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Lake Havasu



We are amidst some staffing changes here at your Lake Havasu Vet Center. With the retirement of our Director, Chris Thomas, we welcome Sheryl Derby, from the Yuma Vet Center, as our interim Director.

Thank you for your understanding as we navigate change, adapt & then overcome, to serve this amazing Veteran community our very best!

If you or your organization would like to be added to our monthly newsletter list, please contact us at [928-505-0394](tel:928-505-0394), and we will get you added!

To add or remove your name from our mailing list, please email stacy.lee2@va.gov

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Resource Assistance!

Your Veteran's Outreach Program Specialist will be in many places this month and ongoing monthly to assist you where you are! Vet Center VOPS will be in place to provide Vet Center Services information, VHA, VBA and NCA guidance, resources and assistance! Stop in, no appointment necessary!

Here are dates/times/locations for March 2026!

March 3, 2026 – 9am – 12pm - Needles, CA APS Office - 1090 E. Broadway, Needles, CA 92363

March 5, 2026 – 10am to 2pm – Dolan Springs Community Resource Fair, 15943 Pierce Ferry Rd, Dolan Springs, AZ 86441

March 6, 2026 – 10am to 2pm – Bullhead City Stand Down, 2380 Optimum Way, BHC, AZ 86429

March 10, 2026 – 9am to 3pm – Bouse VFW Veterans Event, 45190 Highway 72, Bouse, AZ 85325

March 11, 2026 – 9am to 3pm – Regional Center for Border Health Veterans Event – 601 Riverside Dr, Parker, AZ 85344

March 12, 2026 – 9am to 3pm - Indian Health Services, Parker, AZ 85344

March 19, 2026 – 9am – 12pm - Parker, AZ Regional Center for Border Health – 601 Riverside Dr, Parker AZ 85344

March 18, 2026 – 12-1 pm – The Views 2110 Swanson Ave Lake Havasu City, AZ 86403

March 17, 2026 – 12-1pm – Mohave College – 1977 Acoma Blvd S Lake Havasu City, AZ 86403

March 26, 2026 – 9am – 12pm Nation's Finest - 1343 Hancock Rd Bullhead City, AZ 86442

March 27, 2026 – Kingman VFW Veterans Service Event – 3036 E John L Ave, Kingman, AZ 86409

March 29, 2026 – Vietnam Veterans Day Celebration – 10am to 3pm, 7620 Sara Pkwy, Lake Havasu City, AZ 86406

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Please join the Veterans Resource Team and Veteran's Treatment Court Programs this month, and every month! Come and support your community's justice involved Veteran's as well as celebrate their accomplishments in this outstanding and effective program!

**Lake Havasu City
Veterans Treatment Court
2026 COURT CALENDAR**

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| JANUARY 9, 2026 | JULY 10, 2026 (GRADUATION) |
| JANUARY 23, 2026 (GRADUATION) | JULY 31, 2026 |
| FEBRUARY 13, 2026 | AUGUST 14, 2026 |
| FEBRUARY 27, 2026 | AUGUST 28, 2026 |
| MARCH 6, 2026 | SEPTEMBER 11, 2026 |
| MARCH 20, 2026 | SEPTEMBER 25, 2026 |
| APRIL 10, 2026 | OCTOBER 16, 2026 (GRADUATION) |
| APRIL 24, 2026 (GRADUATION) | OCTOBER 30, 2026 |
| MAY 8, 2026 | NOVEMBER 6, 2026 |
| MAY 22, 2026 | NOVEMBER 20, 2026 |
| JUNE 5, 2026 | DECEMBER 4, 2026 |
| JUNE 26, 2026 | DECEMBER 18, 2026 |

**STAFFING BEGINS AT 9:00AM
VETERANS COURT HEARINGS BEGIN AT 1:30PM**
REVISED 11/14/2025

**Address:
LHC Municipal Court
92 Acoma Blvd S
Lake Havasu City, AZ
86403**

**2026 DATES FOR KINGMAN VETERANS' TREATMENT COURT
HELD AT 1:30 P.M.
STAFFING WITH VTC TEAM MEMBERS IS HELD AT 8:30 A.M.**

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| JANUARY 21 | FEBRUARY 18 | MARCH 25 |
| APRIL 22 | MAY 20 | JUNE 24 |
| JULY 15 | AUGUST 19 | SEPTEMBER 16 |
| OCTOBER 27 | NOVEMBER 18 | DECEMBER 16 |

**Address:
Kingman Municipal Court, 219 N. Fourth St, Kingman, AZ 86401**

VETERAN RESOURCE EVENTS IN MARCH!



