

# Choctaw Veterans Association

## Mission Statement

The Choctaw Veterans Association is an organization of Native American veterans of service in the Armed Forces of the United States, enrolled in the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, and have been honorably discharged, retired, presently on active duty, or in the reserves or National Guard. The organization's purposes to promote Americanism, sponsor youth activities, conduct patriotic ceremonies and functions, community activities, and social activities. Other activities may include representing Choctaw veterans before legislative bodies concerning legislation that affects veterans as a class, informing member of such proposed legislation; social welfare of the organization, members and immediate family members, providing assistance to veterans and their families in applying for federal Veterans Administration benefits, and perpetuating the memory of veterans and comforting their survivors.

This organizations purpose is NOT politics, therefore, members shall not engage in political activity promoting any candidate, legislation not directly affecting veterans as a class, political party, or other promotional activity while attending any function sponsored by the organizational, or in any brochure, newsletter or other written material indicating endorsement of such activities by the organization. Political activity outside the organization by members and officials is not prohibited.

Financial support of the organization is obtained through membership dues, pom tax deductible donations, grants, and fund raising activities such as concession sales, auctions of items donated for such purpose and other activities authonzed by internal! Revenue Service rules.

THE CHOCTAW VETERANS ASSOCIATION is incorporated in the State of Oklahoma as a None-Profit Tax Exempt Corporation in compliance with the State of Oklahoma.