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Director's Corner

“Our nation’s future is in good hands!” That’s how I felt following an event with Delaware’s young citizens. I was invited to speak during Sussex Technical High School’s Veterans Day Service. It was an honor to be asked but I was curious about the reactions from the young people. Would they be interested, was it just another assembly, would they listen to my comments? As a group of veterans entered the gymnasium, I felt the eyes on us. I sensed the curiosity that comes with seeing unfamiliar people. As I sat on stage, my true wish was that my words would resonate among those young Americans. I shared comments about my Korean War Veteran father and about my Vietnam War Killed in Action cousin. I focused on our American flag, emphasizing why it should “always” be respected. I explained how many, my cousin included, died defending our flag and how it represents a proud nation. I asked that while attending a football game, and the national anthem is played, how they should reflect on our flag’s meaning. After the service, I was approached by various students. They described how I opened them up the meaning of our flag. Some spoke of family members who served and the pride they felt. One teacher sadly commented on how some students failed to stand during the daily reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance and how he hoped my words would get through to them. Overall, I discovered our young Americans appreciate our nation, our colors, our freedoms. They, like others in society, sometime express themselves in unfavorable ways, but they understand our veteran’s service. The ironic thing is we wore the uniform so they’d have the freedom to be themselves.

Prayers to Honor and Uplift Our Veterans

By Sarah Frazer at Crosswalk.com

Please visit crosswalk.com for more details on the article written by Sarah Frazer.



A Prayer for those Who Have Lost Loved Ones in Service

Heavenly Father who sees all of the hurt, comfort the hearts of those who have lost loved ones in the military. It might seem to us “unfair,” but You are the God who ordains our days. Let us remember those families are still grieving today. Remind them of Your love for them. Their loss provides for us a safe place to live and worship You. Keep those families close to Your heart today. Comfort them and let them know we do not forget their loved one’s sacrifice. Amen.

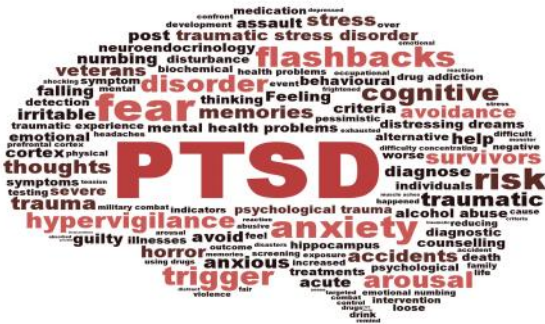
A Prayer for Veterans with Wartime Wounds

O Great God, look down on those people today who are suffering. No one is immune to suffering, but today we want to pray for those still hurting from wartime wounds. They have seen heartache, held sorrow close to their heart, and now they suffer. Begin a new work in their life today. I pray for those men and women who have served. Let them feel your comfort. Help them seek the help they might need. And let them know we do not forget them or their service. Amen.



A Prayer for Veterans with Emotional Scars

Dear Father, nothing is hidden from You. Even the silent sufferer You see. We lift up those with emotional scars who have served in our military. Those veterans are special to You and You love them. You see them. Strengthen them to seek help from friends or counselors. Give grace and patience to those who care for them. Give wisdom to the doctors who are treating them. We pray for peace for them and relief. Amen.



Also, please continue to pray for the safety of those who are still serving and their families.



**Veterans
Crisis Line**
1-800-273-8255 **PRESS 1**

The Holidays Are Over, Why Am I So Blue?

Some tips to lift your sadness after the busy holiday time.

