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**AWARD-WINNING DOCUMENTARY, THE INVISIBLE ONES: HOMELESS
COMBAT VETERANS, TO SCREEN AT THE SAN DIEGO PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Film interviews American War Heroes Sleeping on Ours Streets

SAN DIEGO –The San Diego Public Library, in partnership with Mark Schulze and Patty Mooney, of Crystal Pyramid Productions, a San Diego video production company will host a screening of *The Invisible Ones: Homeless Combat Veterans*. The FREE screening and discussion will take place at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 1, in the Central Library auditorium, located on the third floor at 820 E Street in downtown San Diego. The filmmakers will be in attendance to facilitate a discussion.

With all the vehicles on the streets of America sporting those little yellow “Support Our Troops,” ribbons, it is truly ironic that we have more than 200,000 veterans who are homeless. But not many Americans realize it.

Mark Schulze and Patty Mooney shot footage at the 20th anniversary of Stand Down in 2007 for the Veterans Village of San Diego. Stand Down is a three-day event that allows homeless veterans to come in off the streets for a shower, hot meals and a change of clothing. Additionally, the veterans also receive medical, dental and holistic treatment, as well as counseling and legal advice from caring volunteers.

It took a year for the couple to make *The Invisible Ones: Homeless Combat Veterans*. For the documentary they interviewed Congressman Bob Filner, Chair of the Veterans Affairs Committee; Congresswoman Susan Davis, Chair of the Military Personnel Committee; Gary Becks, Director of Rescue Task Force; Dr. Jon Nachison, Co-Founder of San Diego Stand Down; Al Pavich, Former Commander and Retired CEO of VVSD (Veterans Village of San

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Diego); Darcy Pavich, Chaplain and Stand Down Coordinator; Brigadier General Bob Cardenas; Robert Schmidt, Director of Vince Lombardi Association; Jessica Brian and Michael Kilmer, Veterans Administration Outreach Therapists, and several homeless veterans.

The documentary has won two national awards, a Platinum Ava and an Accolade Award of Merit in recognition of its contribution to profound social change. For further information on “The Invisible Ones: Homeless Combat Veterans” go to www.theinvisibleones.org or call (619) 644-3000.

Learn about other events at the San Diego Public Library’s Central Library and 35 branches, find links to numerous additional resources, or search for materials in the Library’s catalog online at www.sandiegolibrary.org.

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