



**Veterans Coalition of North Central Texas**

**Joint County Meeting**

**After Action Report**

**Thursday, July 28, 2016**

**11:00am-2:00pm**

The Veterans Coalition of North Central Texas (VCNCT) hosted its 4th annual “Joint County Meeting: Service in Motion” in Grand Prairie this year. For the first time, the Grand Prairie Armed Forces Reserve Complex served as our host, opening its gates to the Coalition and members. As long time partners of the Coalition, we were allowed to submit an approved list of Coalition members, civilians, to have access to the complex. The Coalition called on its members and partnering Veteran Service Organizations (VSO) from surrounding Counties to bring their information and resources directly to the Soldiers. The organizations present served over 16 Counties. This year's theme, “Service-in-Motion” was a calling for the Coalition to move from meeting with VSO's to discuss best practices and resources to taking our meeting and information directly to the population we all serve, Veterans. The attending Veterans represented several units and have deployed at least one time.

The meeting was sponsored by Mariscos La Marea, an authentic sea food Mexican restaurant. Their amazing staff served approximately 78 Veterans and 68 exhibitors and VCNCT members. There were 27 presenting exhibitor's booths that shared information regarding programs and resources. Exhibitors presented on information regarding the following:

- Housing
- Education
- Employment
- Mental Health
- Financial Education
- Transportation
- VA Benefits
- Legal Representation
- How to start a business
- and more

The power point presentation listing each presenter can be found on our website under 2016 reports.