

**COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY
SAN DIEGO MILITARY AND VETERANS ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING**

**MEETING NOTICE: In Person
North Central Live Well Center
5055 Ruffin Road, 2nd Floor Conference Room, San Diego CA 92123
Phone (858) 694-3222**

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**October 17, 2024
1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

AGENDA

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| 1:00 - 1:01 | 1. Call to Order |
| 1:01 - 1:02 | 2. Pledge of Allegiance |
| 1:02 - 1:03 | 3. Roll Call |
| 1:03 - 1:05 | 4. Action Item: Approval of August 15, 2024, Meeting Minutes |

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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| 1:05 - 1:15 | 5. <u>Guidelines for Public Comment on Items not listed on the agenda:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">➤ Members of the public may request to speak about any issue within the purview of the Board.➤ Each speaker will be limited to three (3) minutes.➤ Board members may not discuss or take action on issues raised during public comment unless the issue is listed in this Agenda. |
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PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSION ITEMS

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| 1:15 – 1:20 | 6. Discussion Item: Acknowledgement of the Passing of Former Council Member RADM Mark Balmert, USN (Ret.). |
| 1:20 – 1:40 | 7. Discussion Item: New Community Connections: SDMVAC Council Members share community events they had recently attended. |
| 1:40 – 2:10 | 8. Presentation Item: Triple B Adventures, Todd Gilje, USN (Ret) President of Triple B Adventures and William Felty, USMC (Vet) Vice President of Triple B Adventures. |
| 2:10 – 2:40 | 9. Presentation Item: San Diego Military, Veterans and Families Advisory Council, Jon Aasted, Program Coordinator – Veteran Engagement, City of San Diego |
| 2:40 – 3:00 | 10. Discussion Item: Suggested topic for future meetings: All San Diego Military and Veterans Advisory Council Members. |

ADJOURNMENT/ NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting will be held on December 19, 2024, 1:00 – 3:00 pm, at 5055 Ruffin Road, 2nd Floor Conference Room, San Diego, CA 92123.

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https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/hhsa/programs/ssp/veterans_advisory_council.html

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**SDMVAC Meeting Minutes
August 15, 2024**

Members

Present

Jude Litzenberger
Danny Jackson
Tony Teravainen
Jaime Yslas
Paula Jansen

Staff Present

Rick Wanne, Director, Self-Sufficiency Services
Alberto Banuelos, Asst. Director, Self-Sufficiency Services
Amy Klock, OMVA
Ray Flores, OMVA

Guests

Christina Sedler – Supervisor Terra Lawson-Remer’s Office
Anthony Ewing – San Diego Military Affairs Advisory Council
Vic Martin – San Diego Veterans Coalition

Members Absent

Philip Kendro
Mark Gracyk

1. Meeting called to order at 1:10pm by Jude Litzenberger, Chair
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
 - SDMVAC present members noted above.
4. The June 20, 2024, meeting minutes were approved with the all Council Members present voting yes.
5. Public Comments:
 - No public comment.

