



## WAR MEMORIAL CENTER EDUCATION PROGRAM

### Worksheet 1: Forging Your Own Path

1. How did Medina's parents react to her decision to quit college and join the Marine Corps?
2. What was her experiences on the way to and at the training camp in Parris Island, South Carolina?
3. What were her impressions of the Marines who trained her at the boot (training) camps?
4. How was her daily experience at the boot camp?
5. How did she become an aircraft technician?
6. What was her experience in the first weeks of working with the VMA-203 training squadron?
7. Why did a particular NCO stand out?
8. What was her experience when she was having her first daughter?
9. How long was she on maternity leave?

10. What did she do for childcare?

11. What type of work did she do at the squadron?

12. What did Yolanda and Joe Medina do in Cherry Point in their free time?

13. What was the biggest challenge that she faced while in service?

14. What happened after Joe returned from Beirut?

15. Why did Medina want to move back to Wisconsin?

16. What did Medina do while in Texas?

17. What was Medina's life like after moving back to Waukesha, Wisconsin?

18. How did she get involved in working with veteran's services groups?
19. What kind of work did she do with veterans at Carroll College?
20. What kind of work she does with veterans at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee?
21. Why did she decide to get master's degree? What kind of degree is it?
22. What kind of classes would she want to develop and why?
23. When and how did she become active in veteran organizations?
24. How does she feel about her experience in the United States Marine Corps?
25. What surprised her about her military experience, and what did she realize?
26. How did the experience of four years in the military service impact the path of her life and her character?