

### North Carolina Veterans Annual Report Annual Report

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# NATION LEADING STATE & COUNTY VETERAN SERVICES

70% Growth in North Carolina Veteran Service Locations (since 2014)

\$1 Billion Increase in Compensation Awards to North Carolina Veterans (since 2013)

### BECOMING MORE **VETERAN-FRIENDLY MEANS:**

2 NATIONALLY in Most Improved Rate of Servicing Veterans

#4 NATIONALLY in Successful Claims Awards for **NC Veterans** 

8 NATIONALLY in Veteran Population. (1st Time Ever)

**NATIONALLY** in Overall **Population** 

2015 Focus: Customer Service, Training, and Veterans Claims Processing

57% - Fully Developed Claims submitted to Winston-Salem Veterans Affairs Regional Office held NCDVA POA

Reduced claims processing times for veterans by as much as 50% from 2014

Established In-State Tuition for Veterans at all UNC Campuses and NC Junior Colleges.



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WWW.MILVETS.NC.GOV WWW.NC4VETS.COM



#### On behalf of the men and women of the North Carolina Department of Military and Veterans Affairs

(NCDMVA), and our partner Veteran Service Officers in 100 counties, I want to thank you for your service, and also for your interest in helping our veterans, military members, and their families. I also want to thank the agencies and staff whose hard work and unprecedented collaboration is making North Carolina more military and veteran friendly every day.

- Secretary Cornell Wilson, Jr. Major General (R), USMC NC Dept. of Military & Veterans Affairs

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# FROM GOVERNOR

### **THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE**

"My cousin Paul, a U.S. Marine, fought in Vietnam. As a youngster, I was sickened to see the way that he was treated when he came home. I swore, as many of you did too, that such treatment of our vets would never happen again. Not on my watch."

North Carolina loves her veterans, her active military, and their families. As your Governor, I want to make sure that you have all of the tools that you need to succeed. I also want to make sure our state government is walking with you every step of the way.

I created a new cabinet level Department of Military & Veterans Affairs helmed by Marine General Cornell Wilson, with the express purpose of coordinating all the agencies across the state and federal government together with their non-profit and volunteer partners to better serve you.

Across the colleges and departments such as Commerce, Health, Transportation, Public Safety and Military & Veterans Affairs, my goal is a united team, a "one-stop-shop," where all of a veteran's questions, concerns and needs can be solved in one place. From jobs and education to health care and benefits, this Resource Guide is part of our NC4VETS initiative "to make North Carolina the most Military & Veteran Friendly State in America," and it doesn't stop here.

Call us at (844) NC4-VETS, or visit us online at NC4VETS.com for the latest updates, and share them with fellow Veterans on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram, too.

We've worked hard to break down the barriers and make government work for you. You deserve it.

If you are a friend or family member, please share this guide with a veteran, guardsmen, or reservist you love. And if you are still on Active Duty, we've added a new section for you. So hold onto this guide, you may need it when you make this great state your home!

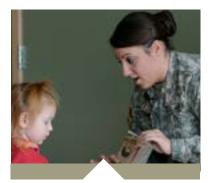
Join me in making sure that every veteran knows that when North Carolina says "Welcome Home" we mean it.

Welcome Home Heroes, and may God continue to bless America!

Pat McCrory, Governor

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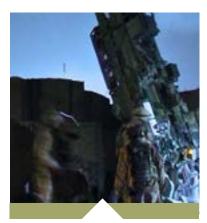
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**EMPLOYMENT** 

North Carolina offers a variety of employment services and benefits to veterans who are unemployed or seeking employment.

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**VA BENEFITS** 

Veterans and their dependents may be eligible for various benefits administered by the VA. 51



**HEALTHCARE** 

NC4VETS serves as the hub for referrals to Federal VA. State and Local health care resources. NC4VETS programs also include 4 State Veterans Homes across North Carolina to serve our veterans requiring long-term care.



**EDUCATION** 

As a veteran, there are education benefits available which you may use for a wide variety of approved education and training programs, including: apprenticeship and on-the-job training, college degree and certificate programs, flight training, and correspondence courses.

If there is a Service out there for our Veterans,

we want to connect you to it, fulfilling our pledge of...

"Making North Carolina the Most Veteran Friendly State in America"



**HOMELESS** TO HOUSING

Through partnerships with Federal, State and Local providers, NC4VETS is your one-stop-shop to ensure that all veterans and their families are aware of the many options available to fulfill all of their emergency or home ownership needs.

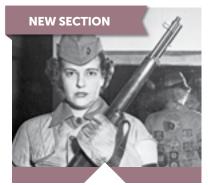
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**PERSONAL** 

We provide benefits counseling and referral services to veterans and their families in order to provide them with accurate information on the entire range of issues associated with veterans' benefits, entitlements, and State services.

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**WOMEN'S** 

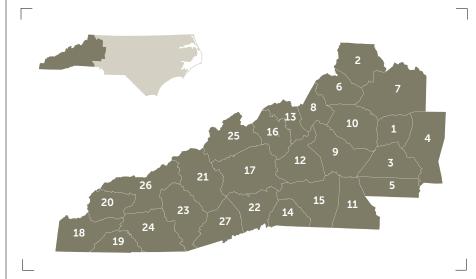
Women veterans are a vital part of the North Carolina veteran community.

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North Carolina is home to the 4th largest military population in the United States.

#### **SERVICES / MOUNTAIN REGION**



#### **MOUNTAIN REGION**

- 1) ALEXANDER
- **2)** ASHE
- 3) CATAWBA
- 4) IREDELL
- 5) LINCOLN
- 6) WATAUGA
- 7) WILKES
- 8) AVERY
- 9) BURKE
- 10) CALDWELL
- 11) CLEVELAND
- 12) MCDOWELL
- 13) MITCHELL
- **14)** POLK

- 15) RUTHERFORD
- 16) YANCEY
- 17) BUNCOMBE
- 18) CHEROKEE
- **19)** CLAY
- 20) GRAHAM
- 21) HAYWOOD
- 22) HENDERSON
- 23) JACKSON
- 24) MACON
- 25) MADISON
- **26)** SWAIN
- 27) TRANSYLVANIA

# **CENTERS**

#### 1/ ALEXANDER COUNTY

604 7th St., SW. Taylorsville, NC 28681 (828) 632-4631

#### 2/ ASHE COUNTY

626 Ashe Central School Rd. Unit 5 Jefferson, NC 28640 (336) 982-5627

#### 3/ CATAWBA COUNTY

3301 Hwy. 70 SE. Newton, NC 28658 (828) 466-5535

#### 4/ IREDELL COUNTY

133 Island Ford Road Statesville, NC 28625 (704) 878-4241

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532 Patterson Ave. Ste. 170 Mooresville, NC 28115 (704) 360-8067

#### 5/ LINCOLN COUNTY

529 North Aspen St. Lincolnton, NC 28092 (704) 735-8035

#### 6/ WATAUGA COUNTY

130 Poplar Grove Conn. Boone, NC 28607 (828) 265-5385

#### 7/ WILKES COUNTY

103 Call St. Ext Wilkesborro, NC 28697 (336) 838-5164

#### 8/ AVERY COUNTY

428 Pineola St. Newland, NC 28659 (828) 466-5535

#### 9/ BURKE COUNTY

720 East Union Morganton, NC 28655 (828) 438-6161

#### 10/ CALDWELL COUNTY

1909 Hickory Blvd. Lenoir, NC 28645 (828) 759-4680

#### 11/ CLEVELAND COUNTY

404 East Marion St. Shelby, NC 28150 (704) 480-5414

#### 12/ MCDOWELL COUNTY

316 Baldwin Ave. Marion, NC 28752 (828) 652-7131

#### 13/ MITCHELL COUNTY

200 Mayland Drive Spruce Pine, NC 28777 (828) 766-1195

#### 15/ RUTHERFORD COUNTY

233 Charlotte Rd. Rutherfordton, NC 28139 (828) 286-3042

#### 16/ YANCEY COUNTY

1040-L East US Hwy. 19E Suite 2 Burnsville, NC 28714 (828) 682-6618

#### 17/ BUNCOMBE COUNTY

48 Grove St. Asheville, NC 28801 (828) 251-6200

#### 18/ CHEROKEE COUNTY

800 US Hwy. 64 Murphy, NC 28906 (828) 837-7407

#### 20/ GRAHAM COUNTY

347 Rodney Orr Bypass Robbinsville, NC 28771 (828) 479-3376

#### 21/ HAYWOOD COUNTY

1170 North Main St. Waynesville, NC 28786 (828) 456-6061

#### 22/ HENDERSON COUNTY

26 Francis Road Hendersonville, NC 28792 (828) 693-1703

#### 22/ HENDERSON COUNTY

180 West Campus Drive Flat Rock, NC 28043 Job Links # (828) 694-1755

#### 23/ JACKSON COUNTY

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#### 24/ MACON COUNTY

5 W. Main St. Courthouse Annex Franklin, NC 28734 (828) 494-2521

#### 25/ MADISON COUNTY **AB TECH**

4646 US Highway 25-70 Marshall, NC 28753 (828) 782-2632

#### **26/ SWAIN COUNTY**

50 Main St. Bryson City, NC 28713 (828) 488-2149

#### 27/ TRANSYLVANIA

45 Oak Park Drive Brevard, NC 28712 (828) 883-2550

## VETERAN SERVICE OFFICES

#### 1/ ALEXANDER COUNTY

621 Liledoun Road Taylorsville, NC 28681 (828) 632-5411

#### 1/ ALEXANDER COUNTY

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#### 2/ ASHE COUNTY

150 Government Circle Suite 2100 Jefferson, NC 28640 (336) 846-5575



### **BLACK MOUNTAIN STATE VETERANS** HOME

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**62 LAKE EDEN ROAD BLACK MOUNTAIN, NC** 28711 828-257-6800



