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## **AMVETS ONE Golden State Tour**

*Leaving no Veteran behind. Engaging all Veteran Service Organizations and our Community by raising awareness and highlighting the local resources to reduce stigma and prevent Veteran suicides.*

**\*INTERVIEWS AVAILABLE NOVEMBER 6th @ 10:30 AM\***

**WHO:** A dedicated team of volunteers from AMVETS Department of California will be heading again across this great state to spread the message of means to deal with Suicide Prevention and Mental Health Awareness – **“Leaving No Veteran Behind”**.

**Speakers Include:**

- Amanda Lopez; Licensed Clinical Social Worker, San Francisco VA
- Paco Cano; Community Impact Manager, 2-1-1
- Lisa Roybal; Co-Chair, AMVETS ONE
- Ross Smith; Co-Chair, AMVETS ONE

**In Attendance:**

- Sonoma Valley Fire District
- City of Sonoma personnel
- City of Sonoma Police Department
- Mark Orlando Santa Rosa Veteran Service Officer
- Rebecca Hermosillo Senior Aid to Congress Mike Thompson & Sonoma County 1st District Supervisor elect
- AMVETS Post 55

**WHAT:** Most of us know someone who has been impacted by the thoughts or act of suicide. The National Statistics says nearly 22 or more Veterans commit suicide on a daily basis. This tour’s

advocacy is to raise awareness and provide resources available throughout the country, so that no Veteran needs to feel alone or not be able to talk this out with someone.

**WHERE:** Sonoma Veterans Memorial Hall – 126 1st St W, Sonoma, CA 95476

**WHEN:** 10:00 am PST, Monday, November 6, 2024

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**About AMVETS ONE:**

*AMVETS ONE is a 6-city journey designed solely to raise responsiveness for Suicide Awareness and Prevention. This endeavor was born from a passionate desire to provide resources, information, support, and advocacy that “Leaves No Veteran Behind”. This journey is created by the members of the organization of American Veterans (AMVETS), in California, to be proactive in raising awareness of the “killer” suicide, so prevalent in the Veteran community and the nation. AMVETS is an inclusive organization for all who have or are honorably serving this great nation. This journey needs your support in any way, please visit the website, [www.amvetstone.com](http://www.amvetstone.com) or follow the journey on Facebook.*

**Tour Stops:**

- Oroville, CA – November 3, 2024
- Redding, CA – November 4, 2024
- Eureka, CA – November 5, 2024
- Sonoma, CA – November 6, 2024
- Santa Rosa, CA – November 7, 2024
- Travis AFB, CA – November 8, 2024

