MARINE & SAILORS ADOPTION COMMITTEE

www.cityofmissionviejo.org/marines
(949) 470-3061

Mission: This citizen-run adoption committee partners with the MV Community Foundation, City, and MV residents, organizations, and businesses to provide year-round support to our adopted Marines and Sailors of the Headquarters Battalion of the 1st Marine Division stationed at Camp Pendleton.

On-going Programs:

- Weekly care packages to deployed troops
- Annual "Day at Lake Mission Viejo" for Marines and their families—April
- Visiting Marines at the Wounded Warrior barracks
- Distributing toys to the children of our Marines during the holidays
- Providing emergency monetary and/or supply assistance to Marines & families and more!
- Visit the website to learn more

Donations needed:

- In-kind donations for Lake Day
- Filled shoe boxes for deployed troops
- Baby basket donation items
- Financial contributions

CITY SERVICES & EVENTS

MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVANCE
When: Last Monday in May
Where: Mission Viejo City Hall,
200 Civic Center, Mission Viejo
Contact: (949) 470-3061 or
RCS@cityofmissionviejo.org

VETERANS DAY CEREMONY
When: Veterans Day Holiday
Where: Norman P. Murray Center
24932 Veterans Way, Mission Viejo
Contact: (949) 470-3061

AMERICAN HEROES TRIBUTE BANNER
Tribute banners on display at MV City Hall/ Kershaw Gardens beginning mid-May

SADDLEBACK COLLEGE AND SOUTH COUNTY VETERAN RESOURCE FAIRS
Spring and fall Veteran Resource Fairs
Contact: (949) 582-4252
www.saddleback.edu/vets

COMMUNITY HOTLINE SERVICES

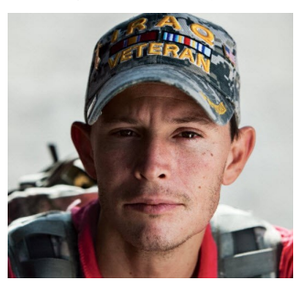
VETERAN CRISIS HOTLINE – 24/7
Crisis Line: (800) 273-8255 [PRESS 1]
Women Veteran Crisis Line: (855) 829-6636

HOMELESS SERVICES / HOUSING
VA Community Resource & Referral Center
888 W. Santa Ana #150, Santa Ana
Phone: (844) 838 -8300 www.va.gov/homeless

HEALTH SERVICES
VA Laguna Hills Health Clinic
25292 McIntyre Street, Laguna Hills
Phone: (949) 587-3700

SOS Peace Center/Health Clinic [DENTAL]
1 Purpose Dr, Lake Forest
Phone: (949) 609-8199

BENEFITS: FILING/DISPUTES
VA Benefits Hotline: (800) 827-1000
Orange County VSO: (714) 480-6555



NEED TO TALK?
CALL A VETERAN:
Battle Buddy Bridge
949-486-8525
Peer engagement and professional assistance

MISSION VIEJO
Make Living Your Mission

Veteran Resources & Hotlines

City of Mission Viejo
200 Civic Center
Mission Viejo, CA 92691
(949) 470-3000 or (949) 470-3061
www.cityofmissionviejo.org

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NORMAN P. MURRAY CENTER RESOURCES

24932 Veterans Way, Mission Viejo
(949) 470-3062

VA—VETERANS BENEFITS SERVICES
Frequency: 2nd Wed/month, 8:30am-4pm
VA Outreach Rep: Adolfo Ponce, VBASDGO, VA Regional Offices, San Diego
By appt. only: 30-minute session; call to schedule
Services: Consultation and guidance on veteran services and benefits

VFW—VETERANS PRE-CLAIM INTERVIEW
Frequency: 1st Mon/month, 9am-2pm
VFW Service Officers: Dennis Schwalm and Pat Rizzo, VFW Post 9034
By appt. only: 1-hour session; call to schedule
Requirements: must bring DD214 form and any claim support documents
Start Date: May 1st
Services: Pre-claim interview, service-connected disability processing and non-service connected pensions, follow-up services to claim submission/resolution

