



Agenda Item Summary

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Alachua County Veteran Services Advisory Board Annual Workplan and Accomplishment Report

Presenter:

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Description:

Prior year accomplishments and upcoming goals for Veteran Service Advisory Board (VSAB)

Recommended Action:

Hear the VSAB presentation and receive the Annual Workplan and Accomplishments Report

Prior Board Motions:

NA

Fiscal Note:

NA

Strategic Guide:

Social and Economic Opportunity

Background:

The Alachua County Veteran Services Advisory Board was established July 12, 1983, with multiple amendments to follow. This board consists of 10 Representatives of Organizations, 2 Veterans of specific eras and 4 Citizens who are Veterans and 1 Alternate Veteran for a total of 16 board members. This Board carries out the responsibilities of a Community Veterans Engagement Board in conjunction with the Department of Veterans Affairs.

The VSAB Veteran Services Advisory Board has been providing input and support from the Veterans Community to the Alachua County Board of County Commissioners in regard to issues and services to the Veterans community for over 30 years. This board has an influential role in the Veteran's community and has contributed to the Alachua County community in various roles for those 30+ years.

The Alachua County Veteran Services Advisory Board serves as a conduit of communication in the Veterans Community providing feedback to the Alachua County Veteran Services Office about the needs of the Veterans Community.

The VSAB makes recommendations to the Alachua County BoCC and promotes community awareness of the Alachua County Veteran Services Office.