



California Association of County Veteran Services Officers

Winter Training Conference

February 12- 16, 2024

Sacramento County

Training Agenda

Monday, February 12, 2024

Time	Event	Location	Participants
8:00 am	Registration (open through 1:00 pm)	Front Lobby	All Members
9:00 am	General Business Meeting (CACVSO Members Only)	Main Room	All Members
12:00 pm	Break		
1:00 pm	Opening Ceremony <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Color Guard – Beale AFB Honor Guard • National Anthem – Breona Calvert, TSGT, USAF and Mrs. California USA Supreme 2023 • Pledge of Allegiance – Harry Hitchings, CACVSO Sergeant at Arms • Invocation – Scott Howell, CVSO Kings County Welcome Addresses: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rochelle Arnold, CVSO Sacramento County • Pat Hume Sacramento County, Supervisor – 5th District 	Main Room	All Members
1:20 pm	CalVet Welcome and Updates David Lawrence, CALVET Section Chief, County Support	Main Room	All Members
1:45 pm	Audits Jesus Lopez, CalVet, Associate Management Auditor	Main Room	All Members
2:15 pm	Mental Health Services Act Grant Program/Justice Involved Veterans Initiative Sam Griffin, CalVet, Program Manager	Main Room	All Members
2:45 pm	Break		
3:00 pm	Veterans Housing and Homelessness Prevention Program Sean Johnson, CalVet, Program Manager	Main Room	All Members
4:00 pm	Capitol Advocacy Day Preparation Dana Nichol Reeb Government Relations, LLC	Main Room	All Members
5:00 pm	Adjourn		





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Time	Event	Location	Participants
8:00 am	Asbestos Claim Development Aaron Munz, Director of Veterans Department VA Accredited Claims Agent, The Mesothelioma Center	Main Room	All Members
8:30 am	CALVET District Office Updates District Office Managers Alberto Alpasan – Los Angeles Zmae Raymundo - Oakland Melania Anker – San Diego	Main Room	All Members
9:20 am	Higher Level Review Timothy Sirhal Executive Director, Office of Administrative Review	Main Room	All Members
10:30 am	Break/Networking Opportunity	Main Room	All Members
10:45 am	Grand Canyon University Kelly Hudson, MSP University Development Manager	Main Room	All Members
10:55 am	H-Wave Nick Arendt – Regional Director Adam Logan – Senior Consultant	Main Room	All Members
11:05 am	CalTAP Overview Alyssa Albright, Chief of Training & Evaluation, CalTAP, Veterans Services Division, CalVet	Main Room	All Members
11:35 am	Minority Veterans Xochitil Rodriguez Murillo, Deputy Secretary, Minority and Underrepresented Veterans	Main Room	All Members
12:00 pm	Break		





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1:00 pm	Women Veterans Survey Virginia Wimmer, Deputy Secretary Women Veteran Affairs	Main Room	All Members
1:20 pm	VBA – All things Claims Related Kimberly Dickerson, Rating Quality Review Specialist, VBA Master Trainer, Oakland Regional Office	Main Room	All Members
2:50 pm	Break	Main Room	All Members
3:05 pm	VetPro	Main Room	All Members
3:45 pm	General Business Meeting (CACVSO Members Only)	Main Room	All Members
5:00 pm	Adjourn		





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Wednesday, February 14, 2024

Time	Event	Location	Participants
7:30 am	Busses Depart for Capitol Visit		All Members
9:00 am	CAVSO Capitol Visit	Capitol	All Members
10:00 am	Dealing with Adverse Decisions Katrina Eagle, Veterans Law Attorney Jim Radogna, VA Accredited Agent		
11:30 am	Break		
3:30 pm	VetPro Self Help Time	Main Room	All Members
5:00 pm	Adjourn		All Members
6:00 pm	Banquet	Main Room	All Members





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Thursday, February 15, 2024

Time	Event	Location	Participants
9:00 am	Team Red, White & Blue Jodie Merkle, CA State Coordinator	Main Room	All members
9:30 am	Medi-Cal Cost Avoidance David West, CVSO Nevada County	Main Room	All members
10:30 am	Dealing with Proposals to Reduce a Rating or Sever Benefits Katrina Eagle, Veterans Law Attorney Jim Radogna, VA Accredited Agent	Main Room	All members
12:00 pm	Break		
1:00 pm	Open Forum Katrina Eagle, Veterans Law Attorney Jim Radogna, VA Accredited Agent	Main Room	All members
3:30	Break		
3:45 pm	Wrap Up Rhonda Murphy, CACVSO President	Main Room	All members
4:00 pm	General Business Meeting (CACVSO Members Only)	Main Room	All members
5:00 pm	Adjourn		
6:00 pm	Social Hour	TBD	All members





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9:00 am	Self Help Sessions David West, CVSO Nevada County	Main Room	All Members

