

2025 Tarrant County Veterans Day Parade
SALUTING VIETNAM VETERANS



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Parade Designated VA Regional Site

The Tarrant County Veterans Day Parade has been designated by the Dept. of Veterans Affairs (VA) and the Veterans Day National Committee (VDNC) as a VA-recognized regional site for this year's celebration in Fort Worth.

Each year, the VDNC invites cities, towns, and non-profit organizations across the nation to play a special role in honoring America's heroes. It's a unique opportunity for a community to join the national effort in paying tribute to the nation's veterans. Last year, more than 50 communities hosted observances supporting the National Veterans Day Observance activities and served as inspirational models for events nationwide.

The VDNC recognizes the Tarrant County Veterans Council (parade organizer) and the City of Fort Worth (event host) for its tribute to America's heroes, while serving as a model for other communities to follow in planning their own observances.

Each regional site receives a supply of Veterans Day posters, military ceremonial support from the Dept. of Defense (DoD), and a certificate from the Secretary of the VA for inclusion in their event programs.

Sites are chosen based on their continuity, influence on the region, and community involvement; the criteria below are used to evaluate applications:

- The event is dedicated solely to honoring the men and women who served in the U.S. Armed Forces.
- The event is supported by, and open to participation by, veterans service organizations that represent loyal service to the Nation.
- The event is supported by city, county, town, or municipal authorities.
- The event is not a fundraiser and is free and open to the public.

"Saluting Vietnam Veterans" is the theme of this year's North Texas parade set to step off on Tuesday, November 11 (Election Day), at 11 a.m. Participants will form up in the Panther Island Pavilion parking lot, march to the Tarrant County Courthouse and through downtown Fort Worth as part of the celebration.

In support of the Nation's decade-long Vietnam War recognition, the City of Fort Worth will host, and TCVC will again organize the annual parade.

“Everyone can join our Vietnam veterans salute, as well as those military veterans who have, are and will continue to make great contributions,” notes TCVC President Dan Zmroczek. “Simply visit our website where you can learn how to support, volunteer, and take part.

“Will you consider joining this year’s festivities?” Zmroczek asks. “If you’re not available, please help us spread the word. A parade poster’s available online to download and distribute. Hope y’all can join us in saluting Vietnam veterans.”

Fort Worth’s annual Veterans Day celebration began more than 100 years ago as an armistice procession through downtown in 1919 to honor those who had fought in World War I.

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Vietnam War commemoration: <https://www.vietnamwar50th.com>
Army website: <https://www.army.mil/vietnamwar/index.html#explorefurther>
DoD commemoration website: <https://www.defense.gov/Spotlights/vietnam-War>

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