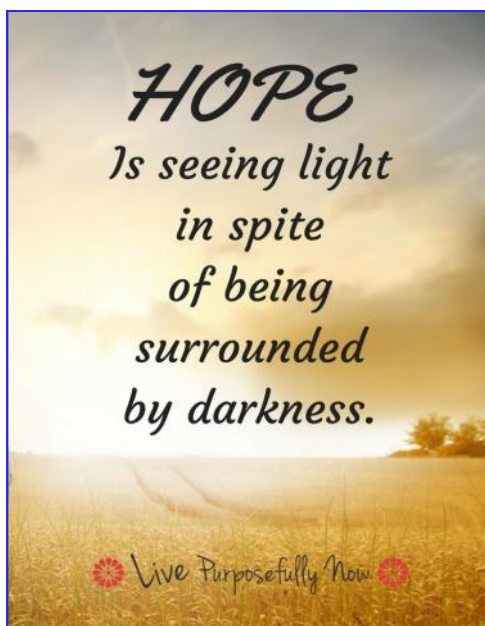
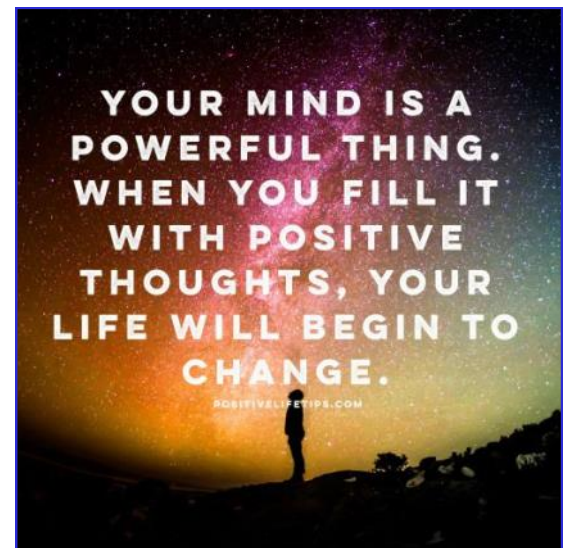
By Linda Walter, LCSW at Psychologytoday.com

1. Take some of what made you feel good during the holidays and continue them into the days and months after the holidays. For example, if you enjoyed having lots of plans and looked forward to being out with others, make sure you make some plans now. Invite people over; it doesn't have to be a formal event, you can just invite them to play games, watch a movie, or cook a meal with you.
2. Go to the movies, theater, museums with others. Get entertained.
3. Start or continue your exercise routine. Think about doing your exercise with someone else a couple of times during the week so you have company and someone to look forward to being with.
4. If there were people you spent time with during the holidays that you really enjoyed and you don't often see them, make a plan with them. It's not necessary to wait for holidays to see the people you enjoy.
- 5- Don't beat yourself up if you gained weight. It doesn't mean anything other than that you gained weight. It doesn't mean you're weak, worthless or irresponsible. It's never too late to get back on track with your eating plan.
6. Have at least one thing planned in your week that you look forward to.
7. Be kind to yourself with respect to any New Year's Resolutions you may have made. Instead of berating yourself for not sticking to your plan, make a plan that you can stick to. Perhaps your resolution was unrealistic. It's always better to make a goal that's attainable rather than one that's too far off the mark.
8. Take care of your health, including eating well, exercising and getting enough sleep.

If you can't shake the post holiday blues, take a look at the information on my website about depression,

<http://www.lindawaltercounseling.com/common-issues/depression/>.

If you feel you are depressed you may want to call a mental health professional to get some help.



Suicide Prevention After the Holidays

www.military.com

Behavioral health specialists report depression and suicide rates increase into the post-holiday period. Regular counseling sessions should include discussions about mental health. Some resources found on base are the Behavioral Health Community Counseling Program and Family Advocacy Program, military and family life counselors, the Families Overcoming Under Stress team, the operational stress control and readiness team, the hospital mental health department, the substance abuse control officer and the command chaplain. Other sources include the DSTRESS line at DSN 645-7734 or 098-970-7734; the Crisis Hotline at 1-800-273-TALK; or Military OneSource, which can be reached through a DSN line at 145.

The resources above are mainly for active military to include guards and reservist.

VA programs are also available for veterans.

Please contact your local VA medical facility or DCVA for more information.



Delaware Gold Star Families were very busy with Wreaths Across America (WAA) services throughout the state. December 9, they met at Legislative Hall for the Nationwide remembrance service. Gold Star Families placed a Gold Star wreath outside Legislative Hall while the American Flag and Honor and Remember Flag waved above.



On December 12, Glasgow High School and Bill Conley invited the Gold Star Families to Glasgow High School for a welcoming service as the Wreaths Across America convoy made a stop in Delaware on their way to Arlington. Judy C. Campbell introduced each Gold Star Family on stage as she shared a brief history about their fallen loved one, including rank, branch of service and killed in action (KIA) or date of death (DOD). The families were presented a wreath and long stem red rose.



