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FLAG COLLECTION HOSTED BY COUNTY GOVERNMENT MILITARY VETERANS RETURNS JUNE 14

ST. CHARLES COUNTY, MO – If you have a worn or damaged U.S. flag and don't know where or how to dispose of it properly, the military veterans of St. Charles County Government are ready to help.

The County's Veterans Best Practices Working Group is hosting its annual Flag Collection for the public from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Flag Day, Monday, June 14. The event takes place at a drive-by collection site, located at the corner of Monroe and Second Streets in St. Charles, between the County Administration and Corrections buildings. The flags will be properly disposed of at a ceremony later this year.

The group has collected over 2,891 flags since the event launched in 2017. It was not held in 2020 because of the pandemic.

"We are excited to honor the flag and our armed forces, especially since we were unable to have it last year," says Christina Follmer, Chair of the Veterans Best Practices Working Group.

Those who cannot drop off flags that day can do so from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday (except holidays), at the security desk in the St. Charles County Administration Building, 201 N. Second Street, St. Charles.

The Veterans Best Practices Working Group was established in 2014 after passage of an ordinance by the County Council. The group exists to foster an employment-friendly environment for those who have served in the armed forces of the United States, to encourage businesses in the community to develop veteran-friendly employment practices, and to inform veterans seeking employment of opportunities and benefits with County Government.

For more information, contact Christina Follmer at 636-949-7900, ext. 4571, or christina.follmer@courts.mo.gov.

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About St. Charles County:

St. Charles County, Missouri, founded in 1812, is one of the fastest growing counties in Missouri. With a population of 407,056, is it the state's third largest county. It is home to 17 scenic county parks encompassing nearly 4,000 acres with additional land under development and more in reserve for future development.

With one of the largest economies in the state, St. Charles County is home to multinational companies including General Motors, Citi, MasterCard Worldwide and Boeing. It is ranked among the top 25 counties in the nation in high-tech job growth by the Progressive Policy Institute and consistently has the lowest unemployment rate in the Metropolitan St. Louis area.

St. Charles County Government has more than 1,170 employees in more than 30 departments and offices who work to make the county an excellent place to live, work and shop. For more information, please visit sccmo.org.