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**Snohomish County's Veterans Homelessness Committee Presents the  
2023 Annual Homeless Memorial Vigil**

**SNOHOMISH COUNTY, WA., November 27, 2023** - The Snohomish County's Veterans Homelessness Committee invites the community to join in honoring and remembering those who have tragically lost their lives while experiencing homelessness at the 2023 Annual Homeless Memorial Vigil with an emphasis on Veterans. This event will take place on Thursday, December 21, 2023, at the county's outdoor amphitheater, commencing at 5:15 p.m.

As our nation grapples with challenges related to affordable housing, the opioid epidemic, and numerous barriers to secure housing, this gathering becomes increasingly significant. It serves as a somber reflection on the lives of individuals who have passed away while facing the harsh realities of homelessness - whether on the streets, in vehicles, in shelters, or in any improvised place where they could find rest.

This year marks the thirteenth edition of the memorial, maintaining its tradition of commemorating all those who have left us while experiencing homelessness. Additionally, there will be a special veterans' salute, recognizing and honoring those who have bravely served our country.

The Snohomish County's Veterans Homelessness Committee welcomes the entire community to stand together in solidarity, remembrance, and commitment to addressing the critical issues surrounding homelessness. Your presence and support will make a difference as we strive for a community where everyone has a place to call home.

**Event Details:**

***Date: Thursday, December 21, 2023***

***Time: 5:15 p.m.***

***Location: Snohomish County Outdoor Amphitheater: 3000 Rockefeller Ave, Everett, WA, 98208***

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Please join us in honoring all our residents who have died on the streets of Snohomish County in 2023.

**About Snohomish County's Veterans Assistance Program:** The Veterans Assistance Program is operated by the Snohomish County Human Services Department. Veterans assistance is provided to make sure that the residents of Snohomish County who have honorably served our country are never forgotten. Whether it is personal hardship, lack of medical care coverage, or exploration into federal VA benefits or programs, we aim to be THE portal for the veterans of this community regarding any matter that impacts a veteran or their family.