Palm Beach County Veterans Coalition

Meeting Minutes March 14th, 2017

Present: Cindy Sjogren, Greg Dover, Jose Capellan, Andy Reese, Claire Eberhart, Sue Smith, A. Barricklow, Patrice Schroeder, Angela Choice, Sylvia Bischoff, Nancy Germansky, Kenita Gordon, Charlotte Ribillard, Kerry Leach, Frank Policasro, Barry Singer, Nick Ciotti, Karen Collins, Adam Lobrutto, Julia Dattolo, Budge Jamison, Barrett Singer, Devona Wooten, Valerie, Dixon, Robert Gawel Cassandra Sapp-Norris, Edna Forero

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Call to Order and Introductions	Jose Capellan, CVSO, Veteran Services, called the meeting to order at 9:15 AM. All present introduced themselves and the organization they represent.	
Agenda/Minutes	Minutes of January 10th, 2017 meeting were reviewed. Agenda was reviewed.	Minutes approved as presented. Agenda approved as presented.
Guest Speaker: Deputy Andrew Barricklow Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office (PBSO), District 1	* 26 year Army Veteran whose personal mission/journey through his job as a Palm Beach County Sheriff is to 1. Identify Veterans. 2. Verify they are a veteran. 3. Will Transport to the VA (if needed). 4. Partnership w/PBSO and VA. 5. Will transport them up to VA for showers, food etc. 6. Refer to Veteran's Court if need be. 7. Can help obtain a Florida ID card for a homeless veteran.	Contact Information: Phone 561-688-3600 Email: BarricklowA@pbso.org
Roundtable Discussion: Meeting Adjourned	* Sylvia B w/Phoenix Rising: New retreat in 6 weeks. Website in place. Documentary filmed at last retreat and they are following 4 of the veterans. * Career Fair, 3/23/2017 at Broward College * Freedom Water boating event for veterans, 4/9/2017 * Wreaths Across America Fund Raiser, 3/29/2017 * James Mitchum, new director at the So Fl VA Cemetery * Will for Warriors at Pompano Vet Center, 3/30/2017 11:00-2:00 * Nick Ciotti: Congressman Mast opening a new office in W Palm Bch * Edna Forero: Offering Professional Financial Coaching * Angela Choice: Annual Women Veterans Conference 6/9-10/2017, Orlando * Missing in America Ceremony, SO FL VA Cemetery 4/1/2017, 11PM * Patrice S: Has a couple boxes of the Veteran Resource Guide * Greenacres Vet Center offers counseling for spouses of veterans w/PTSD & spouses or partners that have committed infidelity. * Career Source announces "a lot of construction jobs w/new tax money" *Robert Gawel: VA is working on June-July job fair at the VA focusing on female veterans * VA Ribbon Cutting 3/24/2017 for new MRI suite *Charlotte R:. Women Veteran's Group 2nd Saturday of the month at the VAMC * Barrett Singer & Budge Jamison: would like to develop a scholarship at their rehab facility to help veterans with substance abuse issues. 10:35 AM	
Next Meeting	May 16th, 2017 @ 9:00am / Location: 810 Datura Street., Basement	Room, West Palm Beach, FL.