

2024 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 considered for a banner, 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 or Coast Guard
- 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. This is an honors system.

Banner Design, Time Frame 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 to August and again in early November for Veteran's Day.
- Hanging locations will be randomly selected and specific display locations cannot be requested.
- Banners will be stored at the VFW between displays.
- Applications not processed for the 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 be purchased at the time of application only. Families may request that the banner be given to the family at any time.
- 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 you would like to use on the banner and submit it 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 <u>c thomas1996@yahoo.com</u>.

Application Deadline and Cost:

- Cost for banners is \$80 each and must be paid in full before at the time of ordering.
- Applications may be picked up or turned in to the VFW OT mailed.
- Please make Money Orders payable to: Elgin VFW Post 6115. If mailing mail to P. O. Box 118
- Elgin, TX 78621.
- Order deadline is April 7, 2024

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.