

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: September 16, 2013  
CONTACT: Jerry McCoy, 623-930-2964

## **MAYOR WEIERS HOSTING EVENT ON SEPTEMBER 28 TO HELP MILITARY VETERANS ADJUST TO CIVILIAN LIFE**

**GLENDALE, Ariz.** – Mayor Jerry Weiers is hosting a one-day event for veterans and their families from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 28.

*Stand up for Veterans* will be held at Glendale Community College's Student Union at 59<sup>th</sup> and Olive avenues.

The idea of creating an event to help veterans living in Glendale and the West Valley become better acclimated to civilian life after their military careers are over came to the mayor after organizing a job fair for veterans last year.

“Many of our veterans have additional needs beyond just finding employment,” said Weiers. “So, this event will provide them with various on-site services as well as inform veterans and their families on the benefits and services that are available to them in the areas of education, legal assistance and community resources.

“The goal of *Stand up for Veterans* is to help address any challenges veterans may have before they become insurmountable.”

Some of the on-site services that will be available from more than 45 organizations include:

- Glendale and West Valley employers will conduct job interviews and, potentially, hire veterans on the spot. Trained volunteers and computers will also be available to help veterans prepare resumes and submit job applications.
- GCC representatives will provide information on educational opportunities, including the 44 degree and 65 certificate programs the community college offers.

--more--

## Stand up for Veterans/add 1-1-1

- The Phoenix Veterans Affairs Office, which is holding its annual “Welcome Home” program in conjunction with the event, will provide important information and guidance on accessing health care and other benefits through the Department of Veterans Affairs. Staff will be available to assist veterans in applying for these benefits.
- Free lunch for veterans and their families.
- Free haircuts.
- The Arizona Motor Vehicle Division will assist veterans with obtaining temporary driver’s licenses and photo identification cards.
- The Arizona Department of Veterans Services and numerous other organizations will provide information on benefits and local social services available to veterans and their families as well as help veterans with any other unique needs they may have.
- The Glendale City Court and other nearby courts will address any outstanding legal issues with veterans. Also, community service opportunities will be available to provide eligible veterans the chance to work on a community service project in lieu of paying fines.

In addition to the services that will be available on site, *Stand up for Veterans* will feature entertainment, food and military equipment displays.

For more information on the upcoming event, please email [standupforveterans@gmail.com](mailto:standupforveterans@gmail.com) or visit [www.standforvets.com](http://www.standforvets.com).

###

---

◆ HOME OF THE NFL'S  
2015 SUPER BOWL ◆

◆ HOME OF LUKE AFB, THE FUTURE  
TRAINING SITE OF THE F-35 ◆

◆ HOME OF ARIZONA'S  
BEST FESTIVALS® ◆