# Application/Agreement

# Californians: Community Conversations with Veterans - 2019 Application

Californians: Community Conversations with Veterans 2019 is a new partnership between California Center for the Book and Veterans Connect @ Your Library. We plan to offer 15 California libraries the opportunity to connect more closely with veterans and their families, while also helping veterans and their families connect to the community and resources.

Expand the reach of your Veterans Resource Center with funding for books and community programs through California Center for the Book! Collaborate with a community partner and fellow librarians to design programs that promote the Veterans Resource Center and reach veterans and their families in your community. Libraries who currently provide or plan to provide Veterans Resource Centers at their location will be given first preference in the application process.

More info at: https://calbook.org/programs/californians-community-conversations-with-veterans/

Questions? Please email: jrobbins@calbook.org

#### **DEADLINES**

November 20, 2018 – Applications due.

November 27, 2018 – Program notifications made.

## Email address \*

Jessica.Hall@fresnolibrary.org

# Official Library System Name

Fresno County Public Library

## **Branch or Branches Participating (if applicable)**

WithOut Walls (WoW!) Library and Betty Rodriguez Regional Library

# **Program Coordinator Name**

Please select ONE person to serve as your Primary Program Coordinator.

Jessica Hall

# **Program Coordinator Title**

Librarian II

# **Program Coordinator Phone**

559-476-6569

## Library/Branch Facebook

Please include the short name, NOT the URL. Example: @CaliforniaCenterForTheBook

## @fresnolibrary

# **Library/Branch Instagram**

Please include the short name, NOT the URL. Example: @CaliforniaCenterForTheBook @fresnolibrary

Have you ever participated in a Californians: Community Conversation program through California Center for the Book?

(X) YES

() NO

Does your library have (or plan to have) a Veterans Resource Center

(X) YES

() NO

# How long have you had a Veterans Resource Center at your library

() Still in planning

() 1 year

() 2 years

() 3 years

(X) 4 years or more

() We do not plan to have a Veterans Resource Center

() Other:

# **Partners and Programs**

Participating libraries will receive from California Center for the Book: -- a collection of veterans-related titles to use as programming inspiration (\$500 value) -- Visions of Warriors DVD with library license, discussion guide, and press kit -- \$500 in programming funds paid directly to one community partner, nonprofit, speaker, or moderator Participating libraries agree to: -- work with a community partner, such as local nonprofit serving veterans or a local veterans agency or service provider -- plan 2 community programs that encourage conversation and resource sharing with veterans, their families, and/or the greater community (these programs may also count for programming requirements for Veterans Connect @ the Library) -- communicate best practices by actively participating and sharing with fellow librarians and CCFB program staff

# **Potential Community Partner**

Do you have a potential community partner in mind? If so, please list here. Limit your response to 1 sentence.

Veterans Service Office, California Veterans Home – Fresno, Friends of the Library, Fresno Swing Dance

## **Planned Programs**

Do you have 2 potential programs in mind? If so, please summarize here. Limit your response to 1 paragraph.

One program will be an art workshop, during which veterans will create pieces of art. This artwork along with other submissions from the veteran community will be displayed at a local library branch for one month as part of Fresno's monthly Art Hop event and will include a reception for the artists. Art Hop is a city wide event with multiple locations in Fresno serving as art galleries. The second program will be an evening of music and swing dancing with a live band. Both programs will draw in veterans as well as the general public.

# What made you apply for this program? How did you determine that this program will meet a community need? How do you plan to work with your community partner?

Please limit your response to 1 paragraph.

Fresno County Public Library (FCPL) staff facilitated three community conversations with veterans and service providers using the Harwood method. The participants at these conversations made it clear that veterans need a central hub of current and accurate information. With two Veterans Resource Centers, FCPL is uniquely equipped to fill that need. The two programs created through this grant will enhance the Resource Center services by providing additional channels for veterans to connect with the library and the information that is available to them. I plan to work with community partners to create and promote the programs so that they are appealing and helpful to veterans.

