

## HONORS

To date, the Anthem Veterans Memorial has received the following honors and awards.

- Arizona Historic Landmark Designation, 2012 – Arizona Historical Society;
- Arizona Public Works Project of the Year Award, 2012 – Arizona Chapter of the American Public Works Association (APWA); and
- ACEC 2012 Grand Award – Best Engineering and Environmental Consulting Project – American Consulting Engineers Companies.

## TOURS AND EDUCATION

Tours and educational programming for school children or special interest clubs and organizations may be arranged by contacting Liz Turner (see below). Topics include, but are not limited to, Understanding the Role of the Armed Forces, Applied Mathematics, Veteran Biographies, Art and Design, Applying Symbols, and Understanding the Meaning of KIA/MIA/POW.

## ABOUT THE AVMST

The Anthem Veterans Memorial Support Team (AVMST), an affiliate group to the Anthem Community Council, is composed of volunteers who assist in fundraising, programming and community outreach specific to the AVM.

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Salute.  
Honor.  
Support.



The Anthem Veterans Memorial, located in Anthem, Arizona, is a monument dedicated to honor the service and sacrifice of the United States Armed Forces. These pillars of pride provide a place of honor and reflection for veterans, their families and friends, and those who desire to show their respects to the men and women who have and continue to proudly serve our country.



## SYMBOLISM BEHIND THE MEMORIAL

Dedicated on Nov. 11, 2011, the Memorial pillars stand as a point of pride for the community, dedicated to honor the service of our nation's Armed Forces. Each year, at precisely 11:11 a.m. on Veterans Day, the sun's rays pass through the ellipses of the five pillars to form a perfect solar spotlight over the mosaic of the Great Seal of the United States, a unique tribute to the men and women who sacrificed for our country.

The Memorial's design is symbolic.

- The five pillars represent the unity of the five branches of the United States military, serving steadfast together. Pillars are arranged in Department of Defense order of precedence.
- The Circle of Honor, composed of brick pavers commemorating veterans' service, represents the solidarity of the U.S. Armed Forces and the honor our veterans deserve.
- Two perpendicular rows, known as soldier rows, flank the Circle of Honor and represent individuals coming together as a unit, never leaving a soldier behind – e pluribus unum.
- The white pillars stand on the red brick pavers under the blue Arizona sky to represent the colors of the United States flag.
- The hand-cut glass mosaic of the Great Seal of the United States faces the pillars, just as the eagle, a symbol of our nation, looks to the military to defend and protect our freedom.
- Five benches surround the Circle of Honor, symbolizing the families of service members from each branch who also make great sacrifices as they wait for their loved ones to return.
- Flowers and landscaping were selected to feature colors representative of each branch of the military.

## SUPPORT THE MEMORIAL THROUGH COMMEMORATIVE PAVERS AND DONATIONS

### Veteran Pavers (\$150)

Donation honors members of the Armed Forces, living or deceased, active or inactive. Veteran pavers are placed by the Memorial columns within the "Circle of Honor."

### Honor a Veteran Sponsorship (\$150)

Donation provides a paver for a veteran who otherwise might not be honored at the Memorial.

### Support Pavers (\$200)

Donations affiliated with a business, organization or family name are placed in front of the first and fifth benches surrounding the Memorial.

### Friend of the Memorial (\$500+)

Donor receives a paver with a business or family name and a "star" designation (1-5) based on donation tier. Pavers in this category are placed in front of one of the three center benches surrounding the Memorial.

### General Donation (Under \$150)

Donations of any denomination are greatly appreciated.

**All donations are tax-deductible (less the cost associated with paver) through the Anthem Way Foundation. Donor will receive a tax verification letter.**

*Paver/donation forms can be completed online, downloaded from the website or obtained at the Anthem Civic Building.*