



MEETING AGENDA

**Veterans Memorial Stakeholders Advisory Committee
January 16, 2020 - 6:30 pm**

**Tualatin Public Library
Community Room
18878 SW Martinazzi Avenue, Tualatin**

- A. Call to Order**
- B. Introductions**
- C. Communication**
 - 1. Staff
 - 2. Consultant
 - 3. Public
- D. Committee Role and Decision Making Process**
- E. Committee Engagement Activity**
- F. Memorial Themes**
 - 1. Focus Group Process
 - 2. Review Focus Group Themes
- G. Next Meeting**
- H. Adjournment**

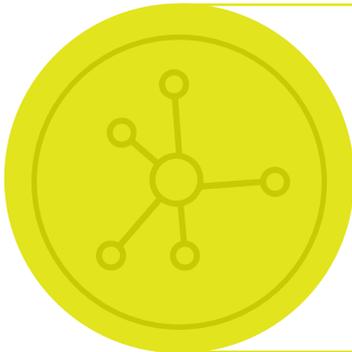
TUALATIN'S VISION FOR A VETERANS MEMORIAL

Veterans of Foreign Wars Focus Group Meeting Recap



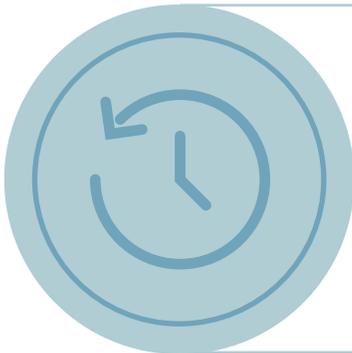
Inclusive

- There are lots of stories to be told, WWII, Korea, Vietnam, Gulf War, Women Veterans, nurses
 - Include the future to teach duty, self of service and sacrifice values
 - The families should feel included
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Engagement

- A nature trail would be an active space for the community and would draw people in from other places
 - Educational opportunities & school field trips
 - A park for kids to play
 - Gathering space for events
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Adaptable

- Something that will have relevance now and in the future
 - A space for everybody –a space that has a park, a place to hold gatherings and a memorial feature, field trips
 - Ability to change, things could be added and there could be new features
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Empathy

- A space to learn what “thank you for your service” means
 - Evoking patriotism, healing, mourning, and understanding of sacrifice
 - Opportunity to reconnect with people who didn’t come back
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Forward Assist Meeting Recap



Design Principles

- Tranquil, uncluttered and peaceful
- Visibility, welcomes you in, not static
- Move from one space to the next
- Near kids park - display people everyday people can relate to
- Place to reflect and reminisce (bench and covered space)
- Inclusivity (all vets, family members, first responders)



Storytelling

- Make it about people
- Untold stories: What people went through
- PTSD, suicide, homelessness
- Different perspectives (combat vs. not, draft vs, enlisting)
- Showcase real world "heroes" vs. Marvel
- Take away bad and focus on good
- Vets attach self to a memory, but each experience is different



Education

- History
- Will we ever learn from past if we do not teach it
- Why go to war
- Branches of military
- Preserving the past - what country was built on
- Patriotism- incorporate American flag

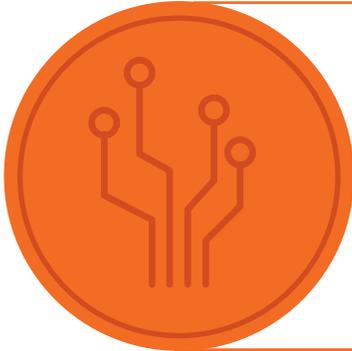


Shared Values

- Resiliency
- Courage
- Adversity
- Selflessness
- Duty /Volunteerism
- Honor
- Respect

