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The San Francisco Veterans Equity Center honors the valuable contribution of Filipino American World War II Veterans to freedom and democracy, provides culturally and linguistically appropriate services and advocates for justice and equity.

VETERANS EQUITY CENTER NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 2018

Working together with the office of Leader Nancy Pelosi, Veterans Equity Center coordinated an award ceremony for 56 Filipino WWII Veterans living in Congressional District 12, to receive their Congressional Gold Medals at the San Francisco War Memorial on Sunday, January 21st. Because of the federal government shut down on January 20th, Leader Nancy Pelosi and Senator Barbara Lee Boxer were unable to attend the ceremony, but were able to send a video message of support in honor of the veterans. Major General Antonio Taguba and Major General Eldon Regua presented the Congressional Gold Medals to each of the attending surviving veterans, and to each of the next of kin who received the medal on behalf of deceased veterans. Featured speakers at the ceremony included Philippine Consulate General Henry Bensurto and WWII veteran, Felix Damil.

VEC is looking forward to additional award ceremonies this Spring. Families and veterans who are interested in receiving a Congressional Gold Medal should refer to Veterans Equity Center website or call our office at (415) 255-2347.



FEBRUARY REMINDERS

President's Day

VEC will be closed on Monday, February 19

LEGAL CLINIC

Fridays, February 2, 16 (2-4 PM)

Free legal immigration consultation. Priority is given to Filipino veterans, their families, and low-income VEC consumers. Now also available every second and fourth Wednesday of the month.

Valentine's Day Brunch

Wednesday, February 14 (11-1:00 PM)

Join us for dancing, games, prizes and lunch at Gene Friend Recreation Center!

TENANT'S RIGHTS

WORKSHOP w/ SOMCAN

Wednesday, February 21 (11-12 PM)

Join us at GFRC every third Wednesday of the month for free workshops on preparation for applications, tenants rights, etc., and upcoming housing opportunities.

BIRTHDAY BINGO BASH

Friday, February 23 (2-4 PM)

Join us for FREE merienda and bingo to celebrate our February birthdays. Party with us even if it isn't your birth month!



Filipino World War II Veterans Roster

The Veterans Equity Center is working in collaboration with the Filipino Veterans Recognition and Education Project (FilVetRep) to ensure that the Filipino veterans in California are recognized for their service under the Congressional Gold Medal.

If you or your family member is a Filipino veteran of World War II, please come to our registry on **Tuesday, February 13th** to ensure that we have a military service record on file.

We will be hosting a registry every second Tuesday of the month from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm at the Bayanihan Community Center.



The Bill Sorro Housing Program (BiSHoP) is a community based program of the Veterans Equity Center (VEC), committed to addressing housing related issues for low to moderate income families, individuals and families.

HOUSING DROP IN CLINIC*

Every Tuesday
10:00 am-12:00 pm and
1:30 pm-4:00 pm

*Assistance is available on a first come, first served basis. Bring your income information to determine what kind of housing you qualify for.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES

1036 MISSION

1036 Mission Street, San Francisco, CA 94103

83 Total Units

- 38 one-bedroom
- 38 two-bedroom
- 7 three-bedroom

40 units will be dedicated to homeless families and individuals.

Direct referrals only through Coordinated Entry*

Application period: March 1- March 22

Information Sessions:

Tuesday, February 20: 6:30pm. Location TBA
Thursday, February 22: 1:30pm. Location TBA

Referrals for homeless families open March 14, 2018.

To access Coordinated Entry, please contact
Bayview Access Point: 1641 LaSalle Ave. (415) 430-6320
Central City Access Point: 995 Market St. (415) 644-0504

*Employment opportunities will also be available at this site.

For more information or assistance, please contact Veterans Equity Center at (415) 255-2347

TECH CLASS



- Set up email
- Skype with friends
- Download apps & more

WHEN: Monday
February 5, 26
11:00 am- 12:00 pm

We're hiring!

