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# Press Release

## City Honoring 55 Hometown Heroes with Military Banners

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The City of Downey proudly recognizes the brave men and women who are serving in the Armed Forces through a Military Banner Program. The program is designed to recognize, support and thank Downey residents (or family members of Downey residents) who are currently serving overseas in the U.S. Military. As Council Member Roger Brossmer said, "While this is a small gesture of our appreciation, I think this is a very important City program. Our military men and women deserve to be recognized and honored, and these banners are a small token of our appreciation."

The 20 first banners were unveiled in a ceremony coinciding with City Veterans Day events in November 2009. Twenty more banners were added in February 2010, and an additional 15 banners will be placed along Firestone Boulevard during the week following Memorial Day, May 31, 2010.

Family, friends, organizations and businesses submitted nominations for the Hometown Heroes who have been recognized with the banners. "I want to thank the donors who have already contributed," said Council Member Brossmer, "and encourage others to contribute to this program in the future."

Donations are still being accepted to defray the costs of the banner program. If you are interested in making a donation for the Military Banner Program and/or would like to request an application to honor an individual, please call 562-904-1895 or visit the City's website at [www.downeyca.org](http://www.downeyca.org)

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