

Internet Resource Locator List for 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.

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614-353-7293

<https://www.theveteransfirstinitiative.org>

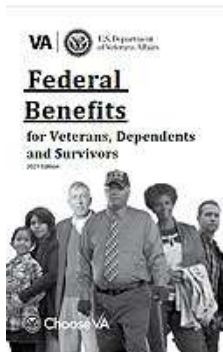
Governmental Services

Federal Benefits for Veterans, Dependents, and Survivors

(also see Veterans Administration section)

https://www.va.gov/opa/publications/benefits_book.asp

Click and download.



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>



Department of Veterans Services



OhioVets.gov

Ohio Department of Veterans Services
(Central Office)
77 South High Street, 7th Floor
Columbus, OH 43215
614-644-0898

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs veterans crisis hotline

Veterans experiencing a mental health challenge or addition in crisis can call, text, or chat with the 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline for immediate help.

Substance abuse and mental health treatment programs

Ohio mental health
resources for veterans



dvs.ohio.gov/mentalhealth

Multi-agency support
via Ohio Cares



ohiocares.ohio.gov

Educational, workforce, and training resources

Veterans benefit from coordinated higher education efforts via ODVS and the Ohio Dept. of Higher Education. The Veterans Workforce Team connects veterans to employment opportunities statewide.

Tax benefits and exemptions

Ohio veterans and their families can learn about tax relief and other tax-related info at the Ohio Dept. of Taxation Military Tax Provisions website.

Availability of armed forces designation on Ohio driver's license or identification card

Military license plates can be obtained at BMV offices with valid documentation.

See www.Oplates.com
for more information.



Veteran ID cards are available from County Recorder's offices as proof of service for benefits and discounts without needing to carry a full DD-214.

Unemployment benefits

Eligible veterans may apply for unemployment assistance through the Ohio Department of Job & Family Services: jfs.ohio.gov.

Legal services

Access legal help for military-related and personal matters: dvs.ohio.gov/veteran-benefits/benefits-resources/legal-assistance.

Other benefits or services for veterans:

County Veterans Service Offices (CVSOs) connect vets to earned benefits: dvs.ohio.gov/cvsos

Military record requests from ODVS:

Call 877-644-6838 or fax 614-387-7317.

See <https://dvs.ohio.gov/what-we-do/records-request> for further details.

Comprehensive benefits (compensation, loans, pensions, etc.): dvs.ohio.gov/benefits



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/>

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

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

Veterans Service Officer staff names are listed to assist with Delaware County veteran inquiries.

Columbus (and Immediate Vicinity) Veterans Organizations

Click on following to access map of veteran services locations.

[VETERANS RESOURCES MAP](#)

VFW State Service Officers (use as an escalation points)

Eric Drake

VFW State of Ohio Department Service Officer (DSO)

<https://vfwoh.org/di/vfw/v2/default.asp?pid=16129>

Veterans Administration

Chalmers P. Wylie VA Center

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

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>