

# **Internet Resource Locator List for Central Ohio Veterans**

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This document also includes resource sites that may be useful for active duty service members.

## **Psychological Services**

### **Veterans Crisis Line**

1-800-273-8255 and Press 1

### **VA Emergency Mental Health Care (for all veterans, VA enrollees or not)**

<https://www.va.gov/health-care/health-needs-conditions/mental-health/>

### **Veteran Mental Health Free Services – a 501(c)3 nonprofit**

At Veterans First Initiative, we understand our Veterans are exposed to horrendous situations and extreme violence. Sadly, many of them are going untreated for Suicidal Ideations, PTSD, TBI, depression, anxiety, alcoholism, drug abuse, and the inability to transition into civilian life. At Veterans First Initiative, our mission is to provide FREE Psychotherapy to our Veterans and help them assimilate back into civilian life.

Dr Will Moore

Email [VFINonprofit@gmail.com](mailto:VFINonprofit@gmail.com)

614-353-7293

<https://www.theveteransfirstinitiative.org>

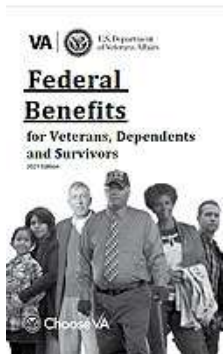
## **Governmental Services**

### **Federal Benefits for Veterans, Dependents, and Survivors 2021 Edition**

(also see Veterans Administration section)

[https://www.va.gov/opa/publications/benefits\\_book.asp](https://www.va.gov/opa/publications/benefits_book.asp)

Click on 2021 PDF file and download. This is the most likely place for future editions to be stored.



### **Ohio Department of Veterans – Benefits resource Guide**

<https://dvs.ohio.gov/veteran-benefits/benefits-resources/veteran-resource-guide>

Click on View the Benefits Resource Guide on the web page to download the guide in PDF format.



### **State of Ohio Veterans Home Page**

<https://dvs.ohio.gov/home>

### **Ohio Cares**

<https://ohiocares.ohio.gov/veterans>

## County Veterans Service Commissions

The service officers and other staff are paid civil service employees working for the county government with a dotted line up to the governor's cabinet level position – Ohio Department of Veterans Services. This can be a source of emergency financial assistance for veterans.

### Franklin County

<https://vets.franklincountyohio.gov/>

Memorial Hall

280 E Broad St

Room 100

Columbus, OH 43215

Hours

Monday - Friday

8:00 am - 4:30 pm

Service is by appointment, please call or send an e-mail and we will schedule an in-person or virtual appointment to review your request.

Phone: (614) 525-2500

Fax: (614) 525-2505

The best way to request help is to send an email to the following address, providing contact information and a brief description of the issue. Help with VA issues is a common request topic, but they support other types of veteran related requests too.

[vsc.intake@franklincountyohio.gov](mailto:vsc.intake@franklincountyohio.gov)

Requests for Assistance

We are experiencing a high volume of assistance requests and it may take 3-5 business days for us to return your call or e-mail. We are not taking walk-in appointments but will contact you to schedule an in-person or virtual appointment to review your request.

Link to financial assistance Franklin County veterans assistance form:

[Financial-Assistance-Requirements.pdf](#)

## **Delaware County**

<https://veteransservice.co.delaware.oh.us/>

How to contact

<https://veteransservice.co.delaware.oh.us/contact-us/>

The left side of this web page has links to veteran topics

Old Historic Courthouse

91 North Sandusky St.

Delaware, Ohio 43015

Phone: (740) 833-2010

Fax: (740) 833-2019

Veterans Service Officer Staff

Brian Galligher, Director, US Navy Veteran

Scott Leonard, Deputy Director, County Veterans Service Officer, US Army Veteran

Rey Cordero, County Veteran Service Officer, US Army Veteran

Lisa Upperman, County Veteran Service Office, US Air Force Veteran

## **Columbus (and Immediate Vicinity) Veterans Organizations**

<https://www.columbus.gov/veterans/>

Columbus, Ohio is home to over 150 Veteran Service Organizations that sponsor nearly 300 programs.

