

2018 Accomplishments NEWSLETTER

- We received our 501(c)(3) designation from the IRS in February
- It is our honor to be one of only two Veteran support organizations in northern Colorado to become Accredited by the Better Business Bureau
- The next step was to become a Gold Level Charity within the GuideStar national program
- 110,000 Veterans are in our service area of Adams, Broomfield, Boulder, Larimer, Morgan and Weld counties of Colorado and eight counties in SE Wyoming
- 25,125 miles driven in 2018 to support Veterans in our service area
- Three to five phone calls per day come into our office from Veterans or family members who need assistance. We take care of them and connect them to the resource they need.
- We completed 184 Listening Sessions with Veterans, spouses, children, parents and grandparents in 2018, bringing our 24 month total to 238. A major improvement over the 54 we completed in 2017.
 - **In 2018**
 - 4,122 miles driven for Listening Sessions
 - 362 hours with Veterans and/or family members
 - 134 Veterans
 - 133 Male
 - 51 Female
 - 89 Army
 - 49 Navy
 - 20 Air Force
 - 106 served in combat
 - 19 Korean War
 - 97 Vietnam War
 - 26 Iraq War
 - 26 Afghanistan War
 - 16 Gulf War

- Based on the need of Veterans we created a quarterly, 24-page Veteran & Family Resource Directory. There are 4,000 Directories distributed across our service area in 175 locations
- Terry Young, a Navy Vietnam era Veteran, is onboard to update and direct our Listening Program
- The PAMVET Breakfast Club continues to grow and connect more Veterans, over 100 every Saturday morning at the Loveland breakfast. Go to www.PamVET.org to learn more. A PAMVET Breakfast Club was started in Englewood and Thornton in 2018.
- Attended the 4th annual Veteran Tribute in November with over 100 Veterans
- Assembled a new team of 5 board members
- Received a grant from the Home Depot Foundation to upgrade the home of a disabled Veteran
- Assembled a team of 8 Veterans who visited Frederick High School prior to Veterans day and met with 1,000 students over a two-day period. It was an incredible experience for both sides. In fact, we are scheduled to do this again on November 7 & 8, 2019. The following Monday we were at Lochbuie Elementary school meeting with 3rd , 4th and 5th graders.
- Did you know about 60% of Veterans are not in the VA system, many because they do not qualify? We know many are covered and doing well, but we want to ensure they all know we are here for them.
- We never want any Veteran or family member to ever feel alone again. We want them to know there is always hope and thousands of people who care!

Greg Goettsch, Executive Director