# Thousands of Veterans and their families attend Michigan's Largest Veteran Event of the Year 

Howell, Michigan - Michigan veteran nonprofit VETLIFE brings the veteran community the largest FREE veteran event in the State of Michigan. The purpose of Vet Fest is to bring veterans together to enjoy camaraderie and connect them to their military benefits they earned through their service. VETLIFE co-founder Joshua Parish says, "Michigan is home to almost 600,000 veterans, but in 2019 less than $12 \%$ were connected to a federal benefit. VETLIFE is doing something no other organization has successfully been able to do and that is connect veterans to their benefits at an exceptionally large scale."

VETLIFE co-founder Cortnie Parish says, "There are over 43,000 female veterans in the State of Michigan and many of them have never been recognized for their military service. We wanted to change that at this years Vet Fest so we worked with our community partners at FORD and CONSUMERS ENERGY to recognize our female heroes."

Vet Fest is completely free to the veteran and their family and we want to encourage our veterans to search out their benefits which is why we bring vetted resource providers to the event to help connect the to those military benefits. "I served my country honorably and although I don't need to be thanked for my service, it's just really nice to hear it." said Sandra who served in the Navy.

VETLIFE's Mission: To provide veterans with sustainable solutions while promoting a safer, healthier, and prosperous civilian lifestyle.

Check out this Year's Vet Fest Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=os1y1Uh3LtI
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