(click on following to access map of veteran services locations)

[VETERANS RESOURCES MAP](#)

## State of Ohio

<https://dvs.ohio.gov/>

There are various news items and information links within that are of interest to veterans.

Cabinet level agency director of the Ohio Department of Veterans Services-

<https://dvs.ohio.gov/home/deborah-ashenhurst>

## VFW State Service Officers (probably use as escalation points)

Eric Drake

VFW State Service Officer

Address:

A.J. Celebreeze Federal Building

1240 East 9th Street, Room 1013-A

Cleveland, OH 44199

Ph:

216-522-3510

Fax:

216-522-7335

Email:

[eric.drake@va.gov](mailto:eric.drake@va.gov)

VARO Cleveland-Outbased Cincinnati

36 East 7th St., Suite 225

Cincinnati, OH 45202

Ph:

513-4754634

Fax:

513-684-2660

## **Franklin County Recorder Site**

As a veteran, you can take advantage of numerous discounts and opportunities. The following are links to various websites that may be useful to you when it comes to finding employment, registering for benefits, or obtaining discounts on services.

<https://recorder.franklincountyohio.gov/resources/Local-Veteran-Resources>

## **Veterans Administration**

### **Chalmers P. Wylie VA Center**

#### **Executive and Service Chiefs**

<https://www.va.gov/central-ohio-health-care/programs/chalmers-p-wylie-va-ambulatory-care-center-parking-map/executive-leadership-and-service-chief-listing/>

#### **Contacts**

Phone numbers and internet access to various departments

<https://www.va.gov/central-ohio-health-care/contact-us/>

#### **Patient Advocates**

<https://www.va.gov/central-ohio-health-care/health-services/patient-advocates/>

### **Airborne Hazards, Open Burn Pit Registry, and Pact Act**

Legislation has been passed recently to provide enhanced health benefits to veterans exposed to toxic substances. See links below for eligibility.

<https://veteran.mobilehealth.va.gov/AHBurnPitRegistry/#page/home>

<https://www.va.gov/resources/the-pact-act-and-your-va-benefits/>

<https://www.publichealth.va.gov/exposures/burnpits/>

### **Center for Women Veterans (CWV)**

<https://www.va.gov/womenvet/>

## **Other**

### **M.A.S.H Pantry**

<https://www.mashpantry.org/>

Founded by US Navy veteran Amber Hudson, MASH is an Independent 501(c)3 non-profit, homegrown organization that provides resources to meet personal needs local veterans, dependents, and gold star families may have: (e.g. food and hygiene items, support resources, vocational assistance, and more).

### **VFW Ohio Charities**

<https://vfwohiocharities.com/Default.asp>

Financial Assistance Application Form

[https://vfwohiocharities.com/uploads/Documents/VFWOhioCharitiesAssistanceRequestForm\(003\).pdf](https://vfwohiocharities.com/uploads/Documents/VFWOhioCharitiesAssistanceRequestForm(003).pdf)

### **VFW Financial Grants during Deployments**

<https://www.vfw.org/assistance/financial-grants>

### **Consumer Assistance for Military Families during Deployments**

Provides financial assistance for utility bills and the like.

<https://www.occ.ohio.gov/factsheet/consumer-assistance-military-families>

### **Disabled Veterans**

<https://www.dav.org/>

### **Disabled Veterans Fly Free if Space Available**

<https://news.va.gov/60642/eligibility-disabled-veterans-space-available-flights/>



## **Five Little Known Veterans benefits**

This article from Kiplinger might be of interest to veterans.

Veterans could qualify for military benefits that help with housing, transportation, clothing, education and employment and more.

<https://www.kiplinger.com/personal-finance/military-benefits-vets-might-not-know-they-earned>

## **Funded at Home Veteran Senior Care**

Cornerstone Care serves the veteran community with a fully funded VA program to provide quality care in the comfort of their own homes.

<https://cornerstonecaregiving.com/home-care/veteran-care/>