



COMBINED VETERANS LUNCHEON & EXPO



2021



Join us to HONOR and SUPPORT our VETERANS!

SAT., AUGUST 7TH, 2021 - NOON-5:00PM

Proksa Park – 3001 S. Wisconsin – Berwyn, IL

With **proof of service**, ALL veterans receive a FREE MEAL

Non-Vets: \$15/ADULT \$5/CHILD 12 & UNDER

(each adult admission helps to feed a veteran)

All proceeds go towards veterans programs

Food provided and served by **MISSION BBQ**

Various exhibitors, silent auction, live entertainment & more!

NEW! This year's event is expanding to include a job fair!

To exhibit or RSVP: (708)512-4730 or cvbexpo@yahoo.com

Send donations to: Combined Veterans of Berwyn, P.O. Box 182,
Berwyn, IL, 60402, or Paypal at combinedveterans@yahoo.com
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OUR MISSION NEVER ENDS

Dear friends, neighbors and local business owners:

We are the Combined Veterans of Berwyn, and it is our sworn mission to preserve the legacy of our veterans, and to serve and support those living in the community.

It is once again time that we remind all Veterans that their sacrifice for this country has not been forgotten.

In 2018 we took it upon ourselves to organize an event to renew our commitment to our veteran community. It was called the Combined Veterans Welcome Home Barbeque. It was held in Proksa Park (29th Place & Wisconsin Ave) in Berwyn, on September 22nd, 2018.

ALL veterans received a free lunch. In addition to being a luncheon, the event featured over 20 different exhibitors, who offered a service that catered specifically to veterans. The second year featured 46 exhibitors. Last year, due to the pandemic, we did it virtually with 40 exhibitors in a Zoom meeting!

This year, the same event, now called the Combined Veterans Luncheon & Expo (see attached flyer), will be in its fourth year. This year we have a potential list of 100 exhibitors, and we are adding a job fair to assist employment-seeking veterans. To receive a FREE meal, veterans must present proof of Service such as a VA ID card, current VSO Membership card, a DD 214 with appropriate State ID, or any identification that proves he or she is a veteran. If you can assist us with a financial donation we can feed more veterans. A donation of \$50.00 will help us feed 8-10 veterans. A donation of \$100.00 will help feed 16-20 veterans, etc.

As a way to thank our sponsors, a large sponsor banner will be displayed at the event. You can display your or your company's information for all the attendees to see those who helped make the event successful. Please see the optional attached sponsorship form for details.

If you know of a veteran in the community (neighbor, relative, etc.), please let them know about this event.

If you can and would like to make a donation, please see attached sponsorship form.

We thank you in advance for your support and look forward to not only another successful event, but the continuation of a new tradition.

For any questions, please contact the following.

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2021 SPONSORSHIP FORM

Please print how you would like your name/business name to appear at the event and in printed materials.

Sponsor Name: _____
Street Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
E-mail: _____ Phone: _____

EVENT SPONSORSHIP: I would like to become an event sponsor at the following level, and have my/my company's info displayed on the sponsor banner as follows:

- ☐ **DIAMOND=\$1000+:** 18"x18" block with logo/name with address, phone number & website
☐ **PLATINUM=\$500:** 16"x16" block with logo/name with address, phone number & website
☐ **GOLD=\$250-\$499:** 14"x14" block with logo/name with address, phone number & website
☐ **SILVER=\$100-\$249:** 12"x12" block with logo/name with address, phone number & website

Entry fee for for-profit business is a **\$100 minimum** donation. No fee for nonprofit organizations.

Sponsorship donations that fall between limits will be categorized at the lower tier.

Email high-quality logo to cvbexpo@yahoo.com – Subject: (Your/ Your Company's Name) Logo

PAYMENT: Total amount enclosed: _____ (For security purposes, no cash donations)

Payment Method (Circle one): Check Money Order

Mail payments to: Combined Veterans of Berwyn, P.O. Box 182, Berwyn, IL 60402. Memo: CVB Expo.
If local to Berwyn, sponsorships can be arranged to be picked up.

Sponsorships with forms are due by July 31st, 2021.

For more information, contact:

Greg Hopper – (773)259-8985 or cvbexpo@yahoo.com – Subject: CVB Expo Sponsorship

For your tax purposes, our federal tax ID number is **35-2605537**.



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Dear potential 2021 CVB Expo exhibitors:

We're looking forward to another successful year! We're expanding it to include a job fair this year. Too many veterans out there looking to reconnect to civilian life and employment is key to that.

It would be great to have you with us for year number FOUR! We're looking at a potential list of over 100 exhibitors this year! Flyer and forms are attached. Share to your heart's content.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Unless previously agreed upon, exhibitors will be placed as they arrive. Aside from a couple of exceptions, there will be no assigned spaces.

Typically, we suggest that exhibitors arrive between 10am and 11am, and be set up by 11:30 to 11:45. Our ceremony will begin at noon. Lunch served at 12:30pm. Breakdown is at 5pm.

Requirements: 10'x10' popup tent and any tables or chairs you require for your booth. The tent will shield you in the event of inclement weather or direct sunlight during extreme heat. It also helps to organize the lineup better.

During the day, our Social Media Director will be interviewing all exhibitors. It will take approximately 2-3 minutes. This is your chance to send your message to the community, and get the word out about what you do, so think about what you'd like to say!

All exhibitors will receive a wristband and a ticket that entitles them to a free meal from Mission BBQ.

Volunteers will have bright orange wristbands. Ask any of them for assistance.

I will be in radio contact with my crew all day. If the volunteers cannot assist you, then anyone with a radio can help.

Also, if you know any company/organizations that would be a viable exhibitor for this event, put them in touch with us.

Any questions, feel free to reach out.

Thanks!

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