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Veterans & Family Support 2024 -2025

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Program Goals

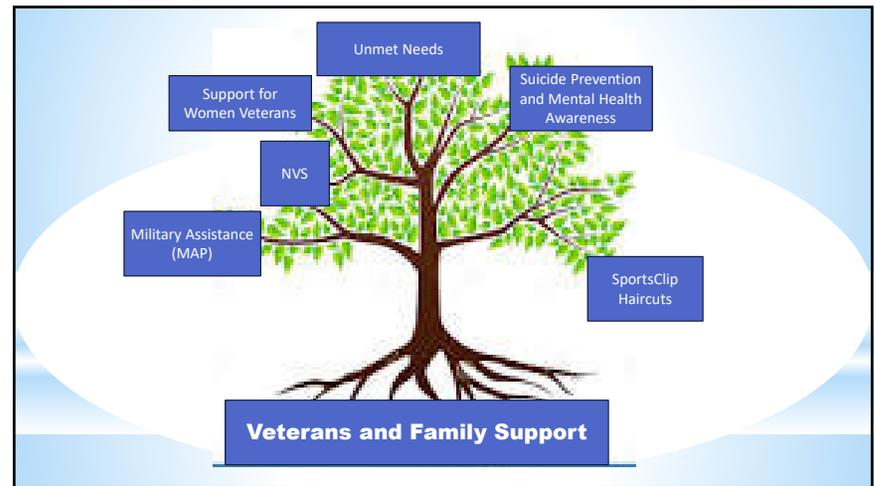
- *Provide Education, Health, Disability, Funeral and Financial Benefits Earned by Veterans*
- *Secure Employment and Housing*
- *Addressing Physical and Mental Health Issues*
- *Adjusting to Civilian life*
- *Unmet Needs*
- *MAP*

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Veterans and Family Support Program

- The Veterans and Family Support Program is Unity. We are all united in our passion for this organization and is at our core. We are all here for the same purpose, to support our veterans, service members, their families, and our communities.

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Military Assistance Program

Examples:

- AdoptaUnit
- Military Assistance Grant Application

Military Assistance Program (MAP) Grant Application

To see the most recently updated guidelines for the MAP Grant click below:
[MAP Grant Guidelines](#)

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Unmet Needs

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Women Veterans Needs

- Disability
- Compensation
- Home loans
- Education and Training
- Healthcare
- Specialized care for women veterans

- Military Sexual Harassment assault or rape (Military sexual trauma)
- Abuse
- Maternity care
- PACT act

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National Veterans Service (NVS)

- Accredited Service office
- Veteran Service Offices throughout the country to promote awareness of veteran benefits.
- Benefits: 1-800-827-1000
- Health Care: 1-877-222-VETS (8387)
- VA Inspector General: 1- 800-488-8244

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Suicide Prevention & Mental Health Awareness



**RESOURCES FOR VETERANS,
ACTIVE-DUTY MILITARY
AND THEIR FAMILIES**

Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW)
810-776-2300
www.vfw.org

Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary
(VFW Auxiliary)
810-343-8433
www.vfw.org

VFW National Helpline
Military & Veterans Family Helpline
800-374-8200
www.vfw.org

Veterans Crisis Line
800-374-8235
www.veteranscrisisline.net

Military OneSource
800-342-3647
www.militaryonesource.mil

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
Benefits Line 800-827-1000
www.va.gov

Know the Five Signs



VFW
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

changedirection



PTSD





#VETRESOURCES
MILITARY OneSOURCE

Military OneSource is your connection to information, answers and support to help you reach your goals, overcome challenges and thrive.

Military OneSource offers a wide range of individualized consultations, coaching and non-medical counseling for many aspects of military life.

VA U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
www.va.gov/VetResources



VA WOUNDS CARE
VA PTSD CARE
VA MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

HEALTH CARE LOCATOR

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Sports Clips



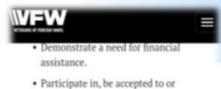
Student Veteran Support

Today's veterans can face any number of obstacles while furthering their education. Taking advantage of all the benefits you've earned and DESERVE shouldn't be one of them! This is why we have teamed up with Student Veterans of America and Sport Clips Haircuts to provide the assistance you need.

Scholarships

The VFW's "Sport Clips Help A Hero Scholarship" provides service members and veterans with the financial assistance they need to complete their educational goals.





- Demonstrate a need for financial assistance.
- Participate in, be accepted to or currently enrolled in a VA-approved program or school at an accredited post-secondary institution.

Apply Today

If you have questions please view our FAQ or email us with additional questions.

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Women Veterans Help Line

Crisis Lines /Available Resources



Veterans Crisis Line
DIAL 988 then PRESS 1



It's OK to not be OK. to ask for help. to call.

- 1-800-WIS-VETS (1-800-947-8387)
- Women's Call Center 855.VA.Women
- Women Veterans Program Brochure.



My healthvet
My Health, My Care: 24/7 Access to VA

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Sports Clips



SportClips
MEMORIAL Relief Fund

The Office of Equity Assurance

VA stood up the new [Office of Equity Assurance](#) to identify any possible disparities, understand their root causes, and eliminate them. [Read more about the Benefits Equity Assurance Plan.](#)





GRATITUDE INITIATIVE

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Focal Points This Year

- National Veterans Service Suicide Prevention
- Unmet needs with a need for monetary donations and what they are used for
- Child – care for active-duty service members
- Veteran and Military Support Programs



Military Families

- A **Special Focus** on this year's Veterans & Family Support Program Is giving back to the families

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We Remember the “Why”



Honoring Veterans Together

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Department Award

- \$20 is available for awards
- Number of Auxiliaries that promoted, participated, hosted or co-hosted with their VFW Post activities for any VFW Program. (Examples: Disaster Relief, (MAP), Military suicide and awareness, Unmet needs
- Number of Auxiliaries that provided direct aid to veterans, service members and/or their families (Examples: meals, transportation, cards, packages, donations, etc.
- Approximate number of veterans, service members and/or their families assisted.
- Total monetary donations and/or value of donations and goods/services provided to veterans, service members and/or their families.

National Award

- Citation and \$25 Award for Auxiliaries Most outstanding activity or event of Suicide and Mental health for veterans and their families.
- Entry form required and available in MALTA Member Resources.
- Auxiliaries send to Chairman by March 31, 2025 for judging.
- The Department Veterans & Family Support Chairman must sign and send a copy of the completed Department-winning entry form to the National Veterans & Family Support Ambassador by April 30, 2025 for judging.

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THANK YOU
VETERANS

Questions?

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