

Blawnox Hometown Hero Program

Borough of Blawnox, is proud to honor our servicemen and servicewomen by facilitating the Hometown Heroes Banner Program. This program is a banner tribute created for communities to recognize and honor residents who are serving or have served in the United States Armed Forces. Each banner will honor a specific service person and will include their name, branch of service, medals of valor and a photo (if provided). The Hometown Hero must also either be a current or previous resident of Blawnox Borough. An immediate family member of a current or previous serviceman or woman of Blawnox will also suffice. Banners will be displayed on Freeport Road from Memorial Day to Veteran's Day to honor and celebrate their dedication to our country.

Blawnox Borough Hometown Heroes program applications are chosen on a "first come, first served" basis. The banners will change annually. Banners are also limited to one banner per family with the expectation that families with more than one veteran will submit them in future years. Applications will be closed upon reaching financial and/or space limitations that the Borough has available.

The applicant/sponsor will be notified as soon as possible regarding approval of the application. The application fee is required before the application can be submitted for the banner to be created. If we are unable to accept your application, there will be no charge. We will process applications as quickly as possible and return your photo to you.

This program includes:

1. One 18 x 38 banner to be displayed by the borough
2. Web presence on the Blawnox Hometown Heroes website page (troopbanners.com)

To sponsor a banner to be created and displayed, please submit the completed application, a \$110.00 application fee* and the best quality military photo available. Applications and photos can be emailed to blxoffice@blawnox.net.

Upon final approval of the application, you must submit proof of service and/or honorary discharge and a picture, if available. If you have any further questions or concerns, please contact us.

*Applications fees can be paid by check or money order either in person or by mail at the Borough office: 376 Freeport Road– Hometown Heroes, Pittsburgh PA 15238. Applications must be complete and application fee received before processing a banner.

There is an additional minimum charge of \$20.00 for any photo restoration and or changes to the original photo. No photos will be accepted that are photos of photos taken on phones or through glass.

- All bank fees and all returned checks will be credited to the Applicant

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Application Form

First & Last Name of Service Person

Spelling of Service person's name on the banner will be taken directly from the application.

Please Print. _____

SERVICEPERSON INFORMATION:

Name:

Rank:

Branch:

Dates and/or Era of Service:

(Era of Service Options: GWOT - Sept 11, 2001 to present; Persian Gulf - Aug 2, 1990-Aug 31, 1991; Cold War - Sept 2, 1945-Dec 26, 1991; Vietnam Era - Feb 28, 1961-May 7, 1975; Korean Conflict - June 27, 1950-Jan 31, 1955; WWII - Dec 7, 1941-Dec 31, 1946; WWI - April 6, 1917-Nov 11, 1918)

Please check all that apply: POW___ MIA___ KIA___ Medals of Valor: Purple Heart___ Medal of Honor___ Service Cross___ Silver Star___ Bronze Star___

Is serviceperson a: Current___ or Prior___ Resident of Blawnox Borough or ___Family member of Serviceperson is a Blawnox Borough Resident

SPONSOR INFORMATION:

Name:

Relationship to honoree:

Address:

Phone Number:

Email:

A onetime application fee of \$110.00 is due upon submission. Please make checks payable to Blawnox Borough, with Hometown Heroes written on the memo line.

Sponsor's Signature:

Date:

The sponsor may also purchase additional banners for their personal/family use at the time they purchase their original banner for \$10.00 each. Additional banners can be ordered anytime after the original purchase for \$20.00 each

Once the application and photo are received and the banner is in draft, you will receive an email, prompting you to go to www.troopbanners.com/Blawnox, to review for any changes and final approval. You **MUST** respond within 5 days with any changes or revisions, the banner will go to print after the 5-day grace period, no changes can be made after the grace period has expired.

Mail to: Blawnox Hometown Heroes Program, 376 Freeport Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15238

Blawnox Hometown Hero Project Application Form (cont.)

Administrative Use Only

Application Completed Date_____

Application Fee \$110.00 Check#_____ Date_____
(Check written Blawnox Borough)

Photo submitted Date_____

Sponsor Authorizations

PHOTO RELEASE CONSENT:

I hereby grant the Borough of Blawnox, permission to use the attached photo (which includes a likeness of myself or of my relative) in the Hometown Heroes Program and associated marketing of the program. In addition, I take full responsibility that all information provided about the servicemen and servicewomen being honored is accurate and correct. The borough reserves the right to place the banners at their discretion.

Signature _____

Approval of final electronic version of the banner Initial_____ Date_____