

ARLINGTON National Cemetery

HONOR ★ REMEMBER ★ EXPLORE



Events and Ceremonies Update

May 2018

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Agenda

- **Who We are**
- **Mission**
- **Cemetery Highlights**
- **Questions**



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Arlington is...

"Our Nation's unique and iconic resting place for those who have made a significant sacrifice and commitment to the defense of our country in the Armed Services."

– Honor Subcommittee,
Advisory Committee on Arlington
National Cemetery

*The Eternal Bivouac of
our Nation's Honored dead...
A place of Remembrance for all
citizens...
A connection to our rich National
history...*

Part of the fabric of our Nation...

A holy place...

A National Shrine...



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Our focus...

Mission: On behalf of the American people, lay to rest those who have served our nation with dignity and honor, treating their families with respect and compassion; in addition, connect visitors to the rich tapestry of the cemeteries living history while maintaining the hallowed grounds in a manner befitting the sacrifice of all those who rest there in solemn repose.

Primary focus: Taking care of veterans and their families

Being perfect - every service, every day

Readiness

Our sacred mission
Ready equipment, ready people
Right resources, right time
Sustainment, always



Taking care of people

Managing OPTEMPO
Training right people, right job
Enhancing security
Enhancing technology
Building team relations



Future of ANC

Increasing the lifetime
Cemetery expansions
Eligibility





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Connecting visitors to a rich history

- ❑ ~ 4 Million visitors a year - Open 365 days
 - Security Enhancements
 - Historic tours
- ❑ Two national events: Memorial Day and Veterans Day
- ❑ Hundreds of media events
 - International and national
 - Photographers and film crews
 - Responses to queries
- ❑ Distinguished visitor/public events
 - 33 Congressional engagements
 - Symbolic visit for many world leaders
 - 2600 Public wreath ceremonies
 - 700+ Honor Flight buses
 - 100+ DV wreath ceremonies
- ❑ Hosting miscellaneous events
 - Wreaths Across America (WAA)
 - Organizational annual memorial services



A continuous challenge to strike a balance:
Funeral services (private) and a National Shrine (public)



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DEC 2016-NOV 2017 Visitor Screening #s