Look forward to public announcements, in the near future, for the dedication of Phase II of the Delaware Hershel “Woody” Williams Gold Star Memorial!! Phase II will include a walkway, granite benches, landscaping and in-ground lighting.

On Saturday, December 14, Gold Star Families placed wreaths on graves at the Bear Veterans Memorial Cemetery.



Samuel L Guy (nephew) & Rosa Lee Crawford (Guy)

Samuel L. Crawford was and raised in the Southbridge area, Rt. 9 Corridor of Wilmington, Delaware along with his only sibling Rosa Lee Crawford (Guy). At 18, he left high school after his junior year and joined the Army on June 1950. After basic training he was sent to the front lines of the Korean War and was declared Missing in Action (MIA) while fighting the enemy on November 27, 1950 at the Chosin Reservoir in Korea. His sister Rosa Lee has never stopped hoping that her brother one day will come home. Ms. Guy grew up and had 3 boys of her own, Samuel Guy, served in the Navy, Quinton Guy, USMC and Donell Guy who has made a career in the Air Force, but for Ms. Guy there is still no closure for her brother's disappearance, she has never received the folded flag, nor heard TAPS played or does she have a grave to visit. After meeting Ms. Rosa Guy 3 years ago A Hero's Welcome Delaware has been trying to find a way of giving her a place to go to be with the memory of her brother near where she lives. After a brief communication with County Executive Matt Meyer and Ken Dunn, a place to dedicate a monument to Samuel L. Crawford was chosen in the neighborhood he grew up close to his sister's home. It was a complete surprise to Ms. Rosa Guy when one of her three son's Samuel Guy brought her to the Rt. 9 Corridor Library and Innovation Center in New Castle on October 18, 2019 where a large crowd of veterans, patriots, friends, the community of New Castle, Lt. Gov.

Bethany Hall-Long, local government

officials, Fern Sumpter DPAA from Washington D.C and a few Gold Star families awaited her arrival. It was a beautiful and meaningful ceremony where the whole community of New Castle came together to sing and honor PFC Crawford. Rosehill Senior Center members where Ms Rosa belongs, Coleman Memorial UMC Choir, Rev. Lawrence Pelham from Coleman Memorial Church opened the ceremony, William Penn JR-ROTC presented colors, William Mead, USMC sang the National Anthem and Ret. General Frank Vavala was the keynote speaker. A half dozen local government officials on hand. A beautiful monument was unveiled in remembrance of Samuel L. Crawford. Ms Rosa had mentioned that she didn't have a picture of her brother and couldn't remember after 69 years what her brother looked like, but thanks to Robin Brown from the Delaware Online archives, Ms. Rosa now has a photograph of her brother. A most meaningful, joyous, heartfelt ceremony. The whole community came together sang and honored our hero, SAMUEL L. CRAWFORD 10/21/1932 - MIA 11/27/1950. HE WILL NEVER BE FORGOTTEN. Please stop by the library to see the monument. On December 23, 2019 a few of us along with Mick Schroeder of the KWVA Chapter 2 placed a wreath with Ms. Rosa at the monument.



Fern Sumpter of the DPAA & General Frank Vavala, Ret.

A Hero's Welcome: Who We Are & What We do.

Our motto is "Ensuring that all our military members get the proper welcome home." We not only make sure they are welcome home, but also honor and dedicate POW/MIA Chairs of Honor all over Delaware. Out of the 48 chairs we now have in Delaware we have been responsible for 38 of them. We also help at Homeless Shelters, finding help for those that are desperate, food, clothing and whatever they may need. We also work with 22in22 and Stop Soldier Suicide, Wreaths Across America. We are one of the largest fund raisers in the state and educating our students in Delaware of the POW/MIA awareness. To include our involvement with the Tuskegee Airmen.

A Hero's Welcome Delaware - Rosely Robinson, Director

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cell- 302-530-4984.



Rosely with the support from Senator Carper

American Legion Family of Post 17 Brings Christmas Cheer to the Lewes Army Reserve Center and Receives Community Gifts in Return

Talk about a mutually beneficial relationship. The Cape Henlopen Army Reserve 946 Transportation Company was in Lewes on December 7-8, 2019. As has been done in years past, the community donated food for our soldiers and the Auxiliary was proud to serve them a fine lunch on Saturday with a special visit from Auxiliary Historian Nancy Bush as Olaf, delivering a holiday stocking to each soldier.

