

2013 Port Angeles After Action:

Total seen	310
Veterans	302
Homeless veterans	47, 7 of which are female

American Legion:

Total Seen	11
Action taken	4

Membership, claim status and received new clients. What would the vets do without you!

Art's Barber Shop:

Total Seen	21
Action Taken	21

Memorable: All the neat things the guys did for our Country!

Assured Hospice:

Total Seen	30
Action Taken	2

Two vets had recently lost their spouses and were grieving (one's wife died 4 days ago). Referred both to our free drop-in grief support group that meets 2x a month and is open to anyone who experienced a loss. Enjoyed networking and other providers. Well organized event. Put us down for forks, Port Townsend, and port Angles Next Year.

Burial Services:

Total Seen	48
Action Taken	45

Glad to report, no problems. Just clarity and education. I enjoy networking with both vendors and clients. Educating and supporting. It is a true honor to be a part of this event and add up all the years of service and stories I have heard form the Veterans. This is amazing. Thank you for inviting me.

Clallam County Transit:

Total Seen	100+
Action Taken	45

Processed a large number of permit applicants and assisted with general transit information and navigation. Very good turn out! It was a good way for us to reach the segment of population that qualifies for Regional Reduced Fare Permits. We were also able to provide transit information on fixed route and Para transit services throughout Clallam County. Fantastic Job! Thanks

DAV

Total Seen	10
Action Taken	

Dental Screening:

Total Seen	40
Action Taken	19

I think the memorable story is the one guy that lost his front tooth that is getting a flipper from Denture Care Center . He is homeless, gone thru drug treatment, and is very bright eyed and ready for work, except he needed a front tooth. He was so excited.

I can't think of too many stories because we saw so many repeat patients.

DSHS

Total Seen
Action Taken

We met many wonderful and thankful veterans. Robert is an elderly man whose wife is in long-term care. He had questions about services and was walked to the mobile DSHS who provided information. Robert was very thankful for the services provided at the Stand Down today. Michael had 3 cancer surgeries. He was taken to the DSHS mobile unit and signed up for food benefits, which he was very thankful for. He also made use of the medical booth and other various venues.

DSHS Mobile Service Van

Total Seen 19
Action Taken 19

Four received medical services, 14 received food services and one received answers to general questions.

Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve:

Total Seen 14
Action Taken 2

Standard assistance. Helped other veterans access assistance. Made recommendations for a veteran seeking retirement pay. Catching up with old friends.

Forks Abuse Program:

Total Seen 29
Action Taken 1

Awesome stories. I enjoyed watching people eat – you can tell the ones who don't get to eat very often. So glad there is plenty of food! This was great.

Housing Resource Center:

Total Seen 49
Action Taken 30

At least 3 literally homeless vets housed today in transitional housing and being provided services leading to permanent stable housing; 15 never see before homeless and will be seen at the Housing Resources Center for assistance with housing issues; one veteran with housing relocated issues needing assistance from the County Commissioners Office (whether directly or indirectly); referred to Tammy who assured us he was now in good hands; 14 veterans referred to other services for needed assistance when they did not know where to turn and go the needed assistance. Keep up the great work! It was a good day. This was a record year for us as to the numbers seen.

Health Screenings:

Total Seen 59
Action Taken

- 2 referrals to Tammy for prescription glasses
- 1 referral to Dr. Craven for hearing
- 2 transit exams for disabled permits
- 12 distant vision checks
- 9 reading glasses

22 blood pressure checks
 12 blood sugar checks
 2 foot exams
 1 Tdap vaccination
 39 flu vaccinations
 16 consults, evaluations, exams many give aways including: hernia belt, back brace, toe nail clippers, callas pads, ointments, sunglasses, glass cases, wipes and cleaner, cough syrup, etc... I have a follow up to be delivered next week for a vet that needs incontinent products. PH

Ed's report:

As this is our 9th year (Voices for Veterans 10 year), it was like old home week as many vets stop by to chat with Ed. There was certainly a much large volume of veterans wishing to be seen for issues other than to get a flu shot, and not as many of those as we had counted on. +++

However, with Dr. Pat Tracy available and the flu shots prepared and things well organized, the work load was easily managed and "waiting time to be seen was much better than my last medical appointment!"

