



NAVY-MARINE CORPS RELIEF SOCIETY

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NAVY-MARINE CORPS RELIEF SOCIETY SAN DIEGO OFFICE CELEBRATES 100TH ANNIVERSARY

San Diego, CA, Tuesday, June 26, 2018 - Navy Marine Corps Relief Society (NMCRS) San Diego will celebrate its 100th anniversary of service and dedication to the military community. A special birthday celebration will take place on Tuesday, July 2 at 11:00 a.m. at the Naval Base San Diego Gallery.

Originally designated as The San Diego Auxiliary, NMCRS San Diego was established in July 1918. In its first year of operation, the Auxiliary disbursed loans and grants totaling \$887.02. In 2002, the San Diego Auxiliary became NMCRS San Diego and is now the second largest Society office.

“NMCRS San Diego has experienced exceptional growth and development over the past 100 years,” said Barry White, Deputy Director, NMCRS San Diego. “Moving forward, our focus will remain on helping America’s Navy and Marine Corps service members and families navigate the financial challenges of military service.”

Since 2009, the San Diego Office has served more than 45,000 Sailors and Marines and dispersed more than \$34 million in financial assistance. In 2017, the San Diego office’s 110 volunteers and five administrative staff members served the local military community above and beyond financial assistance.

“Turning 100 years old is a testament to all the hard work and dedication from volunteers and staff members who have ever worked at NMCRS San Diego,” said White.

To celebrate, NMCRS San Diego is inviting military members, staff and volunteers to join us for a small party:

What: Cake-cutting celebration for 100th anniversary

When: Tuesday, July 2nd @ 11:00 a.m.

Where: Naval Base Diego Gallery

Who: Command Master Chief Petty Officer (CMDCM) Matthew Ruane, NMCRS San Diego Director Barry White, and NMCRS San Diego Deputy Director Rosa Wilson.

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Since 1904, the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society has provided financial assistance and education to active duty and retired members of the United States Navy and Marine Corps, their eligible family members and survivors – when in need. Headquartered in Arlington, Virginia, the Society is a non-profit, charitable organization that is staffed by more than 3,800 volunteers, and a small cadre of employees, in offices around the world – ashore and aboard ships.

For more information about the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society, please visit www.nmcrcs.org.