In return, twelve members of the 946 Unit helped with assembly of the Post's Christmas Parade float for the Lewes parade and then escorted the float in the parade. Their uniformed presence brought great attention to the float and the troop banners on it. These were the same banners that hung last summer from utility poles along Savannah Road and Cape Henlopen Drive. Each of these banners showcased actual photos of our hometown heroes who served their country. It was a pleasure to see an entire community honoring both the current troops and the veterans of the past by clapping, shaking hands, and with shouts of 'Thanks for Serving,' which was a great morale booster to these young soldiers. The float won Third Place in the Community Float Category, which successfully ends the Post's year of honoring the 100th Anniversaries of the American Legion and its Auxiliary as military service organizations. As we have learned: We care for them and they care for us.



Riding upon the American Legion Post 17 Christmas Float are Sons of the American Legion Judge Advocate John Miller (left) and Post Commander Ed Bergen (right). Photo by Kyle Kaminski.

JROTC College Scholarship Fundraiser

The Dover Delaware Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) will hold its annual JROTC fundraiser at the Dover Outback on Tuesday, February 11th, 2020.

The scholarships will be awarded to five outstanding 2020 graduates, from Kent County High School who have successfully completed their school's Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC) Program.

These scholarships are based on the student's academic performance, community service involvement, and JROTC training accomplishments. The Kent County high schools are:

- Caesar Rodney USAF JROTC
- Dover USAF JROTC
- First State Military Academy USMC JROTC
- Polytech USAF JROTC
- Smyrna USAF JROTC

For more information, please contact John Jackson at johnj.milford@verizon.net.

Bring a copy of the flyer to Outback Fundraiser, to get JROTC donation credit.

GIVE BACK
with
OUTBACK
STEAKHOUSE®

Hey Mate!

We invite you to join us at the
Dover Outback Steakhouse location for
MOAA FUNDRAISER!

Present this flyer or identify yourself as a supporter
and we'll proudly donate **15%** of your total check
to the MOAA

DATE: TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2020
TIME: 11 AM - 9:30 PM

DOVER
1574 N. Dupont Hwy.
(302) 244-3425



SOUTH	NORTH
<p>ADAMS STATE SERVICE CENTER DPH Conference Room 100 546 S. Bedford Street, Georgetown, DE 19947 Use Bldg. Entrance #3 (directly across from DMV)</p>	<p>DELAWARE NATIONAL GUARD Biden National Guard/Reserve Center 250 Airport Road, New Castle, DE 19720 ***MUST HAVE PHOTO ID***</p>
<p>January 16, 2020</p>	<p>February 20, 2020</p>
<p>POC: Larence Kirby DCVA—Executive Director (302) 739-2293 Larence.kirby@delaware.gov</p>	<p>POC: Christine Kubik DE National Guard—Community Relations Specialist (302) 326-7582 Christine.f.kubik@mail.mil</p>

Meetings are usually from 08:30am-10:00am (For more information contact POC for each location. Thank you!)



New Castle County: Lisa Smith
Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Bear, DE
Monday – Friday: 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM
Please call for an appointment: (302) 365-8231

Kent County: Josh Matticks
DCVA office in Dover, DE
Monday–Friday: 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM
Please call for an appointment: (302) 257-3119

Sussex County: Laurie Corsa
Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Millsboro, DE
Monday-Friday: 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM
Please call for an appointment: (302) 648-3068

Joseph T. Houghton
Dept. Service Officer:
(302) 993-7255



Quarterly Scheduled Post Visits:
**Times/dates are subject to change.*

Friday, January 10, 2020
Oak Orchard/Riverdale/Post #28-Millsboro
10:00 AM- 1:00 PM: (302) 945-1673

Thursday, January 24, 2020
Walter L Fox/Post #2-Dover
10:00 AM- 1:00 PM: (302) 674-3922

Friday, February 7, 2020
Oak Orchard/Riverdale/Post #28-Millsboro
10:00 AM- 1:00 PM: (302) 945-1673

Friday, February 14, 2020
Walter L Fox/ Post #2 –Dover
10:00 AM- 1:00 PM: (302) 674-3922

Friday, February 21, 2020
Callaway-Kemp-Raughley-Tee, Harrington
10:00 AM- 1:00 PM: (302) 398-3566

Friday, March 6, 2020
Oak Orchard/Riverdale/Post #28-Millsboro
10:00 AM- 1:00 PM: (302) 945-1673

Friday, March 20, 2020
Walter L Fox/ Post #2 –Dover
10:00 AM- 1:00 PM: (302) 674-3922



New Castle County:

(302) 993-7258
1601 Kirkwood Hwy, Bldg. 13, Room 27
Wilmington, DE 19805

Please call to set up appointments.

