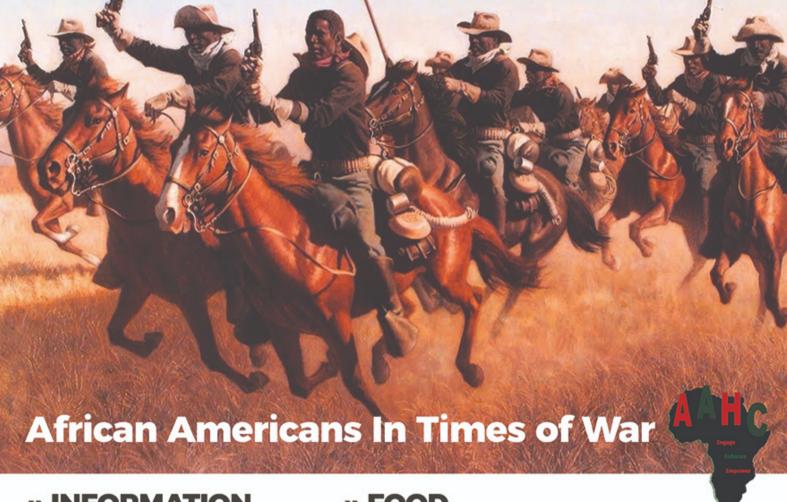
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African American History Celebration February 24th at Foss Field

AFRICAN AMERICAN History Celebration

Hosted by The Perris Valley African American History Committee "Heroes"



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Saturday, February 24, 2018 | Foss Field Park

138 North Perris Blvd. Perris, CA. 92570 | 10:00am - 4:00pm

The entire city of Perris is invited to participate in the "UNITY WALK" beginning at 9am.

Meeting at Mercado Park - 10th & *D* Street

For further information contact:

Margaret Briggs, (951) 961-4399 or email pvaahc@gmail.com

"African-Americans in Times of War" is the theme of the annual celebration of Black History Month in the City of Perris.

As many as 70 African-American and other veterans will be honored Feb. 24 by the Perris Valley African-American History Committee, which has hosted the annual celebration for many years. The program begins at 9 a.m. with a "Unity Walk" beginning at Mercado Park at 10th and D streets and ending at Perris City Hall.

Opening ceremonies are at 10 a.m. The program runs to 4 p.m.

The day's events also include recognition of dignitaries, food vendors and the chance to speak with veterans from World War II, Korea, Vietnam and other conflicts, said Margaret Briggs, president of the history committee.

"African Americans have fought for this country since before the founding of this country," Briggs said. Their contributions have been great but for too long have been unknown. We need to listen to them so we can learn from them."

Briggs thanked the City of Perris for supporting Black History Month activities.

"We could not do this without the great support of the City of Perris," she said. "The City has always been a greater supporter."

Additional information about the Feb. 24 Black History Month celebration can be obtained by calling Briggs at 951-961-4399 or by emailing pvaahc@gmail.com.



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