



2023 Elgin, TX

Hometown Hero Banner Guidelines

Purpose:

Honor and recognize Elgin's servicemen and women and their families who have served or given their lives to our country in the United States Armed Forces.

Application Requirements:

To be eligible, the veteran must meet the following requirements:

- Live in Elgin at some point in their lifetime.
- Served in one of the following branches: Army, Navy, Marines, Air Force, National Guard, Coast Guard, Space Force or Reserves.
- Meet one of the following criteria: (a) be an honorably discharged Veteran (living or deceased or (b) Died in the line of duty or (c) currently active duty.

Banner Design, Time Frame and Location:

- Banners are double sided material and include service person's name, branch of service, and photograph.
- Banners will be displayed on flag/light poles throughout Elgin from May through August and again in early November for Veteran's Day.
- Hanging location will be randomly selected and specific display locations cannot be requested.
- Banners will be stored at the VFW between displays.
- Applications not processed will be placed on a waiting list for the next year's banner program.
- Banners for living individuals **MUST** have signed permission from the individual for their image to be used.
- Extra banners may only be purchased at the time of application submission.
- Only one banner may be displayed for any individual service member.
- When current banners are retired, they may be picked up at the VFW Hall.

Banner Information and Photograph:

- Please provide a digital photograph of the veteran along with your application.
- The VFW does not have the capability to enhance your photograph. What is submitted will be used.
- **Please submit high resolution photographs in jpg format to c_thomas1996@yahoo.com.**

Application Deadline and Cost:

- ***Cost for banners are \$80 each and must be paid in full at the time of ordering.***
- Applications may be picked up at VFW, Monday – Friday 12 PM – 8:00 PM.
- Please make **Money Order payable and mail to: Elgin VFW Post 6115, P. O. Box 118, Elgin, TX 78621.**
- **Order deadline is April 7, 2023**

Contact & Questions:

For more information about the Hometown Hero Banner Program, please contact Carl Jones at 512.373.0809 or Charlotte Thomas at 512.784.9617.