Kent County:

DAV Dept. Service Officers: (302) 697-9061
Paul Lardizzone: (302) 382-3448
Abraham Velez: (573) 868-8725

DAV Headquarters Building
183 South Street
Camden, DE 19934

Monday - Thursday 8:00-11:00 AM (Walk-ins)
1:00-3:00 PM (Appt. only)

Sussex County:

(302) 856-5230
Dept. of Labor
Div. of Employment & Tng.
20093 Office Circle, Georgetown, DE 19947

Thursdays 8:00-11:00 AM (Walk-ins)



VA Regional Office
1601 Kirkwood Hwy, Rm 26
Wilmington, DE 19805
(302) 993-7252/7253

2114 S DuPont Hwy, Suite 2, Dover DE
Thursdays: 8:00 AM - 12 PM

Dover CBOC:
1st & 3rd Thursdays: 1PM - 4PM

Georgetown CBOC :
2nd & 4th Thursdays: 1PM - 4PM



VA Regional Office
1601 Kirkwood Hwy
Wilmington, DE 19805

Nolan Lewis at (302) 345-6911
Nabvetsde.chat94@gmail.com

Hours: 11am– 3pm (1st and 3rd Mondays of month)
Please contact for more schedule info.

VETERANS SERVICE OFFICERS: VFW and VVA

David Hilliard,
VA Regional Office
1601 Kirkwood Hwy, Rm 21
Wilmington, DE 19805

(302) 993-7260

**Please call for appointments.*



VSO- VVA Representative
VA Regional Office
1601 Kirkwood Hwy
Wilmington, DE 19805
(302) 993-7250/7251



Dover DOL: (302) 993-7260
1st – 4th Thursdays: 8:30-11:30 AM

Blue Hen VFW Post 6483: (302) 422-4412
1st Thursdays: 1:30-4:00 PM

Virgil Wilson VFW Post 4961 - (302) 629-3092
2nd & 4th Thursdays: 1:30-4:00 PM

Rehoboth VFW: (302) 227-3469
3rd Thursdays: 1:30-4:00 PM



File online with eClaims at www.benefits.va.gov.



VA



U.S. Department
of Veterans Affairs

Wilmington - Regional Benefit Office
(Claims & Benefits)

1601 Kirkwood Highway
Wilmington, DE 19805
(800) 827-1000

Wilmington - VA Medical Center

1601 Kirkwood Hwy
Wilmington, DE 19805
(800) 461-8262
or **(302) 994-2511**

<http://www.wilmington.va.gov/>



**Community Based
Outpatient Clinic**

Dover VA –CBOC

1198 S. Governors Ave.
Dover, DE 19904
(800) 461-8262 x 2400

Georgetown VA –CBOC

21748 Roth Ave
Georgetown, DE 19947
(800) 461-8262 x 2300

Patient Advocate: (302) 633-5556

****For all medical facilities***

Mark Taylor

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Office of Director

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Email: mark.taylor10@va.gov

Valerie Camarillo

Community Outreach Specialist
Kent & Sussex Counties

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Email: Valerie.camarillo@va.gov