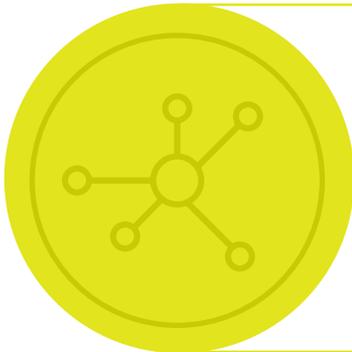
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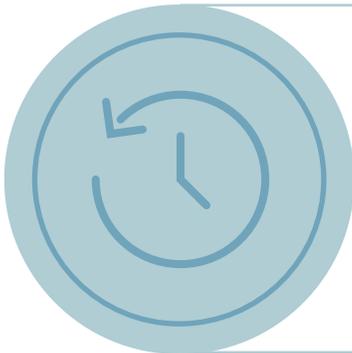
Technology

- Connection to younger generation
 - Audio so they can tune into a station
 - QR codes
 - Incorporating a digital component
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Multi-functional

- A placemaker/destination (first of its kind, connection to I-5)
 - Space for events (Memorial Day, Veterans Day)
 - Passive space for bench and picnic tables)
 - Educational – space for field trips/ tours
 - Interactive
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Timeless

- That considers the past and the future
 - Includes all wars (Native American Wars all the way to conflicts today)
 - Something that is not static
 - A space that can be expandable
 - Seasonal information
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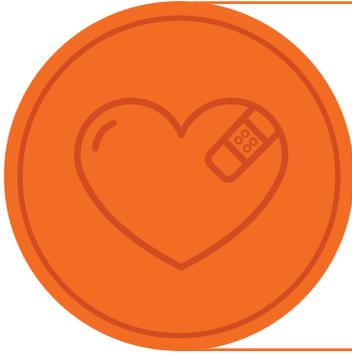


Educational

- An opportunity for the younger generation to learn about all the different wars
 - History is being lost and children are not learning about the wars
 - Programming (relationship with the library, Portland State, Historical Society, Tualatin Schools)
 - People tend to push uncomfortable things aside like the Native American Wars, and it is okay to talk about it
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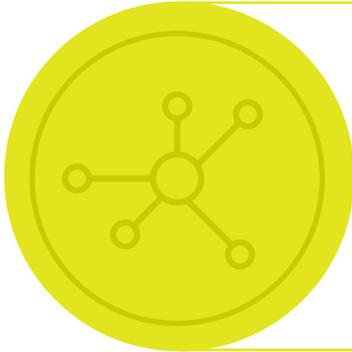
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Diversity Task Force Focus Group Meeting Recap



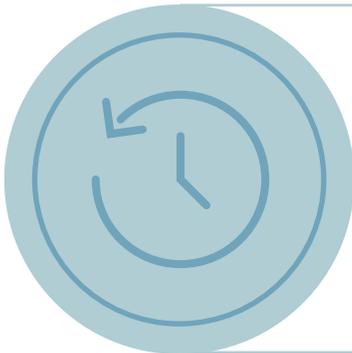
Therapeutic

- Sense of recreation
 - Possible for more recreation opportunities such as a basketball court for those who are disabled
 - A place for people to run
 - A place for healing
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Connection to Place

- Veterans are all over the world with families often being displaced, this space should foster a sense of home
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Reflection

- A calming and conducive space that encourages healing, reflection and conversation
 - Place to sit and tell stories
 - Could have a water feature to promote calming, reflection
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Empathy

- A space that provides empathy and understanding for veterans along with their families/ people it affected
 - It should honor the families that have had to sacrifice so much
 - A place to visit those who have sacrificed
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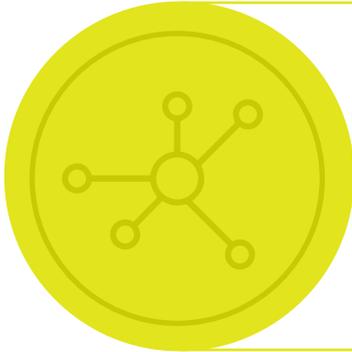
VISIÓN DE TUALATIN PARA UN MONUMENTO CONMEMORATIVO A LOS VETERANOS