#### 3/ HICKORY VSC

1985 Tate Blvd. S.E. Suite 113 Hickory, NC 28602 (828) 322-6616

#### 3/ CATAWBA COUNTY

100-A SW Blvd. Newton, NC 28658 (828) 465-8255

#### 4/ IREDELL COUNTY

202 S. Center St. Statesville, NC 28677 (M,T,TH,F)(704) 878-3135

#### 4/ IREDELL COUNTY

610 E Center Ave. Mooresville, NC 28115 (704) 664-3869 (W only) Statesville office (704) 878-3135 (M,T,TH,F)

#### 5/ LINCOLN COUNTY

206 Gamble Drive Suite A Lincolnton, NC 28092 (704) 736-8506

#### 6/ WATAUGA COUNTY

331 Queen St., Suite C. Boone, NC 28607 (828) 265-8065

#### 7/ WILKES COUNTY

108 North St. Wilkesboro, NC 28697 (336) 651-7327

#### **8/ AVERY COUNTY**

175 Linville St. Newland, NC 28657 (828) 733-8211

#### 9/ MORGANTON VSC

301 East Meeting St. Suite 2 Morganton, NC 28655 (828) 430-7136

#### 9/ BURKE COUNTY

501 North Green St. Morganton, NC 28655 (828) 439-4376

#### 10/ CALDWELL COUNTY

905 West Ave. NW Lenoir, NC 28645 (828) 757-1345

#### 11/ CLEVELAND COUNTY

County Admin. Blda. 311 E. Marion St. Shelby, NC 28150 (704) 484-4803

#### 12/ MCDOWELL COUNTY

100 Spaulding Road Marion, NC 28752 Call (828) 659-0821

#### 13/ MITCHELL COUNTY

130 Forest Service Dr. Suite C Bakersville, NC 28705 (828) 688-2200

#### 14/ POLK COUNTY

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#### 15/ RUTHERFORD COUNTY

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#### **16/ YANCEY COUNTY**

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#### 17/ ASHEVILLE VAMC VSC

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#### 17/ BUNCOMBE COUNTY

199 College St. Asheville, NC 28802 (828) 250-5726

#### 17/ CANTON VSC

120 Main St. Canton, NC 28716 (828) 646-6937

#### 18/ CHEROKEE COUNTY

75 Peachtree St. Murphy, NC 28906 (828) 835-8663

#### 19/ CLAY COUNTY

54 Church St. Hayesville, NC 28904 (828) 389-3355

#### 20/ GRAHAM COUNTY

12 North Main St. Robbinsville, NC 28771 (828) 479-6208

#### 21/ HAYWOOD COUNTY

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#### 23/ JACKSON COUNTY

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#### 24/ MACON COUNTY

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#### 24/ FRANKLIN CBOC

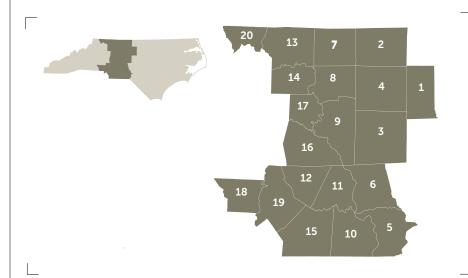
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#### **SERVICES / PIEDMONT REGION**



#### PIEDMONT REGION

1) ALAMANCE

2) ROCKINGHAM

3) RANDOLPH

4) GUILFORD

5) RICHMOND

6) MONTGOMERY

7) STOKES

8) FORSYTH

9) DAVIDSON

**10)** ANSON

11) STANLY

12) CABARRUS

**13)** SURRY

14) YADKIN

**15)** UNION

16) ROWAN

**17)** DAVIE

18) GASTON

19) MECKLENBURG

20) ALLEGHANY

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#### 1/ ALAMANCE COUNTY

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#### 2/ ROCKINGHAM COUNTY

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#### 3/ RANDOLPH COUNTY

600 South Fayetteville St. Asheboro, NC 27203 (336) 625-5128

#### 3/ RANDOLPH COUNTY

629 Industrial Park Ave Asheboro, NC 27203 (336) 625-5128

#### 4/ GUILFORD COUNTY

313 North Raleigh St. Greensboro, NC 27401 (336) 373-5922

#### 4/ GUILFORD COUNTY

2301 W. Meadowview Rd. Greensboro, NC 27406 (336) 297-9444

#### 4/ GUILFORD COUNTY

607 Idol St. High Point, NC 27261 (336) 882-4141

#### 5/ RICHMOND COUNTY

115 W. Franklin St. Rockingham, NC 28379 (910) 997-9180

#### 6/ MONTGOMERY COUNTY

1011 Page St. Troy, NC 27371 (910) 572-3641

#### 8/ FORSYTH COUNTY

450 West Hanes Mills Rd. Suite 101 Winston Salem, NC 27105 (336) 776-6720

#### 8/ FORSYTH COUNTY

NW 2701 University Pkwy. Winston Salem, NC 27105 (336) 724-3625

#### 9/ DAVIDSON COUNTY

211 West Colonial Drive Thomasville, NC 27360 (336) 472-3116

#### 9/ DAVIDSON COUNTY

555 W. Center St. Lexington, NC 27292 (336) 242-2065

#### 10/ ANSON COUNTY

514 N. Washington St. Wadesboro, NC 28170 (704) 694-6551

#### 11/ STANLY COUNTY

2215 US Hwy. 52 N. Albemarle, NC 28001 (704) 982-2183

#### 12/ CABARRUS COUNTY

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#### 13/ SURRY COUNTY

541 West Pine St., Ste. 300 Mt. Airy, NC 27030 (336) 786-4169

#### 14/ YADKIN COUNTY

223 E. Main St. Yadkinville, NC 27055 (336) 312-9660

#### 15/ UNION COUNTY

1125 Skyway Drive Monroe, NC 28110 (704) 283-7541

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1904 South Main St. Salisbury, NC 28114 (704) 639-7529

#### **16/ ROWAN COUNTY**

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#### 17/ DAVIE COUNTY

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#### 18/ GASTON COUNTY

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#### 18/ GASTON COUNTY

1391 Bessemer City Rd. Gastonia, NC 28052 (704) 853-5328

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#### 19/ MECKLENBURG COUNTY

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#### 3/ RANDOLPH COUNTY

158 Worth St. Asheboro, NC 27203 (336) 318-6909

#### 4/ GUILFORD COUNTY

201 W. Market St. Suite 108 Greensboro, NC 27401 (336) 641-2957/2958





### **VETERANS CRISIS LINE** 800.273.8255



#### INTERACTIVE WEB VERSION

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#### **SALISBURY STATE VETERANS HOME**

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#### 4/ GUILFORD COUNTY

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#### 5/ RICHMOND COUNTY

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#### **6/ MONTGOMERY COUNTY**

203-A West Main St. Troy, NC 27371 (910) 576-4711

#### 7/ STOKES COUNTY

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913 Greensboro St. Suite 101 Lexington, NC 27292 (336) 242-2037

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111 North Greene St. Wadesboro, NC 28170 (704) 694-4418

#### 11/ STANLY COUNTY

1000 N. First St. Suite 6 Albemarle, NC 28001 (704) 986-3694

#### 12/ CABARRUS COUNTY

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#### 13/ SURRY COUNTY

1218 State St. Suite 700 Mt. Airy, NC 27030 (336) 783-8820

#### 14/ YADKIN COUNTY

101 State St. Courthouse, Room 105 Yadkinville, NC 27055 (336) 679-8209

#### 15/ UNION COUNTY

County Building 407 N. Main St. Monroe, NC 28112 (704) 283-3807

#### 16/ ROWAN COUNTY

1935 Jake Alexander Blvd. Salisbury, NC 28147 (704) 216-8130/8139

#### 16/ SALISBURY VAMC VSC

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#### 17/ DAVIE COUNTY

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#### 18/ GASTON COUNTY

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#### 19/ CHARLOTTE VSC

(704) 563-2037

5500 Executive Center Dr. Suite 132 Charlotte, NC 28212

#### 19/ MECKLENBURG COUNTY

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#### 20/ ALLEGHANY COUNTY

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#### 9/ KERNERSVILLE HCC

1695 Kernersville Medical Pkwy Kernersville, NC 27284 (336) 515-5000

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#### 9/ GREENSBORO VET CENTER

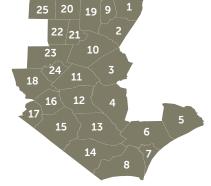
3515 W. Market St. Suite 120 Greensboro, NC 27406 (336) 333-5366

