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| In this Newsletter   * X Named 2021 Military Friendly Employer * Save the Date | Annual Signature Event * Employee Deployment News * Fort Jackson Pen Pals | Reminder to Log Your Hours * X Salutes Soldier   [Join Operation VET](https://shieldcentral.blueshieldca.com/hr/OpVET/Lists/Register/NewForm.aspx?RootFolder=) [A close up of a logo  Description automatically generated](https://shieldcentral.blueshieldca.com/hr/OpVET/Lists/Register/NewForm.aspx?RootFolder=) [Follow us on Yammer](https://www.yammer.com/blueshieldca.com/#/threads/inGroup?type=in_group&feedId=14853057) [A close up of a logo  Description automatically generated](https://www.yammer.com/blueshieldca.com/#/threads/inGroup?type=in_group&feedId=14853057)  [Operation VET on Shield Central](https://shieldcentral.blueshieldca.com/hr/OpVET/SitePages/Home.aspx) [A close up of a logo  Description automatically generated](https://shieldcentral.blueshieldca.com/hr/OpVET/SitePages/Home.aspx) | | Calendar  **Operation: Got Your Six Virtual Signature Event** Friday, November 6 | 9:30 – 11:00 am [Add to My Calendar](https://shieldcentral.blueshieldca.com/hr/OpVET/Shared%20Documents/Operation%20V.E.T.%20Calendar%20Items/Operation%20Got%20Your%20Six.ics) | |
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|  | X 2021 Military Friendly® Employer  |  |  | | --- | --- | | Congratulations to X, the X, members, and supporters for achieving this milestone, and thank you for the years of hard work to get us here. It recognizes X for our strong track record in recruiting and hiring, and for supporting military Veteran employees with its policies, culture, and career opportunities. | | |  |  | | Read about it on X | Share it on [LinkedIn](https://www.linkedin.com/posts/blue-shield-of-california_greatplacetowork-veterans-weneverstop-activity-6715004140805750785-KGSd/) |  Save the Date | X Annual Signature EventA Virtual Event in Celebration of Veterans Employee Deployment News | |  |
|  | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | **Stefanie Salandanan** [A close up of a logo  Description automatically generated](https://shieldcentral.blueshieldca.com/hr/OpVET/Blogs/Lists/Posts/Post.aspx?ID=46)  San Diego | Text, logo, company name  Description automatically generated | **Jason  Worbets** Altais | | **John Cruz Re-Deployed**  For the second time this year John will be mobilized with the California State Guard to support the state’s COVID-19 pandemic response, as well as California wildfire relief efforts. During the month of October, John will oversee a 12-member Medical Strike Team to aid the Clinical Support Operations Center in Redondo Beach.  John is a case management nurse in Rancho Cordova. | | **A group of people posing for the camera  Description automatically generated**  **John Cruz** [A close up of a logo  Description automatically generated](https://news.blueshieldca.com/2020/05/18/opvets-john-cruz-talks-about-his-experience-on-the-front-lines-of-the-pandemic)Rancho Cordova |  Fort Jackson Pen Pals | Reminder to Log Your Hours Thank you to everyone who participated in Fort Jackson Army Boot Camp Pen Pals! It was heartwarming to see so many of you embracing this cause and supporting these young women. | |  |
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| X Employee Resource Group  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Executive Sponsors**  **Co-Chairs** | **Advisory Council**  **Editor Liz Cobo** | |  | #VETBlueShieldCA  #WeNeverStop       #WhatWeStandFor | | | X Salutes Eddie Borrero  |  |  | | --- | --- | |  | | |  | **Eddie Borrero US Navy** E3 – Seaman Machinist Mate  **Active:** 4 Years  **Deployments:** On the USS Abraham Lincoln during Desert Storm/ Desert Shield and served on reactor watch. | | **X Connection:** Eddie is Vice President and Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) at Blue Shield of California. | | |  | |   *Each month we recognize a member of the Military Veteran community at X.* [*Submit a nomination*](mailto:OperationVET@blueshieldca.com?subject=Operation%20VET%20Salutes) | |