

## Military Hometown Heroes Banner Program Guidelines and Sponsorships

The Military Hometown Heroes Banner Program was created to honor and recognize military personnel (active, honorably discharges, or deceased) that reside or previously resided in the City of Sedgwick or attended Sedgwick High School. The program is funded through payments and donations, which will enable the purchase and placement of the banners on utility poles along Commercial from 4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> Street.

Banners measure approximately 30"x60" and will include the service person's name, image, and military branch.

#### **Guidelines**

- ➤ Honoree must be honorably discharged, deceased, or an active duty with any branch of the United States Military.
- Honoree must be a resident or previous resident of Sedgwick or Graduate of Sedgwick High School.
- ➤ Each banner will list the honoree's name and branch of service, and will be proudly displayed on a utility pole along Commercial Ave. from 4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> Street.

- The City of Sedgwick will have the sole responsibility of hanging and removing the banner. Once produced and installed, banners shall remain the property of the City of Sedgwick until removed and presented to the family or requestor.
- ➤ The banner will be displayed from Memorial Day through Veterans Day, and upon removal, the banner will be returned to the person who made the original application request. If the banner starts to show any signs of deterioration before the planned removal date, the banner will be removed and returned to the requestor.

#### **Sponsorship/Donations**

Sponsorships and donations will be used to assist families who would like to take part in the program but cannot afford to pay the cost/full cost of the banner requests. You can sponsor a specific banner/family or simply donate funds to be used as needs arise. Sponsors will be listed on the City of Sedgwick website and social media platforms as a program sponsor/donor from May 1<sup>st</sup> to early August of the calendar year in which the donation was made.

If you are interested in becoming a sponsor/donor for this program, please contact the City Administrator, Kyle Nordick, at <a href="mailto:knordick@cityofsedgwick.org">knordick@cityofsedgwick.org</a> or stop by City Hall.

### Military Hometown Heroes Banner Program **Application**

Before submitting this application, please review the Military Hometown Heroes Banner Program Guidelines for further details. The initial cost per banner has been covered for 2024 thanks to a gracious donation from the Hick's Davison American Legion. Banners will be displayed from Memorial Day to Veterans Day of this year. Please return this application to City Hall.

#### **Honoree Information**

Name of Service Person:

Rank, First Name, Middle Initial, Last Name\*

\*Spelling of Service Person's name on the banner will be taken directly from application, please write legibly, and include the name exactly as you would like to see it on the banner.

Era Served:

Is the Service Person a resident or former resident of Sedgwick? Yes No Yes No

Did the Service Person graduate from Sedgwick High School?

Year

Branch of U.S. Military Service:

U.S. Navy U.S. Coast Guard U.S. Army

U.S. Marine Corps U.S. Air Force

Please indicate the type of banner you would like to order:

Active Duty Veteran

(honorably discharged)

Memorial

(died in the line of duty)

#### **Applicant Provided Items (REQUIRED)**

- Application
- ➤ 5x7 high quality photo of the Service Person in uniform\*

  Photo will not be returned. Please do not send original photo. If photocopy is required contact City Hall for Assistance
- Military Verification Form (e.g. Military ID, DD214, etc.)
- Honoree Release Form

#### **Applicant Contact Information**

Please complete the following information to allow us to contact you, should we have any questions.

Name:		
Street Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Email:		
Relationship to Service Person:		

#### **Biography of Service Person**

Please provide a short biography of the service person being honored. The City will create a walking tour guide for all of the banners that will include the biography, information, and location of each banner.

The service person being honored (if living) will need to grant permission for their name and image to be placed on a banner in the City of Sedgwick. A separate Release Form has been provided for this.

For additional information or question, please contact City Administrator, Kyle Nordick at 316-772-5151 or via email at: <a href="mailto:knordick@cityofsedgwick.org">knordick@cityofsedgwick.org</a>

# Military Hometown Heroes Banner Program Honoree Release Form

I hereby grant permission to the City of Sedgwick to utilize my name and image for the Military Hometown Heroes Banner Program.

Dated this day of , 20

Honoree Signature