



## Team Osaic Honor Flight Local Committees Spring 2026

### How to Support Honor Flight's work with veterans

[Write Appreciation Letters](#) | [Welcome Home Ceremonies](#) | [Be a Guardian](#)

Osaic financial professionals & their staff, home office employees, and families and friends are all invited to participate as part of Team Osaic in any of the local Honor Flight events listed below. See page two of this flyer for guidance on letter-writing; these can then be sent to the chapter contact ahead of the next flight for that city, for distribution to the participating veterans on the flight. Flight times vary by city.

Register your interest by contacting the Osaic leads listed for these cities. If you would like to initiate an Osaic team in an area not listed that has an Honor Flight chapter, send a message to: [osaicfoundation@osaic.com](mailto:osaicfoundation@osaic.com). The formation of a local support team can bring a \$5,000 grant from the Foundation to that chapter!

<i>Site / Airport</i>	<i>Osaic Lead</i>	<i>Next 2026 Local Flight Date(s)</i>	<i>Local Honor Flight Chapter Homepage</i>
Albany, N.Y.	<a href="#">Cathleen Bielawski</a>	April 14	<a href="#">Patriot Flight</a>
Boston, MA	<a href="#">Michael Kohn</a>	2026 TBD	<a href="#">Honor Flight New England</a> (Boston)
Appleton, WI	<a href="#">Danielle McClenahan</a>	2026 TBD	<a href="#">Old Glory Honor Flight, Inc</a>
Cleveland, Ohio	<a href="#">Jasmine A. Showers</a>	March 28, April 25, May 16, June 6	<a href="#">Honor Flight Cleveland</a>
Fort Wayne, IN	<a href="#">Tyler Watts</a>	April 22, May 20, Sept. 2, Sept. 30, Oct. 28	<a href="#">Home - Honor Flight Northeast Indiana (hfnei.org)</a>
Holbrook, NY	<a href="#">Bill Donahue</a>	May 2	<a href="#">Veterans   Honor Flight Long Island   New York</a>
Pittsburgh	<a href="#">Elizabeth Kendall</a>	2026 TBD	<a href="#">Honor Flight Pittsburgh</a>

### Tips for writing messages of appreciation to veterans

While veterans are on their Honor Flight plane, a **surprise** “mail call” is held and each participant receives a quantity of letters to open and review.

The messages include cards, drawings, and other items of appreciation and gratitude for the veterans' service to their country from family, friends, students and the local community. These have proven very impactful to the flight. Here are some tips for writing mail for Honor Flight”

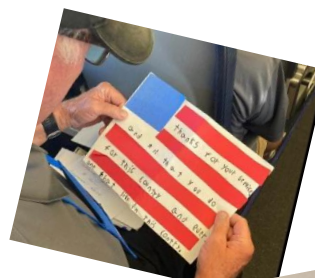
Address the mail as "**Dear Veteran**" if you don't know the veteran's name.

#### Be meaningful...

- Keep your message positive....Brief messages are fine.
- Express gratitude for their service.
- Share hopeful messages, well wishes, and positive thoughts.
- Prayers are welcome, however please avoid excessive religious comments.
- Share about yourself, family, hobbies, work, school, pets, travel, interests, etc.
- Abstain from writing about violence, killings, illness, injury, death, and dying, etc.
- Avoid all mention of politics.

#### Be creative and have fun !

- Consider drawing or painting a picture instead. Please add a note to kids' drawings with their age.
- Please refrain from using glitter or confetti.
- Include your name and return address (optional) so veterans can write back. (Although they may not.)
- Don't seal or date the mail so veterans can easily open.



Send it early to the address indicated by your local Honor Flight chapter -- at least two weeks before the flight.