VETERANS LEGAL INSTITUTE
Dates: Call for Schedule
By appt. only: 20-minute session, call to schedule
Requirements: arrive 15-20 minutes before appt. to complete intake form
Services: pro bono legal services to current and former US service members who are homeless, at risk, disabled, or low income

COMPREHENSIVE SERVICE AGENCIES

GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

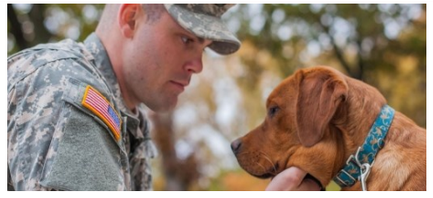
CAL VET
- Local Interagency Network Coordinator:
  - Eddie Falcon: eddie.falcon@calvet.ca.gov
- www.calvet.ca.gov

VA—South Orange County Veterans Center
- Connect locally with federal services for veterans located in South Orange County
- 26431 Crown Valley, #100, Mission Viejo
- (949) 348-6700 or va.gov

NON-GOVERMENTAL RESOURCES

TIERNEY CENTER FOR VETERAN SERVICES—GOODWILL
- *One-on-one service* to identify needs and services that best work for you
- 855-99-8383726 or email: http://www.ocgoodwill.org/contact/email/VeteranServices

211 ORANGE COUNTY
- Resource center for all needs for veterans and their families
- Dial 211 or visit **211oc.org/veterans**



Crisis SUPPORT SERVICES

HUD Veteran Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH)
- Contact VA CRRC: 1-877-4AID-VET

Support Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) : Volunteers of America
- Housing program for homeless or at risk of becoming homeless veterans; rental / deposit assistance and case management
- (714) 426-9834

Family Assistance Ministries (FAM)
- Food pantry, housing, emergency assistance, case management
- 949-492-8477 or family-assistance.org
- 1030 Calle Negocio, San Clemente

Serving People in Need (SPIN)
- Move-in funds for rapid rehousing, case management, street services/outreach
- 714-751-1101 or spinoc.org

South County Outreach (SCO)
- Housing, food pantry, homelessness prevention & support services
- 949-380-8144 or sco-oc.org
- 7 Whatney Suite #B, Irvine

EMPLOYMENT

VETNET: Working Wardrobes
- Apply online: www.workingwardrobes.org/job-seekers/vetnet/
- Contact: 714-210-2460 or EdwardG@workingwardrobes.org

Orange County One -Stop Center
- Services include counseling on CA Employment Development Dept. resources for veterans
- 17891 Cartwright Road, Suite 100, Irvine
- 949-341-8000 **or** oconestop.com

GETTING STARTED—HOUSING

PATRIOTS & PAWS
- Provide basic home furnishings and necessities AND assist in pairing rescued animals to veterans in need of a service animal
- VETERAN@PatriotsandPaws.org
- 714-323-PAAW (7229)

EDUCATION

SADDLEBACK COLLEGE
- On campus center, community and education resources/events
- (949)582-4252 or www.saddleback.edu/vets

VETERANS CAMPUS PROGRAM
- Community College advisory assistance
- 714-824-1996

MV Library Recommendations

- Down Range: A transitioning veteran's career guide to life's next phase – by James D. Murphy
- Expert Resumes for Military-to-Civilian Transitions –by Wendy Enelow
- The Hire Tactics! : The four milestones for finding civilian employment –Tom Stein
- Veteran's Money Book - by Mechel L. Glass

Go to the **ASK HERE DESK** for assistance

COMMUNITY

AMERICAN LEGION
- Saddleback Valley Post 862
  - •Meetings on 4th Monday/month at 7pm -Norman P. Murray Center
  - •More at: saddlebackvalley862.mytroop.us