Pedestrians
2,951,377

Vehicles
176,199

Yearly NET Visitors- 3,356,635

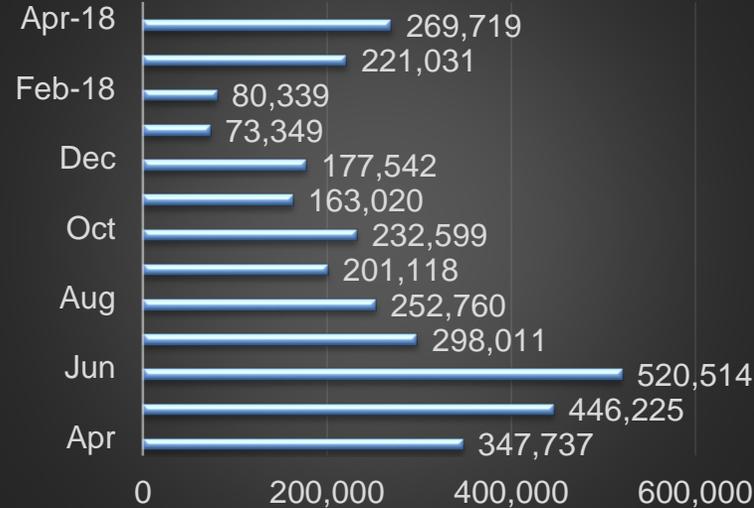
FY17 Ceremonies/Events

Full Honors
44

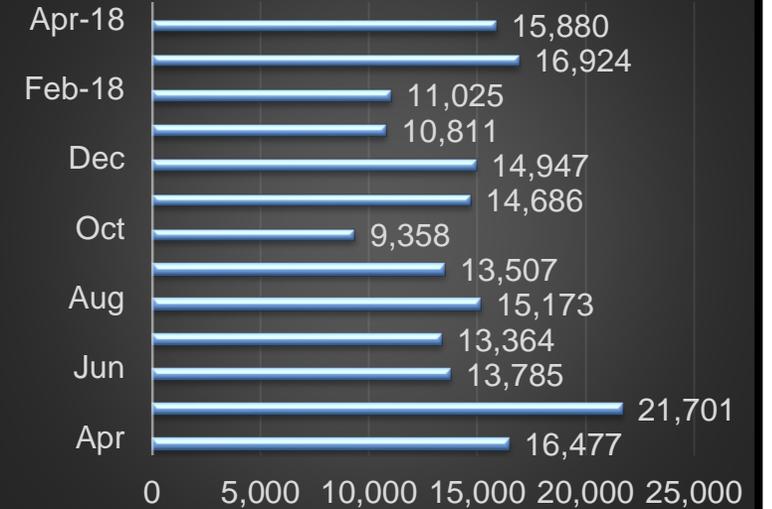
Public Wreath
3148

Other E&Cs
289

Monthly Pedestrian Screening



Monthly Vehicle Screening



FY18 Visitor Screening #s as of 01 MAY 2018

Pedestrians
1,199,962

Vehicles
90,095

NET Visitors- 1,407,180

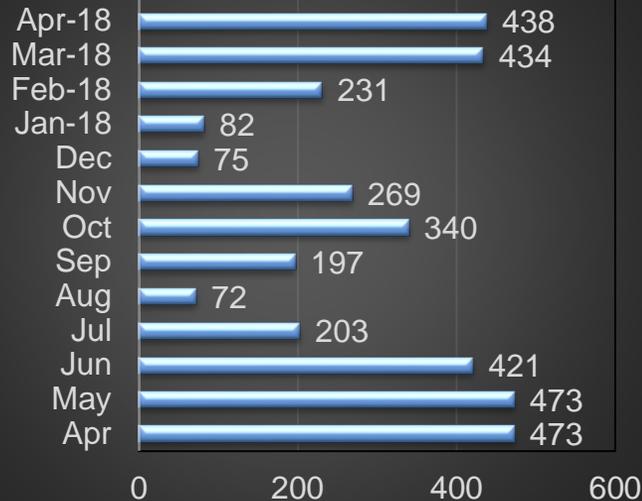
FY18 Ceremonies/Events

Full Honors
13

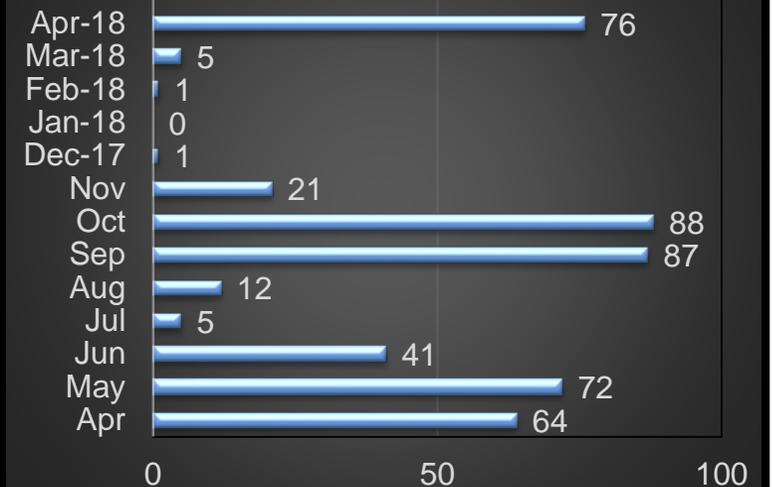
Public Wreath
1479

Other E&Cs
134

Monthly Public Wreath



Monthly Honor Flights





Additional Burial Data Points

- **Burials (1 January - 30 April)**
 - **Active Duty - 25**
 - **WWII Repatriated - 6**
 - **Korea Repatriated - 6**
 - **Vietnam Repatriated - 2**
 - **Iraq (buried elsewhere but moved to ANC) - 2**



2018 Major Events

- Laid to Rest four Medal of Honor Recipients
- Easter Sunrise Service
- Vietnam Helicopter Pilots Association Monument Dedication
- Flags-In / Flags-Out
- Wreaths Across America
- Memorial Day and Veterans Day Observances
- RFK Memorial Event



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QUESTIONS?