





## A Guide to help our Veterans during COVID19

Hello and thank you for your interest in Operation: Veteran Smiles (OVS). I'm thrilled that you want to be a part of this project, which provides powerful support for our disabled veterans and unforgettable experiences for the volunteers who serve them. Currently, OVS has suspended all hand delivered cards and care packages to help protect our Veterans from any risk of infection from COVID19. However, with the help of this guide, I hope you will feel inspired and prepared to bring OVS to more communities and veterans across the country by taking part in making handmade cards that will be delivered to Hospitals around the nation.

It is my hope that you will come to love this project as much as I do. Together, there's no telling how many veterans we can impact with the power of a smile!

Sincerely,

#### **Amelia Day**

Founder & Director Operation: Veteran Smiles

## Handmade cards for our Hospital bound Veterans

OVS began in 2012 with the making of 100 simple cards with an encouraging message that were delivered to our Hospital bound Veterans. During this time of uncertainty, our disabled Veterans, who are receiving treatment in VA Hospitals, are unable to visit with their family and friends. So, OVS is going back to our roots.

#### How can you play your part?

-You can help by making handmade cards for our Veterans. You can use card stock, construction paper or real cards. You can draw a picture on the front with crayons, markers, or whatever you have on hand.

-Inside the cards you can write an encouraging message or just hello.

You can sign your name or leave it blank.

-If you have questions about what is appropriate to say, please see page 4 of this guide.

### How will they get to the Veterans?

Once you are finished with your cards you can contact OVS through Facebook or by emailing Operationveteransmiles@gmail.com

When you contact us, tell us how many cards you have made and give us an address where we can send a prepaid shipping envelope to you.

Once you receive the envelope, you will place your cards inside and leave the envelope for your USPS Mail handler.

That's it!

We will do the rest.

These cards will then be mailed to Veteran's Facilities all over the U.S.

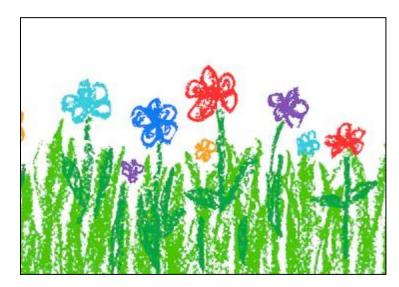
Our goal is to reach all 50 states.

Please help us reach out to our most vulnerable Veteran's during this uncertain time and help give them something to smile about!

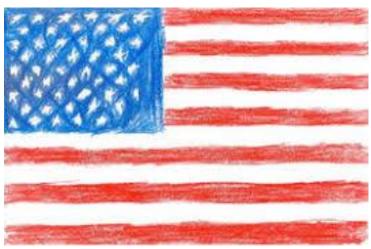
Your cards do not need to be elaborate, just happy & fun. Please do not include pictures of guns or war.

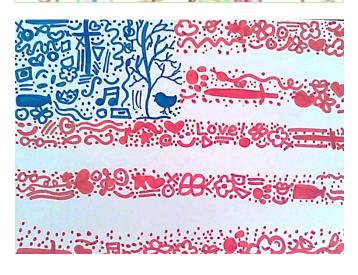
And please use positive messages.

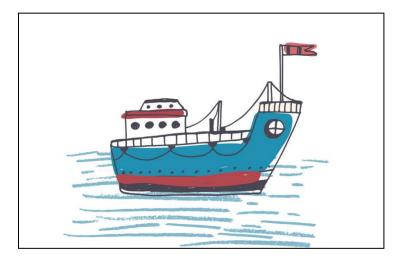












# Some suggestions for things to write on your card:

Thank you for your service.

I hope that you feel better soon.

Thank you servicing our country.

Please get better soon.

I am grateful for your service to our country.

Get well soon.

I am sorry that you are not feeling well, but I am thankful for your service to the USA.

Get well soon.

I am sorry that you are not feeling well. I am thankful for your service to our country.

I hope that you get well soon.

Thank you for sacrificing for our country. I hope that you are better soon!

Thank you for serving our country.

Please feel better soon.

I am thankful for your service to our great nation. Get well soon.

Thank you for your service to our country. Please get better soon.

I am sorry that you are not well.
Please feel better soon.

We are thinking about you and we are thankful for your service to our country.

I am grateful for your service to the United States.

Get well soon.

Please get well soon.