VETERANS & COMMUNITY RESOURCE FAIR

THURSDAY, MARCH 5TH
— 10:00 AM — 2:00 PM —
VFW POST 9833 • DOLAN SPRINGS, AZ

FEATURED COMMUNITY PARTNERS & SERVICES

- arizona coalition for military families**
 - Helping service members, veterans, family members & helpers with vital community resources
 - Support and career opportunities
- RIVER VALLEY HOME HEALTH & HOSPICE**
- Community Legal Services**
 - A non-profit law firm committed to increasing fairness in the civil justice system by Advocating, Litigating, and Educating on behalf of Arizona's most underserved communities
- becoconnected**
BeConnectedAZ.org • 866-442-VETS
- Buck Bedard OUTDOOR FOUNDATION**
Free Outdoor Opportunities for Vets & Their Families
- Jacque Sanchez**
Licensed Independent Sales Agent for Humana.

For more information contact: Cindy Franzen

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ARIZONA VETERANS STANDDOWN ALLIANCE
AVSA
A PROGRAM OF THE VETERANS BUSINESS GROUP

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VETERANS SERVICE

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VETERAN BUSINESS

Veteran Resource Fair
Bullhead City
Optimum Community Center
2380 Optimum Way
Bullhead City, AZ

Friday, March 6th 2026
10AM- 2PM

Vendors can sign up for one or both events by following the QR Code:



Multiple agencies available:
Contact events@javc.org

Bouse VFW March 10 - 9 am till 3 pm

RCBH Parker Clinic March 11 - 9 am till 3 pm

IHS Parker March 12 - 9 am – 3 pm

Kingman VFW March 27 – 9am to 3pm

Vietnam Veteran's Day
March 29, 2026, 1030am to 230 pm
Sara Park Rodeo Grounds, Lake Havasu City

Home loan borrowers can now deduct funding fees

Starting this year, Veterans, service members and their surviving spouses can deduct VA funding fees on their taxes when purchasing a home using the VA-guaranteed home loan.

The VA funding fee is a one-time payment that the Veteran, service member or survivor pays on a VA-backed or VA direct [home loan](#). Generally, the VA home loan program doesn't require the Veteran to make a down payment, and the program never requires monthly mortgage insurance. VA also grants exemptions of the funding fee to those who receive VA compensation for their service-connected disabilities, Purple Heart recipients still serving on active duty and others.

The funding fee ranges from 0.5%–3.3% depending on the loan type, loan amount, down payment amount and whether the Veteran is a first-time user of the VA home loan program. Veterans pay the funding fee at closing, in one of two ways: It can be generally included in the loan amount or paid at closing.

“VA just recently reached a milestone of granting the 29 millionth VA-guaranteed home loan to Veterans, service members and surviving spouses who served and sacrificed on behalf of our grateful nation,” said Patrick Zondervan, executive director of VA’s Loan Guaranty Service. “We are pleased that eligible new borrowers can now deduct the funding fee and potentially put more money back in their pockets, which is where it belongs.”

This post is for informational purposes only and is not intended to be, and should not be construed as, tax, legal or accounting advice. You should consult your own tax advisor or legal counsel regarding your specific situation before making any decisions.

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We welcome you to reach out to us or refer any Veteran or their family members to us for resources, assistance and/or guidance.

We are your central hub for all things Veteran, and we CAN help!

If you aren't sure what questions to ask, call us or come in. If you aren't sure what your benefits are, call us or come in!

Khristina from Nation's Finest is in our office to serve you on Mon, Tues, Thurs, and Friday from 0800-1630! If you need a place to live, please come in and ask for her, see if you are eligible for their services!

We have a state-employed Veterans Service Officer in our office weekly (AZDVS); they are here to help you file a disability claim!

You can Schedule your OWN appointment! (We cannot schedule appointments for you, and no walk-ins.)

Click/follow this link or type it in to your browser:

<https://calendly.com/d/5bs-yvv-ky7>

Todd Baldwin from Arizona DES is in our offices once a week, Thursdays from 0800-1630. No appt. needed! He can help you find work!

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