

# Veteran Voices



## Project

It's more important than ever before to connect with each other as a community. The **Veteran Voices Project** creates an opportunity for us to do just that!

Led by the **New York City Department of Veterans' Services**, VVP is an oral history initiative designed to capture and share the stories of New York City veterans, bridge generational gaps, preserve our city's rich military history, and foster an appreciation for service. More importantly, it gives our veterans a chance to connect with the community and each other at a time when crisis and social distancing can be very challenging to deal with.



### CONNECT & LISTEN

VVP is designed to easily capture the stories of New York City veterans **100% remotely**. Volunteers will connect with veteran storytellers over the telephone. You will also be equipped with a list of questions to facilitate a great conversation. If you are a fellow veteran, active duty service member, student, military spouse, caregiver, or simply a New Yorker, we need your help to connect VVP with as many New York City veterans, as possible—especially our seniors. It's important we preserve their incredible stories!

[Sign up to volunteer](#)



### SHARE

If you are New York City veteran who would like to share your story with the Veteran Voices Project, we want to hear from you. VVP will connect you with great volunteers who look forward to listening to the amazing stories you have to share about being a veteran in New York City. Volunteers will reach out via telephone, and through recording technology, you will be able to easily contribute your story to VVP. You do not even need a computer or laptop to participate! Speakers of any language are welcome.

[Sign up to share your story](#)



### CELEBRATE

Stories will be edited for format and shared on the **NYC Department of Veterans' Services** website and added to the official **City of New York Municipal Archives**. If participants choose, their stories can also be sent for archiving in the Library of Congress and New York State Veterans Oral History Project. Select stories may also be featured in special ways on DVS digital media and throughout Memorial Day & Veterans Day 2020. *If you have any questions about VVP, please reach out to Manager of Strategic Partnerships, Greg Williams at [gwilliams1@veterans.nyc.gov](mailto:gwilliams1@veterans.nyc.gov).*

For information about COVID-19 text COVID to 692 692 or visit [www.nyc.gov/coronavirus](http://www.nyc.gov/coronavirus)

If you are experiencing thoughts of suicide call the **Veteran Crisis Line at 1-800-273-8255 or dial 1-888-NYC-WELL**