6. **Discussion Item:** New Community Connections: SDMVAC Council members share community events they had recently attended. Members of the SDMVAC Council spoke about recent community gatherings they were at. The member gave an update to the Council regarding the recent veteran-focused service event they were a part of.
7. **Action Item:** 2023-2024 Annual Report to the County Board of Supervisors, All San Diego Military and Veterans Advisory Council Members. The Council under the leadership of Chair Jude Litzenberger reviewed the San Diego Military and Veterans Advisory Council's (SDMVAC) Draft Annual Report for 2023-2024. Following a detailed discussion and consideration, the Council passed a motion with all members present voting yes to approve the draft as the official report. This finalized document will now be forwarded to the Board of Supervisors offices.
8. **Presentation Item:** Current Initiatives and Interest in Veterans/Services in District 3, Christina Selder, Senior Policy Advisor, Office of Supervisor Terra Lawson-Remer, County of Diego Board of Supervisors. Ms. Selder provided the Council with an overview of the initiatives led by District 3 San Diego County Supervisor Terra Lawson-Remer's office, focusing on Veterans housing and homelessness, safeguarding against fraud and scams, transition to civilian life and support for military families and spouses.
9. **Presentation Item:** Team Red, White and Blue, Jaime Yslas, Chapter Captain, Team RWB – San Diego Chapter; Commander, USN Veteran. Jaime Yslas as the District 1 representative of the SDMVAC and Chapter Captain of Team RWB presented an overview of the Team RWB organization to the Council. He outlined Team RWB mission and highlighted how the organization helps Veterans focus on their health and wellness, fostering healthier lives through a range of events, training and programs.
10. **Discussion Item:** Suggested topic for future meetings: All San Diego Military and Veterans Advisory Council. OMVA Officer Ray Flores confirmed that Triple B organization will present in the next SDMVAC meeting. The Council suggested that the County undertake a survey to quantify the number of Veterans who have been supported, as well as to gather information on their periods of service and exit date. Council member Tony Teravainen suggested inviting two additional organizations to present at the next SDMVAC meeting: San Diego Coast Guard, and City of San Diego's Military Advisory Council.

ADJOURNMENT/SET NEXT MEETING:

The meeting was adjourned at 2:24 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held on October 17, 2024

ITEM #6 Acknowledgement of the Passing of Former Council Member RADM Mark Balmert, USD (Ret.)

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ITEM #7 New Community Connections: SDMVAC Council members share community events they had recently attended

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ITEM #8 Triple B Adventures

Todd Gilje, USN (Ret.) President of Triple B Adventures and William Felty, USMC (Vet.) Vice President of Triple B Adventures.





“Getting Vets Outdoors since 2016”

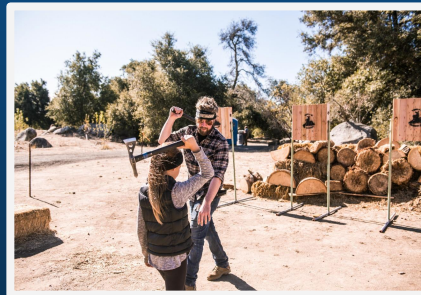
501(c)3 NonProfit Organization

Triple B Adventures



We take Military Veterans, Service Members, and their Families outdoors and provide peer support to combat quality of life challenges that they face...

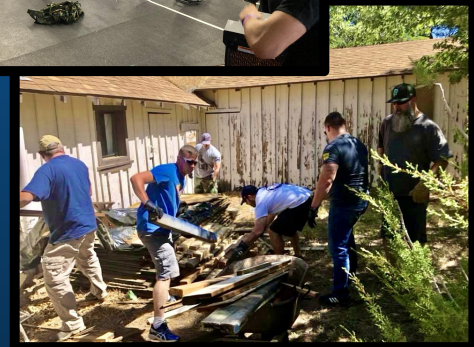
Quarterly Activities



Additional Activities



Community Engagement



Benefits & Resources for Military & Veterans

CURRENT

- National, State, & County Parks Passes
- County lead Outdoor Activities
 - Pair with SMP & others?
- Hunting & Fishing Licenses
- Veteran's Treatment Court
 - More Veteran Peers?

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- Retirement Pay Income Taxes?
- VSOs on College Campuses?
- More Affordable Housing for Military Families & Veterans?
- More Veteran Peers with C2C to work with Law Enforcement & PERT teams?
- Skills Bridge Direct Link?¹³

Questions?

Email us: Staff@TBA.Vet

Triple B Adventures is on
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Instagram,
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and www.TBA.Vet



ITEM #9 San Diego Military, Veterans and Families Advisory Council

Jon Aasted, Program Coordinator – Veteran Engagement, City of San Diego



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ITEM #10 Suggested topic for future meetings

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