A collaborative effort between Vietnam Veterans of America, various other Veterans groups, Local community groups, Anti-Drugs Program, the clergy, law enforcement and educators has been formed to reduce the efforts of drugs and Violence on our local youth. Veterans will be visiting classrooms and volunteering by stressing the five core values of the Veterans Against Drugs program.

These core values are: Respect & Camaraderie, Loyalty & Compassion, Honesty & Integrity, Meaningful Achievement and Advocacy.

There are three other programs developed by Veterans Against Drugs including an Anti-Violence program, an advanced drug prevention program for a more mature audience, an a new, exciting, patriotism program.

Our theme “Commit To Life” is designed to help youth develop responsibility, good judgement and commitment to their families, schools, communities and each other.

Veterans will go into the communities to visit students, detention centers and youth organizations to educate and demonstrate support. Veterans will also participate in many programs already in place to support our youth.

This program is done on a community basis with support from local organizations.

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