

The War at Home Memorial



Mission 22 is a non-profit who combats the ever-rising veteran suicide rate. Every day, more than twenty veterans are lost to suicide. Mission 22 wants to bring that number to zero. It does this with three main programs; veteran treatment programs, memorials and national awareness. Mission 22 provides treatment programs to veterans for Post-Traumatic Stress, Traumatic Brain Injury and other issues they might be facing. It organizes events and builds memorials to create social impact and awareness for these issues. Mission 22 also has an Ambassador volunteer program for people to get involved as well. Ambassadors educate the public on veteran issues, help get veterans into Mission 22 treatment programs and create resources in their communities. Through these three programs, it enables a push for the betterment of our nation's heroes and stands united in the war against veteran suicide.





The War at Home Memorial is the first of its kind. There are memorials dedicated to the fallen warriors of nearly every major conflict in our country's history. They remind us of the sacrifice, they honor those we've lost, and they tie civilian to soldier. However, there is no national monument for those who have fallen in the way against Veteran suicide. Each 10-foot-tall steel plate was crafted in the likeness of a real American Veteran who lost the battle with PTSD. Details about their lives and service are described in an inscription located at the base of each plate. This exhibit is permanent and meant to provoke thoughts and emotions from all who visit. It is also a beautiful reminder that these lives mattered and a call to action to protect those who have so diligently protected us.

We believe the city of Broken Arrow has the same respect for our service men and woman that Mission 22 was built upon. Because of its geographic location in America's heartland, Broken Arrow would be the perfect place for visitors from all over the United States to easily visit the memorial. Having the War at Home Memorial in your city would be a wonderful opportunity for people to see a city and its people as a united front to end veteran suicide.





We are open to how the memorial will be placed in the park and would love to work with the city on that. We have a group who has offered to help maintenance. It would be wonderful if the Department of Parks and Rec could support with general upkeep also. After the memorial is placed it will be sandblasted and powder coated black to seal it. If approved we can have it installed any time after December. Install time typically is 5 days. We also envision a walkway winding in between the memorial with benches spaced out in between. As well as a red, white and blue fountain installed in the pond. We are working with local groups to get these donated.

We are proposing a 50 year lease of the memorial to the city.

Our hope is that the City of Broken Arrow will embrace our memorial and mission alike. Community is the ultimate weapon in the war against PTSD and veteran suicide. Until we unite as a community, the casualties in the war at home will only continue to increase. This art installation honors veterans who lived and fought for a way of life all Americans are so fortunate to have. Our wish for the community that homes The War at Home Memorial will be that they are actively contributing (by fundraising and raising awareness about the memorial) to the vital task of ending veteran suicide. Currently, Mission 22 has over three thousand ambassadors across the country. These are incredible individuals with unique stories whose combined fundraising efforts are directly saving lives. We envision the place that receives the War at Home Memorial to be just as inspiring as our warriors and ambassadors have been to us.