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Welcome to East Bay Stand Down 2014

What is a Stand Down?

Stand Downs were named in Vietnam for the relatively safe times when combat troops could get a shave, shower, clean clothing and other comforts. The term was used again twelve years ago to describe a way to help displaced vets by the Vietnam Veterans of San Diego. Since that time, there have been hundreds of Stand Downs held throughout the country. The first East Bay Stand Down was held in 1999.



What is LZ Burbine?

The East Bay Stand Down is named after Len Burbine, who was one of our original organizers. Len passed away before the Stand Down came to be so, as was the traditions in Vietnam to name a helicopter landing zone (LZ) after one of our fallen comrades, we have named the East Bay Stand Down after USMC Sergeant Major (Retired) Leonard Burbine.

Who is doing all this?

We have over 1600 volunteers from around the bay area signed up to help. Our sponsors and organizers include many organizations in our community- The Vietnam Veterans of Diablo Valley, Chevron, AT&T, Service Foundation, the Ladies Auxiliary of the Antioch VFW Post 8435, Sovereign Order of St. John, Bank of America, Alameda County Fairgrounds, Northrop-Grumman, the United Way of the Bay Area, the California Department of Veterans Affairs and Veterans Home of California – Yountville, The United States Army 63rd RSC, McCune Audio, Video Lighting, Trivalent Financial, and many more.

Why are we doing this?

Stand Downs have proven to work to help break the cycle of homelessness. You, the participants, earned extra help by virtue of your service to our country. You have proven you can complete a tough assignment in your past, and we know you can do it again. This is a hand up, not a handout.

Legal Help

We will have the Superior Courts from Alameda, San Francisco, Contra Costa, Solano, Santa Clara and San Joaquin Counties convening here on Saturday. If you have misdemeanor violations which have or have not gone to warrant you may have the judge decide on them here. Alternatives to sentencing are available while you are at this event You will be given "sign offs" for every meeting or service you attend. When you go to court here, those sign offs will be taken into consideration in your sentences.



BASIC CAMP RULES

Basic Camp rules and information

LZ Burbine is a safe place for you and for the people working here. The rules apply both to participants and volunteers/staff. We will treat everyone with respect and concern. We require all participants to attend meetings/services while they are here. These meetings and services will be available all the time. You must attend meetings unless they are participants in court or at another appointment. This is in hopes that participants will get more out of the event than just food, clothing, shoes and a couple of movies.

Many Thanks to the . . .





<u>Participants</u> - <u>Please note</u>: No ins and outs

We cannot keep track of participants who leave and desire to re-enter. Therefore, *if you chose to leave*, <u>you</u> <u>will not be allowed to re-enter</u> for the remainder of Stand Down. Also, if you chose to leave early - <u>you</u> <u>may not take supplies/shoes/clothing given to you</u> at Stand Down.



THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS

for your Time -Energy - Efforts & Donations!

YOU MAKE IT WORK!

Non-Profit Donations Possible through our Website: www.EastBayStandDown.org





Medical Care

Medical care is available from the time you arrive for the duration of your stay. We will provide TB testing upon your arrival. Other infectious disease screening will also be available. Check with your Tent Leader and the daily schedules for updates..



AA / NA Gives You a 24 Hour Welcome

Alcoholics Anonymous welcomes you!

Meetings of Alcoholics Anonymous will be held on the even hours throughout the weekend. On the odd hours there will be A.A. members available in the tent to chat, offer information, answer questions, etc.

Meetings held at the East Bay Stand Down will be "open" meetings (welcoming anyone who would like to attend). However, we do ask that only alcoholics and recovering alcoholics participate in the discussion meetings.

Friday evening we will have a special guest speaker at 8:00 PM - a veteran who first came to Stand Down as a participant, and has now found success as a sober member of the community.

Meetings with women's focus

There are two women's A.A. meetings scheduled at 2:00 PM, one on Friday and one on Saturday.

Narcotics Anonymous is here too.

Meetings of Narcotics Anonymous (N.A) are also available on the odd hours in the N.A. tent.

Al-Anon Welcomes family members

We will also offer Al-Anon meetings and support at 3:00 PM each day.

Alcoholics Anonymous has been a part of the East Bay Stand Down from the first event in 1999.

EAST BAY STAND DOWN...