We are looking for dedicated and passionate individuals to join our team.

- 1 Full Time Housing Case Worker
- 1 Full Time Outreach Coordinator
- 1 Full Time Senior Housing Community Service Worker

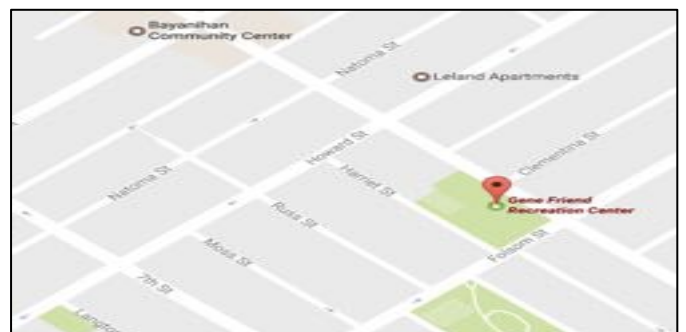
For more information and to see job descriptions, please visit our website:

<http://www.vetsequitycenter.org/category/employment/>

Gene Friend Recreation Center

Tenant's Rights Workshop with SOMCAN
Wednesday,
February 21
11:00am- 12:00 pm

Valentine's Day Brunch
Wednesday,
February 14
11:00-1:00pm





February 2018



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Food Distribution 1:00-3:00 pm (BH)	2 Exercise Class 10:00-11:00 am (BH) Legal Clinic 2-4:00 pm (BH)	3
4	5 Community Choir 1:30-3:00 pm (BH) Tech Class 11:00-12:00 pm (AR)	6 Housing Clinic 10-12pm & 1:30-4pm (AR) Drop-in Housing Clinic cancelled	7 Drop-in Housing Clinic 9:30-11:30am 12:30-2:00pm (GFRC) VEC's Got Talent 2:00-4:00 pm (BH)	8 Food Distribution 1:00-3:00 pm (BH)	9 Exercise Class 10:00-11:00 am (BH)	10
11	12 Community Choir 1:30-3:00 pm (BH) Tech Lab 2:00-4:00 pm (AR)	13 Housing Clinic 10-12pm & 1:30-4pm (AR) Drop-in Housing Clinic 9:30-2:00pm (GFRC)	14 Valentine's Day Valentine's Day Brunch 11:00-1:00pm (GFRC) Arts & Crafts 2:00-4:00 pm (BH)	15 Food Distribution 1:00-3:00 pm (BH)	16 Exercise Class 10:00-11:00 am (BH) Legal Clinic 2-4:00 pm (BH)	17
18	19 President's Day VEC Closed	20 Housing Clinic 10-12pm & 1:30-4pm (AR) Drop-in Housing Clinic 9:30-2:00pm (GFRC)	21 Tenants Rights Workshop w/ SOMCAN 11:00-12:00pm (GFRC) VEC's Got Talent 2:00-4:00 pm (BH) Muralization Workshop 5:00-7:00 PM (BH)	22 Food Distribution 1:00-3:00 pm (BH)	23 Exercise Class 10:00-11:00 am (BH) Birthday Bingo Bash 2:00 pm-4:00 pm (BH)	24
25	26 Community Choir 1:30-3:00 pm (BH) Tech Lab 2:00-4:00 pm (AR)	27 Housing Clinic 10-12pm & 1:30-4pm (AR) PANEL Veterans Portraits 10:30-11:00pm (GFRC)	28 Drop-in Housing Clinic 9:30-2:00pm (GFRC) Arts & Crafts 2:00-4:00 pm (BH)			

KEY

(AR) – Atrium Room
(BH) – Barangay Hall
(CR) – Computer Room
(GFRC) – Gene Friend Rec. Center

Office Hours

Monday-Friday
9:00 AM- 12:00 Noon
12:00 Noon-1 PM CLOSED

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