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Tarrant County Vietnam War-Era Memorial

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MEMORIAL FUND INFORMATION SOURCES

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FORT WORTH – The Tarrant County Vietnam War-era Memorial committees has launched two information sources to boost awareness in support of building a permanent tribute to those who made the ultimate sacrifice in Southeast Asia.

“We want to get the word out about this unique project,” states Bruce Zielsdorf, publicity coordinator for the memorial fund. “The website (<https://www.vieteramemorial.org/>) and Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/TCVWM>) are designed so that individuals and organizations across North Texas can easily donate to this worthy cause.”

“At least 220 county residents died as a result of the conflict,” according to Jim Hodgson, executive director of the Fort Worth Aviation Museum. “Currently, there’s no local monument to honor those killed in Vietnam, but that may soon be changing.

“We’re proposing a permanent display in Fort Worth’s Veterans Memorial Park on Camp Bowie Blvd. designed by local students to honor American service members for their sacrifices, as well as commemorate the loss to the families and loved ones.”

The proposed monumental effort is backed by a coalition of Tarrant County officials, the Fort Worth Parks Dept., national and local veterans service organizations, as well as patriotic groups and individuals across the region. Representatives of these groups are now meeting to define the logistics of the project.

Hodgson has assembled a team of volunteers to take on a myriad of challenges related to the memorial project. Over the next several months, those efforts include:

- Engaging schools and students in the memorial’s design
- Verifying the names of those to be included on the monument
- Spreading the word and raising funds to support the effort
- Dedication ceremony in Veterans Memorial Park



In support of this effort, the memorial fund website and Facebook page are intended to update the public on the committee's activities and as a place for people to donate funds for the memorial's construction. All news releases, fact sheets, photographs and graphics on these sites are in the public domain and available for download.

"The interactive website was developed, in part, as an easy place where online donations can be made. We eventually hope to link the entire virtual community supporting this campaign," Hodgson concludes.

The Facebook page dedicated to the project was also launched as part of the awareness effort. It will be linked with the website in an effort maximize public awareness of the memorial project and contain profiles of service members lost in Southeast Asia.

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