#### 19/ CHARLOTTE VET CENTER

2114 Ben Craig Dr. Suite 300 Charlotte, NC 28262 (704) 549-8025

#### SERVICES / CENTRAL REGION





#### ☐ CENTRAL REGION

1) WARREN

2) FRANKLIN

3) JOHNSTON

4) SAMPSON

5) ONSLOW

6) PENDER

7) NEW HANOVER

8) BRUNSWICK

9) VANCE

**10)** WAKE

11) HARNETT

12) CUMBERLAND

13) BLADEN

14) COLUMBUS

15) ROBESON

**16)** HOKE

17) SCOTLAND

**18)** MOORE

19) GRANVILLE

20) PERSON

21) DURHAM

22) ORANGE

23) CHATHAM

24) LEE

25) CASWELL

#### 1/ WARREN COUNTY

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#### 3/ JOHNSTON COUNTY

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#### 4/ SAMPSON COUNTY

115 North Blvd. Clinton, NC 28328 (919) 592-5756

#### 5/ ONSLOW COUNTY

461 Western Blvd. Suite 106 Jacksonville, NC 28540 (910) 347-2121

#### 6/ PENDER COUNTY

904-A South Walker St. Burgaw, NC 28425 (910) 259-0240

#### 7/ NEW HANOVER COUNTY

717 Market St. Wilmington, NC 28401 (910) 251-5777

#### 8/ BRUNSWICK COUNTY

5300-7 Main St. Shallote, NC 28470 (910) 754-6120

#### 9/ VANCE COUNTY

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#### 10/ WAKE COUNTY

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#### 10/ WAKE COUNTY

220 Swinburne St. Raleigh, NC 27610 (919) 250-3770

#### 10/ WAKE COUNTY

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#### 10/ WAKE COUNTY

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#### **10/ WAKE COUNTY**

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#### **10/ WAKE COUNTY**

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#### 11/ HARNETT COUNTY

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#### 12/ CUMBERLAND COUNTY

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#### 12/ CUMBERLAND COUNTY

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#### 13/ BLADEN COUNTY

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#### 14/ COLUMBUS COUNTY

4564 Chadbourrn Hwy. Whiteville, NC 28472 (910) 642-7141

#### 14/ COLUMBUS COUNTY

913 Jefferson St. Whiteville, NC 28472 (910) 642-0146

#### 15/ ROBESON COUNTY

289 Corporate Dr. Lumberton, NC 28358 (910) 618-5500

#### 16/ HOKE COUNTY

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#### 17/ SCOTLAND COUNTY

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#### 18/ MOORE COUNTY

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#### 19/ GRANVILLE COUNTY

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#### 20/ PERSON COUNTY

303 S. Morgan St. Roxsboro, NC 27573 (336) 599-3109

#### 21/ DURHAM

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#### 21/ DURHAM COUNTY

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#### 22/ ORANGE COUNTY

503 West Franklin St. Chapel Hill, NC 27516 (919) 968-2031

#### 23/ CHATHAM COUNTY

225 East Beaver St. Siler City, NC 27344 (919) 742-7454

#### 23/ CHATHAM COUNTY

764 West St. Pittsboro, NC 27312 (919) 545-8054

#### 24/ LEE COUNTY

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#### 25/ CASWELL COUNTY

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#### 1/ WARREN COUNTY

109 S. Main St. Warrenton, NC 27589 (252) 257-3385

#### 2/ FRANKLIN COUNTY

113 South Main St. Ste. 103 Louisburg, NC 27549 (919) 496-1939

#### 3/ JOHNSTON COUNTY

309 E. Main St. Smithfield, NC 27577 (919) 989-5067



#### 4/ SAMPSON COUNTY

335 County Complex Rd, Bldg D, Clinton, NC 28328 (919) 592-2862

#### 5/ ONSLOW COUNTY

234 NW Corridor Blvd. Jacksonville, NC 28540. (910) 347-3309

#### **6/ PENDER COUNTY**

15060 US Hwy. 17 N Suite 107 Hampstead, NC 28443 (910) 270-5005

#### 6/ PENDER COUNTY

805 S. Walker St. Burgaw, NC 28425 (910) 259-1203

#### 7/ WILMINGTON VSC

3205 Randall Prkwy. Suite 102 Wilmington, NC 28403 (910) 251-5704

#### 7/ NEW HANOVER COUNTY

230 Government Center Dr. Suite 36 Wilmington, NC 28403 (910) 798-7611

#### 7/ WILMINGTON HCC + VSC

1705 Gardner Dr. Wilmington, NC 28405 (910) 251-5704

#### 8/ BRUNSWICK COUNTY

#10 Referendum Dr. NE Building F. Bolivia, NC 28422 (910) 253-2233

#### 9/ VANCE COUNTY

300 South Garnett St. Rm. 115 Henderson, NC 27536 (252) 438-4619

#### **10/ WAKE COUNTY**

3000 Falstaff Rd. Raleigh, NC 27610 (919) 212-8387

#### 11/ HARNETT COUNTY

817 S. 8th St, Lillington, NC 27546 (910) 893-7574

#### 12/ FAYETTEVILLE VSC

2301 Robeson Plaza Suite 103, Fayetteville, NC 28305 (910) 488-6252

#### 12/ CUMBERLAND COUNTY

301 E. Russell St. Fayetteville, NC 28301 (910) 677-2970

#### 12/ FT. BRAGG SSC

2843 Normandy Dr. Bldg. 3-4-2843, Rm. BB33 (910) 908-3482

#### 13/ BLADEN COUNTY

301 S. Cypress St. Elizabethtown, NC 28337 (910) 862-6781

#### 14/ COLUMBUS COUNTY

805 Pincknev St. Whiteville, NC 28472 (910) 640-6638

#### 15/ ROBESON COUNTY

113 W. Eighth St. Lumberton, NC 28358 (910) 671-3070

#### **16/ HOKE COUNTY**

129 West Elwood Ave. Raeford, NC 28376 (910) 875-2147

#### 17/ SCOTLAND COUNTY

507 W. Covington St. Laurinburg, NC 28352 (910) 277-2597

#### **18/ MOORE COUNTY**

707 Pinehurst Ave. Carthage, NC 28327 (910) 947-3257

#### 19/ GRANVILLE COUNTY

107 Lenier St. Oxford, NC 27565 (919) 693-1484

#### 20/ PERSON COUNTY

325 South Morgan St. Roxboro, NC 27573 (336) 597-7891

#### 21/ DURHAM COUNTY

414 East Main St. Durham, NC 27701 (919) 560-8387

#### 21/ DURHAM VSC

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#### 21/DURHAM VAMC VSC

508 Fulton St. Area C, 10th flr. Rm:C10019 (919) 286-0411 ext. 6604

#### 22/ ORANGE COUNTY

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#### 23/ CHATHAM COUNTY

65 E. Chatham St.. Pittsboro, NC 27312 (919) 542-8202 Veterans service officer available

1st Thursday of Each Month

#### 23/ CHATHAM COUNTY

1105 E. Cardinal St. Siler City, NC 27312 (919) 642-6994 Vets Service Officer: 2nd Thursday of month

#### 24/ LEE COUNTY

1615 South Third St. Sanford, NC 27330 (919) 776-0501 ext. 2209

#### 25/ CASWELL COUNTY

Social Services Bldg. Yanceyville, NC 27379 (336) 694-4141 Vets Service Officer: 1st Tuesday & 4th Weds of month



#### 2/ FRANKIN CBOC

647 Waya St. Franklin, NC 28734 (828) 369-1781

#### 5/ JACKSONVILLE CBOC

4006 Henderson Dr. Jacksonville, NC 28546 (910) 353-6406

#### 5/ JACKSONVILE II CBOC

306 Brynn Marr Rd. Jacksonville, NC 28546 (910) 343-5301

#### 7/ WILMINGTON HCC

1705 Gardner Rd. Wilmington, NC 28405 (910) 343-5300

#### 8/ BRUNSWICK CBOC

20 Medical Campus Dr. Supply, NC 28462 (910) 754-6141

#### 10/ RALEIGH I CBOC

3305 Sungate Blvd. Raleigh, NC 27610 (919) 212-0129

#### 10/ RALEIGH II CBOC

3040 Hammond Business Pl. Suite 105 Raleigh, NC 27603 (919) 899-6259 (919) 361-6419

#### 12/ FAYETTEVILLE VAMC

2300 Ramsey St. Fayetteville, NC 28301 (910) 488-2120

#### 12/ FAYETTEVILLE HCC

7300 S. Raeford Road Fayetteville, NC 28304 (910) 488-2120

#### 15/ ROBESON CO. CBOC

139 Three Hunts Dr. Pembroke, NC 28372 (910) 272-3220

#### 21/ DURHAM VAMC

508 Fulton St. Durham, NC 27705 (888) 878-6890

#### 21/ HILLANDALE I

1824 Hillandale Rd. Durham, NC 27705 (919) 383-6107

#### 21/ HILLANDALE II

1830 Hillandale Rd. Durham, NC 27705 (919) 642-6994



#### 5/ COASTAL CAROLINA STATE **VETERANS CEMETERY**

110 Monford Point Rd. Jacksonville, NC 28541 (910) 347-4550

#### 12/ SANDHILLS STATE **VETERANS CEMETERY**

8220 Bragg Blvd. Ft. Bragg, NC 28310 (910) 436-5630



#### 5/ JACKSONVILLE VET CENTER

110A Branchwood Dr. Jacksonville, NC 28546 (910) 577-1116

#### 10/ RALEIGH VET CENTER

8851 Ellstree Ln. Ste.122 Raleigh, NC 27617 (919) 361-6419

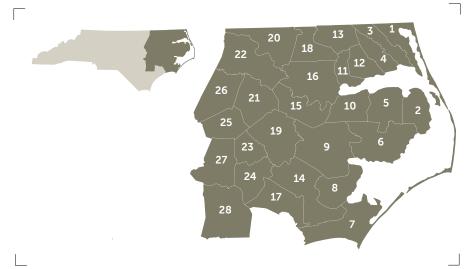
#### 12/ FAYETTEVILLE VET CENTER

4140 Ramsey St., Suite 110 Fayetteville, NC 28311 (910) 488-6252

#### 12/ FAYETTEVILLE VET CENTER

2307 Robeson Plaza, Ste. 103 Fayetteville, NC 28305, (910) 488-6252

#### SERVICES / COASTAL REGION



#### **COASTAL REGION**

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2) DARE

3) CAMDEN

4) PASQUOTANK

5) TYRRELL

6) HYDE

7) CARTERET

8) PAMLICO

9) BEAUFORT

10) WASHINGTON

11) CHOWAN

12) PERQUIMANS

**13)** GATES

14) CRAVEN

15) MARTIN

16) BERTIE

**17)** JONES

18) HERTFORD

**19)** PITT

20) NORTHAMPTON

21) EDGECOMBE

22) HALIFAX

23) GREENE

24) LENOIR

25) WILSON

**26)** NASH

**27)** WAYNE

28) DUPLIN

#### 2/ DARE COUNTY

2522 South Croatan Hwy. Nags Head, NC 27959 (252) 480-3500

#### 4/ PASQUOTANK COUNTY

422 Mcarthur St. Elizabeth City, NC 27909 (252) 331-4798

#### 7/ CARTERET COUNTY

309 Commerce Ave. Morehead City, NC 28557 (252) 726-7151

#### 8/ PAMLICO COUNTY

705 Main St. Bayboro, NC 28515 (252) 745-9934

#### 9/ BEAUFORT COUNTY

1385 John Small Ave. Washington, NC 27889 (252) 946-3116

#### 11/ CHOWAN COUNTY

800 N. Oakum St. Edenton, NC 27932 (252) 482-2195

#### 14/ CRAVEN COUNTY

2836 Neuse Blvd. New Bern, NC 28560 (252) 514-4828

#### 15/ MARTIN COUNTY

407 East Blvd. Williamston, NC 27892 (252) 792-7816

#### 16/ BERTIE COUNTY

128 E. Granville St. Windsor, NC 27983 (252) 794-5616

#### 17/ JONES COUNTY

509 NC Hwy. 58 North Trenton, NC 28585 (252) 448-4791

#### 18/ HERTFORD COUNTY

109 Community College Rd. Ahoskie, NC 27910 (252) 862-1257

#### 19/ PITT COUNTY

3101 Bismark St. Greenville, NC 27834 (252) 355-9067

#### 21/ EDGECOMBE COUNTY

110 Fountain Park Dr. Battleboro, NC 27809 (252) 977-3306

#### 22/ HALIFAX COUNTY

1620 East 10th St. Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870 (252) 537-4188

#### 23/ GREENE COUNTY

818 Highway 91 North Snow Hill, NC 28580 (252) 747-5689

#### 24/ LENOIR COUNTY

231 Hwy. 58 South Lonoir Comm. College Bullock Building Kinston, NC 28501 (252) 526-4435

#### 25/ WILSON COUNTY

302 Tarboro St. Wilson, NC 27893 (252) 234-1129

#### **27/ WAYNE COUNTY**

2006 Wayne Memorial Dr. Goldsboro, NC 27534 (919) 731-7950

#### 28/ DUPLIN COUNTY

192 Magnolia Exit Keanansville, NC 28349 (910) 296-1478

# OFFICES

#### 2/ DARE COUNTY

954 Marshall Collins Dr. Manteo, NC 27954 (252) 475-5604

#### 4/ ELIZABETH CITY VSC

1023 U.S. 17 South Suite 2 Elizabeth City, NC 27909 (252) 331-4741

#### 5/ TYRRELL COUNTY

801 Main St. Columbia, NC 27925 (252) 796-3251

#### 6/ HYDE COUNTY

30 Oyster Creek Rd. Swan Quarter, NC 27885 (252) 926-5280

#### 7/ CARTERET COUNTY

3710-B John Platt Dr. Morehead City, NC 28557 (252) 728-8440

#### 8/ PAMLICO COUNTY

828 Alliance Main St. Bayboro, NC 28515 (252) 745-4086

#### 9/ BEAUFORT COUNTY

1308 Highland Dr. Suite 104 Washington, NC 27889 (252) 946-8016

#### 10/ WASHINGTON COUNTY

112 Latham Ave. Plymouth, NC 27889 (252) 799-9764

#### 11/ CHOWAN COUNTY

100 Court St. Edenton, NC 27932 (252) 482-1033





### **VETERANS CRISIS LINE 800.273.8255**



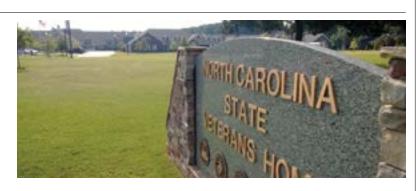
#### INTERACTIVE WEB VERSION

An interactive version of this resource map is available at: www.nc4vets.com/guide

