

Chuck Hagel on the Lies and Lessons of the War

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1st Air Cavalry  
troops jump into  
battle in 1967.





#### Homage to service

A \$75 million museum to honor veterans of all wars is being built on 7 acres along the Scioto River in downtown Columbus, Ohio. Exhibits will tell the stories of those who served in the military.

## NATIONAL VETERANS MUSEUM UNDER CONSTRUCTION

The most important part of any military is not the tanks, helicopters, artillery or other machines of war. It's the people who serve, and that's the emphasis of the National Veterans Memorial and Museum being built in Columbus, Ohio. The museum will feature the experiences of veterans from all eras, conflicts and branches of the military.

The project started as a place to honor Ohio's veterans, but its organizers quickly expanded the museum's coverage to include veterans from across the country. The museum has received congressional support to be designated a national facility.

"Nothing like this has been done," said retired Air Force Col. Tom Moe, who spent five years in a North Vietnamese prisoner of war camp and is now assisting the museum effort. "We want to focus the story here about the service of veterans, whether they be from

Tallahassee to Anchorage," Moe said in a *Stars and Stripes* article.

The museum is estimated to cost \$75 million and is seeking federal funding to supplement \$60 million in private donations already secured.

The organizers are reaching out to the 22 million veterans across the U.S. for stories and items that can be showcased in the museum. Groups such as the American Legion have also been contacted. Exhibits are being organized into four main areas with the themes Honor, Connect, Inspire and Educate.

Expected to open in 2018, the 50,000-square-foot facility will have a remembrance room and an outdoor memorial grove. The building has been designed to feature a striking concrete arch structure with a spiral processional to a rooftop sanctuary.

Learn more at [nationalvmm.org](http://nationalvmm.org).

