



2022 – Proud To Be American

**Inaugural Symposium on Mental Health
PTSD & Suicide Prevention
Moderators, Panelists, CEOs, Sports Heroes**



"SERVICE ABOVE SELF"

*We engage communities with this veteran ideal through **Participation, Education, and Recognition***

We create **opportunities for meaningful engagement with veterans** and North Texas communities. We know when communities have meaningful ways to honor and appreciate veterans they are inspired and engaged. That's why we have created multiple ways for communities to engage with veterans and their ideal of "**service above self**" to inspire lasting, positive community change.

Veteran Community Engagement Projects

- Veterans Day Ceremony and Parade (*November 11*)
- Veterans Day Celebration Video
- Mental Health Symposium
- North Texas Vet-Fest
- Video History Project - Operation Lima Charlie

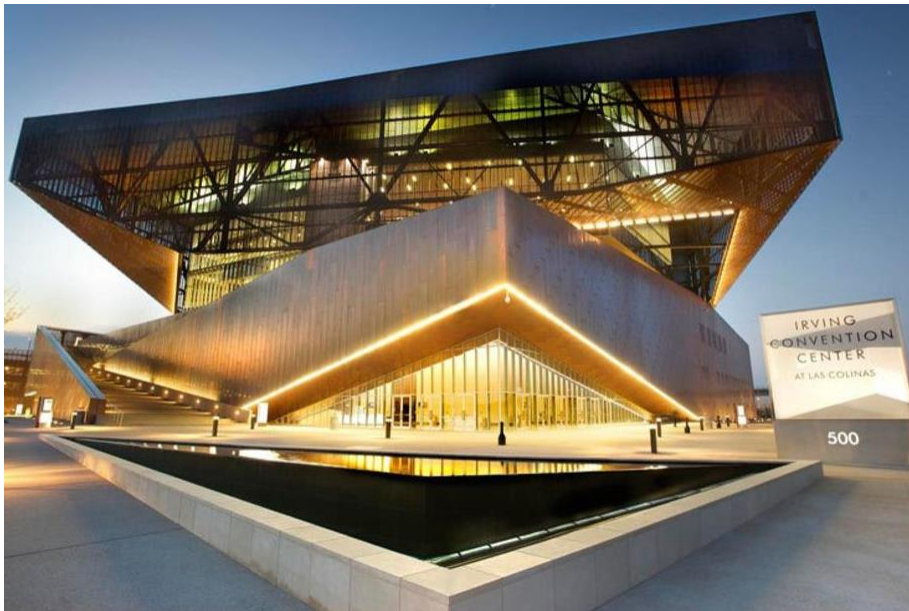


GDVF is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, which means any money we raise is invested in our veterans, students, and communities. Engage with us and inspire positive community change.

Greater Dallas Veterans Foundation *Presents* The 2022 Inaugural Mental Health Symposium



The Mental Health Symposium provides stakeholders and healthcare practitioner's up-to-date information and research to better assist with mental health, PTSD and suicide prevention efforts throughout our community. Leading experts will speak to local and nationwide efforts addressing and responding to this societal challenge.



When: Friday, September 30, 2022
(7:00AM – 7:00PM)

Where: Irving Convention Center
@ Las Colinas

Format: In-person; post-production;
live streaming (TBD)

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Purpose:

To connect brain health & mental health stakeholders from various sectors to:

- Present and evaluate challenges, successes and best practices.
- Discuss points of intersection and opportunities.
- Develop collaborative efforts to expedite and enhance caregiving across all groups.

Objectives:

Provide community stakeholders, wellness practitioners and caregivers opportunities to better understand the mental health challenges affecting many throughout our community while providing a framework for addressing these and associated issues.

Key Message:

We have a greater appreciation that all segments of our society are affected by mental health challenges and brain injuries. To that end, The Greater Dallas Veterans Foundation invites community leaders for an in-depth inaugural 2022 Mental Health Symposium: “Proud to be American.”

Target Audience:

Anyone with an interest in the current mental health crisis in our communities.

Event Attendees:

Community, Mental Health Decisionmakers, Policymakers and Shareholders. Estimated attendance 150.

Panels:

Each panel will explore the unique ways in which physical injury and mental trauma present in their segment of society, the methods of healing that have proven to be most successful, and their research, studies and partnerships that advance understanding to increase impact in support of the community at large.

Panels are:

- First Responders & Veteran Organizations
- Healthcare Providers
- Education: Next Generation
- Community Foundations & Non-Governmental Organizations

CEO Luncheon and Sports Heroes Reception

(Brad Watson, Emcee Luncheon & Scott Murray, Emcee Reception)

Timeline / Agenda



Time	
7:00AM – 8:15AM	Check-in & Breakfast
8:15AM – 8:30AM	Welcome & Opening Remarks (General Albert Zapanta)
8:30AM – 10:00AM	Panel 1: First Responders & Veteran Organizations
10:00AM – 10:30AM	Break
10:30AM – 12:00PM	Panel 2: Healthcare Providers
12:00PM – 12:30PM	Table Reset, Break
12:30PM – 2:00PM	CEO Luncheon & Keynote Speakers (Brad Watson, Emcee)
2:00PM – 3:30PM	Panel 3: Education: Next Generation
3:30PM – 5:00PM	Panel 4: Community Foundations & Non-Governmental Organizations
5:30PM – 7:00PM	Sports Heroes Reception –(Scott Murray, Emcee) VIP Networking/ Entertainment/ Yellow Ribbon Award Presentation

Panel #2: Sponsored by Brain Performance Center Healthcare Providers Moderator & Panelists



DR. STEPHEN HOLT

Moderator

Director, Veteran Affairs North Texas Health Care



PANELIST #1

LEIGH RICHARDSON

BRAIN PERFORMANCE
CENTER
Founder



PANELIST #3

STEVE MIFF

PCCI
PARKLAND CENTER FOR
CLINICAL INNOVATION
President & CEO



PANELIST #4

DR. MILDRED BETANCOURT

IRVING PUBLIC SAFETY
Director, Wellness Unit



PANELIST #5

ELLEN MORRIS

UTD-BRAIN INSTITUTE
PhD, Director
Neuroscience Laboratory

Reception Featuring Sports Heroes

5:30pm – 7:00pm



SCOTT MURRAY
EMCEE

Dallas Cowboys
Chad Hennings

Dallas Mavericks
Player Appearance
TBD

Dallas Stars
Player Appearance
TBD

FC Dallas
Player Appearance
TBD



Tony Orlando

Performance & Yellow Ribbon Awards Ceremony
(Confirmed)

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