Resumen de la reunión del grupo de enfoque diverso



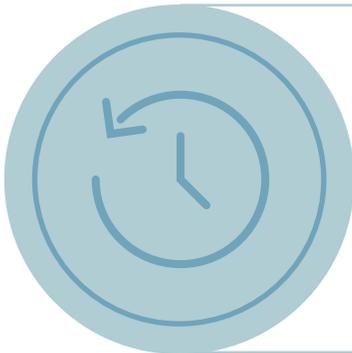
Terapéutico

- Sentido de recreación
- Posibilidad de más oportunidades de recreación, como cancha de baloncesto para personas discapacitadas
- Un lugar para que las personas corran
- Un lugar para sanar



Conexión al lugar

- Los veteranos están en todo el mundo, frecuentemente, tienen familias desplazadas; este espacio debe proporcionar una sensación de hogar



Reflexión

- Un espacio relajante y propicio que fomente la curación, la reflexión y la conversación
- Un lugar para sentarse y contar historias
- Podría tener una fuente de agua para promover la calma, la reflexión



Empatía

- Un espacio que brinde empatía y comprensión por los veteranos junto con sus familias / personas afectadas
- Debe honrar a las familias que han tenido que sacrificar tanto
- Un lugar para visitar a los que se han sacrificado

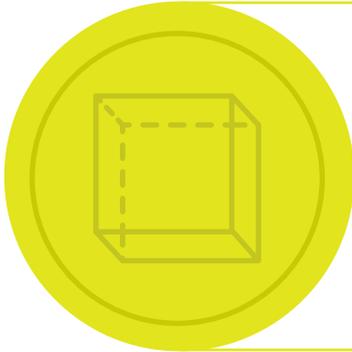
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Arts, Youth, and Parks Focus Group Meeting Recap



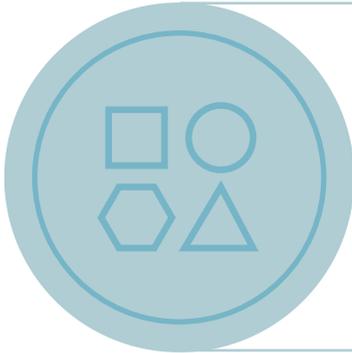
Inclusivity

- For armed services, families, both sides of war, peacekeepers, TFA, Peace Corp, AmeriCorp Volunteers, first responders, local heroes and people who provide service to the community
- In who can use the space (people could feel welcome to play nearby)
- Showing multiple perspectives
- Celebrating community
- Colorful, welcoming
- Private and public



Spatial Definition

- Can come in and out of the experience
- Strict boundaries – physically or conceptually
- Physically surrounded / immersive
- Explorable / self-paced / guided
- Multimodal
- Limited hardscape
- Enhance space in cohesive way



Multi-Use

- Greenspace
- Educational
- Movement
- Passive space

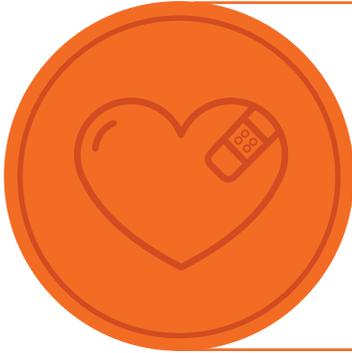


Educational

- A space where people can stand and tell their story
- Reading
- Programming

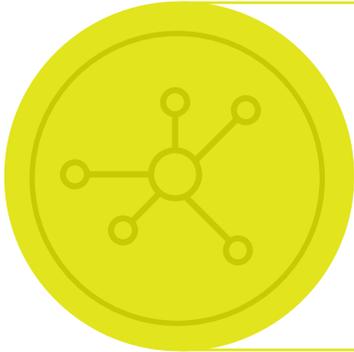
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Sensitivity

- Not glorifying violence
- Discouraging triggers
- If interwoven being sensitive that people don't want to be reminded everywhere they go
- Creating empathy
- Grieving space / reflection



Connectivity

- Connecting to community
- Accessible and usable
- Part of a greater system
- Integrated / woven
- Linking to the art walk, greenway system, Ice Age discovery trail, and other public spaces



Experiential

- Breadth (more than a statue)
- Finite but endless
- Immersive
- Porous
- Something that surrounds you rather than to look at