

SEPTEMBER
2025

VETERANS TREATMENT COURT THE VETERANS' SIX



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*THE LHC VETERANS TREATMENT COURT MONTHLY
NEWSLETTER DEDICATED TO HAVING THE SIX OF
EVERY JUSTICE INVOLVED VETERAN*

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Lake Havasu Veterans Treatment Court is to promote public safety through the collaborative effort of the criminal justice team by establishing individualized treatment plans and providing the tools necessary for successful community reengagement, thereby breaking the revolving door cycle among our Justice Involved Veterans.

LAKE HAVASU CITY COURT DATES



*Save
THE
Date*



Hearing Dates

All Hearings are held at 1:30pm
92 Acoma Blvd S.

September 5, 2025
September 19, 2025

October 3rd Graduation
October 17, 2025





9 - 11 Ceremony



NEVER FORGET

Every year a group of Lake Havasu City citizens come together to remember the events that took place on SEPTEMBER 11, 2001.

Our Rededication Ceremony is dedicated to the memories of those who lost their lives that day in New York City, Washington D.C. and Shanksville, PA.

Our ceremony also honors all our service organizations who work daily to protect us and our freedoms.

The Ceremony will start at 8:15AM. Also, for your comfort, we will have pop-ups for protection from the sun, some chairs, it is suggested to bring a chair, a large supply of water will be available for free.

Please mark your calendar and join us at London Bridge Beach, as we remember 9/11/2001... a day we must NEVER FORGET.



Veteran has successfully completed the Lake Havasu Veterans Treatment Court Program

Branch of Service

ARMY

VTC Graduation Date

July 8, 2016

My experience in the program

Why Give Out "Dog Tags" in Veteran's Treatment Court? "I believe that the VTC is a unique opportunity to get two beginnings for the price of one. When life goes sideways and the veteran finds himself or herself in trouble, what happens next? If you're lucky enough to live in Lake Havasu City, you get the chance to begin again." You get the chance to volunteer to participate in Veteran's Treatment Court. A beginning to be sure. You will always remember your first appearance before the Judge, nervous, confused and uncertain if you made the right choice. But wait, there's more. You look around the courtroom and wonder why all those people are there. Then you start to understand. They are there to support you, the veteran. They actually care. Now the real process begins. New Veteran: Interviews, assessments, counseling, testing and learning about yourself can be overwhelming at first but it soon begins to make sense. As you learn and grow, you begin to feel better and regain some of that lost confidence. Before you know it, the judge hands you your first 'Dog Tag,' it says, 'COURAGE.' Don't ever think you got that dog tag for just showing up. You actually earned it by demonstrating your willingness to accept a challenge and move in a better direction. So now you're out hiking on the beach or in the hills. You're staying clean and attending counseling and learning more life skills. This is when you can actually feel the changes taking place. You're completing community restitution that is a valuable service. Now you're back on the team moving ever forward. Fill out a promotion packet and see what comes next. Here we are in court again. You're standing in front of Judge K. He hands you another, 'Dog Tag,' this one says, 'COMMITMENT.' Once again, you didn't get it for free. You did the work and stayed true to the program. Confidence builds a little quicker now and you know you can make it. Now you get to see the new vets coming in and you know what they face. That feeling is called confidence. Another promotion packet is done and handed in. Most of the requirements are now complete and you're ready to move forward. It feels good to be in the groove knowing that you will soon be free and on your own. It's now time for the big promotion. Judge K hands you perhaps the most important dog tag yet, it says, 'HONOR.' You have earned the trust of the entire staff and Judge K. It didn't come for free and it wasn't automatic. It was earned just like the others. Now you're getting close. You're getting close to the next beginning. The day of graduation is rapidly approaching. That day is when you begin again with a new appreciation of yourself and what can be accomplished with the help of dedicated professionals. Sincere constant effort actually worked. You return to your home, work, family and community better prepared to face life's constant challenges. It sounds easy when put into these few words. But we know different, don't we? "Plan your graduation speech well. What you have to say matters and people do listen." ~ Former Graduate

KINGMAN VETERANS TREATMENT COURT

Kingman Court Dates

September 3, 2025 1:30pm
September 17, 2025 1:30pm

Kingman VRT

September 3, 2025
at 11:30am

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Mentor Corps

The mission of VTC mentors is to serve their justice involved veterans by being a source of positivity, moral support, and guidance as they work toward successfully completing the VTC Program.



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Service and Benefits



LAKE HAVASU CITY STAND DOWN

OCTOBER 18TH, 2025

10:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.

AQUATIC CENTER - RELICS AND RODS HALL
100 PARK AVE, LHC

LOCAL VETERAN RESOURCE ORGANIZATIONS WILL ASSIST WITH:

- HOUSING ASSISTANCE
- EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES
- RESUME GUIDANCE
- VA BENEFITS APPLICATIONS
- HEALTH CARE SCREENINGS
- VACCINATIONS
- FOOD NEEDS
- WOUND CARE
- LEGAL ASSISTANCE
- SUICIDE AWARENESS & PREVENTION
- HAIRCUTS
- STROKE SUPPORT
- CHRONIC PAIN
- COPD SUPPORT
- CLOTHES CLOSET WITH DLA MILITARY SURPLUS
- FREE COFFEE & DONUTS



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This month in Military History



On September 11, Patriot Day gives all of us time to reflect on the devastating terror attacks that took nearly 3,000 lives. We commemorate those who we lost and give thanks to the brave first responders who put their lives on the line. Take a moment today to consider what we stand for as a nation and how we can work together to make the world a better place for all.