PART OF A NATIONAL COMMITMENT TO END HOMELESSNESS AMONG VETERANS

Nearly one year of planning and coordinating hundreds of volunteers, tons of food and clothing and an impressive array of social, medical and legal services will come together on Thursday August 5th at the Alameda County Fairgrounds.

This well equipped camp will accommodate nearly 450 homeless veterans - both men and women from nearly all seven counties of the San Francisco Bay Area. Over 1,600 volunteers, both civilian and military, will assist veterans and provide a wide variety of services at the event.

This is the only four-day stand down currently offered in the United States, and it is one of the largest. It is also an officially sanctioned Department of Veterans Affairs event and is part of an ambitious plan to eradicate homelessness among Veterans within five years announced by Secretary of Veterans Affairs Eric Shinseki when he assumed office a year ago. Shinseki stated that "those who have served this nation as Veterans should never find themselves on the streets, living without care and without hope." According to Pete Dougherty, VA's Director of Homeless Veterans Programs, the agency supported 156 of these events and provided an estimated \$27,000,000 worth of clinical time, clothing, blankets and other resources to support those Veterans in need.

EBSD a safe place

There will be no arrests at Stand Down

In order to receive a hearing on your pending misdemeanors or to find out if you have any, you must register with the legal folks no later than 12:00 noon on Friday. There will be other legal help for you through attorneys in the legal tents see Community Service Tents. This help will be for issues such as child support, tax problems, bankruptcy, or other common problems.





Your Thursday EBSD Schedule - SEP. 11, 2014

0730	COLORS - USAR, MARSG
0800 - 0900	Breakfast, PLEASANTON LIONS CLUB - Pancakes
0800 – 0900	Volunteers & Staff, All Military Personnel Management Briefing
0930 – 1700	Registration Begins, Buses arrive
0000 1700	COFFEE / WATER / FRUIT / DONUTS
	Medical & Dental Services/Triage & Legal Service Intakes
	PPD implants
1000	Recovery Programs run 24 hours a day Schedules TBA
1000 – 1145	First Clothing Issue
	1000 – 1130 Tents A – D 1300 – 1430 Tents K – M 1100 – 1230 Tents E – H 1400 – 1530 Tents N – R
	1200 – 1230 Terris E – H 1400 – 1330 Terris N – K 1200 – 1330 Tents I - J 1500 – 1630 Tents S – U
	1600 – 1700 Ferns 1 - 3
1100 – 1800	Showers / Haircuts / Laundry drop off
	1300 – 1345 Tents A – C 1515 – 1545 Tents M – O
	1345 – 1415 Tents D – F 1545 – 1630 Tents P – R
	1415 – 1445 Tents G – I 1630 – 1700 Tents S – U
1000 1100	1445 – 1515 Tents J - L 1700 CLOSED
1200 – 1400	LUNCH - PLEASANTON, VFW POST & AMERICAN LEGION POST 237 -
	Burgers & Hot Dogs Order of tents at first lunch is as determined by tent leaders. All other
	meals will be scheduled according to tent rotation.
	Thursday Lunch will be available for 2 hours.
	All other meals will last for one and a half hours.
1300 – 1600	Community Services – SSI, CVSO's, VA Benefits, Shelter Housing, Em-
	ployment
1400 - 1500	Participant Workshops and Services
1715	ASSEMBLY FOR CEREMONIES
1730 – 1815	COLORS, USAR
	OPENING RECOGNITIONS/COMMENTS/BLESSING
	Dan Helix, Jr., Chaplin
	911 Observance Comments, ? WEMARSG and USAR, MEDCOM, Active Duty
	MG Dan Helix, USA (ret.)
	MG Ron Lowe, USA (ret.)
	BG Barton Gilbert, USA (Ret.)
1830 – 2000	DINNER -LDS CHURCH - Chicken & Turkey
	1 ST Women & Kids Tent(s) 4^{TH} Tents G - I 7^{TH} Tents P - R 2^{ND} Tents A - C 5^{TH} Tents J - L 8^{TH} Tents Q - END
	2^{ND} Tents A – C 5^{TH} Tents J - L 8^{TH} Tents Q - END 3^{RD} Tents D - F 6^{TH} Tents M - O Staff last
1800 – 2000	ENTERTAINMENT – Sandi Bell Band
2030 - 2230	Kim Kenny & Gener
1930	Movie Double Feature @ Legal Tent Star Wars & National Treasure #1
2300	Lights out