, marked on September 26, 2026. What began as a small group of women committed to supporting one another has grown into an organization dedicated to empowering, advocating for and building lasting connections among women Veterans across the state.

Over the past two decades, WVNM has provided women Veterans with opportunities for mentorship, community involvement and support. The organization helps members navigate the transition from military to civilian life, overcome personal and professional challenges and connect with fellow Veterans who understand their experiences.

Throughout its anniversary year, WVNM has emphasized strengthening sisterhood across New Mexico and encouraging women Veterans to stay involved through membership meetings, community activities and shared experiences. These efforts reflect the organization's continued commitment to ensuring women Veterans have a place where their voices are heard and their contributions are valued.

NMDVS recognizes WVNM's contributions to New Mexico's Veteran community and commends its members and leadership for 20 years of dedication. Their efforts have helped create a lasting community of support while honoring the service and sacrifices of women Veterans.

To learn more about Women Veterans of New Mexico, its activities and membership opportunities, visit https://womenveteransofnewmexico.org/

Take Your First Step Toward Entrepreneurship

BOOTS to BUSINESS

Offered through the New Mexico Veterans Business Outreach Center (VBOC), Boots to Business is a free, two-day foundational entrepreneurship course designed for transitioning service members, veterans, National Guard and Reserve members, and military spouses interested in starting or growing a small business.

Participants will gain essential knowledge on the core principles of business ownership, including how to evaluate the feasibility of a business idea and how to develop a strategic business plan—an indispensable tool for any new or expanding venture. The curriculum also covers key topics such as securing start-up or growth capital, accessing technical assistance, and exploring federal contracting opportunities.

Join us for one of our dynamic, full-day sessions, typically held from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Please note that on-base access is required for classes held at military installations.

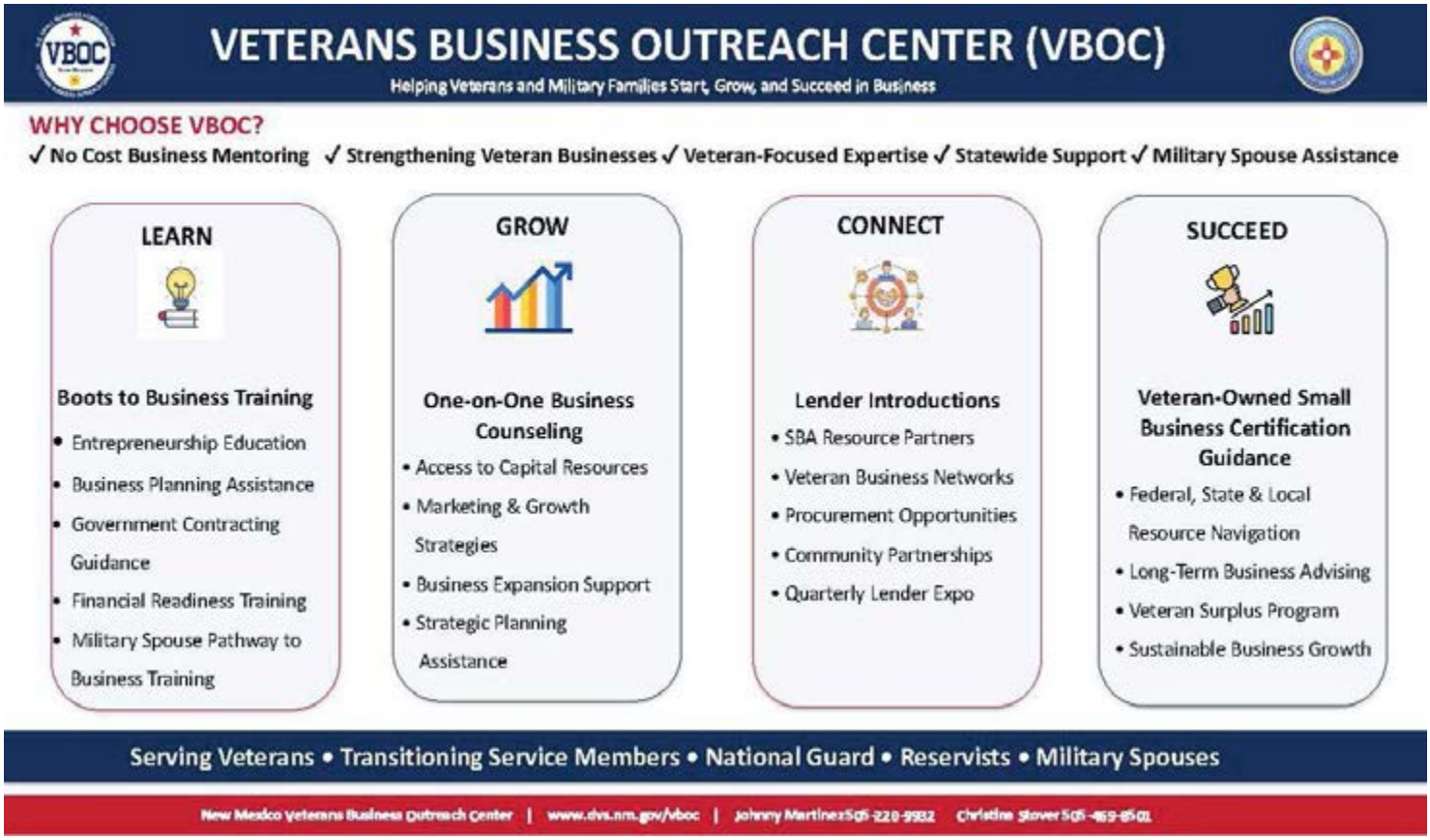
Whether you're just beginning your entrepreneurial journey or looking to expand your business, we're here to help guide your next steps. For more information about the Boots to Business program or to register, please contact VBOC Advisor **Christina Stover** at christina.stover@dvs.nm.gov or call **(505) 469-8501**.

Check the VBOC training calendar for upcoming classes and events: https://sba-vboc.ecenterdirect.com/events?

City	Dates		Location
* Alamogordo, NM	Nov. 12	Boots to Business Training	Holloman AFB M&FR Center
* Albuquerque, NM	Dec. 3	Boots to Business Training	Kirtland AFB Support Center

** Participants will require base access*

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Blue Star Memorial Marker Dedicated in Albuquerque



The Blue Star Memorial Program began during World War II as a tribute to the men and women serving in the United States Armed Forces. Inspired by the blue stars families displayed in their windows to signify a loved one's military service, the program took root in 1944 when New Jersey garden clubs planted dogwood trees along a highway as a living memorial. The National Council of State Garden Clubs expanded the initiative nationwide in 1946, establishing a tradition that continues to honor generations of Veterans and military service members.

That tradition continued in Albuquerque on October 13, 2026, when the New Mexico Department of Veterans' Services (NMDVS) joined New Mexico Garden Clubs, District I, Veterans, military families, and community members to dedicate a Blue Star Memorial Marker at the Veterans Integration Center (VIC). The marker honors all who have served, currently serve, or will serve in the U.S. Armed Forces.



New Mexico Garden Clubs President Johnese Turri, Council of Albuquerque Gardens President Connie Wenk, and VIC CEO Brock Wolff opened the ceremony with remarks. The Women Veteran Warriors Color Guard Team presented the colors, and Micah Bogue performed the National Anthem. District I Director Mary Noskin introduced honored guests, while Turri shared the history of the Blue Star Memorial Marker.

After District I members unveiled the marker, NMDVS Cabinet Secretary Jamison Herrera delivered remarks and a formal dedicated. NMDVS Deputy Cabinet Secretary Eric James, Albuquerque Mayor's Liaison and Coordinator of Military & Veteran Affairs Tom Tozier, and High Desert Design Garden Club President Shirley Tetreault also attended.

The Blue Star Memorial Marker will remain at VIC as a lasting symbol of gratitude for the courage, sacrifice, and commitment of those who serve our nation. NMDVS extends its appreciation to New Mexico Garden Clubs, District I, VIC, and the organizations and volunteers who helped make the dedication possible.

Fisher House Celebrates Seven Years of Keeping Families Close



The New Mexico Department of Veterans' Services (NMDVS) joined the Albuquerque Fisher House today for its seventh anniversary open house.

NMDVS Cabinet Secretary Jamison Herrera and Deputy Cabinet Secretary Eric James toured the facility and met with Fisher House Manager Carlos Valasquez and Christina White, Interim Medical Center Director for the VA New Mexico Health Care System.

The American Legion Riders, along with other community and Veteran organizations and volunteers, also attended the celebration to show their support for the Fisher House and its mission of serving military and Veteran families.



Located at the Raymond G. Murphy VA Medical Center in Albuquerque, the Fisher House provides a home away from home for eligible families of Veterans and service members receiving medical care. The facility offers comfortable accommodations at no cost, allowing families to remain close to their loved ones during treatment.

NMDVS proudly supports the Fisher House mission of keeping families together during challenging times. We congratulate the Albuquerque Fisher House on seven years of providing comfort, care and support to military and Veteran families.

Learn more: https://www.va.gov/new-mexico-health-care/programs/new-mexico-va-fisher-house/

October Veteran Stand Downs and Events Across New Mexico

Throughout October, the New Mexico Department of Veterans' Services (NMDVS) joined Veterans organizations and community partners at Stand Downs, benefits fairs and resource events across the state. At each event, NMDVS staff assisted Veterans and their families with state and federal benefits, answered questions about available programs and provided information about additional resources and services.

From Church Rock and Farmington to Las Cruces, Albuquerque, Clovis and Española, these events brought together government agencies, nonprofit organizations, healthcare providers and volunteers to address the diverse needs of New Mexico's Veterans.

The month's outreach began October 2 at the Veterans Wellness Conference & Stand Down/Hand Up Project at Red Rock Park in Church Rock. The event offered housing and employment resources, wellness information, vaccinations, haircuts and other essential services.



On October 9, NMDVS participated in the San Juan County Stand Down in Farmington, where community organizations provided housing assistance, healthcare resources, employment services and other support.

On October 16, the department participated in two Stand Downs. In Las Cruces, the Veterans Helping Hands Stand Down at VFW Post 10124 brought together the New Mexico Veterans and Families Foundation and community partners offering housing assistance, disability benefits information, Social Security resources, haircuts and other services.