WHEN IS PATRIOT DAY 2021?

The bravery of American citizens and uniformed personnel in the face of one of the world's most terrible terrorist attacks is remembered on National Day of Service and Remembrance on September 11.

HISTORY OF PATRIOT DAY

It was a terrifying day when four planes were hijacked on September 11, 2001 (also known as nine-eleven). The hijackers flew three planes into iconic buildings: the Pentagon in Washington DC and the Twin Towers of the World Trade Center in New York. The fourth plane crashed in a field in Pennsylvania after the plane passengers fought the hijackers. Nobody is certain where it was supposed to crash, but some people believe it was headed for the White House, the U.S. Capitol, the Camp David presidential retreat in Maryland, or one of several nuclear power plants along the eastern seaboard.

The impact of this attack was devastating. Around 3,000 lives were lost between plane passengers, those in the buildings that were struck, and front-line workers trying to save people. It was the biggest act of terrorism ever in the United States. Since then, airplane security has become stricter in many countries as they attempt to avoid a future terrorist attack like nine-eleven.

The majority of lives that were people that worked in the Twin Towers, especially the floors above the collision point as people were trapped and stranded at the top of the burning skyscraper. 411 men and women working in emergency services lost their lives trying to fight fires and rescue people from the buildings. It was a heartbreaking attack, which is why Patriot Day was proclaimed by President George W. Bush and is recognized every year on September 11.

On Patriot Day, U.S. flags are lowered halfway, and there is a country-wide moment of silence at 8:46 am (Eastern Daylight Time), which is when the first plane crashed into one of the Twin Towers. Although the attacks were in the U.S., Patriot Day is recognized worldwide as the news devastated and impacted people all over.

TRADITIONS OF THE DAY

Every year since the tragic day of September 11, 2001, all American citizens come together to remember and honor the fallen. Fighting valiantly till the end, their lives and stories are forever memorialized and illuminate this dark day in history. Moments of silences are observed several times during the day. The timings correspond with the terrorist attacks, with the first one starting at 8:46 A.M. EDT and the last one at 10:28 A.M EDT. National Day of Service and Remembrance is a difficult day for many, with some solace found in the memorial tributes to those who lost their lives, and through support groups dedicated to spreading kindness and comfort to families today. Memorial events and prayer vigils are participated in across the country.

Today, reflecting and remembering the events that took place in 2001 reminds people of the sensitivity of time and the importance of standing united as a nation.

BY THE NUMBERS

2977 – the number of innocent lives lost on 9/11.

343 – the number of lives lost on 9/11 who were New York City firefighters.

23 – the number of lives lost on 9/11 who were NYPD officers.

37 – the number of lives lost on 9/11 who were police officers from the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey.

19 – the number of terrorists who hijacked the planes on 9/11.

60% – the percentage of victims of the 9/11 attacks whose remains have been identified.

3:1 – the ratio of men to women who died.

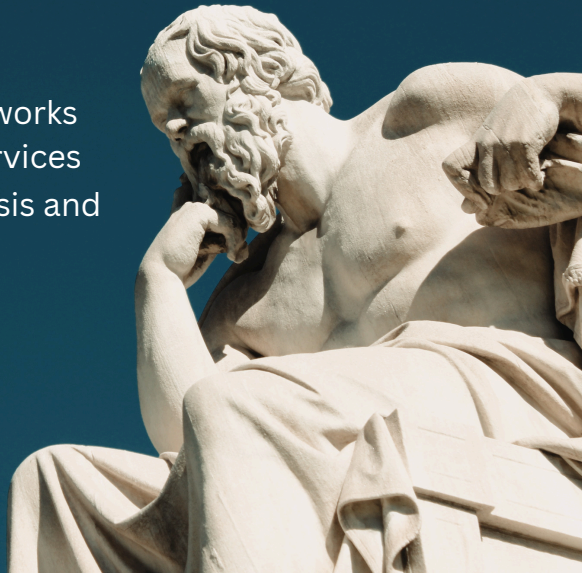
184 – the number of people killed when American Airlines Flight 77 crashed into the Pentagon.

36,000 – the units of blood donated to the New York Blood Center on 9/11.

300 – the number of firefighters on leave for respiratory problems from 9/11 by January 2002.

Judge K's Corner

"Our Veterans Treatment Court works as a *perfect storm* to provide services at a time when a Veteran is in crisis and becomes involved in the justice system." - Judge Kalauli



MENTORSHIP

We want YOU to be involved in our LHC Veterans Treatment Court Mentor Program! Upcoming meetings will be held in the Courthouse Jury Assembly Room

For more information, please contact Joan:

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VTC Alumni Meeting

VTC Graduates, Phase 3 participants, Mentors, & the Staffing Team are welcome!

The first Thursday of each month
at 6:00PM

Havasu Community Health Foundation:
Shambles Village

2126 McCulloch Blvd. N. Suite 7

September 4, 2025 at 6:00pm

October 2, 2025 at 6:00pm

The General

Monday – Friday (ONLY)

The General is available for

U/A testing (M-F)

Counseling appointments &

In-person Court Hearings

The van number is 928-230-0392

Call between 8am – 12pm to schedule

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