



Mr. John K. Lopez

Chairman, Association for Service Disabled Veterans

Mr. Lopez has extensive experience in business, health services management and economic development; in the application of advanced health care systems, instrumentation and biotechnology, and is an acknowledged pioneer in entrepreneurial development, telecommunications for health care delivery and the application of advanced technology to professional medical and health care systems.

He has been Director of the Business Development Center of Santa Clara County, California, a federal, state and county economic development program that initially (1975) addressed the economic potential of the area now designated as "Silicon Valley" – the largest and fastest growing high technology area in the U.S., encompassing over one million persons and 6,000 high technology organizations.

He has served as a consultant to the State of California, Department of Public Health and the University of California, Los Angeles, where he contributed to the development of 42 professional allied health curriculums and served as an instructor in the Clinical Instructor Training Program, conducting the program in thirty-seven countries throughout the world.

Mr. Lopez has also served as Consultant for Program Development and Evaluation for the Office of Governor Ronald Reagan of California, the Assembly of the State of California, to the Superintendent of Banks of the State of California, the Entrepreneurial Curriculum Development Program of the Stanford University Graduate School of Business and the Small Business Institute of DeAnza college, California. Mr. Lopez was a Regent of the National Institutes of Health-National Library of Medicine by appointment of the President of the United States.

Mr. Lopez is a Disabled in Military Service Veteran (Korea) Member of the United States Marine Corps. His career has been frequently interrupted by physical relapse due to military service injuries. He has accumulated 18 long-term hospitalizations with 21 emergency admissions and 11 home confinements of six (6) months or more.

He has developed several socio-economic smaller business programs for major corporations and presently initiates Disabled Veteran entrepreneurial programs in conjunction with "Memorandums of Understanding" with the U.S. Small Business Administration and the Bank of America. Mr. Lopez is Chairman of the U.S. Congress Advisory Group on the Study of the Needs of Service Disabled Veteran Entrepreneurs, and Co-Chairman of the National Task Force on Veterans Entrepreneurial Development.

He has been Chairman since 1985 of the Association for Service Disabled Veterans (ASDV), a national non-profit organization of Disabled in Military Service and Prisoner of War Veteran Owned Businesses. The Association has sponsored eight (8) business development legislative acts in the California Legislature and ten (10) in the U.S. Congress. All of these initiatives are now public laws. Mr. Lopez is Chairman of SDV Group, Inc. (SDVG) and Service Disabled Veterans Business Association (SDVB).