Most of the concerns revolved around hypertension and blood sugar checks. there were several folks with significantly elevated BP despite medical treatment and they were advised to follow their BP's closely and follow up soon with their doctors.

A couple of folks with arrhythmias were directed back to their doctors in light of the availability of new anti-clotting drugs.

One vet with a recently noticed severe hearing loss was seen and a same day ENT evaluation/appointment with Dr. Craven was arranged.

While we did give flu shots to several providers, we still have about 1 dozen left and ready to give.

My HealthyVet (Kazumi Cornell):

Total Seen	30
Action Taken	12

Same issues - Reset passwords for vets, demo on new features. Seen some old faces – good to reconnect with them all again!

New Leash on Life:

Total Seen	34
Action Taken	

Everything we had was given out.

NW Veterans Resource Center, FRA PC:

Total Seen	56
Action Taken	5

Assistance with identifying needs and connecting vets to resources. Young couple, wife is very pregnant, has no idea s to what paperwork he need to since he had never signed up for Puget Sound Health Care System. Barb gave them step-by-step instructions.

Olympic Community Action Programs (OLYCAP):

Total Seen	20
Action Taken	2

Clients referred to help W/VASH Vouchers.

Peninsula Community Behavior Health:

Total Seen 17
Action Taken 2

Providing supportive crisis information to 2 veterans with related needs. New to the community.

Peninsula Housing Authority:

Total Seen 15
Action Taken 9

Referred a homeless vet to Sarge’s Place and were housed today!

ProBono Lawyers of Clallam and Jefferson Counties:

Total Seen 29
Action Taken 15

Was able to inform several clients about new NWS Project Program specifically for for vets.

Total Seen 25
Action Taken 20

Red Cross:

Total Seen 52
Action Taken 52

Many people we spoke with were not aware that the Red Cross responds to house fires or that they need to contact us immediately after a disaster. Clarify if and when civilians are welcome to attend. Reaffirmed actions to be taken in case of disasters. Everything went great. Keep up the good work.

Salvation Army:

Total Seen 45
Action Taken

We’re able to assist many vets. I was very impressed with the large number of services offered, i.e. health screening, barber shop, medical, etc.. All these things make me very encouraged to be a part of it. I would love to see it go from 9:00am to 6:00pm.

Sarge’s Place:

Total Seen 25
Action Taken 5

Taking a homeless vet to Sarge’s Place today. Made appointments with two other homeless vets next week.

Senior Information and Assistance:

Total Seen 70
Action Taken 25

Coast Guard members greeting veterans and escorting men to areas to help them was great. This is the best stand down I’ve been to in many years due to the many volunteers. The Legion Riders at opening was most impressing. Giving a warm heart.

Serenity House - SAS:

Total Seen 13
Action Taken 3

Vet @ shelter able to receive dental care. They are going to provide him a front flipper tooth. He has been so self-conscious. This will assist him with confidence and self esteem.

University of Phoenix:

Total seen 10

Action Taken

Discussed what educational benefits are available and where to start their educational goals to include what questions to ask. Discussed a veteran’s teaching career at the high school level and he talked all bout vocational training and teaching at alternative school.

VA Healthcare Sign-UP:

Total Seen 24

Action Taken 20

Some vets cracked me up with jokes while they were filling out their applications. Great job, thank you.

VA Homeless Veteran Outreach:

Total Seen 24

Action Taken

Vet Connect:

Total Seen 33

Action Taken

First question asked, can someone help with cell phone costs? The question was never herd before.

VFW Port Angeles:

Total Seen 8

Action Taken 2

West End Outreach:

Total Seen 20

Action Taken 3

Appointments set up and began working on them. This was my first one and I found some things I will do different next year.

***WorkSource**

Total Seen

Action Taken

WDVA Service Officer

Total Seen

Action Taken

Assisted blind veteran with benefits that he was unable to obtain before. Clarifying burial benefits and other benefits. The whole stand down overall was outstanding.