



**VETS JOURNEY HOME, INC.**  
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[www.vetsjourneyhome.org](http://www.vetsjourneyhome.org)

**CALLING for Volunteers for STAFF  
and VETERANS to PARTICIPATE in the MAY 1-3, 2009  
Vets Journey Home weekend near WASHINGTON, D.C.**

**(Other weekends and information contacts )**

Houston, Texas – March 27-29, 2009 (filled) <[smluna@comcast.net](mailto:smluna@comcast.net)>  
Washington, D.C. area (MD) – May 1-3, 2009 [ottervision@wildblue.net](mailto:ottervision@wildblue.net)  
Northern Wisconsin May 22-24, 2009 [patricia.clason@sbcglobal.net](mailto:patricia.clason@sbcglobal.net)  
San Diego, California-June 5-7, 2009 [psolutio@simplywe6.net](mailto:psolutio@simplywe6.net)  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin – July 31-Aug 2, 2009 [patricia.clason@sbcglobal.net](mailto:patricia.clason@sbcglobal.net)  
Other programs for the fall TBA

**The Vets Journey Home weekend is free to veterans. It is provided from donations by individuals who want to support our vets and their healing. All leaders and staff are experienced and dedicated volunteers and 100% of donations go to program deliverables. Your money can help continue this important work. To make a donation call Gene McMahon, Executive Director at 301-829-2808 or e-mail [ottervision@wildblue.net](mailto:ottervision@wildblue.net) website [www.vetsjourneyhome.org](http://www.vetsjourneyhome.org)**

The Vets Journey Home is a weekend event for combat zone veterans.

**Program Goals:**

- An opportunity to tell your story and be heard
- A safe place to face and heal the wounds of war
- Powerful healing and honoring through ceremonies and rituals created for combat zone veterans. A true Welcome Home with Honor

When combat veterans return home they have important stories to tell. Stories that need to be heard, without judgment, to heal the anger, the grief and the fear. Often friends and families are uncomfortable asking about the war. The result is the pain within the vet's soul remains unprocessed. This can lead to nightmares, alcohol and drug addictions, broken families, isolation and even suicide. Vets Journey Home creates a safe secure container in which the wounds of war can be healed. Staffed by other veterans and civilians, men and women, whose intention is confidentiality, healing and honoring.

**Appropriate candidates for Vets Journey Home:** All combat zone veterans of any war or nation, other military personnel that have experienced acts of terror (bombings, sniper fire, and other acts of violence). A combat zone veteran is any vet that has served in a combat zone, in any service, any war. Participant applications available at [www.vetsjourneyhome.org](http://www.vetsjourneyhome.org)

**Appropriate staff candidates for VJH.** All requests to staff will be considered. Special consideration is given to veterans, staff and participants of the Bamboo Bridge workshop, Vets Journey Home, Mankind Project, Women Within, Women in Power, and Taking it Lightly. Our staff consists of veterans, both combat and non-combat, and civilian men and women who have a desire to help with healing the traumas of war. It takes a community to truly honor our veterans and give them the welcome home they deserve. Deadline for staff applications is two weeks prior to the VJH weekend. Staff applications are on the website: [www.vetsjourneyhome.org](http://www.vetsjourneyhome.org)

War impacts us all - individually and as a society. This is an opportunity to be involved in healing the wounds of war for all of our society and really "support our troops."

For more information: contact Gene McMahon, [ottervision@wildblue.net](mailto:ottervision@wildblue.net), phone 301-829-2808 or go to our website at [www.vetsjourneyhome.org](http://www.vetsjourneyhome.org) to register on-line.

**This program is free to all combat zone veterans. They have already paid the price for their honoring and healing**