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## More than 100 Veterans to be Recognized and Honored in Special Ceremony

(Reno, NV) – The Nevada Department of Veterans Services will host a Veterans In Care (VIC) outreach where 104 Nevada heroes will be recognized and honored for their service in the U.S. Armed Forces.

The ceremony will take place on Thursday, May 24, 2018 beginning at 2:00 PM at the Washoe Senior Center, 1155 East 9th Street, Reno, Nevada.

In addition to recognition, honor and thanks, these veterans will also receive information about benefits and programs earned through their military service. Some of these veterans may not know they have earned benefits they are entitled to and in some cases, connecting to these veterans to their benefits can greatly enhance their quality of life as well as their spouse or families.

The VIC program seeks to reach Nevada's veterans residing and receiving services in skilled care, residential care or assisted living facilities. But this "Town Hall" will bring veterans together who are outside that health care system. These veterans are receiving assistance in their own home or apartment. This ceremony will bring them all together to thank and recognize them for their service to our country during their life time.

The VIC program encompasses three related components; education regarding Benefits and Programs; Veteran Culture Education and Training for health care providers who work with veterans; and Quality of Life Recognition and Communication for veteran residents.

The VIC Administrator is Wendy Simons, NDVS Deputy Director of Health & Wellness. She said, "Over the next year, thousands of veterans in hundreds of care facilities will be publically honored and personally presented with a certificate of appreciation to thank them for their service to America and their role in advancing the universal hope of liberty, justice and freedom for all."

She added, "We are continuing to reach out to this population of veterans to assure we have as broad a response as is possible."

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