#### **KINSTON STATE VETERANS HOME**

2150 HULL ROAD KINSTON, NC 28504 252-939-8000

**LEARN MORE ABOUT THE** KINSTON STATE **HOME FOR VETERANS ON PAGE 77** 



#### 13/ GATES COUNTY

112 Court St. Gatesville, NC 27938 252-357-1400

#### 12/ PERQUIMANS COUNTY

104 Dobb St. Hertford NC 27944 (252) 426-1796

#### 14/ CRAVEN COUNTY

2818 Neuse Blvd. Suite 15 New Bern, NC 28562 (252) 636-6611

#### 15/ MARTIN COUNTY

205 E. Main St. Williamston, NC 27892 (252) 789-4398

#### **16/ BERTIE COUNTY**

106 Dundee St. Windsor, NC 27983 (252) 794-5304

#### 17/ JONES COUNTY

389 Highway 58 South Trenton, NC 28585 (252) 448-1121

#### 18/ HERTFORD COUNTY

704 North King St. Winton, NC 27986 (252) 358-7811

#### 19/ GREENVILLE VSC

3740 South Evans St. Suite A Greenville, NC 27858 (252) 355-9052

#### 19/ GREENVILLE VSC & HCC

401 Moye Blvd. Greenville, NC 27834 (252) 830-2149 Ext. 3680

#### 19/ PITT COUNTY

1717 West 5th St. Greenville, NC 27834 (252) 902-3090

#### 20/ NORTHAMPTON COUNTY

100 West Jefferson St. Jackson, NC 27845 (252) 534-2621

#### 21/ EDGECOMBE COUNTY

201 St. Andrews St. Tarboro, NC 27886 In Office W. & F. only (252) 641-7846

#### 22/ HALIFAX COUNTY

26 North King St. Halifax, NC 27839 (252) 583-1688 Option 1 Ext. 2263

#### 22/ KINSTON VSC

1136 Hwy. 258 N. Suite 101 Kinston, NC 28504 (252) 522-5050

#### 23/ GREENE COUNTY

229 Kingold Blvd. Snow Hill, NC 28580 (252) 747-7320

#### 25/ WILSON VSC

113 E. Nash St. Suite 404 Wilson, NC 27893 (252) 237-2422

#### 26/ NASH COUNTY

110 Fountain Park Dr. (Monday only) Battleboro, NC 27809 (252) 977-3350

#### 26/ NASH COUNTY

Claude B. Mayo Admin. Bldg. 120 W. Washington St, 3rd Flr Nashville, NC 27856 (Tuesday and Thursday only) (252) 462-2719/2720

#### 27/ WAYNE COUNTY

2001 E. Ash St., Suite D Goldsboro, NC 27530 (919) 731-1490

#### 28/ DUPLIN COUNTY

169 Mallard St. Kenansville, NC 28349 (910) 296-2114

#### 4/ ELIZABETH CITY CBOC

1845 W. City Dr. Elizabeth City, NC 27909 (757) 722-9961

#### 7/ MOREHEAD CITY CBOC

5420 Hwy. 70 Morehead City, NC 28557 (252) 240-2349

#### 19/ GREENVILLE HCC

401 Moye Blvd. Greenville, NC 27834 (252) 830-2149

#### 27/ GOLDSBORO CBOC

2610 Hospital Rd. Goldsboro, NC 27534 (919) 731-4809



#### 27/ EASTERN CAROLINA STATE VETERANS CEMETERY-**GOLDSBORO**

164 Longs Plant Farm Rd. Goldsboro, NC 27544 (919) 807-4250



#### 19/ GREENVILLE VET CENTER

1021 W.H. Smith Blvd. Suite 100 Greenville, NC 27834 (252) 355-7920

\*National VA Cemetery in New Bern is at capacity





In 2015 alone,

### **REACHED OVER 1.800**

veterans, service members and their families, requesting

#### **NEARLY 3,000 SERVICES**



Memorandum of Understanding with **VETERANS AFFAIRS' CENTER** FOR INNOVATION

Live in NC Metrolina, NYC, and PA Greater Pittsburgh regions, and preparing to establish 5 NEW COMMUNITY



### **HOW AMERICASERVES WORKS**

AmericaServes is a coordinated network of services, resources, and care, that provides direct access for veterans, service members, and their families. The local Coordination Center (human element supporting the Network) coordinates referrals, and the **technology platform** records updates and data in a secure way, allowing providers to refer clients for multiple services, and track referral progress when convenient for them.



Veteran, service member or family accesses the Network via a participating provider, online website, or the Coordination Center, and requests one or more services.



The Coordination Center performs an intake to understand the client's needs, then creates a referral and sends it to an appropriate provider that can meet the client's needs and eligibility requirements.



The provider connects with the client and provides the services they need. Throughout this process, they also update the case file on the Network's platform.



The Coordination Center closely monitors the referral until the client's needs are meet.

# **AmericaServes**

**HOW AMERICASERVES HELPS ORGANIZATIONS** 

**Providers** are able to refer clients they are unable to serve to receive the care they need, without taking on the time burden associated with linking to another provider and following up with the client - the Coordination Center performs these functions

Funders are able to be part of a larger, nationwide collaborative, and track the return on their investment through robust data and outcome measures

#### PHILANTHROPIC AND CORPORATE PARTNERS

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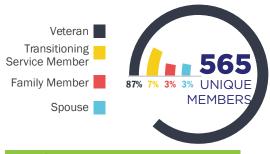




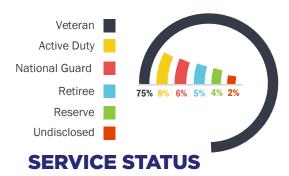
Metrolina\*(Charlotte) Raleigh/Durham coming soon with more North Carolina sites on the way

#### DATA FROM AMERICASERVES' NCSERVES COORDINATED NETWORK

#### **UNIQUE MEMBERS**



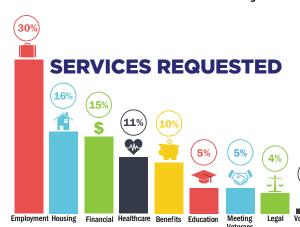
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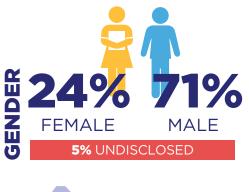


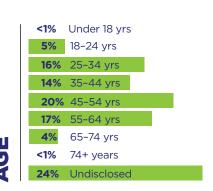


#### **NCServes**—Metrolina offers

comprehensive coordinated services. resources, and care to veterans, service members and their families, and provides real time insights into the demographics and needs of the community.



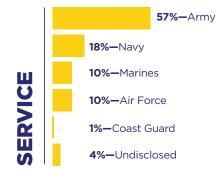




Sports & Disability

Family











# Stay in the Fight!



Become a member today!



### Department of North Carolina

P.O. Box 28146 | Raleigh, NC 27611-8146 Toll free: 888-432-8838 | Fax: 919-832-1692 www.dav.org

Benefits Counseling | Transition Support | Volunteer Programs | Employment Assistance



### North Carolina National Guard

Integrated Behavioral Health System



CALL ANYTIME

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# NC GOVERNMENT IS THE LARGEST SINGLE EMPLOYER IN THE STATE, AND WE WANT YOU!

#### **VETERAN PREFERENCE**

Veterans and disabled veterans receive preference when applying for state, county and local government jobs in North Carolina.

### PREFERENCE FOR FEDERAL JOBS

### 5-POINT VETERAN PREFERENCE

Veterans who provide proof of their veteran status when applying for public employment will receive a 5-point preference. This preference is added to the total possible points based on your qualifications for the job. This preference is also applicable when being considered for promotions.

#### 10-POINT DISABLED VETERAN PREFERENCE

Disabled veterans who provide proof of their service connected disability when applying for a government job will receive a 10-point preference.

#### **DOCUMENTATION**

To prove your veteran status, please provide a copy of your DD-214 and/or service connected disability rating letter from the VA.

# VETERANS, NORTH CAROLINA WANTS YOU!



"It shall be the policy of the State of North Carolina that, in appreciation for their service to this State and this country during a period of war, and in recognition of the time and advantage lost toward the pursuit of a civilian career, veterans shall be granted preference in employment with every State department, agency, and institution." ~NCGS§ 126-80, Article 13

#### HERE ARE SEVERAL STATE AGENCIES LOOKING TO HIRE YOU!

#### **ADMINISTRATION**

www.doa.state.nc.us/hrm/

#### COMMERCE

www.nccommerce.com/workforce

### HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

ncdhhs.gov/dss/jobs/index.htm

#### **PUBLIC INSTRUCTION**

www.ncpublicschools.org/ work4ncschools/employment/

#### **PUBLIC SAFETY**

www.ncdps.gov/

#### **TRANSPORTATION**

www.ncdot.gov/careers/

### OFFICE OF STATE HUMAN RESOURCES

http://www.oshr.nc.gov/

AND MANY MORE! GO TO NCWORKS.GOV FOR YOUR COMPLETE JOBS RESOURCE ON PAGE 29.

# **NORTH CAROLINA WANTS TO MAKE IT EASIER FOR YOU TO PUT YOUR SKILLS TO WORK!**

#### MILITARY TRAINING TO NC OCCUPATIONAL EMPLOYMENT

NC is now offering Veterans with certain Military Occupation Specialty (MOS) credit toward several NC License occupations. In reference to NC General Assembly Session Law 2014-67, License Boards representing several NC license occupations have been required to provide a process to recognize military training in pursuing a licensed occupation in NC.