That same day, NMDVS joined Veterans Integration Centers (VIC) for the Albuquerque Veterans Stand Down at The Rock at Noonday. The Women Veteran Warriors Color Guard presented the colors, followed by remarks from VIC CEO Brock Wolff and NMDVS Cabinet Secretary Jamison Herrera. NMDVS staff assisted Veterans with benefits, while community partners provided housing resources, healthcare, counseling, meals, clothing and other support for Veterans experiencing homelessness or housing instability.

On October 23, NMDVS participated in the Veteran & Community Resource Event and Job Fair hosted by Goodwill Industries of New Mexico through its Homeless Veterans Reintegration Program. Held at the Goodwill Opportunity Center in Albuquerque, the event connected Veterans with employment opportunities, résumé assistance, local employers and community support services.

On October 24, NMDVS participated in two additional events. In Clovis, the American Legion Dean Lucas Post 25 hosted its 4th Annual Veterans Benefits & Health Fair, offering information about VA healthcare, disability compensation, education benefits, employment assistance and New Mexico state benefits.

In Española, NMDVS joined the End All Suicide Coalition, Northern New Mexico College, the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars and other community partners for the 2026 Veteran Stand Down at The Rock Christian Fellowship. NMDVS Deputy Cabinet Secretary Eric James spoke at the event, which offered housing assistance, healthcare resources, food, clothing, employment support and other services. NMDVS Healthcare Coordination and Suicide Prevention program staff also participated.

Although each event addressed different needs, all of them shared a common purpose: helping Veterans and their families access benefits, essential services and community support. NMDVS extends its sincere appreciation to the Veterans organizations, community partners, service providers and volunteers who made these events possible and continue working together to support Veterans and their families across New Mexico.

October Veteran Stand Downs and Events Across New Mexico















Military and Veterans' Affairs Committee Meeting

The New Mexico Legislature's Military and Veterans' Affairs Committee (MVAC) is a bipartisan committee that examines issues affecting military personnel, Veterans, and their families. Meeting between legislative sessions, the committee reviews programs and services, hears agency briefings, and develops recommendations to help guide future legislation and funding decisions.



The committee held its fifth meeting of the year on October 16 at Central New Mexico Community College in Albuquerque. Senator Harold Pope chairs the committee, with Representative Debra M. Sariñana serving as vice chair. Among the legislators attending in person were Representative Art De La Cruz and Senators Shannon D. Pinto, Rex Wilson, and Gabriel Ramos.

New Mexico Department of Veterans' Services (NMDVS) Cabinet Secretary Jamison Herrera briefed lawmakers on the department's priorities, including requests for permanent staffing and long-term funding to meet growing demand for Veterans services.

NMDVS is seeking additional permanent full-time positions to support cemetery operations, suicide prevention, benefits assistance, healthcare coordination, public affairs, and rural outreach. Expanded communications through social media, the department's website, and The Guardian newsletter have increased awareness of available services, prompting more Veterans and their families to seek assistance and creating a greater need for permanent staff.

The department also seeks permanent funding for operations at the newly acquired Taos State Veterans Cemetery, and increased funding for Suicide Prevention Act staffing, the Veterans Medical Transportation Program, and continued support for the Veterans Outreach Vehicle beyond fiscal year 2029.

Additional funding will support the future Carlsbad State Veterans Cemetery staff requirements where NMDVS is finalizing contractor selection and expects construction to begin in early 2027. The cemetery will expand burial services for Veterans and their families in southeastern New Mexico.

NMDVS Women Veterans Program Manager Amberly Viner briefed committee members on creating a statewide women Veterans network connecting advocates, community organizations, and resources that support women who have served. Women Veterans often feel overlooked or disconnected from the broader Veteran community. Through increased outreach and stronger partnerships, NMDVS is encouraging more women Veterans to come forward, connect with one another, and access the benefits and services they have earned.



Secretary Herrera also highlighted the Tribal Liaison's increased collaboration with New Mexico's Pueblos, Nations and Tribes to connect tribal Veterans with benefits and resources. Other updates included the State Approving Agency's work to expand access to approved education programs and the Veterans Business Outreach Center's efforts to help Veterans and their families start and grow businesses in New Mexico.

Another milestone shared during the briefing was the Veterans Outreach Vehicle's delivery of services in all 33 New Mexico counties less than a year after its launch, bringing assistance directly to Veterans in rural and underserved communities.

The briefing moved the MVAC members to write a letter of support for NMDVS to the Legislative Finance Committee, emphasizing the importance of permanent staffing and sustainable resources to serve Veterans throughout New Mexico.

Honoring WWII Veteran Edward R. Martinez



A century of life, a distinguished military history, and a family tradition of service brought loved ones together on October 17, 2026, as the New Mexico Department of Veterans' Services (NMDVS) honored World War II Veteran Edward R. Martinez at his Albuquerque home.

NMDVS Cabinet Secretary Jamison Herrera presented the 100-year-old Veteran with a commemorative plaque recognizing his contributions to the nation. The gathering gave Martinez and his family a chance to reflect on a lifetime spanning World War II, decades of civilian service, and generations of military commitment.

Martinez's story began in Las Vegas, New Mexico, where he was born on March 9, 1926. In February 1943, at just 17 years old, he persuaded his mother to allow him to enlist in the U.S. Army. He eventually joined the 20th Armored Division, serving as an ammunition handler in Europe during World War II.



One of his most memorable experiences came while serving in France. Far from their New Mexico roots, Martinez unexpectedly crossed paths with his oldest brother, Frank. Unaware that Edward had enlisted, Frank was surprised to discover his younger brother serving overseas. Their reunion became a remarkable chapter in the family's military history. Frank later lost his life in combat during the Korean War.

Edward's time in uniform continued beyond World War II. He reenlisted and served in Korea before concluding his Army career in 1948 as a Technician Fifth Grade.

Back in New Mexico, Martinez began another important chapter of his life. He married Antonia, and together they built a family during their 70 years of marriage. They raised two daughters, Theresa and Kathy, and their family eventually grew to include three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.



His dedication extended into his civilian career, where he spent 39 years working for what would become Sandia National Laboratories. Even after retirement, Martinez maintained his connection to fellow Veterans through American Legion Post 13. His wartime contributions also earned international recognition in 2001 when the French government honored his role in helping liberate France.

The October 17 presentation also highlighted the family's longstanding military ties. In addition to Edward and Frank, another older brother, Maclovio, served in the U.S. Army. That tradition continued through other family members, several of whom joined Martinez for the special recognition.



Secretary Herrera presented challenge coins to Martinez and three Army Veterans in his family: son-in-law Lester Boyd, grandson Ben Lucero, and Ben's father, Prospero Lucero. The presentations acknowledged their individual service while highlighting the family's shared commitment to the country.

NMDVS continues to honor these Veterans and share their experiences, ensuring future generations remember the individuals behind the history and the sacrifices they made.

Local Community Call Focuses on Veterans and Families



From education and business development to health care and state benefits, Veterans explored a wide range of resources during the New Mexico Department of Veterans' Services (NMDVS) Community Veterans Outreach Meeting on Monday, October 19, at the New Mexico Veterans Memorial in Albuquerque.

The meeting highlighted the department's programs and the role community organizations play in supporting Veterans and their families. NMDVS program directors discussed available assistance through State Benefits, Field Services, Healthcare Coordination, the State Approving Agency, the Women Veterans Program, Tribal Liaison services, and the Veterans Business Outreach Center.

NMDVS Cabinet Secretary Jamison Herrera provided updates on department initiatives and current issues affecting Veterans across New Mexico. He also answered questions from attendees and encouraged open discussion about community concerns and the services Veterans need.



Community organizations highlighted additional opportunities and support for Veterans. Dee Dee Chapman, State Commander of The American Legion Department of New Mexico, shared updates on the organization's work and concerns affecting Veterans. Madeline Pennington of the University of New Mexico's James & Gail Ellis School of Business Leadership discussed educational opportunities, while Patricia Forshaw of the Quilts of Valor Foundation highlighted the organization's efforts to recognize and comfort Veterans through handcrafted quilts.



NMDVS benefits personnel and Veteran Service Officers also provided guidance on VA disability compensation claims, health care eligibility, property tax exemptions, lifetime state park passes, and other state and federal benefits.

NMDVS Community Veterans Outreach Meetings provide valuable opportunities to hear directly from Veterans, address concerns, and share information about available benefits and services. NMDVS thanks the Veterans, families, and community partners who participate in these meetings statewide. Their questions, feedback, and continued involvement help the department better understand community needs and improve services for New Mexico's Veterans and their families.

Stay connected with NMDVS and learn about upcoming events and outreach opportunities in your community. Visit our Events page at: https://www.dvs.nm.gov/news-and-events/ to find information on Community Veterans Outreach Meetings, benefits events, and Mobile Outreach Vehicle visits throughout New Mexico. You can also follow us on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/nmdvshealthcare2015/ and Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/newmexicoveterans/ for the latest news, event announcements, and updates on activities and opportunities offered by NMDVS and our community partners.

Supporting Veterans at New Mexico's Aging Conference



The New Mexico Department of Veterans' Services (NMDVS) connected Veterans and their families with information about earned benefits and available resources during the 48th Annual New Mexico Conference on Aging, held October 20–21 at the Glorieta Conference Center. The New Mexico Aging and Long-Term Services Department hosted the two-day event, bringing together older adults, caregivers, service providers, and community organizations to share resources and promote healthy aging and quality of life.

With the theme "Caring Across Generations," the conference gave our staff an opportunity to connect with older Veterans and their families, raise awareness of earned benefits, and highlight programs designed to meet the needs of New Mexico's Veteran community.



NMDVS Deputy Cabinet Secretary Eric James led a breakout session titled "Serving Veterans, Strengthening Families," which featured presentations from agency program directors. The session highlighted services and initiatives available through NMDVS, including State Benefits, Field Services, Healthcare Coordination, the State Approving Agency, Women Veterans Program, Tribal Liaison services, and the Veterans Business Outreach Center. Attendees also had an opportunity to ask questions and learn how these programs assist Veterans and their families.

In addition to the breakout session, NMDVS benefits staff and Veteran Service Officers provided one-on-one assistance to Veterans and family members seeking information about earned benefits. Staff answered questions about VA claims, disability compensation, health care eligibility, property tax exemptions, lifetime state park passes, and other state and federal benefits.



The conference also featured educational sessions and activities focused on healthy aging, active living, and maintaining connections to community resources. These discussions reinforced the importance of ensuring older New Mexicans, including Veterans, have access to programs and services that support their changing needs.

