Snohomish County to Rededicate Haller Bridge for Veterans Memorial

The first memorial of its kind in Snohomish County to honor military veterans killed in post-9/11 conflicts will be unveiled Memorial Day 2022

ARLINGTON, Wash., May 27, 2022 – A portion of the Centennial Trail will be rededicated on Memorial Day in honor of Snohomish County residents who perished during the Global War on Terror (GWOT), 9/11/2001 to the present. A sculpture by a local artist and interpretive kiosk are also a part of the veterans memorial.

The memorial will be the first in Snohomish County to specifically honor military veterans killed in post-9/11 conflicts. The memorial will be located at the approach to the Haller Bridge where it crosses the Stillaguamish River. This location along the Centennial Trail is a popular destination for recreation and will provide a peaceful setting for reflection and prayer to honor the brave people lost to recent military conflicts.

“The Global War on Terror and related military activities engaged a generation of young men and women who served us all,” said Snohomish County Executive Dave Somers. “Most made it back without significant physical injury, but many did not. For the eighteen precious souls from Snohomish County who gave the ultimate sacrifice, we are re-dedicating the Veterans Memorial Bridge in Arlington and adding a new sculpture in their honor. We will always remember.”

“I am proud of the community members and County staff who came together to make this memorial a reality” said Snohomish County Councilmember Nate Nehring. “This memorial pays tribute to our brave neighbors who sacrificed everything for our freedoms.”

“The sacrifice of service members who have given their lives to our Country post-9/11 is still fresh in the memory of many local families,” said Snohomish County Council Chair Megan Dunn. “I’m thankful that the County is providing this memorial for those who seek a reflective space to remember their loved one.”

This important memorial has been in progress for a few years and has come to fruition with the collaboration of many entities, including Snohomish County leadership, the Snohomish County Art Commission, the City of Arlington, and others.

A ceremony will take place at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, 5/30/2022 at Haller Bridge in Arlington.

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