



Charlie Geren Veteran Citizen of the Year Award (VCYA)

The Charlie Geren Veteran Citizen of the Year Award is a nominations-based program designed to recognize and celebrate veterans that have settled in the 99th District of the Texas House of Representatives and have worked to contribute to the improvement, vitality, and sustainability of the community. Honorees are exceptional Americans in every way.

The 2017 VCYA honorees will be announced and recognized by Representative Charlie Geren at a special ceremony on **November 9, 2017**.

Eligibility Requirements

- Veteran must currently reside in the 99th District of the Texas House of Representatives (which includes all or parts of Azle, Blue Mound, Lakeside, Lake Worth, Pelican Bay, River Oaks, Saginaw, Sansom Park, Westover Hills, Westworth Village, and White Settlement, among others). To verify, please visit www.house.state.tx.us and enter the veteran's address in the box entitled "Find Your Representative" under the "Members" tab at the top of the page.
- Veteran was active duty in the United States Armed Forces or was a reservist called to active duty.
- Veteran retired from the United States Armed Forces or was honorably discharged.

Review Board

A carefully selected Review Board will review the nominations and make recommendations to Representative Geren.

Nomination Instructions

Please send the following items, in one complete package, to 3918 Telephone Rd # 200, Fort Worth, TX 76135 by **Friday, September 22, 2017**. You can also email the package to vcya99@gmail.com.

*Nomination packets will not be processed if incomplete or submitted late. Please ensure that all of the following requirements of the nomination are submitted together in their entirety:

- This Nomination Form, completed in its entirety.
- A 1-2 page letter, addressed to Representative Charlie Geren, which details why you believe the nominee should receive the Veteran Citizen of the Year Award.

The letter should contain as much information as possible about the veteran's heroism while in the military and community involvement thereafter.

- A current photo of the veteran.
- Copies of photos, military records, news clippings and other two-dimensional memorabilia which help you to tell the story of the veteran's military and community service. These items are considered supplemental and are not required; should you choose to submit them, do not submit originals. Please limit your nomination packet to three 8.5x11" pages of supplemental materials.

Nominator Information *Note: Self-nominations are accepted.

Full Name: _____
Street Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____
Relationship to Nominee: _____

Nominee Information *Note: Nominees will be contacted by Representative Geren's office if selected as VCYA recipients. At that time, additional data, including the DD-214 may be requested.

Full Name: _____
Street Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
Phone: _____ Email: _____
Branch of Service: _____ Military Unit(s): _____
Dates of Service: _____ Rank: _____
Medals, Awards, and Commendations: _____

Is the veteran aware of his/her nomination for the 2017 VCYA? YES NO

Has the veteran been nominated for the VCYA before? YES NO UNKNOWN

Certification of Nomination

I, _____, have completed this form in its entirety and can attest to the accuracy of its contents. It is my privilege to nominate _____ for the 2017 Charlie Geren Veteran Citizen of the Year Award. Additionally, I understand that if my nominee is selected as a VCYA recipient, any announcement to the news media will be made by Representative Geren only.

Signature of Nominator: _____ Date: _____