



The Support Committee at Calverton National Cemetery, Inc., a not-for-profit public charity, servicing and supporting all veterans of all service branches, all periods of service, their families and friends at Calverton National Cemetery through many charitable works, including ceremonies, events, educational endeavors, outreach and supportive services, youth mentoring and volunteerism, and similar activities.

**Mission Statement:**

To fulfill President Lincoln's promise *"To care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow, and his orphan"* by serving and honoring the men and women who are America's Veterans.

**Core Values:**

VA's five core values underscore "who we are," our culture, and how we care for Veterans and eligible beneficiaries.the obligations inherent in VA's mission:

**I**ntegrity- Act with high moral principle. Adhere to the highest professional standards. Maintain the trust and confidence of all with whom I engage.

**C**ommitment- Work diligently to serve Veterans and other beneficiaries. Be driven by an earnest belief in VA's mission. Fulfill my individual responsibilities and organizational responsibilities.

**A**dvocacy- Be truly Veteran-centric by identifying, fully considering, and appropriately advancing the interests of Veterans and other beneficiaries.

**R**espect- Treat all those I serve and with whom I work with dignity and respect. Show respect to earn it.

**E**xcellence- Strive for the highest quality and continuous improvement. Be thoughtful and decisive in leadership, accountable for my actions, willing to admit mistakes, and rigorous in correcting them.

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## **Design and Construction Service:**

NCA Design and Construction Service provides planning, design and construction project management, design and construction standards, environmental, energy, and historic preservation services and expertise to VA and NCA to deliver high quality and cost effective cemetery facilities that honor Veterans with final resting places and commemorate their service to our nation. Our Vision is to provide leadership, expertise, and advice in the development, acquisition, expansion and preservation of [VA National Cemeteries](#) to create national cemeteries as lasting memorials which invoke a sense of honor and dignity for our Nation's veterans.

## **Construction Programs:**

Construction projects to develop additional gravesites at national cemeteries, acquire land and make infrastructure improvements are critical to achieving the strategic goals and objectives of the National Cemetery Administration. These capital improvement projects are funded from VA's Major and Minor Construction appropriations.

## **Major Construction:**

New construction costing more than \$10 million. Design is accomplished by Architect/Engineer (A/E) firms under contract. [VA's Office of Construction & Facilities Management](#) (CFM) is responsible for the planning, design, and construction of all major construction projects greater than \$10 million. In addition, CFM acquires real property for use by VA elements through the purchase of land. Projects are "line items" in the VA budget, authorized and appropriated by Congress and can carry-over multiple fiscal years. Major construction projects are submitted for approval through VA's Strategic Capital Investment Planning Process.

## **Minor Construction:**

New construction and capital improvements costing \$10 million or less. Projects involve new construction, and/or alteration, enhancement, or upgrading of an existing element of the cemetery. Design is accomplished under contract by Architect/Engineer firms. NCA's Design and Construction Service manages these projects and working with NCA Contracting Service is responsible for execution of the NCA Minor Construction Operating Plan.

## **Maintenance and Repair**

Maintenance and repair projects are funded with the Operations and Maintenance appropriation and managed by NCA Memorial Service Network (MSN) offices. They address deficiencies with any of the approximately 800 buildings and structures and over 18 thousand acres of land within 131 national cemeteries and 33 soldiers' lots and monuments sites to maintain the appearance of national cemeteries as national shrines, dedicated to preserving our Nation's history, nurturing patriotism and honoring the service and sacrifice Veterans have made. Projects include gravesite renovation, recurring maintenance and repair of roads, drives, parking lots, and walks; painting of buildings, fences and gates; repair of roofs, walls, and irrigation and electrical systems.