**ACUPUNCTURIST** 

NC Acupuncture Licensing **Board** 

Tel: (919)773-0530

#### ADULT CARE ADMINISTRATOR

DHHS, Division of Facility Services

Tel: (919)855-3765

#### **AERIAL PESTICIDE APPLICATOR**

NC Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services Food and **Drug Protection Division** Tel: (919)733-3313

#### AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL TOWER OPERATOR, AIRCRAFT **DISPATCHER, AIRCRAFT REPAIR** PERSON, AIRCRAFT MECHANIC

Federal Aviation Administration Tel: (202)366-4000

#### ALARM INSTALLER, ALARM SYSTEM BUSINESS LICENSEE

NC Alarm Systems Licensing Board Tel: (919)788-5320

#### **ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE** DISTRIBUTOR/VENDOR **REPRESENTATIVE**

NC ABC Commission Tel: (919)779-0700

#### **ANESTHESIOLOGIST ASSISTANT**

NC Medical Board Tel: (919)326-1100

#### APPRENTICE AUCTIONEER

NC Auctioneer Licensing Board Tel: (919)567-2844

#### **ARCHITECT**

NC Board of Architecture Tel: (919)733-9544

#### ARMED SECURITY GUARD

NC Department of Justice Private Protective Services Board Tel: (919)788-5320

#### ATHLETIC AGENT

NC Dept. Secretary of State Solicitation Licensing Tel: (919)807-2214

#### ATHLETIC TRAINER

NC Board of Athletic Trainer **Examiners** Tel: (919)821-4980

#### **ATTORNEY**

NC Board of Law Examiners Tel: (919)828-4229

#### **AUCTIONEER**

NC Auctioneer Licensing Board Tel: (919)567-2844

#### **AUDIOLOGIST**

NC Board of Examiners for Speech and Language Pathologists and Audiologists Tel: (336)272-1828

#### **AUTOMOTIVE DEALER, SALES**

NC Department of Transportation Division of Motor Vehicles, Dealer Section Tel: (919)715-7000

#### **BAIL BOND RUNNER**

NC Department of Insurance Special Services Division Tel: (919)807-6800

#### BARBER, BARBER INSTRUCTOR

NC State Board of **Barber Examiners** Tel: (919)981-5210

#### **BOARDING KENNEL OPERATOR**

NC Department of Agriculture & **Consumer Services** Tel: (919)733-7125

#### **BOILER INSPECTOR**

NC Department of Labor Raleigh, NC 27699 Tel: (919)807-2768

#### BOXING/KICKBOXING/ TOUGHMAN PROMOTER

NC Dept. of Crime Control and Public Safety Tel: (919)733-2126

#### **BUILDING INSPECTOR**

NC Department of Insurance Tel: (919)661-5880

#### **CAMPUS AND COMPANY** POLICE OFFICER

NC Department of Justice Tel: (919) 661-5980

#### **CEMETERY SALES** CONTRACTOR, NC CEMETERY COMMISSION

NC Cemetery Commission Tel: (919)981-2536

#### **CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT**

Military spouses may also qualify for certain occupational

licenses. Upon meeting specific conditions, an occupa-

For further information, please visit the web site:

practice their occupation in North Carolina.

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tional licensing board shall issue a license, certification, or registration to a military spouse to allow them to lawfully

http://accessnc.commerce.state.nc.us/NCDOC/EDISview-

NC State Board of CPA **Examiners** Tel: (919)733-4209

#### **CERTIFIED REGISTERED NURSE ANESTHETIST**

NC Board of Nursing Tel: (919)782-3211

#### **CERTIFIED STRUCTURAL PEST** CONTROL APPLICATOR

NC Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services Veterinary Division Tel: (919)733-2113

#### **CHICK DEALER**

NC Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services Tel: (919)733-7125

#### CHIROPRACTOR

NC Board of Chiropractic Examiners Tel: (704)793-1342

#### CLINICAL LABORATORY SCIENTIST/MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIST, CLINICAL LABORATORY TECHNICIAN/ MEDICAL LAB TECHNICIAN

National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences Tel: (773)714-8880

#### **CLINICAL NURSE SPECIALIST**

NC Board of Nursing Tel: (919)782-3211

#### HAVE A QUESTION? CALL TODAY



#### 844.624.8387

#### CLINICAL SOCIAL WORK

NC Social Work Certification and Licensure Board

Tel: (336)625-1679

#### CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICIAL

NC Department of Insurance Division of Engineering and **Building Codes Code Officials** Qualification Board Tel: (919)661-5880

#### **COMMERCIAL DRIVER**

NC Department of Transportation Division of Motor Vehicles. Commercial Driver's **Training Section** Tel: (919)715-7000

#### **COMMERCIAL DRIVER** TRAINING SCHOOL **INSTRUCTOR**

NC Department of Transportation School of Bus and Traffic Safety Section Tel: (919)715-7000

#### **COMMERCIAL FISHERMAN**

NC Department of Environment and Natural Resources Division of Marine Fisheries Tel: (252)726-7021

#### **CONCESSION STAND OPERATOR**

Department of Health and **Human Services** Tel: (919)733-9822

#### COSMOLOGIST. **COSMETOLOGIST INSTRUCTOR**

NC State Board of Cosmetic Art Examiners Tel: (919)733-4117

#### COUNTERINTELLIGENCE LICENSEE

NC Department of Justice Private **Protective Services Board** Tel: (919)788-5320

#### CYTOGENETIC TECHNOLOGIST

National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences Tel: (773)714-8880

#### **CYTOTECHNOLOGIST**

ASCP Board of Registry Tel: (800)267-2727

#### **DENTAL HYGIENIST/ DENTIST**

NC State Board of Dental **Examiners** Tel: (919)678-8223

#### **DEPUTY SHERIFF**

NC Department of Justice Sheriff's Standards Services Board Tel: (919)779-8213

#### **DETENTION OFFICER**

NC Department of Justice Sheriff's Standards Services Board Tel: (919)779-8213

#### DIAGNOSTIC MOLECULAR SCIENTIST

National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences Tel: (773)714-8880

#### **DIETICIAN AND NUTRITIONIST**

North Carolina Board of Dietetics/Nutrition Tel: (919)228-6391

#### **ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR**

NC State Board of Examiners of **Electrical Contractors** Tel: (919)733-9042

#### **ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR**

NC State Board of Examiners of **Electrical Contractors** Tel: (919)733-9042

#### **ELECTROLOGIST**

NC Board of Electrolysis **Examiners** 

Tel: (336)856-1010

#### **EMBALMER**

NC Board of Funeral Service Tel: (919)733-9380

#### **EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN, EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN DEFIBRILLATION (EMT-D), EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN INTERMEDIATE** (EMT-I)

#### **EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN PARAMEDIC** (EMT-P)

#### **EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN ADVANCED** INTERMEDIATE (EMT-AI)

NC Department of Health and **Human Services** Tel: (919)855-3935

#### **EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE** PROFESSION

NC Employee Assistance Professional Association Tel: (919)733-4670

#### **ESTHETICIAN**

NC State Board of Cosmetic Art **Examiners** 

Tel: (919)733-4117

#### **EXTERMINATOR**

NC Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services Structural Pest Control Division Tel: (919)733-6100

#### **FAMILY THERAPIST**

NC Marriage and Family Therapy Licensure Board Tel: (919)469-8081

#### FEE-BASED PRACTICING **PASTORAL COUNSELOR**

NC State Board of Fee-Based **Practicing Pastoral Counselors** Tel: (336) 794-3470

#### FIRE INSPECTOR

NC Department of Insurance Office of the State Fire Marshall Tel: (919)661-5880

#### FIRE SPRINKLER CONTRACTOR

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#### FIRE SPRINKLER INSPECTION **CONTRACTOR/FIRE SPRINKLER** MAINTENANCE CONTRACTOR

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#### **GEOLOGIST**

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NC Board of Landscape **Architects** 

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NC Commissioner of Banks Mortgage Licensing Section Tel: (888)384-3811

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NC Board of Occupational Therapy

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#### **OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT**

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#### PESTICIDE DEALER

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NC Board of Physical Therapy **Examiners** 

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NC Real Estate Commission Tel: (919)875-3700

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NC Real Estate Commission Tel: (919)875-3700

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Tel: (919)779-4711

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NC Veterinary Medical Board Tel: (919)854-5601

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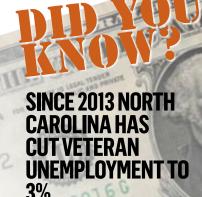
NC Veterinary Medical Board Tel: (919)854-5601

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NC Department of Environment and Natural Resources Tel: (919)807-6353

#### WELL CONTRACTOR

NC Department of Environment and Natural Resources Division of Water Quality Tel: (919)807-6300





A vast opportunity exists for the oil and natural gas industry to attract, retain, and develop lifelong careers for veterans in the industry. Over the next four years, the Department of Defense estimates that approximately one million service members will transition out of the military. In addition, the Department of Veterans Affairs reports that there are more than 12 million veterans under the age of 65 living in the U.S. These veterans and military service members are highly trained in a wide variety of occupational areas; their extensive skills attained from their military training and experience make them ideal candidates to fill the projected **1.3 million job opportunities** available in the oil and natural gas industry.

#### **VETERANS IN OIL & GAS**

Over the last several years the number of veterans working in the oil and gas and petrochemical industries has been growing with nearly 185,000 veterans employed in 2014. These veterans are diverse, with nearly 6,000 female veterans and more than 41,000 minority veterans filling positions in all sectors of the industry and across all regions of the country. The West South Central, Middle Atlantic, and South Atlantic regions are especially prominent for veterans, with those three regions accounting for 60% of all veterans employed in the oil and gas industry. The oil & gas and petrochemical industries consistently employ larger shares of veterans than both the government and the private sector.

In 2014, veterans accounted for:

10.5%

of the oil & gas and petrochemical industry workforce

**10.4**%

of the government workforce

6.5%

of the private sector workforce

Overall veterans accounted for 7% of total employment in the U.S.



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#### Military Candidates Demonstrate:

- Leadership experienced in both leading and working in team environments
- Character trustworthy, dependable, drug-free and have a strong work ethic
- Effectiveness veterans get the job done!
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#### Companies Are Seeing the Value

- Increased retention rates veterans are committed to the organizations they work for
- Decreased recruiting costs Free access to an underutilized talent pool
- Proven Success organizations hire veterans because other veterans have already been successful in their organization.

Learn More at NC4ME.org







#### **VOW TO HIRE HEROES ACT / 5 VETERAN TARGET GROUPS:**

- Veterans in Household receiving Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (formerly known as food stamps) benefits
- Veterans with a Service-Connected Disability
- · Veterans with a Service-Connected Disability unemployed for at least 6 months
- · Veterans unemployed for at least 4 weeks
- Veterans unemployed for at least 6 months who are actively seeking to hire veterans and tools to help translate military experience into civilian equivalent experience

PLEASE CONTACT YOUR LOCAL NCWORKS VETERANS **EMPLOYMENT SPECIALIST ON PAGE 27.** 

### DISABLED VETERAN OUTREACH SPECIALISTS

Veterans can find employment information, education and training opportunities, job counseling, job search workshops, and resume preparation assistance at state Workforce Centers or by contacting a Disabled Veteran Outreach Specialist through the Department of Commerce.