Through its participation, NMDVS reinforced its commitment to helping Veterans and their families access earned benefits and valuable resources while recognizing the New Mexico Aging and Long-Term Services Department for bringing together agencies and community partners dedicated to serving older New Mexicans.







Veterans Advisory Council Meets in Las Vegas



The New Mexico Department of Veterans' Services (NMDVS) brought together Veterans, families, and community members for the Governor's Veterans Advisory Council (GVAC) quarterly meeting and Community Veterans Outreach event on October 29 at VFW Post 1547 in Las Vegas, New Mexico. The event gave attendees an opportunity to discuss issues affecting Veterans statewide, connect with agency leadership, and receive assistance with available benefits and resources.

NMDVS thanks VFW Post 1547 Commander Gary Ludi and post members for hosting the event and providing a welcoming space for Veterans and their families to connect directly with agency leadership and staff.

NMDVS Cabinet Secretary Jamison Herrera opened the meeting, followed by GVAC briefings on current initiatives and priorities affecting Veterans across New Mexico. Council members in attendance included Chair Rudolpho Martinez, Chad Autry, Jason Gonzales, William Griego, and Kenny Lujan.



During the question-and-answer session, GVAC members, Secretary Herrera, and NMDVS leadership addressed concerns about Veteran transportation, behavioral health services, and engaging younger generations of Veterans. NMDVS leaders participating in the discussion included Field Services Director Rob Miller, Healthcare Coordination Director Devona Hollingsworth, Women Veterans Program Manager Amberly Viner, Director of State Benefits Edward Mendez, and New Mexico Veterans Business Outreach Center Program Director Johnny Martinez. State Representative Anita Gonzales also provided an update on mental health initiatives supporting Veterans and their families.

Alongside the council meeting, NMDVS Veterans Service Officers and benefits staff assisted Veterans and eligible family members with VA claims, health care eligibility, disability compensation, property tax exemptions, the New Mexico State Parks Lifetime Veteran Pass, and other state and federal benefits. Staff also shared information about services for women Veterans, health care coordination, and resources for Veteran-owned businesses.



Combining the quarterly meeting with community outreach allowed Veterans to raise concerns directly with state leadership while receiving information and assistance with their individual needs.

NMDVS appreciates everyone who attended, asked questions, and shared their perspectives. Events like these strengthen connections between Veterans, their communities, and the agencies that serve them while helping ensure Veterans and their families can access the benefits and support they have earned.

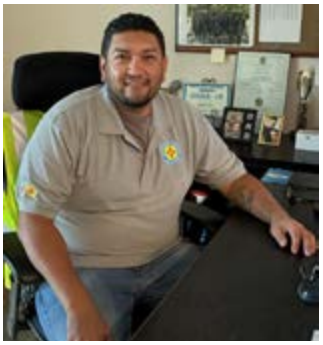
To learn more about NMDVS programs, state and federal Veterans benefits, available services and resources, upcoming outreach events, and office locations, visit the NMDVS website at: https://www.dvs.nm.gov/news-and-events/



The New Mexico Department of Veterans' Services (NMDVS) is proud to recognize Rocky Thompson, Interment Specialist at the Gallup State Veterans Cemetery, for his outstanding dedication and exceptional work. His role requires not only skill and attention to detail, but also deep respect for the men and women who have served our country. Rocky's efforts extend far beyond daily responsibilities. His work helps preserve the dignity and honor of our Veterans while providing their families with a peaceful and respectful place to remember their loved ones.

NMDVS Benefits Division Director Edward Mendez commended Rocky's contributions, sharing: "His commitment, professionalism, and consistent willingness to go above and beyond exemplify the true meaning of service. A self-starter, Rocky performs his duties each day with the utmost integrity, pride, and dedication. Although much of his work may go unnoticed by the public, its impact is both lasting and meaningful. Thank you, Rocky, for the pride you take in your work and for helping ensure that those who sacrificed so much for our freedom continue to receive the honor and respect they deserve."

How long have you been with the agency?
I started with the agency in March 2021. Before joining NMDVS, I worked for Marathon Petroleum Co. as a Lead Refinery Operator. That experience gave me a strong foundation in safety, attention to detail, teamwork, and following established procedures. I've been able to bring those skills and that same sense of responsibility into my work here.



What do you enjoy most about your work with NMDVS?
Knowing that my work serves a meaningful purpose. I take pride in helping maintain a dignified, peaceful, and beautiful place where Veterans are honored, and families can come to remember their loved ones. I believe there is something very rewarding about being able to give back to those who have sacrificed so much for our country. I find satisfaction not just in the work itself, but in what the work represents.



What is your connection to the Veteran community?
My connection to the veteran community is both personal and through the work I do here. My grandfather served in World War II, was a prisoner of war, and received a Purple Heart. Knowing about his service and the sacrifices he made gives me a personal appreciation for what Veterans and their families have endured. Working in a Veterans cemetery allows me to honor that legacy in my own way by helping maintain a respectful and peaceful place for those who served our country.

Please tell us a little about yourself, your hobbies, and what you enjoy doing in your free time?
I'm a hardworking, family-oriented person. I stay pretty busy between work, maintaining my rental properties, and raising my three teenage daughters, one of whom is in college. When I do get some free time, I enjoy getting away to my cabin at Bluewater Lake. It gives me a chance to slow down, relax, and enjoy some peace and quiet.

Three words to describe you?
Family-oriented, Dependable, Hardworking

NMDVS is hiring! View new job postings here: https://www.spo.state.nm.us/



News from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

VA Promotes Lung Cancer Awareness

November is Lung Cancer Awareness Month, and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is encouraging Veterans to take an active role in protecting their health through lung cancer awareness, prevention, and early detection.

Lung cancer is the deadliest cancer among Veterans, making regular health discussions and early screening especially important. When doctors detect lung cancer in its early stages, Veterans have a significantly greater chance of successful treatment and survival. Screening can help identify the disease before symptoms appear, allowing treatment to begin sooner.

Veterans between the ages of 50 and 80 who currently smoke or have smoked in the past should speak with their VA health care provider to determine whether lung cancer screening is appropriate. Even Veterans who quit smoking years ago may still face an increased risk and should discuss their screening options.

The best way to prevent lung cancer is to stop smoking. VA provides resources and support to help Veterans quit smoking, reduce their cancer risk, and improve their overall health. Quitting offers important health benefits, but it does not eliminate the need to consider screening.

During Lung Cancer Awareness Month, VA reminds Veterans that prevention and early detection can save lives. Veterans are encouraged to contact their VA health care team to learn more about lung cancer screening and available smoking cessation resources.

Learn more about screenings here: https://www.prevention.va.gov/preventing_diseases/screening_for_lung_cancer.asp

VA Lowers Native American Home Loan Rates

The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) has lowered interest rates for its Native American Direct Loan (NADL) program, making homeownership more affordable for eligible Native American Veterans and their families.

Effective Oct. 1, 2026, VA reduced the NADL interest rate from 2.50% to 2.47%. Veterans who close their loans on or after that date will automatically receive the new rate for the life of their loan.

The NADL program helps eligible Native American Veterans, service members, surviving spouses, and qualifying families buy, build, renovate, or refinance homes on tribal lands. In addition to competitive interest rates, the program offers benefits such as no down payment, limited closing costs, and no monthly mortgage insurance.

Established by Congress in 1992, the program helps address challenges Native American Veterans face when obtaining mortgages on federal trust lands. VA has signed 121 agreements with tribal governments to expand access to these homeownership opportunities.

To qualify, a Veteran or their spouse must be a member of a federally recognized tribe that has an agreement with VA. Veterans interested in learning more about eligibility, loan benefits, and how to apply can read the full VA article here or visit the VA Native American Direct Loan program website here.

For additional assistance, contact a VA NADL coordinator at 888-349-7541.

VA Offers New, Easier Sign-In Option

The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) has introduced CLEAR as a new, secure sign-in option for VA.gov, making it easier for Veterans to access health care, benefits, and online services. Veterans can create a free CLEAR account and use their smartphone camera to verify their identity when signing in.

The new option does not replace existing sign-in methods. Veterans who currently use ID.me or Login.gov can continue using their accounts without making any changes. CLEAR simply provides another convenient way to securely access VA.gov, giving Veterans more flexibility in how they manage their VA information and services.

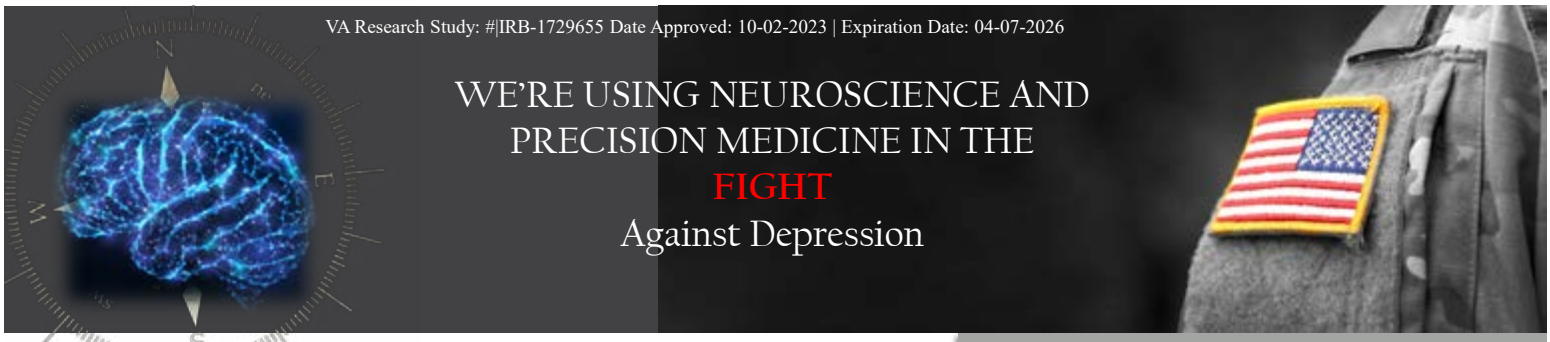
Veterans can create a CLEAR account online using a smartphone with a front-facing camera, their Social Security number, and a government-issued ID. Once registered, Veterans can manage medical appointments, refill prescriptions, communicate with health care providers, apply for benefits, and track claims through VA.gov.

