

City of Milpitas
Veterans Commission Work Plan 2011-2012

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Veterans Commission Mission Statement:

The Veterans Commission is established by the City Council and works in an advisory capacity to the City Council on matters pertaining to Veterans in Milpitas.

Work Plan Summary:

- Awareness to Veterans of Milpitas on possible resources
- Participation in Special Events related to Veterans

Goals:

Assist in planning Memorial Day, Fourth of July and Veterans Day celebrations; promote Veterans events to the residents; have a gallery art show at the Senior Center featuring art produced by Veterans of Milpitas and/or patients in VA Hospitals; host a dinner or lunch to honor a local veteran who is also a senior citizen (try to coincide with Older Americans Month).

Work to identify Milpitas Veterans in need during the holidays and work with food drives to assist veteran families.

Work with other veterans groups on strengthening common veteran's causes and ensuring that the community is aware of veteran's rights and needs.

Assist military veterans who are returning to civilian life as residents of Milpitas in their economic, educational, and personal endeavors.

Serve as a knowledge base for Veterans by maintaining and updating the online webpage on the Veterans webpage for the City, to include items such as: policies, burial benefits, shelter, hospitals, programs, resources and events.

Maintain a working relationship with other agencies serving veterans within Santa Clara County.

Preserve Veterans monuments and memorials within the City.

Work with Milpitas schools in regards to teaching students on how to properly raise and lower the flag; work directly with the Milpitas Jr. ROTC and involve NJROTC Cadets from MHS.