



Serving Those Who Serve: Northwest Compass and Evanston Vet Center Join Forces to Host Veteran Resource Fair

Connecting local veterans, active military and their families to critical resources, NWC and Evanston Vet Center will host Veteran Resource Fair at NWC Offices in Mount Prospect on Saturday, March 18, 2017.

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Partnering with Evanston Vet Center to support local veterans, active military and their immediate families, Northwest Compass will open its office at 1300 W. Northwest Highway in Mount Prospect, IL for Veteran Resource Fair from 10 am to 1pm on Saturday, March 18, 2017.

From isolation, injury and PTSD to unemployment and homelessness, our active military personnel, veterans and their families face unique challenges during and after deployment. The VA estimates that approximately 20 veterans commit suicide each day, and according to National Coalition for Homeless Vets, more than 40,000 veterans receiving compensation or pension benefits cannot find affordable housing and are homeless. To help combat these issues, Veteran Resource Fair will bring together critical resources such as Veteran Service Officers (VSO) Application Updates, a medical exam station and food pantry. Northwest Compass and Vet Center staff will be on hand to provide referrals to needed services like housing, counseling and access to benefits to help aid successful re-entry to civilian life.

“We understand that veterans, military and their families live to serve others and rarely reach out for help, but we want them to know ‘we’ve got their 6’,” says Dr. Cheryl Novas, PhD, NWC Managing Director, Partnership & Development. “We’re proud to partner with Evanston Vet Center to help our heroes and hope this is the first of many successful events,” adds LeRoy Messenger, NWC CEO.

About The Vet Center

The Vet Center offers free, confidential counseling to eligible veterans and their families. The goal of the Vet Center is to provide a broad range of counseling, outreach and referral services to eligible veterans in order to help them make a satisfying post-service transition. For more information, visit www.vetcenter.va.gov.

About Northwest Compass, Inc.

Responding to an environment of dynamic and constantly changing socioeconomics continues to define and solidify Northwest Compass, Inc.’s essential role in assisting people in meeting the challenges of having a safe environment for themselves and their families, from which they can create a path to a positive future. Northwest Compass helps its neighbors turn crisis into opportunity, serving the homeless, hungry and heroes in the community. For more information, please visit www.NorthwestCompass.org

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