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CalVet Launches Survey To Help Prioritize Services to California's Veterans

Sacramento – The California Department of Veterans Affairs (CalVet) today launched an online survey (California Veterans Needs Assessment Survey) to get input from veterans, military personnel, and family and friends to help it prioritize its efforts in addressing the state's veterans' needs.

"I have directed the California Department of Veterans Affairs to put together this online survey to help us know how to better coordinate the numerous services provided at all levels of government," said Governor Schwarzenegger. "I encourage all our veterans, especially combat veterans, to fill out this important survey. Thank you for taking a few minutes to let us know how we can better serve you."

To participate in the survey, residents are asked to go to CalVet's website at www.calvet.ca.gov or the California Veterans website at www.veterans.ca.gov and click on the button that says "Veterans Needs Assessment." See attached PDF file of survey.

"We look forward to receiving input from California residents so we can better focus our efforts in assisting and serving the veterans of our Golden State," said Roger Brautigan, Secretary of the California Department of Veterans Affairs. "Over the next three months we hope to receive numerous responses to our survey from veterans, their families, and friends."

"This survey will help CalVet to prioritize where the State of California focuses its efforts in addressing veteran needs," said Jack Kirwan, Deputy Secretary for Administration. "By participating in this survey, respondents will be telling CalVet and elected officials what policy areas they see as needing to be addressed. This will help CalVet to better serve veterans by bringing to our attention their first-hand knowledge of veteran needs and how to best address them."

The California Veterans Needs Assessment Survey will also give an opportunity to respondents to inform CalVet if they would like to receive additional information regarding veterans' benefits and other services for themselves or for veterans they know.