

FREQUENTLY ASKED TRIP QUESTIONS

What if it rains on the trip?

Our plans proceed rain or shine. In case of rain, you will be provided with rain ponchos. We encourage you to bring a compact umbrella.

How can I get updated information on the flight's return timing?

We are traveling on a charter plane, so information will not be available through traditional airline flight boards. Because we are on a charter, we should not be subject to schedule challenges and delays, however, unforeseen circumstances can arise. Our partners at Welcome Home Military Heroes will provide phone updates Wednesday afternoon on a recorded message – call 805-242-0536. We will also post information on both our Honor Flight CCC Facebook page and Instagram.

What about my car at Santa Maria Airport?

Parking is free and multiple day stays are no problem. Make sure you lock your car and leave no valuables in it.

Should I bring my cane and/or walker?

Bring your cane, but please plan on leaving walkers at home or locked in the trunk of your vehicle. Walkers create tripping hazards and they slow things down. We will have transport chairs for anyone who can use a boost (you do not need to be incapacitated). Transport chairs provide the added benefit of enabling veterans to pay full attention to the sights around them, rather than watching the ground. Feedback from veterans on other trips is clear: given the fast pace we keep, a ride in a transport chair is a welcome benefit.

What are room accommodations?

All rooms are double occupancy and have two queen beds. Veterans generally share the room with their guardians. However, if your guardian is not a family member and not the same gender, you will likely room with a same-gender veteran. Guardians escorting more than one veteran will be placed in a room with another same-gender person.

What costs are covered by Honor Flight and what do I need to pay for?

Honor Flight covers all expenses for veterans. You will only need to pay for any souvenirs or incidentals that you want to purchase.

Can my family see trip updates?

You can watch the trip unfold via Facebook and Instagram. We post photos daily on both.

Other helpful information:

- Dress comfortably and casually. A jacket and two Honor Flight T-shirts will be provided to veterans and guardians. The T-shirts are for Tuesday and Wednesday. Wear your Honor Flight jacket and a personal shirt for Monday travel.
- Buses have cell phone charging outlets at each seat. There are also power outlets on the bus for oxygen users to recharge if needed.
- We will have a trip photographer accompanying us. Take as many photos as you like, but also rest assured the entire trip will be chronicled.

All printed information shared at the pre-flight event can be found on our website,

www.HonorFlightCCC.org/CurrentTripInfo