

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA VIETNAM WAR COMMEMORATION



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Dear Commemorative Partners,

Happy New Year! We are now just 117 days away from hosting Welcome Home! ~ A Nation Honors our Vietnam Veterans and their Families ~ on the National Mall in Washington D.C., 11-13 May.

Together, with your help, we will inspire Americans to gather, embrace the vital responsibility of honoring our Vietnam veterans and their enduring legacy, and welcome them home!

Thursday, 11 May, a ribbon-cutting will formally open *Camp Legacy*, which is divided into two experiences, **X-Ray** and **Zulu**. **X-Ray**, located at the west end of the National Mall on the *JFK Hockey Fields*, will immerse visitors in stories and the legacy of Vietnam veterans, as well as the contributions of families, citizen volunteers and our allies who supported

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American troops during the Vietnam War period. Helicopter static displays, military performances, daily entertainment, nightly concerts, museum-quality exhibits and rally points will highlight this part of the camp.



Zulu, situated a short walk away in *West Potomac Park*, will offer all generations more interactive opportunities featuring additional Vietnam War period vehicle static displays, another gathering point for veterans and their families to relax, a Veteran Services Hub, and much more!

A *Memorial Walk and Roll*, **Saturday**, **13 May** begins at **The Tomb of the Unknown Soldier**, proceeds across

Memorial Bridge, and finishes with a resonate "Welcome Home!" at Camp Legacy.

Saturday's main event will culminate with a spectacular **multimedia celebration** at *West Potomac Park*, closing this 3-day immersive experience. **You will not want to miss a single event!**

We will be streaming many of the events planned during this celebration. If you are unable to join us in Washington, D.C., please join us online! We encourage you to host watch parties and concurrent lapel pinning ceremonies for Vietnam veterans and their families in your communities.

Discover more on our <u>Welcome Home</u> webpage and our social media sites. Share this with everyone you know using #WelcomeHome2023, #VWCWelcomeHome23 and tag us in your post. We hope to see you in person or online!

~ The United States of America Vietnam War Commemoration Staff ~

Join the Nation ... thank a Vietnam veteran!