

CITY OF INDEPENDENCE HOMETOWN HEROES BANNER PROGRAM - 2023 SEASON

Limited space is available on a first come, first served basis.

2023 Deadline: March 10, 2023

Each banner will be in honor of a specific service person with Independence ties and will include their name, branch of service, and photo. Banners will be displayed on Route 21 and Pleasant Valley Roads from Memorial Day until Veterans Day (May - November)*. Banners are printed double-sided in color and measure 30" W x 100" H.

Full payment of \$175.00 must be included with the application. Checks should be made payable to "City of Independence". Each banner will be displayed for up to **two consecutive seasons** (optional second season fee: \$40.00) and will be returned to the sponsor at the end of the second season.

Photos are the most important part of these banners. We require signed consent to display each individual's photograph. **Please send in high-quality images ONLY** (what looks sharp and crisp on your computer screen might not look sharp in print!)

- **Printed Photographs:** Photos need to be at least 8" x 10" and must not be enlarged from a smaller print or photocopied from an original print. The photo may be color, black & white, or sepia toned (brownish). It doesn't matter how old the photo is as long as it is clean and in focus.
- **Digital Photographs:** Images need to be at least 300dpi high-resolution photos in a JPEG, TIF, or PNG file format as (RGB or CMYK) that would print clearly at a 8" x 10" size. Please **DO NOT enlarge existing images electronically as this degrades the image quality**. Web images or cellphone shots of the original print are not acceptable. Images saved in any other document other than JPEG, TIF, or PNG are not usable.
- Email your digital photo to Gayle Rudary at rudaryg@independenceohio.org

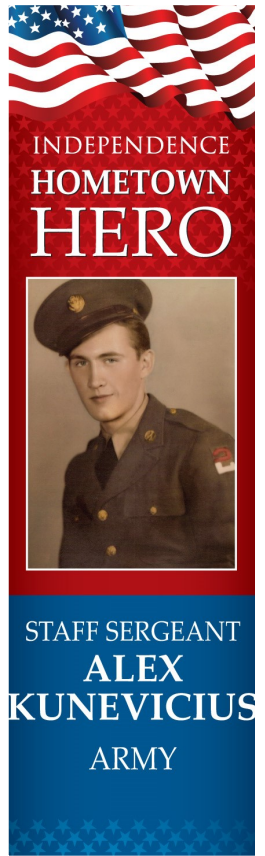
----- **APPLICATION (please print)** -----

Hometown Hero: _____ Rank: _____ Branch of Service: _____
 Name of Applicant: _____ Relationship to Service Person: _____
 Email Address: _____ Phone Number: _____
 Street Address/City/State/Zip: _____

Application, check, and printed photos can be dropped off at City Hall or mailed to: **Gayle Rudary
 CITY OF INDEPENDENCE
 6800 Brecksville Road
 Independence, Ohio 44131**

I hereby grant the City of Independence permission to use the provided photograph in the Hometown Heroes Banner Program. I take full responsibility that all information provided on this application is accurate and correct.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____



The City of Independence is not responsible for replacing banners that are stolen, damaged, or destroyed due to vandalism, age, or any acts of nature including high winds. *We will make every effort to have banners installed by May or sooner. Please note that banner location and placement cannot be requested.