



Historic Bellefonte Inc. proudly presents the “Hometown Heroes” banner program. The program serves as a tribute to men and women from Centre County who have served our country and community in a branch of the military or as a first responder.

We are happy to say that in the past four years, the Hometown Hero Banner program has had a positive influence on community conversations. The committee continues to work on many aspects of this program in an endeavor to achieve fairness and equity in the expansion of this program. We are pleased to see so many families wanting to honor their heroes, and because of that, we have had to establish some new rules that we will follow going forward.

1. In 2020 we are establishing a **First Responder Hero** program. The Waterfront District and Lamb Street Bridge area have been set aside for families whose loved ones have served as a First Responder Hero (Firemen, EMT, Police, etc.). The committee has chosen to honor these heroes with their own special day. This year the First Responder Hero banners will be dedicated on September 12, 2020.
2. Qualifications for Hometown Hero First Responder Banners depend upon verification. The verification would include:
 - Bellefonte native or non-native (but whose service was performed in Bellefonte)
 - Location of where service was performed
 - Description of nominee’s service
 - Two references whom we may contact to verify information
3. Veteran and **First Responders** banners will be honored in alternate years. Hometown Hero Veteran banners will be on display from 2019-2021. **First Responder banners will be on display from 2020-2022.**
4. The banners will be located in the downtown historic district. They will measure 18” wide and 36” high. Placement of banners will be at the discretion of the Committee with sponsor requests taken into consideration whenever possible.
5. If you choose to sponsor a banner, benefits of sponsorship will include:
 - Sponsor name listed on each banner purchased.
 - Identified as a sponsor in all promotional material and media information.
 - An invitation to participate in the Hometown Hero First Responder celebration.
 - A copy of the Hometown Hero First Responder celebration program book.

Thank you for helping us pay tribute to all those men and women from our community and surrounding communities who have served or are currently serving.

Sincerely,
The Hometown Hero Committee

Historic Bellefonte Inc. is a not-for-profit, charitable organization dedicated to the revitalization of Bellefonte and the preservation of the Borough’s rich historic, cultural and architectural heritage. Through a volunteer structure, HBI serves as the umbrella vehicle to coordinate community efforts to carry out its mission.



Hometown Hero Banner Application – First Responder

Full Name of Hero: _____

Type of Service (EMT, Fire, Police, ect.): _____

Affiliation (Organization, Company, Dept., ect.): _____

Hometown: _____ Is the Hero (please circle) Alive Deceased

Name of Sponsor: _____ Phone: _____

Relationship to Hero: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____

Alternate contact person: _____ Phone: _____

Additional Reference's to verify information:

Name _____ Phone: _____

Name _____ Phone: _____

Message on bottom of banner (This can include family names, individual sponsor name, loving message, ect. If the banner is sponsored by a business, the name of the business will appear and be used for Hometown Hero advertising.): _____

AUTHORIZATION FOR PHOTO RELEASE: I hereby grant permission to the Hometown Hero Banner committee to use the attached photo for the use of Hometown Hero Banner promotions. In addition, I confirm that all information provided above is accurate and correct.

(Signature)

(Date)

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: APRIL 30, 2020
FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED BASIS

Return To:
Hometown Hero Banner Committee/Train Station
320 West High Street
Bellefonte, PA 16823

APPROVAL FOR PRINT: I have reviewed the mock-up of my banner and all of the information (photo and wording) is accurate and correct.

(Signature) *To be signed at mock-up viewing

(Date)

To be completed by committee:
Banner Paid in full (\$200) Check # _____ Cash \$ _____
Initials of member taking payment _____ Date _____

