

# Honor Flight Columbus

## Purpose

The Mission of Honor Flight Columbus is:

**HONOR** our nation's senior veterans with a trip to Washington DC to visit their war memorials at no cost to them;

**SHARE** their stories for the benefit of future generations;

**CELEBRATE** their homecoming, affirming their allegiance and service to our country.

## Impact

Honor Flight Columbus honors our senior veterans (WWII and Korean War) and terminally ill veterans from any era by providing a free one-day trip to Washington DC to see the memorials dedicated their service and sacrifices.

Raise awareness of Honor Flight Columbus and the many volunteer opportunities that are available.

Recruit area senior veterans to complete and submit an application for an Honor Flight Columbus trip.

## Ohio State Colleges/Units Involved

Professor Herbert W. Ockerman, Dept of Animal and Food Sciences, is one of our volunteers. He meets all of our veterans as they arrive at the airport on flight day and he also participates in our ground crew and volunteer activities and events.

The OSU Marching Band and Alumni Band have participated in many of our "Welcome Home" celebrations that are held at Port Columbus in the evening. What a treat to have them entertain the waiting crowd and then play for our returning senior veterans as they enter the airport for their "Welcome Home."

## Community Partners Involved

Honor Flight Columbus is funded entirely by donations from community businesses, veteran organizations, students, youth groups, and grateful Americans, who want to thank our senior veterans for their service to our country.



## How you can get involved:

- Participate with our Ground Crew volunteers who report to Port Columbus in the morning and evening of our flights to welcome our veterans and help with the preparation for the departing and returning flight
- Calling Veterans and scheduling them for their flights
- Writing letters/cards for our veterans Mail Call Bag
- Assisting with our office duties
- Fundraising

## To get involved, contact:

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