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# IRVINE VALLEY COLLEGE Veterans Tribute Tower



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## *The need . . .*

- For many years, Irvine Valley College had a clock tower that was a popular gathering point for the campus community and was among the most identifiable of the college's landmarks.
- Unfortunately, due to wood rot, termite infestation, and ensuing safety concerns, the clock tower was dismantled. The campus community immediately voiced its desire to rebuild it.
- A large influx of veterans from the Iraq and Afghanistan conflicts are returning to Southern California. With a goal of obtaining a college education, these returning vets are enrolling and will continue to enroll at Irvine Valley College. At present, nearly 400 veterans attend the college.
- Not only will the new tower serve as a source of inspiration to all veterans residing in Orange County, but this lasting commemoration will also serve as a source of enormous campus pride to all IVC students, faculty, and staff, and the community at large.

## *About the project . . .*

- IVC is seeking to partner with Verdin, a fifth-generation American company that has constructed some of the best-known memorials and clock and bell towers for colleges, municipalities, shopping centers, and corporations across the United States.
- For each tower installed, the Verdin Company will donate 15% directly to the Commission on the Future for America's Veterans, an autonomous organization created by the coalition to provide veteran-support services.
- If the Veterans Tribute Tower is commissioned successfully, it will create an impressive centerpiece to the college campus, with its 30-foot tower and custom-cast 250-pound bronze bell.
- On-site casting of the commemorative bell will be part of the excitement of the project. It will provide an opportunity for our campus veterans group, students, community leaders, and others to participate in the construction of the IVC Veterans Tribute Tower.

## *Make a difference . . .*

- The cost for the tower has been estimated to be approximately \$300,000.
- Upon its completion, IVC's Veterans Tribute Tower will receive national recognition by the Department of Defense and the Veterans Administration.
- Fundraising efforts have begun, and to date about \$12,000 has been raised. Already, donations have been received from the IVC Associated Students, faculty and staff, Wells Fargo Bank, SchoolsFirst Federal Credit Union, and the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs. Once the process begins, the project will take 90 days to complete.
- Learn more about IVC veterans services at [www.ivc.edu/veterans](http://www.ivc.edu/veterans).
- Learn more about the Verdin Company at [www.verdin.com/veterans](http://www.verdin.com/veterans).



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