

VETERAN RESOURCES

Benefits & General Information

- Federal Benefits Handbook for Veterans, Dependents & Survivors (2011):
http://www.va.gov/opa/publications/benefits_book.asp
- The American Veterans and Servicemembers Survival Guide:
<http://nvlsp.org/images/Survival%20Guide-102309.pdf>
- Center for Women Veterans: <http://www.va.gov/womenvet/>
- Department of Veterans Affairs: <http://www.va.gov/>
- EBenefits (Online VA Benefits): <https://www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits-portal/ebenefits.portal>
- EVetRecs (Discharge Documents Online): <http://www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records/>
- Electronic Code of Federal Regulations Title 38: http://ecfr.gpoaccess.gov/cgi/t/text/text-idx?sid=1ae742bee69025407334fd77281b5fcb&c=ecfr&tpl=/ecfrbrowse/Title38/38tab_02.tpl
- G.I. Bill Website: <http://www.gibill.va.gov/>
- Homeless Veterans VA Website: <http://www.va.gov/homeless/>
- My HealtheVet (Online VA Health Records): <http://www.myhealth.va.gov/>
- Veterans Crisis Line (Suicide Prevention Lifeline): www.veteranscrisisline.net/
- Returning Service Members (Operation Iraqi Freedom/Operation Enduring Freedom): <http://www.oefoif.va.gov/>
- Vocational Rehabilitation: <http://www.vba.va.gov/bln/vre/>
- Web Automated Reference Material System (WARMS): http://www.benefits.va.gov/WARMS/Site_Map.asp
- Stateside Legal (Legal Help for military members, veterans and their families): <http://statesidelegal.org/>
- Free Health Clinic Locator: <http://nafclinics.org/>

Resources for Disability Compensation Claims

- VA Forms Online: <http://www.va.gov/vaforms/>
- Veterans Benefits Administration: <http://www.vba.va.gov/VBA/>
- Veterans Online Application (VONAPP): <https://www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits-portal/ebenefits.portal>

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- Agent Orange Registry: <http://www.publichealth.va.gov/exposures/agentorange/>
- Compensation Rate Tables: <http://www.vba.va.gov/bln/21/Rates/comp01.htm>
- Disability Examination
Worksheets: <http://www.vba.va.gov/bln/21/benefits/exams/index.htm>
- Gulf War Registry: <http://www.publichealth.va.gov/exposures/gulfwar/>

Appeals

- U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims: <http://www.uscourts.cavc.gov/>
- Board of Veteran's Appeals: <http://www.bva.va.gov/>
- "How Do I Appeal?" Brochure
(BVA): <http://www.bva.va.gov/docs/Pamphlets/010202A.pdf>

Veterans Service Organizations

- American Legion: <http://www.legion.org/>
- Disabled American Veterans: <http://www.dav.org/>
- Paralyzed Veterans of American: <http://www.pva.org>
- National Veterans Legal Services Program: <http://www.nvlsp.org/>
- AMVETS: <http://www.amvets.org/>
- Blinded Veterans Association: <http://www.bva.org/>
- Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America: <http://iava.org/>
- Military Order of the Purple Heart: <http://www.purpleheart.org/>
- National Association of County Veterans Service
Officers: <http://www.nacvso.org/>
- Vietnam Veterans of America: <http://www.vva.org/>
- State and Local Veterans Service
Organizations: http://www.va.gov/vso/rpt_statelocal.cfm
- Veterans Consortium Pro Bono Program: <http://www.vetsprobono.org/>
- Wounded Warrior Project
(WWP): <http://www.woundedwarriorproject.org/index.php>

Employment Resources for Veterans

- DoD TransPortal – Transition Assistance Program – Website designed to assist

servicemembers leaving active duty by providing information and resources to help in the transition period (<http://www.dodtransportal.dod.mil>)

- Vet Centers – Provide readjustment counseling and a wide range of services for veterans transitioning from military to civilian life. Counseling is provided at community-based “Vet Centers” located near veterans and their families (<http://www.vetcenter.va.gov>)
- Career Center for the Military Severely Injured Center – Website that provides a search engine of veteran-friendly employers (<http://www.military.com/support>)
- Department of Labor (DOL) Veteran’s Employment and Training Service (VETS) – Provides transitioning service members and veterans with resources and services that will help them succeed in the workforce (<http://www.dol.gov/vets>)
- HireVetsFirst – Works to connect veterans, human resource specialists and managers to match employment opportunities (<http://www.hirevetsfirst.gov>)
- National Partnership for Workplace Mental Health – The Center for the Study of Traumatic Stress provides information and training to prepare for and respond to the psychological effects and health consequences of traumatic events (<http://www.usuhs.mil/csts>)
- Transition Assistance Online – A database with transition assistance information and tools for service members going from their military to civilian careers (<http://www.taonline.com>)
- Vet Success – Website that provides information on the services of the Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment program and vocational counseling for active duty service members and veterans (<http://www.vetsuccess.symplicity.com>)

Resources for Veteran Family Members

- Battlemind - A website that officers informational tools and guidance to the different stages that service members and their families face (<https://www.resilience.army.mil/>)
- Operation Comfort - A national network of mental health professionals and agencies that provide their services free of charge to the family members of those who served in the Middle East (<http://www.operationcomfort.com>)
- Military Spouse Career Center - A website that provides job search support for military spouses and addresses the unique challenges they face (<http://www.military.com/spouse>)

- Army One Source - An integrated family support network for Army families and soldiers that provides a vast array of advice and information
(<http://www.myarmyonesource.com/default.aspx>)
- Military and Family Life Consultants - Provides consultations to individuals, couples, families and groups for support and assistance
(http://www.hoodmwr.com/ACS/sfrb_mflc.html)
- Coaching Into Care - A VA call center that coaches family members on how to approach their veteran loved ones about seeking mental or medical help
(<http://www.mirecc.va.gov/coaching/index.asp>)

Guide, Hearing and Service Dogs for Veterans

- International Association of Assistance Dog Partners: <http://www.iaadp.org/>
- Assistance Dogs International: <http://www.assistancedogsinternational.org/>
- Blue Ridge Assistance Dogs (BRAD)(in Manassas, VA): <http://www.blueridgeassistancedogs.org/>
- Service Dogs of Virginia (in Charlottesville, VA): <http://www.servicedogsva.org/>
- Hero Dogs (in Brookeville, MD): <http://www.hero-dogs.org/>
- Saint Francis Service Dogs (in Roanoke, VA): <http://www.saintfrancisdogs.org/>