Toll Free Numbers for Contacting Federal VA

Beneficiaries in receipt of Pension Benefits	1-877-294-6380
<p style="text-align: center;">Benefits (VA):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Burial • Death Pension • Dependency Indemnity Compensation • Direct Deposit • Directions to VA Benefits Regional Offices • Disability Compensation • Disability Pension • Education • Home Loan Guaranty • Medical Care • Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment 	1-800-827-1000
CHAMPVA Meds by Mail	1-888-385-0235 (or) 1-866-229-7389
Combat Call Center	1-877-WAR-VETS (1-877-927-8387)
Debt Management Center (Collection of Non-Medical Debts)	1-800-827-0648
Children of Women Vietnam Veterans (CWVV) Foreign Medical Program (FMP) Spina Bifida Health Care Program	1-877-345-8179 (or) 1-888-820-1756
Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Dept. of VA (CHAMPVA) CHAMPVA In-House Treatment Initiative (CITI)	1-800-733-8387
eBenefits Technical Support	1-800-983-0937
Education (GI Bill)	1-888-442-4551
Health Care Benefits	1-877-222-8387
Life Insurance: Service members and/or Veterans Group Life Insurance Program All other VA Life Insurance Programs	1-800-419-1473 1-800-669-8477
Mammography Helpline	1-888-492-7844
Smoking Cessation Counselors	1-855-QUIT-VET (1-855-784-8838)
Special Issues - Gulf War/Agent Orange/Project Shad/Mustard Agents and Lewisite/Ionizing Radiation	1-800-749-8387
Status of Headstones and Markers	1-800-697-6947
Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD)	Dial 711
Veterans Crisis Line	1-800-273-TALK (1-800-273-8255)
Vets.gov Help Desk	1-855-574-7286
White House VA Hotline	1-855-948-2311
Women Veterans Hotline	1-855-VA-WOMEN (1-855-829-6636)

24/7 Housing Help for Veterans 877-424-3838

If you are a veteran who is homeless and need somewhere to sleep tonight...

Referral to Shelter

Housing Alliance Delaware:
(302) 654-0126 X122

The Department of Veterans Affairs
(302) 994-2511 X 2445

If you are a veteran who is homeless or at-risk of becoming homeless and you need help...

SSVF- Supportive Services for Veteran Families Programs

Connections Community Support Programs:
(302) 250-5868 New Castle Co.
(302) 518-5338 Kent Co.
(302) 332-0913 Sussex Co.

VMC -Veterans Multi-Service Center:
Statewide: (302) 668-7331

Other Resources

www.DelawareHousingSearch.org
877-428-8844

Delaware 211
www.delaware211.org

Delaware Joining Forces
<http://Delaware.gov/djf/>



Transitional home for homeless veterans.

HOB I for Men: (302) 424-1681
HOB II for Women & Children: (302) 422-4146

Jessica Finan (Executive Director)
Stephanie Beers (Case Manager)



Are you in need of emergency food assistance?
The Food Bank of Delaware directly distribute to the public!

222 Lake Blvd. Newark, DE 19713	1040 Mattlind Way Milford, DE 19963
Mon-Fri: 7:s0am—3:30pm	Mon-Friday: 8am—4pm
3rd Thursday: 7:30am—7pm	2nd Tuesday: 8am-7pm
2nd Saturday: 9am-noon	2nd Saturday: 9am-noon
Entrance in back of bldg., near loading ramp.	Enter through the front door with green awning.



Stand By Me can help you reach financial well-being at every stage of your life.
Personal financial coaching is available free of charge to Delawareans from all walks of life.

For more information, please contact us at:
302-255-9621 or info@standbymede.org

Statewide Emergency Repair Program (SERP)
Housing Development Corporation
302-491-4010
Toll Free: 844-413-0038

VA's Adapted Housing Grants
for Disabled Veterans
1-800-827-100
www.eBenefits.va.gov



The Brian Conley– Veterans Resiliency Center
Warriors Helping Warriors

104 S. Broad Street
Middletown, DE 19709
(302) 696-2320/ 2318 (fax)
<https://www.whwonling.org>

Please visit our DE Joining Forces website to research more resources available to veterans:
<http://Delaware.gov/djf/>



Veteran Employment Services

Wilmington / Allen Jones : (302) 761-8141
 Newark / Freddy Rodriguez : (302) 451-3456
 Dover / Danny Mosby: (302) 857-5881
 Georgetown/ Gail Gartner: (302) 858-5232
 Division of Vocational Rehab.: (302) 761-8275



VA Disability &
 Social Security programs

For more information please visit:
<https://www.ssa.gov/people/veterans/>

Call or visit your local Social Security Office:
 1-800-772-1213

Defense Finance and Accounting Services Retired Military & Annuitants

1-800-321-1080
Retirement Pay Questions



Retired Activities Office:

Bldg. 520, Room 105, Dover AFB, DE 19902
 MSgt (R) Bill Oldham: (302) 677- 4610
William.Oldham.2@us.af.mil

Retired Navy Activities Affairs Office:

Naval & Marine Corps Reserve Ctr. - (866) 827-5672

Brain Injury Trust Fund

State Council for Persons with Disabilities (SCPD) currently has funding available for the Traumatic Brain Injury Fund & encourages people who may benefit to apply.

