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The City of Cottage Grove and members of the Beyond the Yellow Ribbon Committee invite all Cottage Grove residents and Cottage Grove businesses and their employees to a community meeting to create an "Action Plan" in order for the City to be declared a "Beyond the Yellow Ribbon City." The meeting will take place Tuesday, June 22, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the National Guard Armory 8180 Belden Blvd. in Cottage Grove.

The Action Plan will result in a city wide network of support that is communicated, understood and trusted by military families; where military residents and their families can access information and services to assist them during the deployment cycle; and is sustainable for future military families as the deployment cycle continues.

A Beyond the Yellow Ribbon City means volunteers within a city have taken it upon themselves with the help of local officials, church leaders, business leaders, medical professionals, educators, public safety personnel, youth & youth volunteer organizations, veterans groups and the Minnesota National Guard, to assist individuals and families with the day to day issues stemming from military deployment and reintegration (i.e. snow shoveling, mowing, house repairs, child care etc.)

Cottage Grove is proud to join a select group of other cities throughout the Metro Region that have chosen to help families of the deployed by offering services under the Beyond the Yellow Ribbon moniker.

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