

Volunteer Veteran Mentor Job Description

The ideal Mentor is a veteran who acts as a coach, a guide, a role model, an advocate, and a strong support for the individuals s/he is working with. A mentor encourages and motivates the mentee as s/he progresses through the court process. This includes listening to the concerns of the mentee, making general suggestions, assisting the mentee in determining what their needs are, and acting as a support for the veteran at a time when they may feel alone in a way that only another veteran can understand.

- You will attend at least one out of every four court sessions which occur on Wednesdays
- Participate in and lead mentoring sessions with veterans who have come into contact with the criminal justice system
- Be supportive and understanding of the difficulties veterans face
- Assist the veterans as much as possible to resolve their concerns around the court procedures as well as interactions with the Veterans Affairs system
- Be supportive and helpful to the other mentors within the program



If you can be a...

- Coach
- Sponsor
- Supporter
- Advisor
- Role Model
- Friend

And have these qualities...

- Active listener
- Empathetic
- Encouraging and Supportive
- Tolerant and respectful of individual differences
- Have or would like to have knowledge of Veterans Affairs Services
- Knowledge of Community Services

Then...

Please complete the application on the other side of this brochure and get it to us as soon as possible!

Veterans Court Mentor Program

Jim Lunstrum, Coordinator
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Veterans Therapeutic Court Docket

Wednesdays at 10:00am

Judge Darvin J. Zimmerman, Presiding

For more information about the court, please
contact Shauna McCloskey
360-397-2431
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Clark County Veterans Court Mentorship Program

Coordinator: Jim Lunstrum, USMC Vietnam Vet

Co-Chair: Ralph Harding, Col. USAF Ret

Co-Chair: Kasey Vu, MAJ. WAARNG

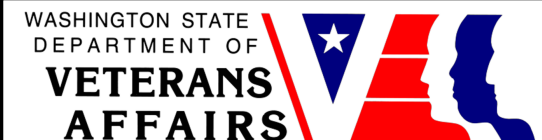
Mission Statement

The mission of the Veterans Court Mentoring Program is to support the veterans through their readjustment to civilian life, to assist the veterans in navigating through the court, treatment, and VA systems, and to act as a friend and ally through this difficult time.

Goals of the Veterans Mentoring Program

- Help our fellow veterans receive the services they need to reach their full potential as productive members of society.
- Help our fellow veterans navigate the court system, treatment system, and VA system.
- Assess the needs of our fellow veterans and help them adjust back to civilian life

Thank you for your Service!



Clark County Veterans Therapeutic Court Volunteer Mentor Application

Date _____

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Middle Name _____

Date of Birth _____ Driver's License # _____

Address _____

Email Address _____ Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Best Time to Call _____

Branch of Service _____ Month/Day/Year Entered _____ Month/Day/Year Exited _____

Type of Discharge _____ What was Your Specialty While in Service? _____ What is Your Specialty now? _____

Are you Available on Wednesday Mornings for Court Appearances? _____

What does Being a Mentor Mean to you? _____

What are Your Reasons for Wanting to Participate in the Court Mentoring Program? _____

What Skills and Experiences do you Have That Would Make you a Good Mentor? _____

Please read this form carefully and sign in the space provided below. Your written authorization is **REQUIRED** for the completion of the application process.

I, _____, hereby authorize the Clark County Sheriff's Department and the Department of Veterans Affairs to investigate my background and qualifications for purposes of evaluating whether I am qualified for the volunteer position for which I am applying. I hereby consent to a criminal background check and release of any information and/or records held by any public agency, branch of the military, law enforcement office, business, employer, or other institution for the purpose of evaluating my character and fitness for this position. I understand that I may withhold my consent and that in such case, the application process is terminated and an investigation will not take place.

Print Full Name

Date

Signature of Applicant

Please fax (888-896-6082), email (jplunstrum@gmail.com), drop-off or mail the completed application with any supporting documentation to: Veterans Court Mentor Coordinator, Attn: Jim Lunstrum (111 W. 39th St., Vancouver, WA 98660). He will review the application and get back to you promptly about the next steps. Any questions, Jim can be reached at (360) 831-1896. Thank you for your interest and for your service!

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