CLEAR meets the same security standards as ID.me and Login.gov. Creating an account is free, and choosing CLEAR does not affect VA benefits or health care. VA also emphasizes that Veterans' health care records and other VA information are not shared with CLEAR.

For Veterans who have difficulty creating or accessing their accounts, CLEAR offers online support, frequently asked questions, and help with account issues. Veterans can also contact VA.gov technical support at 866-279-3677, Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Eastern Time.

For more information about CLEAR and step-by-step instructions to create an account, click below to visit VA's official guide. https://www.va.gov/resources/how-to-create-a-clear-account-for-va/

VA New Mexico Study for Depression



Alto 300-201 – A Study for Adults with Depression with or without PTSD

Alto Neuroscience, VA New Mexico, & Project NAVIGATOR have joined forces using new technology in a Clinical Trial examining the effectiveness of a unique investigational medication, ALTO-300.

Depression represents one of the greatest threats to our community from battlefield to home front. We are facing an inevitable truth: there is not one battle, but two. The first is defined by the ability to fight, survive, and accomplish the mission within the crucible of warfare and military service; the second, to survive the long-term physical and psychological injuries characteristic of these sacrifices and to thrive against the odds. The current study represents a new strategy in our fight on the second battlefield by exploring the effects of new medications and helping us learn the best match for what each individual's brain needs to succeed in treatment.

Participants will be asked to: Take the medication and wear a FitBit for 15 weeks, attend 12 study visits over 16-22 weeks that include EEG, labs, genetic testing, psychological and cognitive testing.

Participants will receive: Compensation for their time to complete the study + travel time.

LOCATION

- 5 of the 12 Visits will be on-site at **VA New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM,** and 7 will be via Telehealth (from your home).

You may be eligible if you are:

- **18-70 years old**
- **Diagnosis of Depression and are taking an Antidepressant**

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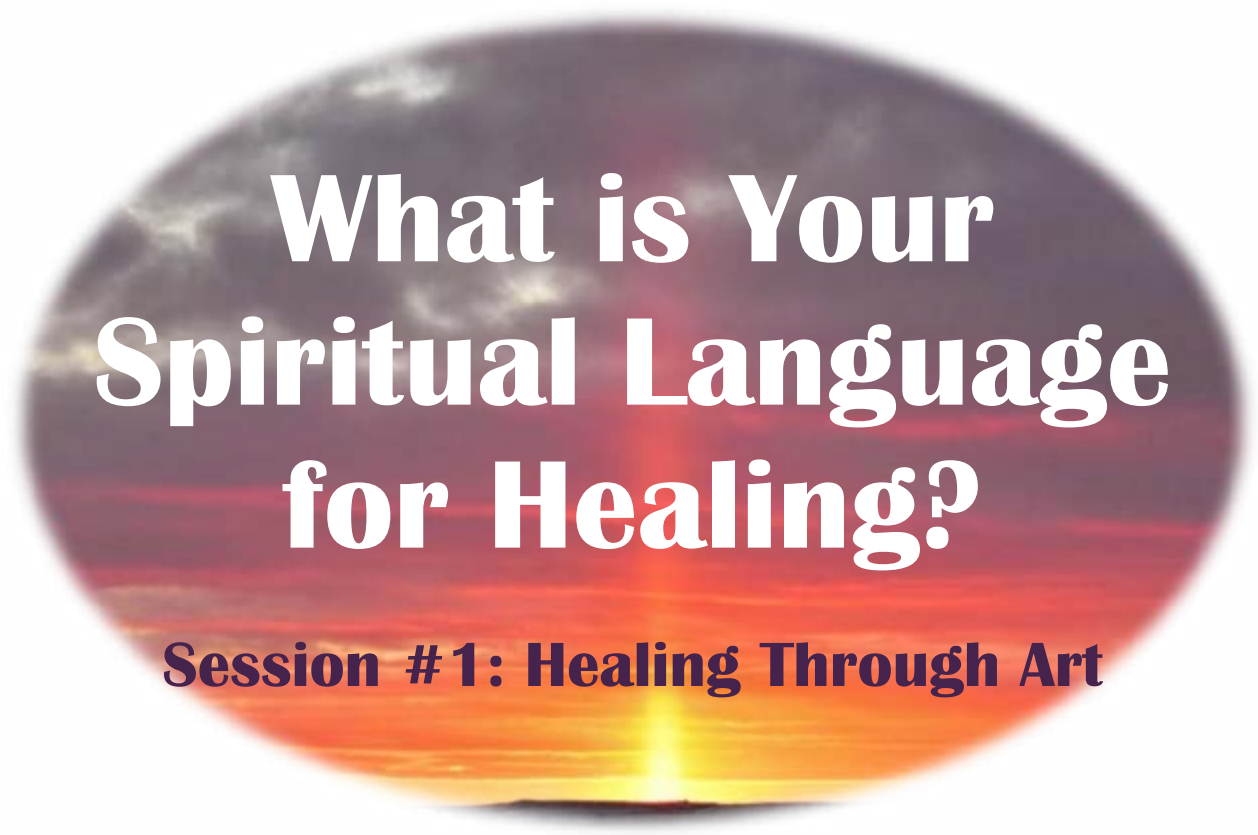
- **Diagnosis of Depression with Mild/Moderate PTSD and are taking an Antidepressant**

To hear more about this study, call or email a member of the study team:

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Sponsor: www.AltoNeuroscience.com



Who: **Women Veterans!**

What: Join VA Chaplain Laura Kuster for the first session of a new series exploring the various "languages" for the healing of Soul Wounds (PTS, MST, Moral Injury and Trauma)

When: Monday, November 9, 2026 10:00 am – 1:00 pm.

Where: PI Conference Room, Room 4A-160, 4th floor
Building 41 (main hospital) New Mexico VA Campus

Refreshments to be provided.

Please come to engage with art created specifically to address veteran soul wounds. Please come to engage discussion about various spiritual languages for healing.

Call VA Chaplain Services **(505) 256-2735** to RSVP if able, although RSVP is not required for attendance.



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Please send your submissions to DVS.PIO@dvs.nm.gov

FREE CLASSES FOR THE COMMUNITY!

NOVEMBER 2026

LOCATIONS	SUN	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT
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SAN MATEO 5000 SAN MATEO BLVD NE		**Typing 101** 9:30 am-10:30 am **Excel 100** 11:00 am - 12:15 pm	**Microsoft Explorer** 9:30 am-10:30 am **Excel 200** 11:00 am - 12:00 pm		**Internet Basics** 1:00 pm-2:00 pm **Excel 300** 2:30 pm - 3:45 pm		
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SAN MATEO 5000 SAN MATEO BLVD NE		**Microsoft Word** 9:30 am-10:30 am **Microsoft PowerPoint** 11:00 am - 12:00 pm	**Computer Basics** 1:00 pm-2:00 pm **Excel PivotTables** 2:30 pm - 3:45 pm		**Resume 101** 9:30 am-10:30 am **First Impressions@** 11:00 am - 12:00 pm		
LOMAS 6001 LOMAS BLVD NE				**Google Docs** 1:00 pm-2:00 pm **Resiliency@** 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm	**Excel 100** 1:00 pm-2:15 pm **Computer Basics** 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm	**Google Sheets** 1:00 pm-2:00 pm **Resiliency Workshop@** 2:30 pm - 4:00 pm	
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TYPING 101: Learn where to place your fingers on a keyboard, what each key does & basic mouse use.
COMPUTER BASICS: Learn basic parts of computer: buttons, ports, hardware, software, Operatng System,etc.
INTERNET BASICS: Learn about the internet, search engines, browsers, online safety & using email.
CYBERSECURITY: Learn to identify cyber threats, phishing, scams & protect your digital assets.

EXCEL 100: Intro to review spreadsheet features & application layout. Build your first basic spreadsheet.
EXCEL 200: Learn basic formulas (+,- ,X, /) how to use auto fill, and how to sort and filter data on spreadsheet.
EXCEL 300: Learn to create dropdowns, charts, tables and how to freeze panes, add backgrounds & more.
EXCEL PIVOTTABLES: How to create PivotTable & insert a slicer.Includes VLOOKUP and SUMIF functions.

CHROMEBOOK BASICS: Learn to use your chromebook with confidence. Chrome OS: simple, fast, easy to use
INTRO TO GOOGLE: Overview of online tools within Google Workspace-collaborate,create, communicate in one place
GOOGLE DRIVE: Learn the basics of this cloud-based integrated storage &file sharing service
GOOGLE DOCS: Learn the basics of web-based word processing. Create and edit docs online.
GOOGLE SLIDES: Learn the basics of a cloud-based presentation software. Create & share slideshows.
GOOGLE SHEETS: Learn the basics of a cloud-based data driven document. Create, edit & share spreadsheets.
GOOGLE GMAIL: Basics of Google email service: Learn to create & send messages,organize & search inbox

ANDROID BASICS: Learn the basics about using your android phone. The home screen, settings, apps etc.
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MICROSOFT POWERPOINT: Learn to design, animate slides and play/save presentations..
MICROSOFT EXPLORER: Learn how to download, save, organize, find files and navigate Windows OS.
MICROSOFT OUTLOOK: Learn to navigate Outlook interface, to compose/sort email & use calendar.

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INTERVIEW SKILLS @ Build interview confidence by learning question strategie,practice mock interviews.
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SUCCEED@ Building relationships, good attitude and the knowledge & behavior skills for success at work.

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THINKING CRITICALLY@ Become better thinkers. Build analytical skills, learn to determine the validity of info.
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RESILIENCY@ An in-depth look at how to withstand & recover from the difficulties of life.
RESILIENCY WORKSHOP@Discover tools to help you develop a plan to strengthen your resiliency skills

Wellness Skills

STRESS MANAGEMENT @ A detailed look at the cause of stress & some strategies to manage daily stressors.
STRESS MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP@ Discover some meditative practces & other options to relieve stress

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Meet company hiring managers.. job leads!
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New Mexico Veterans Art offers Workshops

In conjunction with its November exhibition- "In Cahoots: Veterans & Family Create-" NMVA is offering three workshops at the gallery location: Pleased to Present, 510 Central Avenue SW, Albuquerque. Workshops are limited to 20 participants.

Protest Art: Wednesday, November 4th, 1:00 - 4:00 PM. Instructor: Barbara Endicott. To enroll, contact her at: barbara.endicott444@gmail.com and mail a $10 materials fee to: Barbara Endicott, 755 La Vega Drive SW, Albuquerque, NM 87105-3938. Fees are non refundable.

