

2025 Hot Topics





2024 PROGRAM STATS

Total HF Veterans to D.C. in 2024: 21,341

WWII: 240

Korean War: 1,700

Vietnam: 17,884

Other: 1,517

Total HF Guardians to D.C. in 2022: 17,295

Total HF trips in 2024: 344

Total HF Hubs that made the

trip in 2024: 124

Honor Flight Hubs at Year End 2024: 128

Waiting List as of 12/31/2024: 46,217



Total HF Veterans to D.C. since 2005: 317,128











REAL ID

- May 7, 2025 All travelers over the age of 18
 - charter and commercial
- State Issued ID cards must have:











- Other acceptable documents include:
 - US Passport or Passport Card
 - Veteran's Health ID Card
 - DOD ID Card
 - DHS Trusted Traveler Card (Global Entry, Nexxus, etc.)





REAL ID

- TSA website: ID expired for less than 1 year is acceptable (as long as it is REAL ID compliant)
- HFN staff is currently engaging with members of Congress to share with them the hurdles our Veterans may experience due to REAL ID and discuss potential solutions.
 - If you happen to speak with your member of Congress, please feel free to share with them your concerns relative to REAL ID in support of this effort



Unsolicited Background Info

- Background checks at discretion of Hub
 - Proper consents, proper procedure to address results
- Unsolicited Information
 - Suggest at least a Board level discussion in advance
 - Will you investigate the claim?
 - What will you do if the results are concerning?





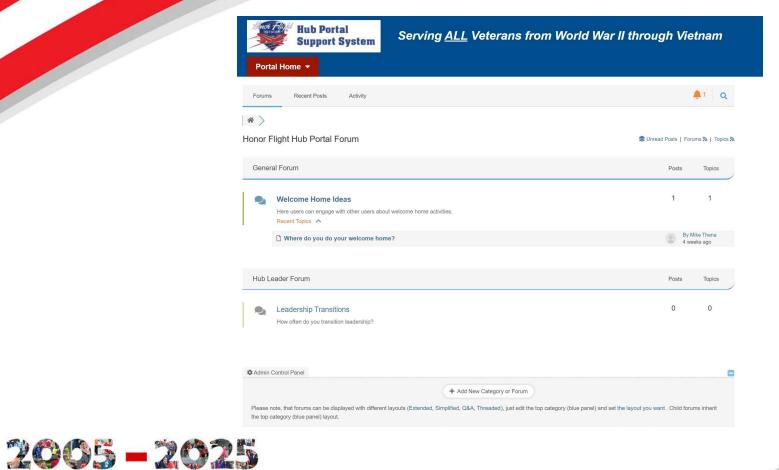
Flight Charters

- Encountered some issues securing charters for 2025
- Airlines that Charter:
 - Southwest
 - American
 - Sun Country
 - Allegiant
- Options:
 - Air Planning Aaron Yust (Jet Blue, Breeze)
 - Volanteus Christina Marmara





New Hub Forum





White Board Questions

- What NOT to have on Veteran/Guardian applications?
 - What information are you actively using?
 - Remove stale information requests including medical
 - Consider WHEN you are requesting information and if it will become stale before you need it.
- If a Veteran has served as a Guardian, can he/she still be honored as a Veteran?
 - ABSOLUTELY YES!!



