

## Women Veterans on the Long Journey Home: Empowering Our Community Response

As the longest war in our nation's history continues, women veterans who have served in Afghanistan and Iraq now number approximately 280,000. While the population of male veterans in the U.S. is declining, the number of female veterans is increasing as their roles also expand.

The changing face of the military requires that we, too, adapt and change our response to our service members, veterans and their families.

**But the question remains – how?**



Join us for an informative and empowering session with DAV Assistant National Legislative Director, Shurhonda Love and *Journey to Normal: Women of War Come Home* documentary director, JulieHera DeStefano. We will:

- discuss DAV's unprecedented special report *Women Veterans: The Long Journey Home*
- screen a 20-minute film short of *Journey to Normal: Women of War Come Home*
- Hear directly from women veterans featured in the film



DAV (Disabled American Veterans) is the most long-lasting veterans advocacy and assistance group in this country, with a core mission to

fulfill our country's promises to the men and women who served. DAV commissioned and produced the special report *Women Veterans: The Long Journey Home* with the overarching goal of documenting existing gaps in federal programs and services and spurring policy changes to fill them.

To review the report, visit: <http://www.dav.org/women-veterans-study/>



*Journey to Normal: Women of War Come Home* documents the unparalleled story of women in the combat zone, in order to explore the psychological and social dynamics of their service and follows them as they return home and experience the challenging reintegration into "normal" civilian life back in the U.S.

To view a trailer for the feature-length documentary, visit: [www.journeytonormal.org](http://www.journeytonormal.org)