Haiku Poetry :Friday, November 13th, 1:00 - 4:00 PM. Instructor: Scott Wiggerman. To enroll in Scott's workshop, contact him at: swiggerman@comcast.net There is no charge for the workshop. After a presentation of ekphrastic haiku, participants will visit the "In Cahoots" exhibition and choose works of art about which to write. They will then write a haiku poem and post it next to the artwork for the duration of the exhibition.

Collage:Wednesday, November 18th, 1:00 - 4:00 PM. Instructor: Cecil Touchon. Contact Cecil at: touchon@gmail.com or 817/944-4000. Enroll in Cecil's workshop by submitting a materials fee of $25 through PayPal or Zelle. Fees are non refundable.



Barbara Endicott: "Water Protectors"

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JACK FOX

New Mexico Military Museum
1050 Old Pecos Trail, Santa Fe, New Mexico

Social Hour: 5:00pm - 6:30pm
Ceremony: 6:30pm - 7:30 pm

Tickets available online at
nmnghoh.org

Hotel booking information to follow ticket purchase



NM Military Museum

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SEPTEMBER 17

5:00PM

TOM CHAVEZ

Historian

The American Revolution, Spain and the World War that won the independence of the United States

OCTOBER 17

2:00PM

BILL BARLEY

Chief of Interpretation

Fort Union National Monument

"Of Smoke & Powder" *The evolution of frontier firearms during the 40-year history of Fort Union*

NOVEMBER 17

2:00PM

OLIVER HORN

Regional Manager Lincoln and Fort Stanton Historic Sites, NM Historic Sites

History of Fort Stanton

DECEMBER 12

2:00PM

RICHARD MELZER

Historian, Author

"A History of New Mexico in 100 Objects"

1050 Old Pecos Trail, Santa Fe New Mexico 87505

New2You 505 Thrift Store

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH

1594 Sara Rd SE Ste A
Rio Rancho

9 AM – 4 PM



WE NEED YOU TO FILL THE TRUCK

FOR THE VETERANS INTEGRATION CENTERS!

ITEMS NEEDED: NEW, NOT USED

- NONPERISHABLE FOOD (such as canned goods, pasta, jarred items)
- UNDERWEAR, BRAS, SLIPPERS, SLEEPWEAR
- SOCKS, NON-SKID SOCKS AND "BIG AND TALL" SOCKS
- SWEATPANTS IN LARGE SIZES SUCH AS XXXL
- WOMEN'S FEMININE HYGIENE PRODUCTS
- SOAP, SHAMPOO, TOOTHPASTE, ETC.

NO USED CLOTHING OR FURNITURE



Military & Veterans Appreciation Week

This year marks NMSU's 11th Annual Military and Veterans Appreciation Week, which focuses on enhancing and supporting NMSU's military and veteran-friendly community. Students, faculty, and staff who have served, past and present, are extremely valuable to us, and we thank them deeply for their sacrifice and service.

SATURDAY NOV 7

Las Cruces Veterans Day Parade

Downtown Las Cruces at 11 a.m. Army and Air Force ROTC will be marching in the parade. Visit the Las Cruces Veterans Day Parade website at www.lascrucesvetday.org

MONDAY NOV 9

Military & Veterans Appreciation Week Kickoff

Inaugural Ceremony at Aggie Memorial Tower at 10 a.m. with Retired U.S. Army Brigadier General Eric L. Sanchez and Garrison Commander of White Sands Missile Range Colonel Michael A. Lueckeman as speakers. The U.S. Army Cadet Command (ROTC) Special Recognition and Contracting Ceremony to follow.

TUESDAY NOV 10

NMSU Tribute to Our Vietnam War Veterans

New Mexico State University Military and Veterans Programs proudly honors and pays tribute to our Vietnam War Veterans. We recognize their courage, dedication, and sacrifice, and we extend our deepest gratitude for their service to our nation.

ROTC/Armed Forces Recruiters Day

Information tables from NMSU ROTC Programs, SVO, and the New Mexico National Guard from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. on the northeast side of Corbett Center.

Veterans Day Celebration Hosted By SVO

A day to celebrate our Veterans with refreshments, cotton candy, snow cones, and popcorn from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. on the northeast side of Corbett Center. Fun games and much more!

WEDNESDAY NOV 11 VETERANS DAY

Military and Veterans Programs Open House

Stop by from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. and learn about MVP, its staff, and what MVP is all about.
Join us for some light refreshments, delicious pizza, and freshly popped popcorn

"Our debt to the heroic men and valiant women in the service of our country can never be repaid." — Harry S. Truman

THURSDAY NOV 12

Veterans Day Picnic

Join us from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Garcia Center Courtyard (eastside grassy area) for a free food event provided by Jim Bobs BBQ Come enjoy a delicious meal, connect with fellow community members, and learn more about resources available to local veterans. Information tables from several local veteran service organizations will be available, including the Las Cruces Vet Center mobile van Everyone is welcome—stop by, grab a plate, meet local organizations, and take advantage of this opportunity to connect with valuable veteran resources!

FRIDAY NOV 13

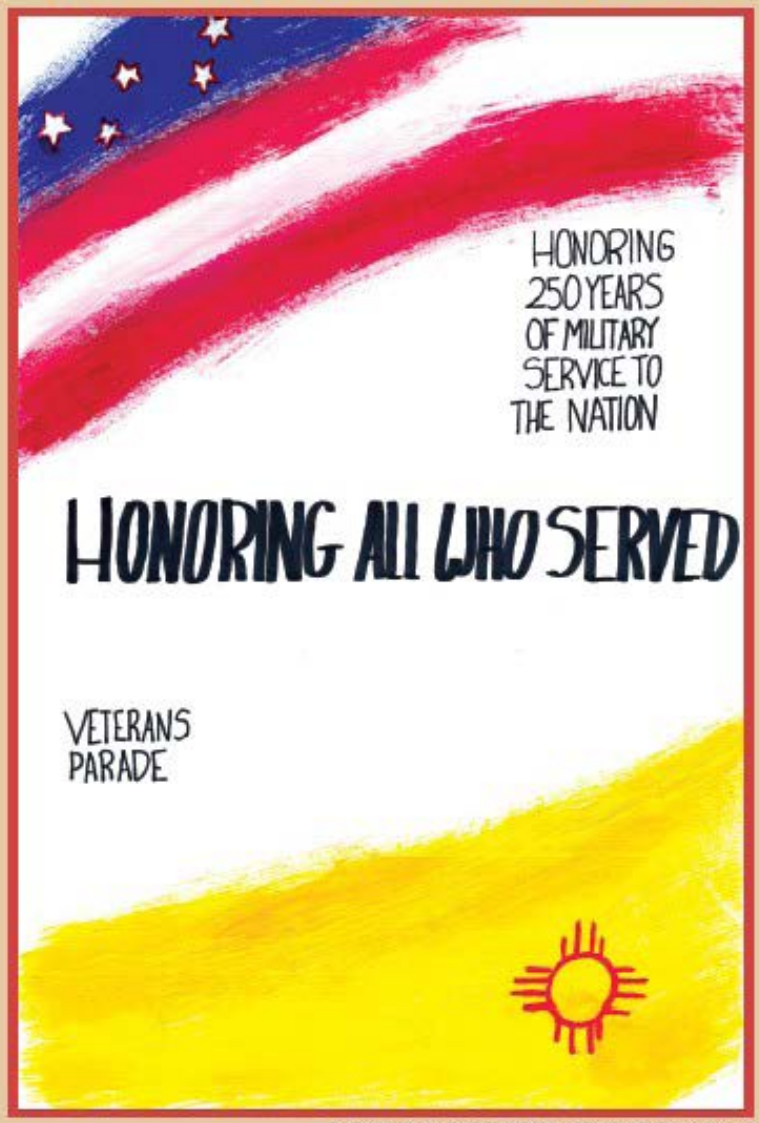
NMSU Faculty & Staff Military and Veterans Banquet

Doors open at 6:00 p.m. in the NMSU Fulton Center, 3rd floor, Villanueva Victory Club. Featured Speaker Cabinet Secretary for the New Mexico Department of Veterans' Services, Retired Brigadier General Jamison Herrera. Dinner will be served from 6:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. By invitation only. Please contact gbamford@nmsu.edu or 575-646-2689 for more information.


VETERANS DAY
2026 CEREMONY
Honoring Every Veteran
We welcome all Veterans to be honored today.
Saturday, November 7, 2026
10:00 AM
Historic Fairview Cemetery,
700 Yale Blvd SE,
Albuquerque, NM 87106
Albuquerque New Mexico
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HONORING ALL WHO SERVED
VETERANS DAY Parade
ON MAIN STREET
CLOVIS, NM
UNITED IN SERVICE, 250 YEARS OF SACRIFICE
CLOVIS SALUTES OUR VETERANS
SATURDAY
NOVEMBER 7TH 2026
10:00 AM
Honoring Our Past. Inspiring Our Future.
TOGETHER AS ONE COMMUNITY.
A COMMUNITY TRADITION
Come together to honor our heroes.
PATRIOTIC PRIDE
Marching units, flags, music & more!
HONOR. REMEMBER. RESPECT.
Celebrating bravery across 250 years.
FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!
Bring your chairs, flags & big hearts!
COME OUT. SHOW YOUR SUPPORT. BE PART OF HISTORY.
MAIN STREET, CLOVIS, NM
LET'S SALUTE OUR VETERANS—TOGETHER!

LAS CRUCES VETERANS DAY PARADE



Poster Art by Chloe Sinsay - Mesa Middle School

11:00 am Saturday, November 7, 2026

Parade begins at Lohman Avenue and Main Street, travels north on Main Street, through the roundabout and south on Water Street to the staging area

FREE PARKING AVAILABLE FOR THE PARADE AT CITY HALL

Register for participation in the parade at http://lascrucesvetday.org



4th Annual VETERANS APPRECIATION CELEBRATION

The Veterans Support Group is Honored to Host the Veterans' Appreciation Celebration.

Veterans, Families of Veterans, & Community Members
are cordially invited to join us in celebrating and honoring those who answered the call to service to this Nation.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2026
Starting at 11:30 AM

GUISHDI VETERANS PARK
Paguate, NM

SPECIAL CEREMONY



Join us as we honor and celebrate all our veterans for their service, sacrifice, and dedication.

