



2023 STATEWIDE SYMPOSIUM IN SUPPORT OF SERVICE MEMBERS, VETERANS & THEIR FAMILIES
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| DAY 1 – WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, 2023 | | | | | | | |
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| 0800 - 0900 | Registration - Breakfast - Exhibitors | | | | | | |
| 0900 - 1030 | GENERAL SESSION - COTTONWOOD BALLROOM Opening Ceremony Be Connected Leadership Partners & the Path Forward | | | | | | |
| 1030 - 1100 | BREAK - Refreshments, Exhibitors & Networking | | | | | | |
| | TRACK | HOUSING & HOMELESSNESS <i>Brittlebush</i> | FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE & BENEFITS <i>Larkspur</i> | EMPLOYMENT <i>Chia</i> | FAITH & SPIRITUALITY <i>Ocotillo I</i> | MENTAL HEALTH <i>Golden Poppy</i> | MILITARY CULTURE TRAINING <i>Desert Star</i> |
| 1100 - 1215 | BRIEFING I <i>Choose one</i> | Experiencing Homelessness Joe Acevedo <i>Northern Arizona VA Health Care System</i> | The Intersection of Finances & Benefits for Veteran Wellbeing Facilitator: Joy Sprink <i>Arizona Coalition for Military Families</i> | Employment in Arizona: Attracting Veteran & Families Panel Discussion | Therapy vs. Spirituality for Moral Injury: A Debate Adam McCray, PhD and Brett Everett MDiv | Mental Health Stressors for Veterans & Families Nicki Bartram, LPC <i>Arizona Coalition for Military Families</i> | Unique Elements of Military Life (for civilians) Emory Flagg Jr., MBA <i>Arizona Coalition for Military Families</i> |
| 1215 - 1315 | LUNCH - Networking | | | | | | |
| | BREAKOUT ROOM | <i>Brittlebush</i> | <i>Larkspur</i> | <i>Chia</i> | <i>Ocotillo I</i> | <i>Golden Poppy</i> | <i>Desert Star</i> |
| 1315 - 1430 | BRIEFING II <i>Choose one</i> | How Arizona is Addressing Homelessness Tim Laskowski, PhD <i>U.S. VETS</i> | How Resources Can Work Together for Optimal Results Panel Discussion | Employing Service Members, Veterans & Spouses | Faith Communities and Healing From Moral Injury Facilitator: Mike Wold <i>Arizona Coalition for Military Families</i> | Traditional Mental Health Therapies and How to Access Erica Leffler, LCSW <i>Phoenix VA Health Care System</i> | Unique Elements of Military Life (for civilians) Emory Flagg Jr., MBA <i>Arizona Coalition for Military Families</i> |
| 1430 - 1445 | BREAK - Snacks | | | | | | |
| | BREAKOUT ROOM | <i>Brittlebush</i> | <i>Larkspur</i> | <i>Chia</i> | <i>Ocotillo I</i> | <i>Golden Poppy</i> | <i>Cottonwood South</i> |
| 1445 - 1600 | BRIEFING III <i>Choose one</i> | How Community Organizations Can Implement Change Michael Odonnell <i>Nation's Finest</i> | Understanding Unique Needs of Rural Communities Tom Eisiminger <i>Veterans Medical Leadership Council</i> | Effective Approaches to Hiring and Growing Veteran Employees | Mindfulness & Meditation Jamie Valderrama <i>Arizona State University</i> | Non-Traditional Options for Addressing Mental Health David Donaldson <i>Phoenix VA Health Care System</i> | Military Immersion Training Emory Flagg Jr., MBA <i>Arizona Coalition for Military Families</i> |
| 1600 - 1700 | NETWORKING RECEPTION - Join us to celebrate 13 years of collaboration with refreshments, music and gift basket giveaways | | | | | | |



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| DAY 2 - THURSDAY APRIL 20, 2023 | | | | | | | |
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| 0800 - 0900 | Registration - Breakfast - Exhibitors | | | | | | |
| 0900 - 1030 | GENERAL SESSION - COTTONWOOD BALLROOM Be Connected Leadership Partners | | | | | | |
| 1030 - 1100 | BREAK - Refreshments, Exhibitors & Networking | | | | | | |
| | TRACK | EDUCATION <i>Larkspur</i> | LEGAL <i>Ocotillo I</i> | PHYSICAL HEALTH <i>Chia</i> | FAMILY & SOCIAL SUPPORTS <i>Brittlebush</i> | BASIC NEEDS <i>Desert Star</i> | RISK REDUCTION <i>Golden Poppy</i> |
| 1100 - 1215 | BRIEFING I <i>Choose one</i> | Supporting a Path of Growth in Higher Education Andrea Banks <i>Maricopa Community Colleges</i> | Challenges & Barriers in Navigating the Legal System Judge Mitch Kalauli <i>Lake Havasu City</i> | The Whole Health Model | Strengthening Support for Children of Service Members and Veterans Patrick Ziegert, <i>Molina Healthcare</i> & John Spiekermeier, <i>Banner Health</i> | The Importance of Addressing Basic Needs Trevor Southwick, MSW <i>Arizona Housing, Inc.</i> | The Stress Continuum and Strategies for Reducing Suicide Risk Nicki Bartram, LPC <i>Arizona Coalition for Military Families</i> |
| 1215 - 1315 | LUNCH - Networking | | | | | | |
| | BREAKOUT ROOM | <i>Larkspur</i> | <i>Cottonwood North</i> | <i>Chia</i> | <i>Brittlebush</i> | <i>Desert Star</i> | <i>Golden Poppy</i> |
| 1315 - 1430 | BRIEFING II <i>Choose one</i> | Unique Challenges in Education for Veterans & Their Children Marta Mac Ban <i>Love Your School</i> | Mock Veterans Court Judge Thaddeus Semon <i>Regional Municipalities Veterans Treatment Court</i> | Trauma Informed to Trauma Responsive Sue Wolf, PhD | Through the Eras: Veterans Coping With Service-Related Trauma Moderator: Anjulie Pfeifer, LPC <i>Marana Health Care</i> | Food Insecurity and Walking With a Veteran to Resolve Basic Needs Issues Isabel Kozak, DNP <i>Veggies for Vets</i> | Prevention, Intervention & Postvention Approaches Nicki Bartram, LPC <i>Arizona Coalition for Military Families</i> |
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| 1445 - 1600 | BRIEFING III <i>Choose one</i> | Educational Supports for Success Troy Rundle <i>Arizona State University</i> | Key Legal Issues Affecting Veterans and Their Families Eric Macdonald & Tim Durkin <i>JacksonWhite Law</i> | Lived Experience With Physical Trauma and Creating Resilience | Restorative Pathways to Connection for Veterans & Families Jessica Morel <i>Army National Guard</i> | Addressing the Basic Needs of Clothing & Transportation Tera Calhoun <i>U.S. VETS</i> | Alternative Approaches to Reducing Risk Oscar Arambula <i>Northern Arizona VA Health Care System</i> |
| 1600 - 1630 | AFTER ACTION REPORT (AAR) - COTTONWOOD BALLROOM | | | | | | |