



Annual Report for 2013 - This annual report is published to promote awareness of our activities and invite increased membership. All honorably discharged county veterans are urged to attend our regular meetings on the first Thursday of every month at 3 PM in the Idaho Springs Elks Lodge.

2013 Sponsored Events:

- Memorial Day ceremonies and events in Idaho Springs and Georgetown
- POW/MIA Remembrance , 9/11 Patriots Day Remembrance, Veterans Day and Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day ceremonies in Idaho Springs
- Veterans Helping Veterans health, wellness, employment and education fair

2013 Regional Support of Veterans:

- Community outreach, speeches and education for civic and government organizations
- Goals formalized to improve services to grieving families and preserve military heritage and history
- Working to establish a Veterans Treatment Court in the 5th Judicial District (Clear Creek, Summit, Lake and Eagle Counties) for veterans with PTSD and traumatic brain injury

2013 Services to Clear Creek County Citizens:

- Assisted the cannon restoration
- Made transportation available for families of those buried in Ft. Logan National Cemetery
- Provided transportation to the VA Medical Center for disabled veterans
- Supported the Winter Sports Clinic for disabled veterans
- Identified and helped local veterans with medical, financial or legal needs
- Assisted to present a Crisis Intervention System and Suicide Prevention Seminar
- Supported the 9 News Health Fair

New and Continuing Strategic Partnerships and Support Relationships:

- Clear Creek County Sheriff's Department
- Clear Creek Advocates
- Habitat for Humanity
- Clear Creek County and Gilpin County Departments of Health and Human Services
- Care2BAware Coalition for Suicide Prevention
- Colorado Army National Guard Suicide Prevention Office
- Clear Creek County Library District
- The Veterans Administration Mental Health Clinic

2013 Efforts to Improve Community Awareness of Veterans Issues:

- Local news media articles and live interviews
- Legislative action to rename Twin Tunnels to Veterans Memorial Tunnels
- Supported to the Idaho Springs July 4th "Salute to Our Heroes"