Applying for the Traumatic Brain Injury Fund
 **Applications are available here:

<https://scpd.delaware.gov/brain-injury-funds.shtml>

For additional info., please contact Director John McNeal.
 at (302)-739-3620 or John.McNeal@state.de.us

College & Trade Schools Military/Veterans Affairs

Delaware State University

Natasha Scott-Knight: (302) 857-6378
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 (302) 857-1056
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woney@dtcc.edu

Wilmington: Joe Limmina
 (302) 571-5307
jlimmina@dtcc.edu

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Dover AFB: Karen M. Nagyiski
 (302) 734-7829
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Brooks Raup
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Erin Elsberry
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**Veterans
 Crisis Line**
 1-800-273-8255 **PRESS 1**

Please visit our DE Joining Forces website to research more resources available to veterans:

<http://Delaware.gov/djf/>

Community Legal Aid Society, Inc.

302-575-0660 (New Castle Co.)
302-674-8500 (Kent Co.)
302-856-0038 (Sussex Co.)
<http://www.declasi.org/>

Provides free legal services to: People with disabilities, older citizens (60+), housing discrimination (HUD), low-income, & victims of domestic violence.

Legal Services Corporation of Delaware, Inc.

302-478-8850 or 302-734-8820

Offering Legal Advice & Assistance to low-income Delawareans.

Widener University Delaware Law School Veterans Law Clinic

302-477-2090

Delaware.widener.edu

*Pro Bono Representation
for veterans benefits appeals.*

Veterans Justice Outreach Program

Program is to avoid unnecessary criminalization of mental illness and extended incarceration.

For more information please call: 302-468-5670

Veterans Treatment Court Program

Assist justice-involved veterans with mental health & substance abuse issues to obtain necessary services & reduce recidivism.

302-255-0800 (New Castle Co.)
302-735-1900 (Kent Co.)
302-855-7055 (Sussex Co.)

**Please ask for the Veterans Treatment Court*



New Castle Co: (800) 461-8262 x 5434
Kent Co: (800) 461-8262 x 2430
Sussex Co: (302) 225-9110
(Readjustment Counseling)



100 Delaware Veterans Blvd
Milford, DE 19963
(302) 424-6000
Veterans Nursing Home

Veterans United Outreach of Delaware

Mike Snyder: 302-678-1285
Gary Kalmus: gmkskier@gmail.com
<http://www.veteransunitedoutreach.com/>

*We are a mobile educational unit, with a variety of information for all veterans and their family.
We go out to the veteran community.*



People's Place: Veterans Outreach

Mike Rowe: (302) 422-8033 x 173
<http://www.peoplesplace2.com/>

Services range from career counselling; guidance to access state and federal VA benefits, such as medical care and treatment; psychotherapy referrals; mental health counseling; and door-to-door transportation to medical facilities in the region.

Delaware Veterans Awareness Center

12385 Sussex Hwy
Greenwood, DE 19950
Liz & Bill Jiron: (302) 349-4898
Veteransawarenesscenter.org
*Veterans' Stand Down
Military Women's Tea
"Give a Vet a Smile" (Dental Program)*

Please visit our DE Joining Forces website to research more resources available to veterans:
<http://Delaware.gov/djf/>

