

Military/Veteran Faith-Based Summit BeConnected Faith Network Launch

June 9, 2021 9:30 AM - 12:00

BREAKOUT SESSIONS AT-A-GLANCE

Community Healing Resources

Ron Wheat, Cru Military Ministry

Linda MacLeish, MC, LPC, E-RYT, Fransciscan Renewal Center

Pastor Sanghoon Yoo, MSW, MDiv, The Faithful City, AZTIFC

This breakout session will introduce community faith-based services available to Service members, Veterans and their families. It includes an introduction of Cru Military and its military ministry program; the Healing of Memories program and others available through Casa Veterans Ministry and the Franciscan Renewal Center; as well as the Arizona Trauma-Informed Faith Community (AZTIFC) available through The Faithful City in the Phoenix area.

VA Chaplains: Local Clergy Partners

Chaplain Peter Christian, Prescott VA Medical Center

This breakout will explain the role of VA Chaplains in Veteran care, and how they can connect Veterans and their families to helpful resources.

What is & How to Start a Military Ministry

Kathy Gallowitz, LtCol (Ret), R.N., M.S.N., M.P.A., Arizona Coalition for Military Families

This will be a discussion of why military/veterans need support and how the faith community is uniquely positioned to provide this support. What is a Military/Veteran ministry? Learn what one looks like, and what questions to ask clergy decision-makers to get their input and buy-in, followed by an explanation of the BeConnected Faith Network. Finally, we will have a call to action - pointing out how easy it is to get involved.

American Indian Spiritual Healing and Building Community

Roland Maldonado, Kaibab Paiute Tribe, Sundance Elder

Holly Figueroa, Health Choice Arizona

Roland will provide an overview of traditional indigenous spiritual practices. He will explain how traditional knowledge helps people heal, and builds trust and community ties between individuals taking part. Collaboration through ceremonies fosters a sense of community and belonging that leads from knowledge to wisdom.

The Magic of Collaboration: The What, Why, How and Value

Gary Sanders, Military Missions Network

Mike Wold, Institute for Healing of Memories – North America,

Casa Veterans Ministry and Franciscan Renewal Center

This breakout will show faith community leaders and members the value of collaboration with other organizations to enhance their support for service personnel, veterans and their families in their community, explain what a good collaborative relationship looks like, show how to develop a good collaboration and explain the benefits to both the faith community and the collaborating organization.