These Outreach Specialists work directly with veterans and disabled veterans to find them employment or training.

Disabled Veterans Outreach Specialists (DVOS) and Local Veterans Employment Representatives (LVER) assist veterans in applying for federal, state, local government and private sector employment. See the complete list on page 29.

Call us, and we'll point you to the right place to go!

### VETERAN CAREER FAIRS, EXPOS AND WEBSITES

The federal government, including DoD, the VA and many state and local entities hold career expos and job fairs throughout the state. There are also many websites that feature job openings with companies looking to hire veterans with tools to help translate military experience into civilian equivalent experi-

Go to NC4VETS.com for the latest information and visit our Facebook page at facebook. com/NC4VETS for the latest job fairs or hiring events near you or call 844.NC4.VETS.



## TROOPS TO **TEACHERS**

Troops to Teachers is a U.S. Department of Defense program that helps eligible military personnel begin a new career as teachers in public schools where their skills, knowledge and experience are most needed.



### **HOW TO TURN YOUR MILITARY OCCUPATIONAL** SPECIALTIES (MOS) INTO A CIVILIAN CAREER —

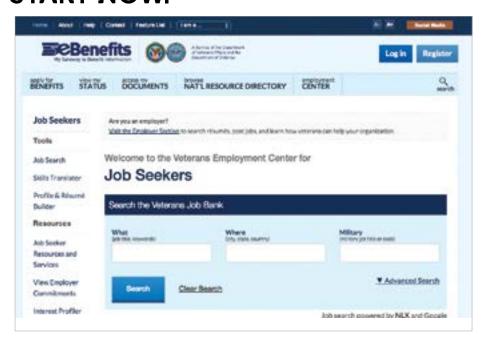
#### MOS TO CIVILIAN LICENSURE

In 2014, Governor Pat McCrory signed legislation that provides licensure and credit for individuals with military training and experience as well as professional license endorsement for their spouses.

For more details on how you can convert your military training into civilian licenses credit, contact the Registrar or Student Veteran Advisor at the University of North Carolina campus or community college you choose to attend.

> FOR A LIST OF **NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOLS SEE PAGE 83**

### eBENEFITS.VA.GOV: EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO FIND A JOB. START NOW.



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Registration is open to any veteran whose last period of service is characterized as Honorable with an interest in instructional positions such as teacher, resource teacher or non-instructional positions such as:

- · Paraprofessional
- · Teacher's aide
- Counselor
- Psychologist
- · School nurse
- Librarian
- · Media specialist
- · Speech therapist
- · Audiologist
- · Physiotherapist
- · Resource officer
- · School principal or vice principal



Financial assistance is available to eligible participants who are working to become certified teachers in public K-12 schools, charter schools or Bureau of Indian Affairs schools.

NOTE: Former military personnel currently serving as certified teachers may qualify to use the stipend or bonus to seek an additional endorsement, particularly in high need areas such as math, science, and special education.

For more information on Troops to Teachers, please visit it:

www.ncpublicschools.org/troops

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#### **NCWorks** Connecting Talent to Jobs

The NCDVA wishes to thank NCWorks for their efforts and assistance in building the NC4VETS suite of Veteran services.

North Carolina's economy depends on a strong workforce. As a proud member of the NCWorks initiative, the N.C. Division of Workforce Solutions is helping job seekers gain the tools and experiences they need to find meaningful employment.

The Division offers programs for adults, veterans, youth, and also helps employ-

> ers find the qualified talent they need to make their businesses thrive. The Division assists job seekers with learning a new industry through NCWorks Apprenticeships and operate NCWorks Online, the state's official job-search portal that is helping connect talented individuals with employers.

Home to nearly 800,000 veterans and several major military installations, North Carolina has a distinguished history in serving the U.S. military, veterans, and their families. The N.C. Division of Workforce Solutions provides job seeker services for veterans, transitioning service members, and eligible spouses.

**NCWORKS.GOV** 

#### **HOW IT WORKS**

Veterans can visit their local workforce office\* and take advantage of the following no-cost services:

- · Career assessments
- · Labor market information
- · Access to training opportunities, job fairs, and workshops
- · Job interview preparation
- · Resume and cover letter assistance
- · Assistance with NCWorks Online
- · Access to computers and free Internet service
- · Help applying for federal employment and training programs in which veterans receive priority of service

We're helping North Carolina's job seekers find employment and businesses find workers. We invite you to learn more about our services and see for yourself how we can help you too.

\*see listings on page 29.





KNOWING YOUR EMPLOYMENT RIGHTS AS A VETERAN OR SERVICE MEMBER IS A RIGHT YOU SERVED TO DEFEND

### AND DEFENDING THOSE RIGHTS IS OUR DUTY

### VETERANS EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY ACT

The VEOA allows preference to eligible persons or veterans who are honorably discharged from the Armed Forces to compete for vacant federal positions. VEOA offers protection to eligible veterans during a Reduction in Force (RIF) and against adverse actions. VETS staff investigates 5 and 10 point federal Veteran Preference complaints and answer inquires regarding VEOA.

www.fedshirevets.gov

#### REALIFELINES

The primary mission of REALifeLines is to provide wounded and injured service members, and their families, with personal assistance through successful transition to civilian life. If you have been injured or wounded on active duty, contact a REALifeLines Representative at 1.888.774.1361 or visit:

www.dol.gov/vets/programs/Real-life/main.htm

#### **STAND DOWNS**

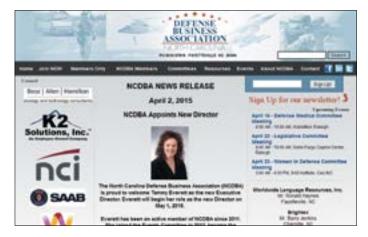
Stand down is a military term referring to a brief respite from combat, including events coordinated in local communities to provide veterans with a wide range of social services. Stand Downs foster employment opportunities for veterans to promote self-sufficiency and improve Veterans connections with community-based service providers. Potential applicants can access Stand Down information at the following website:

dol.gov/vets/programs/Stand%20Down/main.htm

# WANT TO START A BUSINESS? GREAT EMPLOYMENT & BUSINESS WEBSITES YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT:



NORTH CAROLINA MILITARY BUSINESS CENTER www.ncmbc.us



NORTH CAROLINA DEFENSE BUSINESS ASSOCIATION www.ncdba.com



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### MAKING EMPLOYMENT CONNECTIONS FOR VETERANS





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- Career Mentoring Days
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#### **ASHE COUNTY**

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Jefferson, NC 28640 Phone: (336) 982-5627

#### **AVERY COUNTY**

428 Pineola Street PO Box 939 Newland, NC 28657 Phone: (828) 737-5419

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North Carolina's veterans are a highly skilled and capable part of the workforce. As a proud member of the NCWorks initiative, the N.C. Division of Workforce Solutions is helping veterans connect to employers by providing them with the tools and services they need to find meaningful employment.

NCWorks Career Centers offer job seeker services at no cost to vets, and specialists are ready to assist those who face additional

obstacles to employment, such as homelessness, low income, and lack of a high school diploma. In addition to job seeker services, veterans can also register for free with NCWorks Online, the state's official job-search portal, and NCWorks Apprenticeship, which combines on-the-job training with classroom instruction and allows participating veterans to continue drawing benefits from the GI Bill while they work.

#### NCWorks Career Centers offer the following no-cost services across the state:

- · Career assessments
- · Labor market information
- Job referrals
- · Access to training programs, job fairs, and workshops
- Job interview preparation
- Resume and cover letter assistance
- · Help with NCWorks Online
- Access to computers and free Internet service
- Help applying for federal employment and training programs in which veterans receive priority of service

The state's NCWorks Career Centers are listed by area. Refer to these pages or the Maps section (p. 4). Find a career center near you!



### Goodwill VETERAN SERVICES Northwest North Carolina

### Operation: GoodJobs Putting veterans & their families back to work

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> children dependents residing with service member, with particular focus on female veterans and post-9/11 veterans. For a complete schedule of locations and info session times please visit www.operationgoodjobs.org.

> > For more information please contact:

p: (336) 724-3625 x1289 • VeteranServices@goodwillnwnc.org

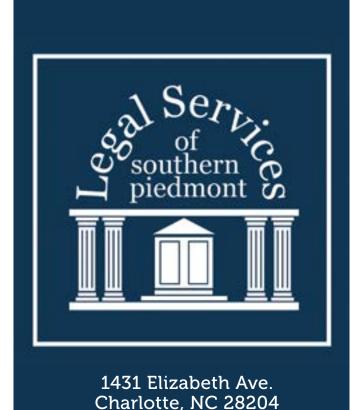


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# Red Cross Resources

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#### Linking Military Families during an Emergency

Red Cross workers use advanced communications technologies to link service members with their families. Our Emergency Communications Center quickly and efficiently obtains the required information and sends emergency communication messages to service members of every branch of service wherever in the world they happen to be. For assistance call (877) 272-7337

#### Board of Veteran's Affairs

The Red Cross assists claimants who seek to appeal to the Board of Veterans' Appeals (BVA). This work is done by Red Cross staff at the BVA as well as a network of State Work-Share Representatives who are accredited by the Department of Veterans Affairs to work on behalf of the Red Cross. Call 1-800-RedCross (1-800-733-2767) or your local chapter for more information. Find your local chapter at RedCross.org/Local

#### **Providing Resiliency Training**

Families back home count on the Red Cross to provide training that promotes resiliency and preparedness to help them cope with the challenges of military life. The Red Cross also provides a variety of preparedness and job skill training. Contact your local chapter for more information. RedCross.org/Local

#### Connecting Families with Local Community Resources

Building on its trusted presence in communities across the nation and on military installations around the world, the Red Cross links military families to local resources and support services. Contact your local chapter for more information.

Find your local chapter RedCross.org/Local

Find more about our services to military families RedCross.org/SAF



#### **Contact the Red Cross**

Save this information to expedite your call

Birth Date of Service Member:

Home Base Unit:

Military Unit Address:

Local Red Cross Chapter:

RedCross.org + 1-800-Red Cross (1-800-733-2767)

16 Chapters across North Carolina engaged in activities for those who served, are serving and will serve in the future.







Advocating for a strong defense, military personnel matters and especially proposed legislation affecting the career force, the retired community and veterans of the uniformed services.