It is highly suggested to bring your own chairs as seating will be limited.

POTLUCK



A potluck will be held following the ceremony at the Paguate Community Center.

There will be door prizes, a 50/50 raffle, and a silent auction.

Come fellowship, enjoy great food, and continue to celebrate our veterans.

Any food donations are appreciated and welcomed.

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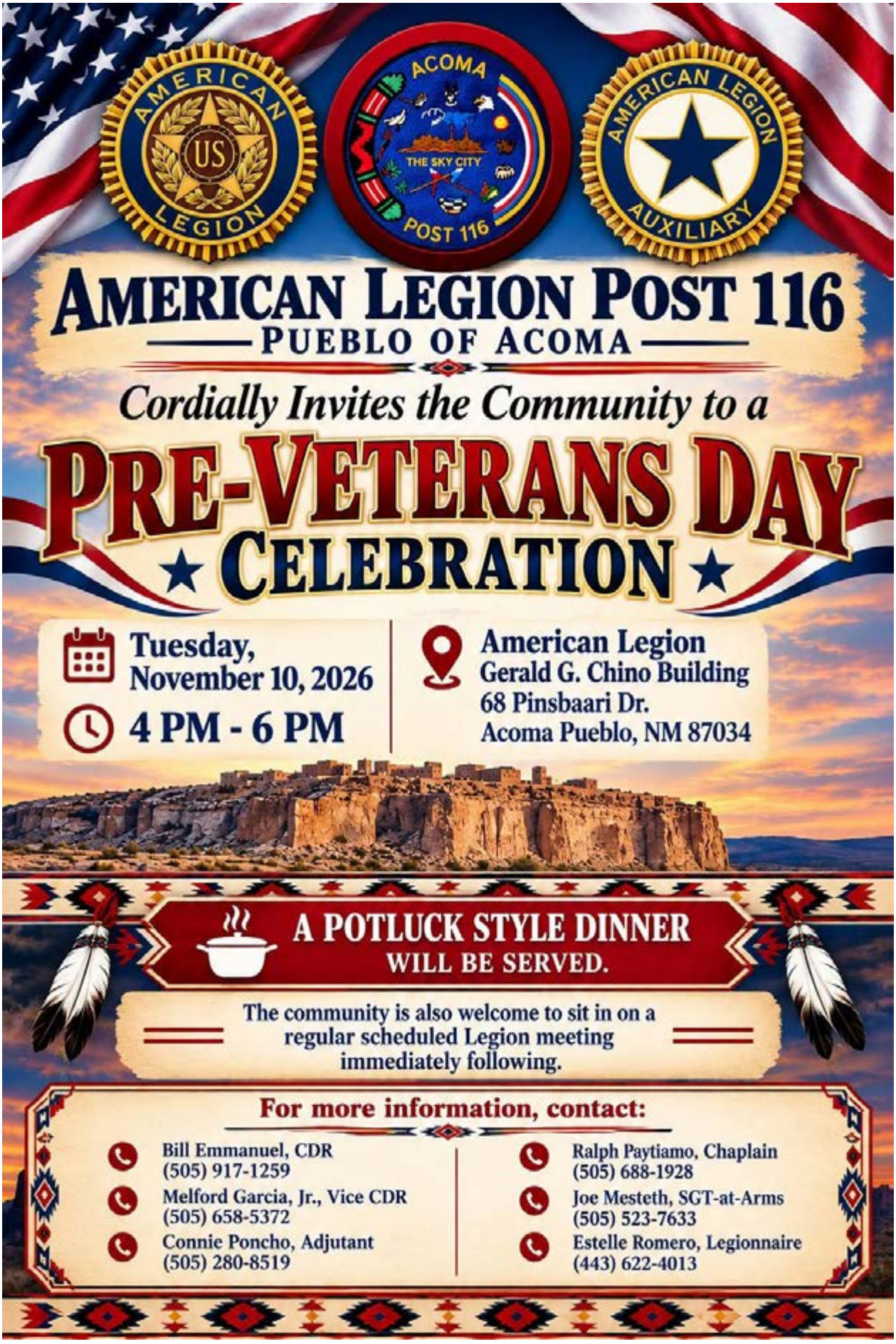
There will be a luminaria lighting on the evening of 11/11, Veterans Day.

The community is invited to join in the evening and light refreshments will be served.

Luminarias will be available to purchase for $2 at the Celebration.

For More Information, Please Contact:

Rebecca Ann Ray	Arlene Juanico	Estelle Romero
(505) 263-6722	(505) 220-9660	(443) 622-4013


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PRE-VETERANS DAY
CELEBRATION
Tuesday,
November 10, 2026
4 PM - 6 PM
American Legion
Gerald G. Chino Building
68 Pinsbaari Dr.
Acoma Pueblo, NM 87034
A POTLUCK STYLE DINNER
WILL BE SERVED.
The community is also welcome to sit in on a
regular scheduled Legion meeting
immediately following.
For more information, contact:
Bill Emmanuel, CDR
(505) 917-1259
Melford Garcia, Jr., Vice CDR
(505) 658-5372
Connie Poncho, Adjutant
(505) 280-8519
Ralph Paytiamo, Chaplain
(505) 688-1928
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(505) 523-7633
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(443) 622-4013



November at Touro Dental Health is
Smiles for Veterans Month.

Join Us for Our Annual

SMILES
FOR VETERANS
CELEBRATION

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2026
Lunch and Program at Noon

TOURO DENTAL HEALTH
2425 Ridgecrest Dr SE, Albuquerque, NM 87108

Join us for the day for your FREE dental care appointment with lunch, special guests, giveaways, and more!

BOOK NOW. SPACE IS LIMITED.
Call 505.658.8236
to make an appointment and mention
"SMILES FOR VETERANS."

Free Dental Care during the month of November for Veterans, Military Personnel and their Families* and 25% OFF most dental treatments throughout the year.
Don't forget to use your dental insurance benefits before they expire!

**Free dental care includes comprehensive oral evaluations, panoramic or full mouth series x-rays as needed, and a prophylaxis cleaning. Patients with complex medical histories may require medical clearance for treatment. Not applicable for cases requiring treatment in the Complex Care Faculty Practice. Multiple appointments may be required to complete treatment. Please make an appointment early to ensure availability. Vet ID required.*

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To learn more, visit: **touro.edu/abq**

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VETERANS DAY

NOVEMBER 11, 2026



Together, we strengthen the bonds that support, empower, and uplift those who have served

WEDNESDAY
NOVEMBER 11, 2026

START TIME
10:30 AM

LOCATION
NM Veterans Memorial Park
1100 Louisiana Blvd SE
Albuquerque, NM 87108

FREE EVENT
Open to the public

ONE ALBUQUERQUE military & veterans affairs

New Mexico Veterans Memorial

RAIL RUNNER

City of Albuquerque

VETERANS DAY PARADE

Wednesday, November 11th, 2026

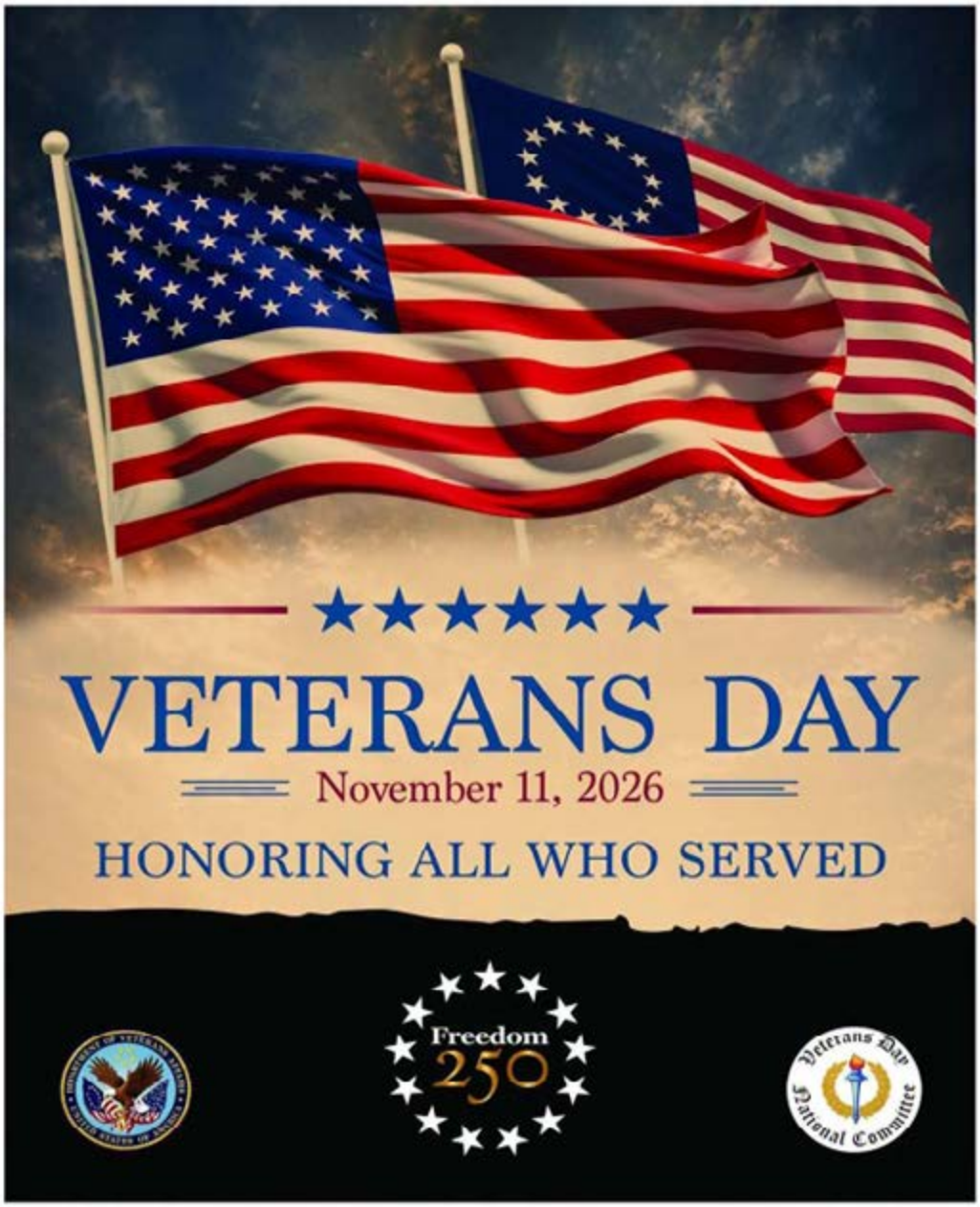
9:00 AM - **Start @ USS Bullhead Memorial Park**
1606 San Pedro Dr SE, Albuquerque, NM 87108

