

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



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-GOVERNMENTAL 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](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/](http://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