A sampling of our service to NC Veterans, their families, and transitioning personnel:

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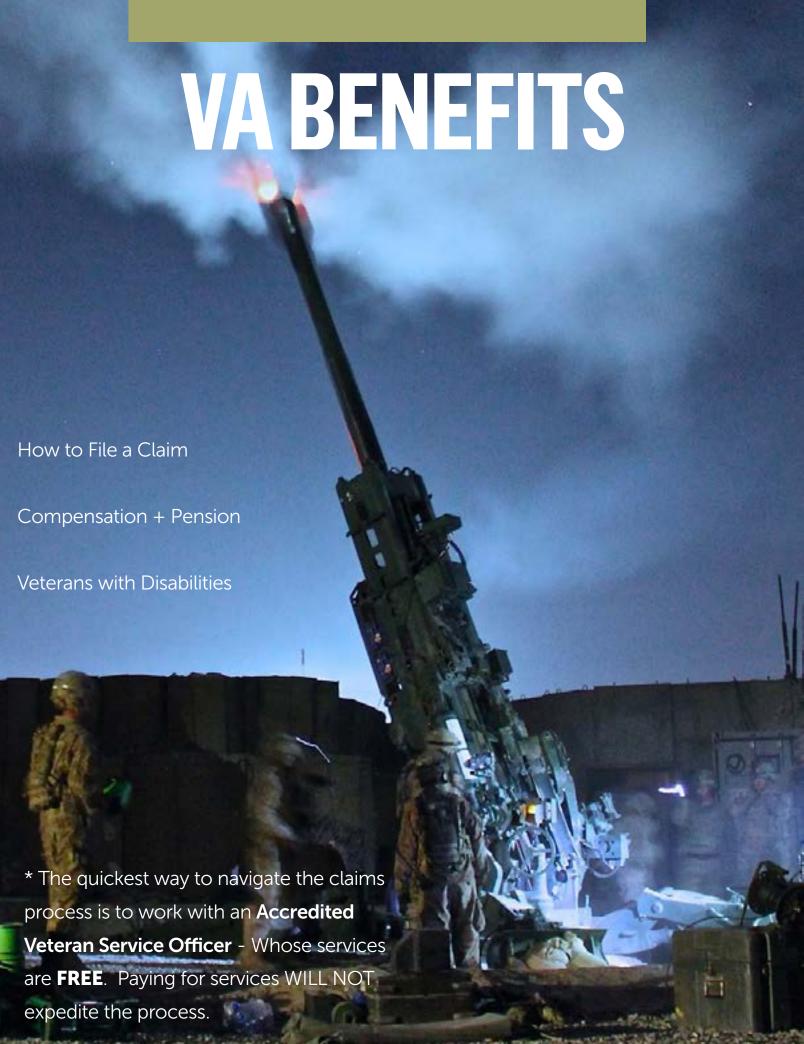














# **BE PREPARED TO FILE YOUR CLAIM**

BRING a copy of your DD 214 and evidence that supports your claim. Never assume the VA has the necessary information on file.

**BE SURE** your VA file number is included on every page of your correspondence and documentation.

**RESPOND** quickly and completely to the VA's request for further information.

**KEEP** all scheduled medical appointments.

**NOTIFY** the VA immediately if your address or phone number changes.

**KNOW** your service dates and Social Security number. If you are a spouse of a deceased veteran, you should know this information, along with any previous marital status of your veteran.

**CONSIDER** using direct deposit to receive VA payment and be prepared to provide a voided check.

### **2016 VA DISABILITY COMPENSATION RATES FOR VETERANS**

| DISABILITY<br>RATING | MONTHLY<br>BENEFIT* |
|----------------------|---------------------|
| 10%                  | \$133.17            |
| 20%                  | \$263.23            |
| 30%                  | \$407.75            |
| 40%                  | \$587.36            |
| 50%                  | \$836.13            |
| 60%                  | \$1,059.09          |
| 70%                  | \$1,334.71          |
| 80%                  | \$1,551.48          |
| 90%                  | \$1,743.48          |
| 100%                 | \$2,906.83          |

<sup>\*</sup>Single w/o Dependents Rate

# **HOW TO FILE A DISABILITY CLAIM**



### STEP 1: FILE A CLAIM

Filing for veterans benefits is a free service provided by the North Carolina Division of Veterans Affairs and local County Veteran Service Officers (CVSO). Claims can also be filed by National Service Offices such as: VVA, VFW, American Legion, and Disabled American Veterans (DAV), etc. The disability claim process begins the moment you file a claim.

To file, veterans must sign a power of attorney (POA) which authorizes VSOs to act on your behalf when preparing, presenting and prosecuting your claim for any and all benefits from the VA, or you can do it yourself at eBenefits (see page 41).

### STEP 2: SUBMIT EVIDENCE

You must submit evidence to support your disability claim. Evidence submitted at the time of the filing will help expedite your claim. Your disability evaluation will be based on the evidence so it is essential that the information is accurate and complete. VSOs can assist you in this process.

### STEP 3: **GET A VA PHYSICAL EXAM**

The exams that the VA requests will depend on your claim and treatment history. Your nearest VA Medical Center will schedule the exam and contact you to let you know when and what exams are scheduled. After the exams, a report will be prepared and sent to a rating board. You can help the process go faster by keeping your appointments and asking your private medical providers to send copies of your records to the VA office.

TIP: Ask your private doctor to include your VA file number on all records they submit.

### STEP 4: **OBTAIN VA DECISION**

The VA will consider all evidence submitted and make a decision about whether or not the claim supports injuries and disabilities chronically incurred, aggravated or contains certain presumptive conditions while in service.

If the VA approves the claim, then a rating is decided based on how severe your conditions are. The rating is defined and set based on federal law.

# 844.624.8387

# **OPTIONS FOR DENIED CLAIMS OR IF YOU DISAGREE WITH A DECISION**

If the VA denies your claim you may appeal the decision. You may also appeal if your claim was approved, but you disagree with any part of the rating.

An appeal involves many steps, some of which are optional, some that are required. The appeals process has strict time limits that include:

- 1. Notice of Disagreement (NOD)
- 2. Statement of Case (SOC)
- 3. Hearing (Optional)
- 4. Formal Appeal (Form 9)
- 5. Board of Veterans Appeals (BVA)
- 6. U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims (CAVC)

Unfortunately, this process can take years to come to a final decision, but once a decision has been made, you will be notified by mail.

Note: Before you file an appeal, consider obtaining new & material evidence and request your denied claim be reconsidered. This can save time and effort. Talk to your local Veterans Service Officer before you file an appeal.

# **VETERANS CLAIMS & ADVOCACY FOR VETERANS, THEIR SURVIVORS AND** DEPENDENTS

The Federal VA benefit system actually is a legal system. In order to qualify for benefits, veterans must file a claim against the United States proving they are eligible for these benefits through the submission of legal, military and medical evidence.

NCDVA employs federally accredited and state certified Veterans Service Officers (VSOs) who are subject matter experts in Federal VA law (Chapter 38 United States Code and Chapter 38 Code of Federal Regulations) and are allowed to practice by taking Power of Attorney for veterans seeking benefits. These VSOs represent veterans, their dependents and survivors before the Federal VA in their claims and appeals.

With its County Veteran Service Officer and National Service Officer partners, NCDVA provides claims and counseling advocacy and representation to North Carolina's 800.000 veterans.

In 2014, NC Veterans completed 68.895 claims, an increase of 38% from 2013.

Currently, NCDVA holds Power of Attorney for nearly 150,000 North Carolina Veterans.

In addition to claims work, VSOs regularly help veterans and their families learn about other benefits that they may be eligible for. VSOs are knowledgeable about the many resources available within the state and can usually assist in finding help and solutions to issues that you may be facing.

# **CHECK YOUR VA DISABILITY CLAIM ONLINE**



# AGENT ORANGE REGISTRY HEALTH EXAM FOR VETERANS

VA's Agent Orange Registry health exam alerts Veterans to possible long-term health problems that may be related to Agent Orange exposure during their military service. The registry data helps VA understand and respond to these health problems more effectively.

This comprehensive health exam includes an exposure history, medical history, physical exam, and any tests if needed. A VA health professional will discuss the results face-to-face with the Veteran and in a follow-up letter.

Contact your local VA Environmental Health Coordinator about getting an Agent Orange Registry health exam.

# **Environmental Health Coordinators**

#### **ASHEVILLE VAMC**

1100 Tunnel Road Asheville, NC 28805 828-298-7911 Ext. 3914

#### **DURHAM VAMC**

508 Fulton Street Durham, NC 27705 919-286-0411 Ext. 5287

#### **FAYETTEVILLE VAMC**

2300 Ramsey Street Fayetteville, NC 28301 910-488-2120 Ext. 7585

#### SALISBURY VAMC

1601 Brenner Ave. Salisbury, NC 28144 704-638-9000 Ext. 2576

# **GULF WAR REGISTRY HEALTH EXAM FOR VETERANS**

VA's Gulf War Registry Health Exam alerts Veterans to possible longterm health problems that may be related to environmental exposures during their military service. The registry data helps VA understand and respond to these health problems more effectively.

This comprehensive health exam includes an exposure and medical history, laboratory tests, and a physical exam. A VA health professional will discuss the results face-to-face with the Veteran and in a follow-up letter.

#### Important points about registry health exams

- Free to eligible Veterans and no co-payment
- Not a disability compensation exam or required for VA benefits
- Enrollment in VA's health care system not necessary
- Based on recollection of service, not on their military records
- Veterans can receive additional registry exams, if new problems develop
- Veterans' family members are not eligible for registry exams

#### Eligibility for Gulf War Registry Health Exam

Veterans who served in the Gulf during Operation Desert Shield, Operation Desert Storm, Operation Iraqi Freedom, or Operation New Dawn are eligible for the Gulf War Registry exam.

You do not need to be enrolled in VA health care to take part.





**AIRBONE HAZARDS AND OPEN BURN PIT REGISTRY** 

Veterans and Service Members who were close to burn pit smoke or exposed for longer periods may be at greater risk for health problems. Health effects from burn pit exposure will vary and depend on a number of factors such as the kind of waste being burned, pre-existing conditions, and wind direction.

Veterans and Service members can use the registry questionnaire to report exposures to airborne hazards (such as smoke from burn pits, oil-well fires, or pollution during deployment), as well as other exposures and health concerns.

Registry participation is open to any Veteran or Service Member who served in:

- OEF/OIF/OND or in Djibouti, Africa, after September 11, 2001, or
- Operations Desert Shield or Desert Storm or the Southwest Asia theater of

operations after August 2, 1990.

The Southwest Asia theater of operations includes the following locations: Iraq, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, Gulf of Aden, Gulf of Oman, Oman, Qatar, United Arab Emirates, waters of the Persian Gulf, Arabian Sea, and the Red Sea, and the airspace above these locations. For more information and to register visit: www.veteran. mobilehealth.va.gov/AHBurnPitRegistry

# PRESUMPTIVE HEALTH CONDITIONS

There are three categories in which veterans may qualify for service-connected disability based on a condition to be presumed by military service. These groups are:

- ▶ 1) veterans who were diagnosed with a chronic disease such as arthritis, diabetes, or hypertension within one year of being released from active duty;
- ▶ 2) veterans diagnosed with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS) anytime after discharge of service and have at least 90 days of continuous service; and
- ▶ 3) veterans who served in the conflicts / geographic regions associated with those diagnosed conditions identified below. For more information on presumptive health conditions, please contact a VSO.