10:00 AM - **Finish @ NM Veterans Memorial Park**
1100 Louisiana Blvd SE, Albuquerque, NM 87108





For more information or to participate:
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Carlsbad Veteran's Day parade and ceremony

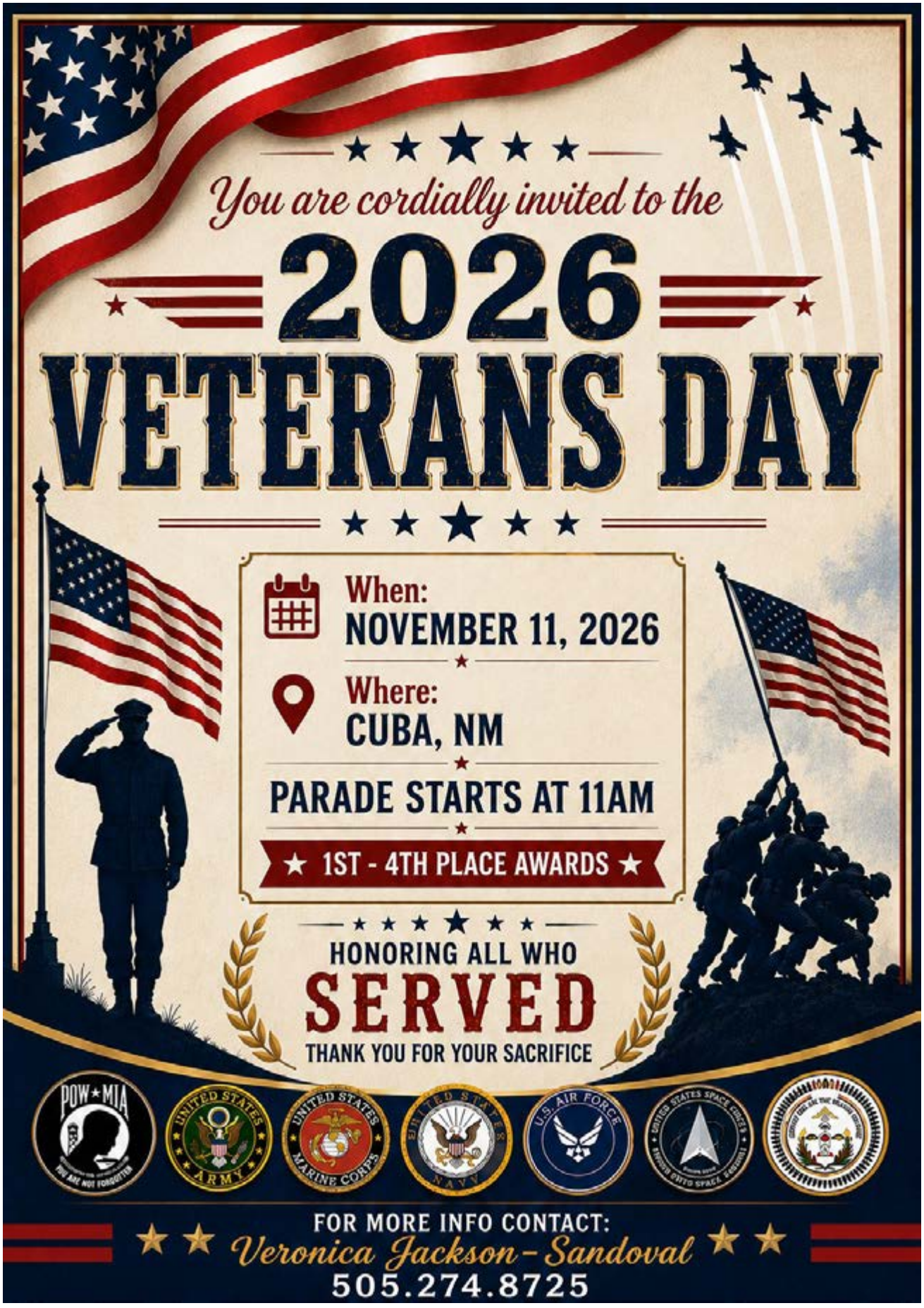
Wednesday, November 11th, 2026

Parade line up starts at 9 am at the school administration building at 408 N. Canyon St.

Parade starts at 10 am. Parade route from school Admin., South on Canyon St., East on Greene St., South on James St.

Ceremony starts at Veteran's Park at 10:45 am.

Parade participants please register by phone/ text @575-361-5848


You are cordially invited to the
2026
VETERANS DAY
When:
NOVEMBER 11, 2026
Where:
CUBA, NM
PARADE STARTS AT 11AM
1ST - 4TH PLACE AWARDS
HONORING ALL WHO
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SACRIFICE
POW MIA
YOU ARE NOT FORGOTTEN
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U.S. AIR FORCE
UNITED STATES SPACE FORCE
FOR MORE INFO CONTACT:
Veronica Jackson-Sandoval
505.274.8725

City of Gallup Veterans Day Parade & Ceremony

Wednesday, November 11, 2026 | Downtown Gallup, NM



Theme: 'VETERANS HELPING VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES'



Event Schedule

Laying of Wreaths: 10:00 AM Hillcrest Cemetery

Parade Line-Up: 10:30 AM 901 W. Aztec Ave.

Parade Start: Aztec Ave: 11:00 AM 8th St to 2nd St.

Ceremony: 11:30 AM Courthouse Square

Participant Info.

To Register a Float: https://tinyurl.com/GallupVeteransDayParade

Entry Deadline: Wednesday, November 4, 2026

Spectator Info.

Free Public Event

Best Viewing: Along Aztec Ave. Bring your own folding chair

Recommended Public Parking: Downtown Courthouse Square & Children's Library Parking Lots

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Join Us!
Honoring All Who Served
VETERANS DAY
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2026, 11 AM
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1103 US 314 S
LOS LUNAS, NM 87031
FELLOWSHIP & FOOD
HOSTED BY
VILLAGE OF LOS LUNAS
LOS LUNAS EVENTS INVESTED IN VETERAN
LIVE, INC.
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VALENCIA COUNTY

