## Vietnam War Commemoration "SITREP"

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"Join the Nation ... thank a Vietnam veteran!"

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## Dear Commemorative Partners,

Once again, your *unwavering* commitment to lead Americans everywhere in *thanking and honoring* 

Vietnam veterans and their families, especially on and around National Vietnam War Veterans Day, was - and remains inspirational! More than 1,000 commemorative events in support

> of *March* 29, 2019 brought joy to the faces of an estimated 300,000 attendees. Communities joined together, lauding and encouraging 174,000 Vietnam veterans, most who had never before received their Vietnam Veteran Lapel Pin.

808 broadcasts and news articles highlighting March 29 and Vietnam

veterans reached 335 million ... 218 million viewers of national broadcasts and 117 million readers of print media. Presidential and Vice Presidential "tweets" led the way to #VietnamVeteransDay becoming the March 29 #1 "trending topic" on Twitter!

In addition, the Wreath-Laying Ceremony at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C. was especially poignant, as the photo (at the right) of our director comforting a Gold Star daughter attests. Also, public service announcements by the Secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs and each leader of the five Military Services

and the National Guard Bureau resonated around

the world. All told, it was a phenomenal day!

Above & Beyond

**Defense Commissary Agency** Military Exchanges (Five Services) **Department of Veterans Affairs** 

In support of March 29, 2019, these Commemorative Partners put forth an amazing effort. Cumulatively, they hosted 678 events (64% of the total) thanking and honoring **115,000** Vietnam veterans and their families!

Thank you, ALL!

We look forward to receiving your *after-action* reports via the CP portal. Please remember to include your event photos for display on our website, and we would love to have you share photos and stories with us on our Facebook and Twitter pages, as well.

Superbly done, everyone! Thank you, for being a ...

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