## **APPLICATION**

Please print the name of the hero, first responder or group as it should appear on the banner and indicate the additional information below.

First Name
Last Name
or: Name of Group
Branch of Service (if applicable):
□ Army □ Navy □ Air Force □ Marines
🗆 Coast Guard
Or $\Box$ Other Contribution
Rank Years of service
Sponsor name
Relationship
Address
Phone

Email

Please attach the photo you would like displayed on the banner and any detailed information you would like included on the web page accompanying the banner.

A proof of the banner will be sent to you for your final approval before the final banner is printed. For additional information please contact Virginia van Sluis at 507-412-9139 or email <u>info@</u>FaribaultHometownHeroes.org.

Chamber Trust / Faribault Hometown Heroes P.O. Box 434 Faribault, MN 55021



**IMPORTANT - Did you:** 

□ Print legibly?

□ Include the rank and branch of service?

□ Include years of service?

□ Include a picture?



Please see examples on the web page: FaribaultHometownHeroes.org

# Faribault Hometown Heroes



A program in cooperation with the Faribault Chamber of Commerce Trust and City of Faribault Parks & Recreation Department.

## **Hometown Heroes History**

During a trip to up-state Michigan, Virginia van Sluis saw the banners being displayed on light poles that featured pictures and information of those who served in the military. The banners featured the name of the hero, branch of service, year (s) served and their picture. As the program grew, it also included banners honoring First Responders.

When she returned home, she contacted Nort Johnson of the Faribault Chamber and Paul Peanasky of the City's Park and Recreation department to discuss how this program could be implemented within Faribault. City Council approved the hanging of the banners in the City. A design company was contacted and after several corrections the banner design was selected that would be displayed.



## **Banner Locations**

The location was determined by the Faribault City Council—along highway 60 (4<sup>th</sup> St. NW) between Lyndale Ave. and 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. NW.

A sponsor can not select a specific location. All banner locations shall be determined solely by the City. Available space is determined on a first-come, first-served basis.

## Length of Display

Banners shall be displayed for a period of six (6) months, with replacements before Veterans Day and again before Memorial Day. When the six months are up, the outgoing banners will be replaced with new banners. Outgoing old banners can picked up at the Faribault Chamber. There might be an opportunity for your banner to remain up for additional time if there are no service members waiting for space. If this occurs, you would be responsible to pay the fee to occupy that space.

#### Disclaimer

While the banner is being displayed,: should it become damaged in any way, it is the responsibility of the sponsor to cover the costs of a replacement banner.

## How to Order a Banner

Complete the application. Write a check in the amount of \$180.00 made payable to Chamber Trust. Include the picture to display on the banner. Include any supporting documents and additional information that will be added to the web page: FaribaultHometownHeroes.org. Mail the check, picture and information to: Chamber Trust / Faribault Hometown Heroes P.O. Box 434, Faribault, MN 55021

A proof of the banner will be sent to you for your final approval before the final banner is printed.

#### Cost for a Banner

The cost for a Faribault Hometown Heroes banner is \$180.00. This cost covers the design and administration costs.

# Eligibility

To qualify for the Hometown Heroes Banner program, the honorees must meet the following requirements:

Military Hometown Heroes must give proof of service with rank, branch and active duty or honorable discharge.

First Responders must be a group, organization or business established within Rice County. Applicants need to be a current or past resident of Rice County.

Applicants who meet the requirements are selected on a first come. first served basis. Once the banner allotment has been filled, all other applicants will move to the next time slot for displaying the banners.

As an ongoing program, Faribault Hometown Hero applications will be accepted at any time by those who wish to sponsor a banner. Banners may be sponsored by individuals or organizations and they are responsible for the full cost of the banner.

The committee has final say of eligibility and exceptions to it.