Join City of Rio Communities

VETERANS DAY

NOVEMBER 11, 2026

HONORING THOSE WHO SERVED



Rio Communities City Hall

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NEW Veterans Memorial

and Ceremony At 10 AM

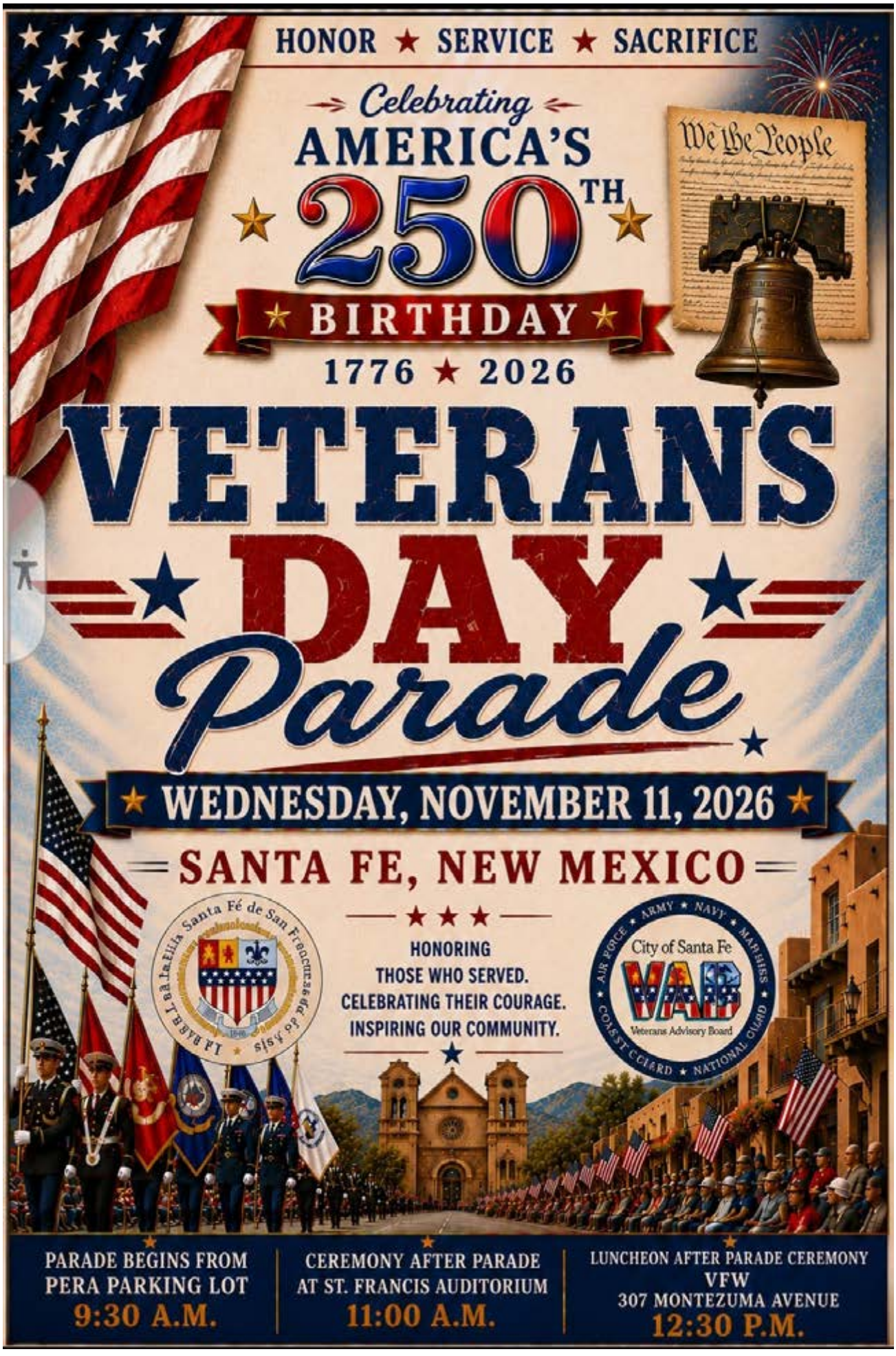
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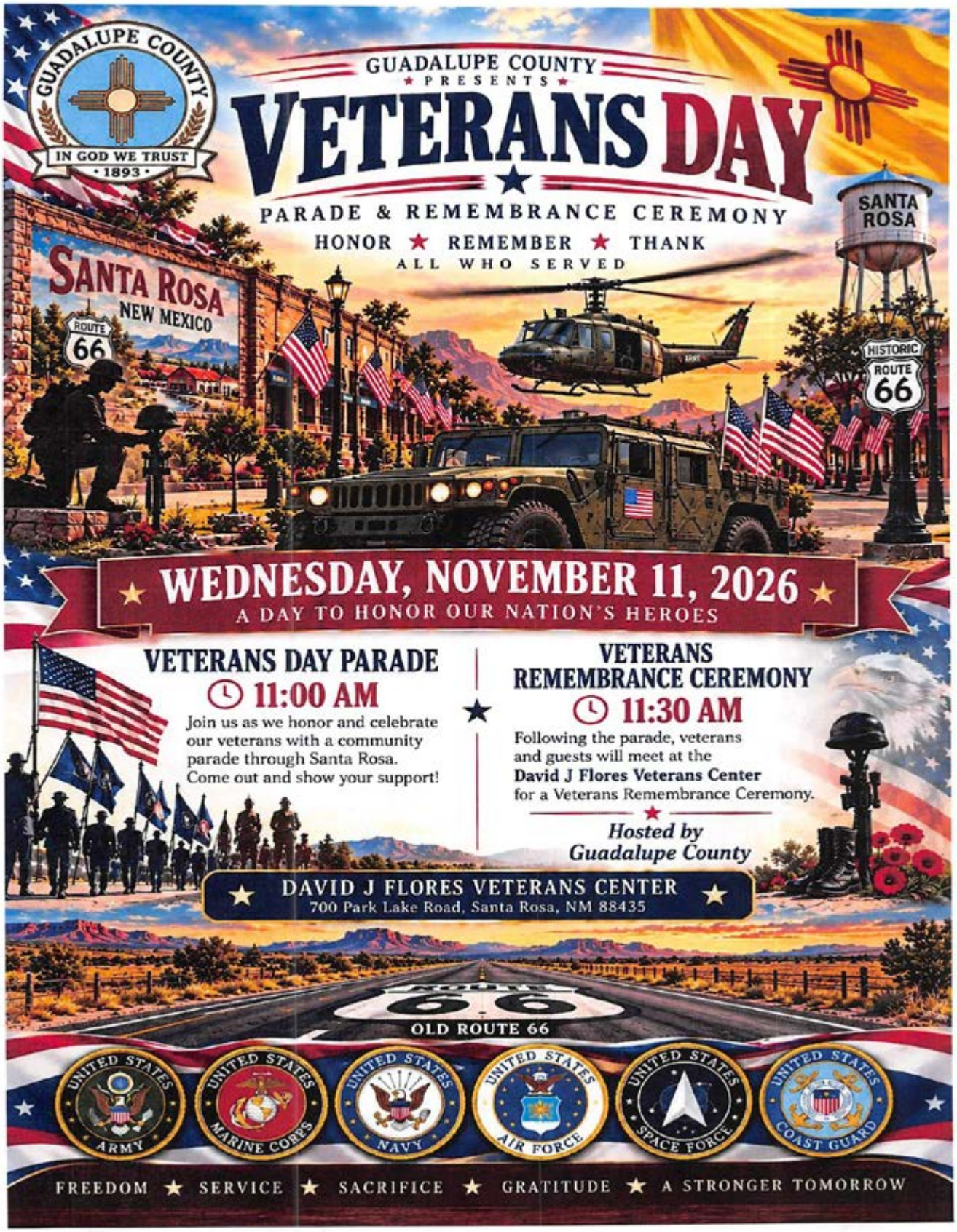
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City of Rio Rancho
VETERANS DAY
PARADE & CEREMONY
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11
Parade begins at 10 a.m.
Ceremony follows at approximately 11 a.m.
Veterans Memorial Park
Parade registration deadline:
November 5


JOIN US
VETERANS DAY
CELEBRATION
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2026
11 AM – 12:30 PM
ITC COMMONS
26 Mathis St.
Roswell, NM 88203
Guest Speaker Mike Winters
ENMU
ROSWELL
STUDENT ENGAGEMENT
Questions: veronica.munoz@enmu.edu
575-624-7065


HONOR ★ SERVICE ★ SACRIFICE
Celebrating
AMERICA'S
250TH
BIRTHDAY
1776 ★ 2026
We the People
VETERANS
DAY
Parade
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2026
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO
HONORING
THOSE WHO SERVED.
CELEBRATING THEIR COURAGE.
INSPIRING OUR COMMUNITY.
City of Santa Fe
VAB
Veterans Advisory Board
PARADE BEGINS FROM
PERA PARKING LOT
9:30 A.M.
CEREMONY AFTER PARADE
AT ST. FRANCIS AUDITORIUM
11:00 A.M.
LUNCHEON AFTER PARADE CEREMONY
VFW
307 MONTEZUMA AVENUE
12:30 P.M.


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ALL WHO SERVED
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ROUTE 66
SANTA ROSA
HISTORIC ROUTE 66
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2026
A DAY TO HONOR OUR NATION'S HEROES
VETERANS DAY PARADE
11:00 AM
Join us as we honor and celebrate our veterans with a community parade through Santa Rosa. Come out and show your support!
VETERANS REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY
11:30 AM
Following the parade, veterans and guests will meet at the David J Flores Veterans Center for a Veterans Remembrance Ceremony.
Hosted by Guadalupe County
DAVID J FLORES VETERANS CENTER
700 Park Lake Road, Santa Rosa, NM 88435
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A LEGACY OF SERVICE BEYOND THE UNIFORM
Honoring the Founders.
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PAWS AND STRIPES

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Navigating the Holidays Workshop

Facilitated by: Maria Birrell, LCSW and Samantha Stokes, LMSW

The holidays can bring added stress, expectations, relationship tension, and difficult emotions. This one-time two-hour workshop will explore practical coping strategies for navigating the holiday season, including managing stress, setting limits, and caring for yourself during a potentially challenging time of year.

Who Is Eligible:

- **Open to All Veterans**

To register please email us at enrollment@pawsandstripes.org or give us a call at 505-705-3609.



Date and Time

Nov 11th, 2026:
10:30am-12:30pm

Location:

Paws and Stripes
617 Truman Street NE
Albuquerque, NM 87110

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New Mexico
Saint Barbara's Day Banquet
2026
Reignite and celebrate the historical lineage of Air Defense Artillery within the State of New Mexico. Keep the Legacy of Honor Alive.
Saturday, December 5, 2026
5:30 PM – 10:00 PM
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Formal Dress Attire
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DATE:
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TIME:
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JANUARY 19-24, 2027



A WEEK OF DEEPLY DISCOUNTED FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

Lodging • Lift Tickets • Lessons • Rentals

For all active duty military, veterans, immediate family & Gold Star Families with appropriate ID.

Free activities throughout the week, including:

JANUARY 21 · THURSDAY

BRANCH VS. BRANCH SKI RACE

Defending Champs — Navy • Free event

JANUARY 22 · FRIDAY

BANQUET DINNER

Complimentary

To get notified when sale begins, and for any questions, email: leah.matamales@skitaos.com

Celebrate 20 Years of Supporting Women Veterans !

The Women Veterans of New Mexico is 20 years young this September !!

Since 2006, we have been helping women veterans in need across the state.
We pay for important everyday costs to keep our sisters safe and healthy.

HOW WE HELP

We assist by funding essentials, such as:

- Safe Housing and rent assistance
- Utilities like water and electricity
- Emergency needs like winter fuel, groceries, or minor auto repairs

Our Anniversary Goal

WVNM is run entirely by volunteers and financial gifts. We are a 501(c) (3) nonprofit, meaning your donations are tax deductible! Instead of charging membership fees, WVNM is asking every member to donate or raise $20 or more to celebrate our 20th anniversary.

HOW TO DONATE

Making your gift to WVNM is fast and simple:

Via VENMO using the QR Code or searching with username/email/telephone 505-907-4386 to find us

Online through PayPal: Visit our website, WomenVeteransofNewMexico.org, and click the DONATE button

MAIL: Checks can be sent to Women Veterans of New Mexico, P.O. Box 3232, Albuquerque, NM 87190

Via Zelle using our tag wvofnm or the QR Code

Thank you for helping us honor and support our New Mexico Women who served our country !

VETERAN OR FIRST RESPONDER SEEKING GUIDANCE?

Enjoy a complimentary week filled with mindful education, body rejuvenation, and uplifting camaraderie alongside fellow veterans, first responders and their partners in the beautiful mountains of New Mexico. Discover valuable therapeutic and holistic tools while embracing Post Traumatic Growth.



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ALBUQUERQUE FISHER HOUSE










IS YOUR FAMILY MEMBER ELIGIBLE? ASK YOUR VA CARE TEAM

A "home away from home" allowing families and loved ones to be close during an inpatient stay and to focus on what's important--the healing process.

A member of the inpatient Veterans Care Team must enter the request for bedside support of a veterans, a family member cannot call directly FISHER HOUSE ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA (50 FAMILIA)

- **50** miles/from ABQ Fisher House
- Family member/caregiver of an inpatient Veteran at the VA
- Actively engaged in the inpatient's treatment plan
- Medically stable and capable of self-care (Guest must be)
- Independent and able to live in a shared space setting
- Living in stable, permanent housing (not homeless)
- Is free from communicable illness (flu, chicken pox, measles, C-Diff, COVID, etc.)
- Agrees to the Fisher House Guest Agreement and Rules

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NMDVS FIELD OFFICES IN NEW MEXICO

NMDVS has field offices throughout the state that are staffed with nationally accredited veterans service officers VSOs) dedicated to helping Veterans with filing VA claims, applying for state Veterans benefits, or with anything else a Veteran or their family needs.

Office hours are Monday-Friday from 8am-5pm, (excluding holidays). Though this service is free, appointments are required and can be made by contacting the VSOs below. **Please note: VSOs can also provide help by phone or email for any Veteran or eligible dependent anywhere in New Mexico.**

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