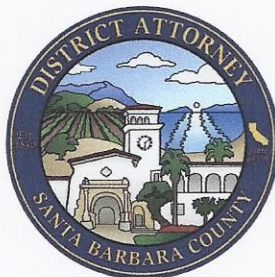


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Re: Veterans Treatment Court Graduation on November 8, 2013

The Santa Barbara District Attorney's Office is proud to announce the first Santa Barbara Veterans Treatment Court Graduation on November 8, 2013, from 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial Building located at 112 West Cabrillo Boulevard in Santa Barbara.

We are reminded daily by the media of the dangers that our heroic military men and women face when they are carrying out their duties overseas. Service in our country's military is one of the most significant sacrifices a person can make and as a result many veterans face substance abuse and psychological problems. The mission of the Santa Barbara County Veterans Treatment Court is to assist veterans and their families improve their quality of life through a collaborative effort among justice partners, community-based organizations, and veterans' services, thereby enhancing public safety while leaving no veteran behind. The District Attorney, Joyce E. Dudley, joins many other local, state and federal officials in support of this mission.

The Veterans Treatment Court in Santa Barbara conducted its first session on July, 12, 2012, and through hard work and dedication by the participants, the Judge, District Attorney, Public Defender, Veterans Administration Social Justice Outreach Social Workers, Santa Barbara County Veterans Services Officer, Department of Mental Health Services, Santa Barbara Police Department, Santa Barbara Sheriff's Office, Santa Barbara County Probation Department, and the Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse (CADA), on November 8, 2013, the first graduation ceremony will be held.

The event is scheduled to start off the Veterans Day holiday and will feature speakers and refreshments.

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