

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA VIETNAM WAR COMMEMORATION

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Dear Commemorative Partners,

From our hearts to yours ... *Season's Greetings!* This year is bittersweet, as we face our *last December* with you. Since our first newsletter back in 2010—until now—we have been partners together in this effort for *14 years*. That's truly amazing, and yet how the years have flown by!

In this final SITREP of the year, our hearts are full. We are *thankful for each*

and every one of you, for the myriad ways you support us and this mission. However, before we bid adieu to 2024, we have a few heartfelt messages.

First, please take a moment to view our Director's final <u>video message</u>. While three months still remain to support your official commemorative events, this will be our last direct video from Maj. Gen. Ed Chrystal, U.S. Army. A short *97-seconds*, it is an earnest note of gratitude as we wind down this Commemoration.



Second, a few key reminders:

December 31 is the last day to join us as a <u>Commemorative Partner</u>. As of January 1, we will no longer be accepting applications. Submit those applications, so you can request the free materials you need to support your events for 2025;
March 15 is the last day Event Requests (DD2956) will be accepted through our Partner Portal to order materials or support from us; and
March 31 will be the final day to host your events with our support.

Next, we are mindful that long after our office is gone, *the need to thank and honor* our Vietnam veterans and their families *will continue!* Your efforts have made a meaningful difference in many hearts and lives, and have resulted in more than *300 thousand* being recognized in 2024, and *4.1 million* since we began. That's incredible, but now we are asking all Americans to carry on the torch: *whenever you see them* ...

thank them! Welcome them home, thank them for their service and thank their families for their sacrifice. They deserve to know they have earned the Nation's humble thanks.

Finally, as we close out this year, enjoy <u>our interactive wish</u> to you and yours, from our entire staff (at right). *Happy Holidays*, and stay tuned as we ring in the *New Year* and look forward to 2025!





~ The United States of America Vietnam War Commemoration Staff ~



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