

THE BATTLE TO COMBAT VETERAN SUICIDE CONTINUES!



The number of veteran suicides continue to rise world-wide. In company with HUMANA, State Commander Michael Hoag is partnering with this well-known veteran supporter to reinvigorate the Department of NY Veterans of Foreign Wars STOP 22 Initiative first organized in 2018.

Posts and Auxiliaries are asked to work locally to organize a Stop 22 Walk/Run or other event in support of this project to bring community awareness to Veteran Suicide. Details are explained in the enclosed flyer.



Saturday, October 9, 2021

Stop 22 is a partnership initiative between the Department of NY Veterans of Foreign Wars and one of the nations leading health and well-being companies HUMANA to increase awareness of Veterans committing suicide – 22 each day.

On Saturday, October 9, 2021 at the Dept of NY Fall Conference and at every Post in the Department and throughout the month of October, VFW and Auxiliary members will take the opportunity for a 22 minute walk/run to increase public awareness on veteran suicide. HUMANA will donate \$1,500 as a sponsorship donation to the project.

Each Post which desires to participate will register participants on the attached sheet and collect \$1.00 per participant, a portion of which will go to the Commander's Homeless Veterans Special Project in support of Homeless Veterans to assist in PTSD/Suicide Prevention & Awareness and a monetary award to the 1st, 2nd & 3rd place Post with the most participants who conduct a Stop 22 walk or run on the same day.

\$500.00 to First Place Post \$250.00 to the Second Place Post \$100.00 to the Third Place Post

Registration sheet and photographs must be submitted to Dept HQ by November 16, 2021 to be considered in the contest. Each post at the Fall Conference will be considered an individual entrant so bring as many members as you like to boost your Posts chances of winning and increasing the numbers in support of suicide awareness. Participants in the walk will need NOT be VFW or Auxiliary members – the public is invited to participate!



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THE VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS OF THE UNITED STATES

And its Auxiliaries





THEY MARCHED FOR US... WE WALK FOR THEM!

In Support of Veteran Suicide Awareness

\$1.00 Registration going to Homeless Veterans Project to Assist in Suicide Prevention Awareness – Commander's Special Project & Post Awards

STOP 22 WALK-A-THON
At the Department of NY Fall Conference
Albany Marriott, 189 Wolf Rd., Albany, NY
Saturday, October 9, 2021 - 3:30 PM

Humana's STOP 22 Initiative - In Partnership with New York's Local VFW's

Together, we're increasing awareness and support for our Veterans contemplating suicide

Information and Rules

STOP 22 is a noble effort to increase public awareness of Veterans committing suicide, 22 each day. It has to STOP!

Local Post or Auxiliary can select any activity. A walk, run, dance or any activity lasting 22 minutes.

Everyone is welcome to participate and is open to the public and public organizations. The more participants, the better in helping increase awareness for the cause.

Event date: October 2021. There is a \$1 registration fee for each participant.

Prizes for the Post or Auxiliary with the most participants: \$500 1st Prize; \$250 2nd Prize; \$100 3rd Prize.

Participating posts must submit to Dept of NY HQ, 69 Sand Creek Rd, Albany, NY 12205 participant registration sheets & photos of the event must be received NLT10 days following the event (Nov 16, 2021) to be considered for the award.

Please notify HUMANA if your VFW Post/Auxiliary will be taking on the challenge. Humana's local representative where available, would like to sign-up and join the community to support this great cause.

Please e-mail jlopez4@humana.com or call 973-610-5089

VFW POST #_____ VFW AUX #_____ Dept EVENT DATE: October 9,2021

	Marriott Hotel,	Marriott Hotel, 189 Wolf Rd, Albany, NY	
Participant's Name	Participant's Signature	\$1 Fee	
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Name	Signature
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