Veteran Organizations

Air Force Sergeants Association	(302) 677-5264	Alexander Collazo, MSgt
American Legion	(302) 628-5221	Richard “Ric” Santos
AMVETS	(302) 945-2170	Eugene Bradley
Delaware Veterans (DELVETS)	(302) 475-9891 (302) 674-9956	Post 1 Post 2
Delaware Veterans Coalition	(302) 270-7145	Dave Skocik delawareveteranscoalition@gmail.com
Disabled American Veterans	(302) 697-9061	Paul Lardizzone
First State Military Women Warriors	(302) 387-1309	Pat Cerhio
Fleet Reserve Association	(302) 322-0681	Philip Pushel
40 & 8	(302) 678-8077	Eugene “Chip” Rosan
Gold Star Families	(302) 593-5991	Judy Campbell
A Hero’s Welcome Delaware	(302) 530-4984	Rosely Robinson ahwdelaware@gmail.com
Korean War Veterans Association	(302) 933-0228	Edward Johnson
Marine Corps League	(302) 242-7926	William C. Farley
Military Officers Association of America	(302) 834-9659 (302) 335-1655 (302) 519-0611	Tom Kelly (New Castle Co.) Gene Thornton (Kent Co.) Fred Seth, Jr. (Sussex Co.)
Military Order of the Purple Heart	(302) 422-6760	Gary “Mo” Morris
Military Order of the World Wars	(302) 239-0641	Earl Seppala eseppala@aol.com
Nat’l Association of Black Veterans	(302) 345-6911	Nolan S. Lewis
Paralyzed Veterans of America	(302) 284-4719	Elmer (Art) Titus
The Reserve Officers Association	(302) 234-1418	LTC Richard Chappell (Ret) rwc49ps54ud@comcast.net
Veterans of Foreign Wars	(302) 656-5022	Paul Phillips Jr.
Vietnam Veterans of America	(302) 697-8384	Paul Davis

Volunteer Transportation Network

This program is providing courtesy transportation to our Delaware veterans. Please remember this is NOT AN ENTITLEMENT. Reservations must be made 2 weeks prior to your appointment. Trips depend on availability of volunteer drivers. Veterans need to travel to designated stops. All vans leave the VAMC between noon and 1pm for return trips. Please schedule your appointments accordingly.

1. Hospital Service Coordinator
Wilmington VAMC
Thea Kersey
302- 633-5414
800-461-8262 X 5414
Mon-Thurs 8am—noon
2. DAV Seaford, DE
Dispatcher: Henry Tiff
302-629-3759
302-858-7588 cell
Call Mon-Weds. 7am-9pm
3. People's Place Veterans Outreach Service
Milford, DE
Director: Mike Rowe
302-422-8033 X 173
Thursday—van arrives at VAMC at 8:30am
4. American Legion Post 28
Oak Orchard, DE
Dispatcher: 302-945-1673
Monday-Thursday
Van Arrives at VAMC at 8:30am
5. DAV—Dover, DE
Dispatcher: 302-697-9061
Fax: 302-697-9041
Monday—Thursday
Van arrives at VAMC at 8:30am
6. VFW Post 7234—Oceanview, DE
Dispatcher: 302-539-9981
Monday—Thursday
Van arrives at VAMC at 8:30am
7. DAV Chapter 44—Cape May, NJ
Coordinator: Fred Trasatti Jr.
215-778-5599 (cell)
609-886-8383 (Chapter)
Monday-Wednesday VAMC
Thursday—Philly VAMC
8. VTS Salisbury, MD
DAV—Ed Elder (410) 845-0933
Coordinator: Jim Boston
(443) 366-6316
Departs VFW Post 194 (Tues. & Thurs)

Coatsville HSC: Al Gerhart - (610) 384-7711 X 3368

Pick-Up Points:

- *Camden: DAV, 183 South Street*
- *Dover: McDonald's - Route 10*
- *Dover: Luther Towers, Kings Hwy*
- *Magnolia: Fire Department*
- *Dover: IHOP/Safeway Shopping Ctr.*
- *Smyrna: Rest Area*

This community-level effort directly supports military service members, veterans and their families by addressing critical issues and needs including: Financial and legal assistance; job training and employment; homelessness and housing; behavioral health and wellness; and education. Veterans can use this website to search for resources listed above. Our website is growing weekly with service providers that are registering their services to our veteran community. To include attending our quarterly meetings. For more information, POC are below.



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To apply for “emergency” financial assistance through DVTF, please contact any of the following offices:

New Castle Co. - 302-365-8231
Kent Co. - 302-739-2792
Sussex Co. - 302-648-3068

**Please allow 5-7 business days for processing.*

Delaware State Veterans Cemeteries

Veterans of the Armed Forces of the United States, their spouses, and dependent children may be interred at the DE Veterans Memorial Cemeteries. Eligibility requirements are prescribed by the National Cemetery Administration. Please contact the cemeteries or DCVA for an application or further questions/concerns.



2465 Chesapeake City Road
Bear, DE 19701
(302) 834-8046

Administrator: Barbara A. Cooke



26669 Patriots Way
Millsboro, DE 19966
(302) 934-5653

Administrator: Greg A. Bee

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