



MINUTES

ORANGE COUNTY VETERANS ADVISORY COUNCIL

August 13, 2025

2:00 PM

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Location:

Tierney Center – The Great Room
1231 Warner Ave.
Tustin, CA 92780

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1. CALL TO ORDER: Chair, Steven Vargas
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:
3. COUNCIL ROLL CALL: OC Community Services Representative
PRESENT: Erik Duane, Alexis Federico, Kathryn Morrison, Steven Vargas, Michael Radigan
ABSENT: John Burick, Robert McDonald, Stephanie Wade
4. PUBLIC COMMENTS:
At this time, members of the public may address the Council regarding any items within the subject jurisdiction, provided that no action is taken on off-agenda items unless authorized by law. (Comments shall be limited to three (3) minutes unless the Chair pre-identifies a different time at the start of meeting for all public speakers).
No Public Comment

5. AWARD PRESENTATION:**National Association of Counties (NACo)**

2025 Achievement Awards

Dylan Wright, Director, OC Community Resources

6. PRESENTATIONS:**Veterans in Orange County Report FY 2023-2024**

Chrislyn Nefas-Ferencz, Data Analytics Sr. Manager

County of Orange, Chief Executive Office

Tierney Center Year-in-Review, Wall That Heals

Michael Carter, Operations Manager

7. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT: Chair, Steven Vargas8. OCVSO UPDATE: Eric Ensley, Veterans Service Officer9. CALVET LINC UPDATE: Ben Gales, Local Interagency Network Coordinator10. OC4VETS UPDATE: Tracy Rick, Orange County Health Care Agency, Senior Manager11. COMMITTEES:

- i. Communications Standing Committee Report: Council Member, Robert McDonald
- ii. Events/Outreach Standing Committee Report: Council Member, Michael Radigan
- iii. Veterans' Pets Ad Hoc Committee Report: Council Member, Stephanie Wade
Final Report Out and Dissolution of Committee as of 08/13/2025

12. COUNCIL COMMENTS:

At this time, members of this Advisory Council may comment on agenda or non-agenda matters within the subject jurisdiction, provided that NO action be taken on off-agenda items unless authorized by law.

13. ADJOURNMENT:**Next Meeting:**

October 8, 2025

2:00 PM Location – TBD

“Have We Helped A Veteran Today?”
