

# VFW Post Makes Community ‘Better Place for All’

## Post members view Day of Service as an opportunity to serve and inspire others

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Members of VFW Silver State Post 3396 in Sparks, Nevada, are looking forward to the inaugural VFW Day of Service as an opportunity to give back to their community and build connections.

When deciding how they would participate in the event, Post members went straight to those who their contributions would affect.

“We talked with the City of Sparks to find a location that needs our support, They pointed us to Victorian Avenue,” said David Sousa, Post Quartermaster and Adjutant.

Together with other local partners, including 39 North, Nevada Energy and Humana, Post members will lead an area beautification project to pick up trash and plant flowers and shrubs. They will also host a food drive benefitting the Food Bank of Northern Nevada and in support of the VFW and Humana “Uniting to Combat Hunger” campaign.

When asked what makes him most proud of his Post, Sousa said, “the dedication to service before self.”

That dedication extends well beyond the VFW Day of Service. The 218-member Post is a fixture in its community. It supports a variety of causes, including the City of Reno’s Military Sports Camp, a VA hospital nursing scholarship program and camaraderie-focused events like Operation Battle Born March and the Bataan Memorial Death March.

Post members are eager for another chance to give back and inspire others to do the same.

“We are excited [for VFW Day of Service] to show our community how dedicated we are to serving and how they can help our organization make this a better place for all,” said Sousa.

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*There's still time to participate in the inaugural VFW Day of Service, happening all month long in May. Visit [vfw.org/DayofService](https://vfw.org/DayofService) for more information to let us know how you plan to serve.*