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VIETNAM VETERANS OF SAN DIEGO

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The Vietnam Veterans of San Diego, Inc. Is a non-profit, tax exempt organization whose membership is made up entirely of veterans of the Vietnam War.

The organizations' primary function is to assist the Vietnam Veteran who is experiencing living problems as a result of his/her service in Vietnam. These problems consist of but are not confined to, unemployment, Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, substance abuse, legal problems and other social dysfunctions.

We are also attempting to improve and in fact have already improved the image of the Vietnam Veteran. We intend to show that we are the best of our generation.

Through our advocacy program we have assisted many Vietnam Veterans who were experiencing problems dealing with the bureaucratic entanglements common to our governmental offices. Our cadres of professional and para-professional volunteers have expended many hours of their time to assist the Vietnam Veteran in dealing with his/her problems.

We have completed a comprehensive job initiative program that resulted in approximately 1350 Vietnam era Veterans being placed in jobs or job training programs. It has been hailed as one of the best in the country. We are now in the process of coordinating a similar program in conjunction with the Mayors' office and RETC.

The organization is also responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, located in Old Town. The Memorial lists those San Diegans who gave their lives in Vietnam.

We also maintain a library of information on Agent Orange in our office.

We have seen our organization grow from an idea in 1981 to what it is today, a viable and effective vehicle to enable the Vietnam Veteran to once again become a part of the society that has shunned him/her for so long.

We face the coming future with a sense of determination knowing we have a long hard row to hoe but also secure in the knowledge that we have overcome tougher situations in the past.

Our goals remain fixed:

- to establish a Rehabilitation Center for Vets in need.
- maintain a viable job program
- improve the image of the Vietnam Vet
- lend our support to our fellow Vets.
- continue to demand a workable solution to the question of Agent Orange.
- act as an advocate for those Vets who are in need
- act as a referral service for Vets with particular problem areas

Our services include:

- aweekly meeting, Triple Threat, for those Vets with substance abuse problems
- referral services
- advocate services

Our General Membership meets once a month. Call the office for the time, date and place.

V.V.S.D. MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

MEMBERSHIP #_____

NAME:_____ PHONE:( )_____ DAY

( )_____ EVE.

ADDRESS:_____ CITY:_____ STATE_____ ZIP_____

OCCUPATION:_____

BRANCH OF SERVICE AND UNIT:_____

DATES OF SERVICE:_____ TO:_____

ARE YOU AVAILABLE TO VOLUNTEER SOME SPARE TIME TO THE ORGANIZATION?_____

IF SO, PLEASE LIST AREAS OF EXPERTISE:_____

( ) MEMBERSHIP DUES
$12.00 ANNUALLY

( ) ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP
MINIMUM DONATION $50.00 ANNUALLY

( ) DONATION
AMOUNT_____