

**Connecticut Women Veterans' Network (VETNET)** is sponsored by the Connecticut Department of Veteran Affairs. Connecticut has approximately 15,000 women veterans living in the State with varied ages, periods of service and distinctive social, economic and health issues. This Network is established to assist women veterans with information and access to benefits they earned by service in the US Armed Forces. We will work to identify any unmet needs experienced by women veterans and facilitate the development of services and programs to address these concerns. To that end, our activities include but are not limited to:

- ❖ Increase visibility and awareness about the contributions women have made in America's military services.
- ❖ Outreach to women veterans in Connecticut
- ❖ Creation of a database of women veterans living in Connecticut to facilitate communications, disseminate information about accessing benefits, services and programs available to veterans.
- ❖ Advocacy for the special needs of women veterans with local, state and federal agencies.
- ❖ Identification of existing health and human resources available for women veterans.
- ❖ Mutual support and assistance for Connecticut women veterans and their families.