# **Submission**

By submitting this application you agree to abide by the program guidelines and deadlines. This includes participating in the Welcome Webinar on December 7, 2018 (10am-11am), completing 2 programs between January - June 2019, communicating with CCFB staff regularly, sharing advertising and promotional material, providing surveys to patrons, collecting survey data, and reporting on survey data and programs by July 15, 2019. By clicking below you also indicate that your participation is authorized by your library management. California Center for the Book is a program of the California Library Association, supported in whole or in part by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act, administered in California by the State Librarian.

## Please check below to agree and submit.

Notifications will be made by 11/27/2018. You will receive a copy of your application via the email you provided. We would love your input on the book list and toolkit. Please visit <a href="https://calbook.org/programs/californians-community-conversations-with-veterans/">https://calbook.org/programs/californians-community-conversations-with-veterans/</a> for more info or email <a href="mailto:jrobbins@calbook.org">jrobbins@calbook.org</a>. Thank you!

[X] I Agree

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# **Award Notification**

## 2019 Participating Libraries

We are happy to welcome 15 participating libraries to the Community Conversations with Veterans program in 2019. Twenty locations will work together and more than 30 community partnerships will be established or strengthened!

Library	Branch(es)	Coordinator	Community Partner(s)
Alameda County Library	Fremont Main Library & Dublin Library	Julianna Opel	Fremont Family Resource Center
Azusa City Library	Azusa Library	Leila Hassen	Azusa Pacific University, Citrus College, Azusa Armory, Vet Hunters, Azusa Rotary Club, Volunteers of America, and CalVet.
Fresno County Public Library	WithOut Walls (WoW!) Library and Betty Rodriguez Regional Library	Jessica Hall	Veterans Service Office, California Veterans Home – Fresno, Friends of the Library, Fresno Swing Dance
Inglewood Public Library	Main Branch	Opetoritse "Ritse" Adefolalu	PFC Adrienne L. Mitchell All-American VFW Post 2122
Kings County Library	Hanford and Corcoran branch libraries	Sherman Lee	WestCare Hanford
Monterey County Free Libraries	Carmel Valley Branch	Robin Cauntay	Carmel Unified School District and Dan Sloand, VA Outreach Coordinator
Moreno Valley Public Library	Moreno Valley Public Library Mall Branch	Christina Whorl	VFW, CalVet and MoVal College
Oceanside Public Library	Civic Center & Mission Branch	Monica Chapa- Domercq	MiraCosta College and Veterans Association of North County
Ontario City Library	Ovitt Family Community Library	James Augur	Women Veterans Unity Group & Inland Empire Small Business Development Center
Riverside Public Library	SSgt Salvador J Lara Casa Blanca Library	Tina Zdilor	Inlandia Literary Institute of Riverside
San Diego Public Library	Central Library	Azalea Ebbay	Canine Companions for Independence
Santa Maria Public Library	Main Library	Jose Gaytan and Joanne Britton	American Veterans United and Echo Group
Stanislaus County Library	Oakdale Library and Salida Library	Karina Mendoza	Jeff Jardine
Ventura County Library	E.P. Foster Library	Irma Morales	Ventura County Veteran's Service Office, Veteran's Resource Center at Ventura College
Whittier Public Library	Central	Nicole Schulert	American Legion Post 51

# IMLS and Statewide Aligned Program Goals & Outcomes

Outcome 2b: Californians discover and participate in learning opportunities at the library

Outcome 3c: Californians connect and collaborate through their library

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# California Center for the Book GRANT:

# Californians: Community Conversations with Veterans Toolkit

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the day and year first hereinabove written.

**COUNTY OF FRESNO** 

Nathan Magsig, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Fresno

ATTEST:

Bernice E. Seidel Clerk of the Board of Supervisors County of Fresno, State of California

By: Susan Bishop