



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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**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***

