

Blawnox Hometown Hero Program

(Funding for this program provided by a grant from the District Association)

The Borough of Blawnox, with a funding grant provided by the Fox Chapel District Association, is proud to honor our servicemen and servicewomen by facilitating the Hometown Heroes Banner Program. This program is a banner tribute created for communities to recognize and honor residents who are serving or have served in the United States Armed Forces. Each banner will honor a specific service person and will include their name, branch of service, medals of valor and a photo (if provided). The Hometown Hero must also either be a current or previous resident of Blawnox Borough. An immediate family member of a current or previous serviceman or woman of Blawnox will also suffice. Banners will be displayed on Freeport Road from Memorial Day to Veteran's Day to honor and celebrate their dedication to our country.

Blawnox Borough Hometown Heroes program applications are chosen on a "first come, first served" basis. The banners will change annually. Banners are also limited to one banner per family with the expectation that families with more than one service person will submit them in future years. Applications will be closed upon reaching financial and/or space limitations that the Borough has available.

The applicant/sponsor will be notified as soon as possible regarding approval of the application. The application fee is required before the application is submitted for the banner to be created. If we are unable to accept your application, there will be no charge. We will process applications as quickly as possible and return your photo to you.

This program includes:

1. One 18 x 39 banner to be displayed by the borough. (Banners are two-sided honoring two service persons.
2. Web presence on the Blawnox Hometown Heroes website page (troopbanners.com)
3. Two 12 x 18 banners for sponsor use. Additional banners are available for \$10.00 each.

To sponsor a banner to be created and displayed, please submit the completed application, a \$15.00 application fee* and the best quality military photo available. Applications and photos can be emailed to blxoffice@blawnox.net.

Upon final approval of the application, you must submit proof of service and/or honorary discharge and a picture, if available. If you have any further questions or concerns, please contact us.

*Applications fees can be paid by check or money order either in person or by mail at the Borough office: 376 Freeport Road– Hometown Heroes, Pittsburgh PA 15238. Applications must be complete and application fee received before processing a banner.

The Fox Chapel District Association, dba The District Association, is a community-sponsored non-profit organization that supports Aspinwall, Blawnox, Fox Chapel, Harmar, Indiana, O'Hara and Sharpsburg. The District Association funds projects to culturally enhance and beautify the community. Joining The District Association shows your commitment to living in a beautiful, life enriching community. Please considering joining today at www.theda.org!

- All bank fees and all returned checks will be credited to the Applicant and must be resolved before banner is displayed.

Application Form

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First & Last Name of Service Person (Please print legibly)

Spelling of Service person's name on the banner will be taken directly from the application.

Please Print. _____

SERVICEPERSON INFORMATION:

Name: _____ Rank: _____

Branch: _____ Dates and/or Era of Service: _____

(Era of Service Options: GWOT - Sept 11, 2001 to present; Persian Gulf - Aug 2, 1990-Aug 31, 1991; Cold War - Sept 2, 1945-Dec 26, 1991; Vietnam Era - Feb 28, 1961-May 7, 1975; Korean Conflict - June 27, 1950-Jan 31, 1955; WWII - Dec 7, 1941-Dec 31, 1946; WWI - April 6, 1917-Nov 11, 1918)

Please check all that apply: POW___ MIA___ KIA___ Medals of Valor: Purple Heart___ Medal of Honor___ Service Cross___ Silver Star___ Bronze Star___ (must submit DD214 or other proof)

Is serviceperson a: Current___ or Prior___ Resident of Blawnox Borough or ___Family member of Serviceperson is a Blawnox Borough Resident

SPONSOR INFORMATION:

Name: _____ Relationship to honoree: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

A onetime application fee of \$15.00 is due upon submission. The remaining cost is paid by funding grant by the District Association. Please make checks payable to: Fox Chapel District Association.

Sponsor's Signature: _____ Date: _____

The sponsor may also purchase additional banners for their personal/family use at the time they purchase their original banner for \$10 each. Payment may be included with application fee.

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Application Form (cont.)

Sponsor Authorizations

PHOTO RELEASE CONSENT:

I hereby grant the FCDA and the Borough of Blawnox, permission to use the attached photo (which includes a likeness of myself or of my relative) in the Hometown Heroes Program and associated marketing of the program. In addition, I take full responsibility that all information provided about the servicemen and servicewomen being honored is accurate and correct. The borough reserves the right to place the banners at their discretion.

Signature _____

Administrative Use Only

Application Completed Date _____

Application Fee (\$15.00) Check# _____ Date _____
(Check written to the Fox Chapel District Association)

Number of additional banners at \$10.00 each _____

Photo submitted Date _____

Approval of final electronic version of the banner Initial _____ Date _____
(If approval by email, please attached email approval)