

# COLORADO SERVES

### Service Members, Veterans and their Families

#### What Is Colorado Serves?

Colorado Serves is a partnership between federal and state government entities, non-profit organizations and representatives from the military dedicated to working with Colorado communities to improve collaboration and coordination between the organizations that serve veterans, service members and families throughout the state.

#### How Can Colorado Serves Help in My Community?

Many communities in our state have already initiated efforts to better coordinate services for veterans, service members and their families.

Colorado Serves can help to:

Provide technical assistance or staffing support to communities looking to start, improve or formalize a community based network for veterans, service members and their families in their area;

· Map out resources and gaps in resources within communities;

 $\cdot$  Connect communities to other efforts to build community networks for veterans, service members and their families around the state; and

 $\cdot$  Provide opportunities for communities and organizations around the state to come together to exchange experiences and best practices

## Veterans Service Office of Custer County Information Workshop on Veterans Issues 23<sup>rd</sup> July 11:30-1:00 Ranchers Roost Banquet Room

Doors will open at 11:15. Guest speaker for the event will be Michael "Mickey" Hunt, the Deputy Director for the Colorado Department of Military and Veterans Affairs. The event is open to the public but seating is limited. Come and learn from Mickey and his staff how we can improve services and find resources for the veterans of Custer County. There will be an opportunity to ask questions during the workshop. Please call Tim Swartz the Veterans Service Officer at 719-783-9470 if you have any questions about the workshop.



Michael T. "Mickey" Hunt

Deputy Executive Director Colorado Department of Military and Veterans Affairs

Michael T. "Mickey" Hunt was selected to be the Deputy Executive Director of the Colorado Department of Military and Veterans Affairs in October, 2009.

Prior to this selection he was the Resource Director and Legislative Liaison for the Department. The Colorado Department of Military and Veterans Affairs (DMVA) is an executive agency of the State of Colorado. The DMVA is the overarching organization which controls the following entities:

• **Colorado National Guard (CONG)** - The militia of the State of Colorado. The Commander in Chief of the CONG is Governor Hickenlooper.

- **Division of Veterans Affairs** The DVA provides veteran's services to the citizens of Colorado and trains the County Veterans Service Officers.
- Colorado Wing of the Civil Air Patrol This 2100+ volunteer organization is the auxiliary of the United States Air Force.