



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE & CONSUMER SERVICES
COMMISSIONER ADAM H. PUTNAM

October 3, 2018

Refer To: DTN3114787

GULF COAST VETERANS & FRIENDS, INC.
2614 TAMIAMI TRL N # 304
NAPLES, FL 34103-4409

RE: GULF COAST VETERANS & FRIENDS, INC.
REGISTRATION#: CH56671 EXPIRATION DATE: October 3, 2019

Dear Sir or Madam:

The Department has received your application submitted under Chapter 496, Florida Statutes, the Solicitation of Contributions Act. Effective July 1, 2013, qualified charitable organizations are exempt from the fee based registration if they meet the following criteria, but are still required to register annually using form FDACS-10110 which will be mailed to you approximately 35 days before the registration expiration date::

- * The charitable organization or sponsor has less than \$25,000 in total revenue during the preceding fiscal year.
- * The fundraising activities of the charitable organization or sponsor are carried on by volunteers, members, or officers who are not compensated and no part of the assets or income of the organization or sponsor inures to the benefit of or is paid to any officer or member of the above named charitable organization or sponsor.
- * The charitable organization or sponsor does not utilize a professional fundraising consultant, professional solicitor, or commercial co-venturer.

Based on the information provided, it appears your organization is not subject to the fee based registration and has complied with the filing requirements of s. 496.406. An annual registration is still required pursuant to s. 496.406(1)(d), Florida Statutes.

PLEASE NOTE: If circumstances change, and you no longer meet one or more of the above listed qualifiers during this exemption period, you must submit a registration application using form FDACS-10100 with all required attachments and fees within 30 days of the qualifying change.

Every charitable organization or sponsor which is required to file under s. 496.406 must conspicuously display the registration number issued by the Department and in capital letters the following statement on every printed solicitation, written confirmation, receipt, or reminder of a contribution:

"A COPY OF THE OFFICIAL REGISTRATION AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE DIVISION OF CONSUMER SERVICES BY CALLING TOLL-FREE (800-435-7352) WITHIN THE STATE. REGISTRATION DOES NOT IMPLY ENDORSEMENT, APPROVAL, OR RECOMMENDATION BY THE STATE."

The Solicitation of Contributions Act requires an annual renewal to be filed on or before the date of expiration of the previous exemption. The Department will send a renewal package approximately 35 days prior to the date of expiration shown above. A COPY OF THIS LETTER SHOULD BE RETAINED FOR YOUR RECORDS. If we may be of further assistance, please contact the Solicitation of Contributions Section.

Sincerely,

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