Former POW's Imprisoned for not less than 30 days and a disbility of at least 10 percent disabling.

**Vietnam Veterans** [Exposed to Agent Orange] Served in the Republic of Vietnam between Jan. 9, 1962 and May 7, 1975.

**Atomic Veterans** [Exposed to Ionizing Radiation] Participated in atmospheric nuclear testing; occupied or was a POW in Hiroshima or Nagasaki; service before Feb. 1, 1992 at diffusion plant in Paducah, KY, Portsmouth, OH, or Oak Ridge, TN; or service before Jan. 1, 1974 at Amchitka Island, AK.

#### **Gulf War Veterans**

Served in the Southwest Asia Theater of Operations during the Gulf Wars with conditions that are medically unexplained, including chronic multi-sympton illnesses defined by a cluster of signs or symptoms that have existed for six months or more.

Camp Lejeune [Exposure to Contaminated Drinking Water at Camp Lejeune]

Veterans Affairs will evaluate disability compensation claims based on exposure to contaminated water at Camp Lejeune on a case-by-case basis. The water systems were contaminated from August 1953 through December 1987. For more information about presumptive conditions and Camp Lejeune, please visit: www.publichealth.va.gov/exposures/ camp-lejeune



# DEPENDENCY AND INDEMNITY COMPENSATION

Dependency and Indemnity Compensation (DIC) is the primary monthly monetary benefit payable to surviving dependents of a deceased veteran, and is the monetary benefit to disability compensation for veterans.

This benefit is payable if the veteran died on active duty or in the line of duty and the death was not due to willful misconduct. Or, if death was after service, the death was caused by or attributed to a service-connected disability, or, if service member was rated 100% compensation for certain statute time limits.

The current basic monthly rate of DIC is \$1254.19 for an eligible surviving spouse. The rate is increased for each dependent child, and also if the surviving spouse is housebound or in need of aid and attendance. VA also adds a transitional benefit to the surviving spouse's monthly DIC if there are children under age 18. The amount is based on a family unit, not individual children.

For further rates information visit:

www.benefits.va.gov/compensation/current\_rates\_dic.asp





# **DEATH PENSIONS**

Survivors' (Death) Pension is a needs-based benefit paid to an unmarried surviving spouse, or an unmarried child, who meets certain age or disability requirements, of a deceased wartime veteran.

In order to qualify for a VA Death Pension, the VA calculates income received from most sources by the surviving spouse and any eligible children. It includes earnings, disability and retirement payments, unemployment insurance payments, interest and dividends payments, and net income from farming, business or rental property.

If the income is below a certain level, the dependent or surviving spouse may be eligible for this pension.

# **BURIAL BENEFITS**

Dependents and surviving spouses of an eligible veteran are eligible to be buried in national cemeteries.

When a death occurs and eligibility for interment in a national cemetery is determined, grave space is assigned by the cemetery director in the name of the veteran or family member. One gravesite is permitted for the interment of all eligible family members, unless soil conditions or the number of family decedents necessitate more than one grave. There is no charge for burial in a national cemetery.

See Page 44 for more information on Burial Benefits.

# **HEADSTONES AND MARKERS**

Spouses and dependents are not eligible for a Government-furnished headstone or marker unless they are buried in a national cemetery, state veteran's cemetery, or military post/base cemetery.



# COMPENSATION **AND PENSION:**

A monetary benefit paid to veterans who are disabled by an injury or illness incurred or aggravated during active military service. These disabilities are considered to be service connected.



#### **DISABILITY COMPENSATION**

Disability compensation is paid monthly and varies with the degree of disability, the impairment to a veteran's earning capacity and the number of dependents. Veterans with certain severe disabilities may be eligible for additional special monthly compensation. These benefits are not subject to federal or state income tax.

#### **NATIONAL GUARD / SELECT RESERVE**

Reservists who serve on active duty establish veteran status and may be eligible for the full range of VA benefits, depending on the length of active military service and a discharge or release from active duty under conditions other than dishonorable. In addition, reservists not activated may qualify for some VA benefits.

National Guard members can establish eligibility for VA benefits if activated for federal service during a period of war or domestic emergency. Activation for other than federal service does not qualify guard members for all VA benefits.

Claims for VA benefits based on federal service filed by National Guard members should include a copy of their military orders, presidential proclamation or executive order that clearly demonstrates the nature of their federal service.

#### MILITARY RETIRED PAY

Historically, veterans have not been permitted to receive full military pay and VA compensation for benefits at the same time. Veterans who were entitled to both have had to either waive a portion of their retirement equaling the amount of awarded VA compensation or elect not to receive VA compensation at all. Receiving both benefits and retirement pay is commonly known as "concurrent receipt."

In 2004, Congress passed the Concurrent Retired and Disability Pay Act, allowing many veterans to receive 100 percent of the military retirement and VA compensation.

Because of the complexity of this issue, visit www.dfas.mil for more information.

#### VA DISABILITY PENSION **BENEFIT FOR WARTIME VETERANS**

A non-Service-Connected Disability VA Pension is a benefit paid to wartime veterans who have limited or no income. and who are age 65 or older, or under 65 and are permanently and totally disabled, a patient in a nursing home or are receiving Social Security disability payments. The amount that's payable depends upon the type and amount of income the veteran and family members receive from other sources.

Veterans who are more seriously disabled may qualify for Aid and Attendance or Housebound benefits. These benefits are paid in addition to the basic pension rate. Monthly payments are made to qualified veterans to bring their total income to a congressionally established support level (including other retirement and Social Security income).

#### AID AND ATTENDANCE (A&A)

An A&A benefit is paid in addition to monthly pension. A&A is allowed if the veteran: requires the aid of another person in order to perform his or her daily living activities; is bedridden; is a patient in a nursing home due to mental or physical incapacity; or has corrected visual acuity of 5/200 or less, in both eyes, or concentric contraction of the visual field to 5 degrees or less.

#### **HOUSEHOLD BENEFITS**

A&A may not be paid without eligibility for pension. Qualifying veterans must have a single permanent disability (rated 100 percent disabled), and need assistance, or have a single permanent disability (100 percent disabled) and another disability, or disabilities, evaluated as 60 percent or more disabling.

A veteran cannot receive both A&A and Household Benefits at the same time.





#### WHAT IS eBENEFITS?

eBenefits is a joint VA/DoD web portal that provides resources and self-service capabilities to Veterans. Service Members. and their families to research, access and manage their VA and military benefits and personal information. eBenefits uses secure credentials to allow access to personal information and gives users the ability to perform numerous self-service functions. It is an essential way for veterans, service members, and their families to receive access to and service from VA and DoD

#### WHAT CAN I DO IN eBENEFITS?

Some of the features within eBenefits allow veterans and service members to access official military personnel documents, view the status of their disability compensation claim, transfer entitlement of Post-9/11 GI Bill to eligible dependents (service members only), and register for and update direct deposit information for certain benefits

#### **HOW DO I ACCESS eBENEFITS?**

eBenefits is located at www.ebenefits. va.gov. Before veterans or service members can access and use eBenefits they must be listed in the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS) and obtain a DS Logon. They can choose from two levels of registration, DS Logon Level 1 (Basic) and DS Logon Level 2 (Premium).

#### WHAT IS A DS LOGON?

A DS Logon is a secure identity (username and password) that is used by various DoD and VA websites, including eBenefits. If you are already registered in DEERS, you are eligible for a DS Logon. Once you have a DS Logon, it is valid for the rest of your life.

### **HOW DO I REGISTER FOR AN eBENEFITS ACCOUNT?**

There are two types of registration, Basic and Premium. With a Premium Account, you can view personal data about yourself in VA and DoD systems, apply for benefits online, check the status of your claims, update your address records, and more. To get a Premium eBenefits Account, you must verify your identity. Many people will be able to verify their identity online by answering a few security questions. Service members may verify their identity online by using their Common Access Card. Military retirees may verify their identity online using their Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS) Logon. For those unable to verify their identity online, you will instantly receive a Basic Account. A Basic eBenefits Account lets you customize the site and access information you enter into eBenefits yourself; however, you cannot see your personal information in VA or DoD systems. For more information on eBenefits visit: www.eBenefits.va.gov



#### IF YOU ARE A VETERAN:

- Apply for Veterans benefits online.
- · Check on your compensation or pension claims status.
- Upload documents to support your compensation or pension claim.
- Check Post-9/11 GI Bill enrollment
- Use the VetSuccess employment search.
- View DoD TRICARE health insurance.
- · Sign up for Veterans Group Life Insurance (VGLI) (Time limits apply)
- · Search for and select an accredited Veterans Service representative or organization.
- · Access MyHealtheVet with a single logon.

- · Check your VA payment history.
- Utilize the military skills translator and résumé builder.
- · Utilize a fast track claims processing system for Vietnam Veterans.
- · Order medical equipment such as hearing aid batteries and prosthetic
- · Check on your appeal status.
- · Generate a VA home loan certificate of eligibility.
- · Obtain official military personnel documents such as DD Form 214.
- Register for and update direct deposit information for certain benefits.

### IF YOU ARE A SERVICE MEMBER:

- · Use the eLearning Center for the online transition assistance program and more.
- Transfer Post-9/11 education benefits.
- View DoD TRICARE health insurance.
- View DoD TRICARE reserve select.
- Sign up for service member out-ofpocket medical expenses (CCD).
- View Service members' Group Life Insurance (SGLI) elections.
- · Apply for Veterans benefits online.
- Conduct a health benefits eligibility check.
- · Update service member civilian employment information.
- View service member personnel information.
- · Generate a VA home loan certificate of eligibility.





# **BENEFITS** AVAILABLE FOR SERVICE-**CONNECTED DISABLED VETERANS**

The following Benefits are available to all veterans with a 0% Service-Connected Disability and Higher:

- · Home loan Guaranty Certificate of Eligibility.
- · Service Disabled Veterans Life Insurance. Must file within 2 years from initial notice of service connected disability. (Insurance only.)
- · Outpatient treatment for: (1) serviceconnected conditions, and (2) for all medical conditions if enrolled in VA healthcare program. Co-payment for treatment may apply for non-serviceconnected conditions.
- Travel allowance for scheduled appointment for care of service-connected conditions at VA Medical Centers, and out patient clinics. (Eligibility based on the distance traveled 25 miles or more or a veteran's income.)
- · Medical treatment for any condition: Enrollment in a VA healthcare program is encouraged but not required for treatment of a service connected condition. (A co-payment will apply for treatment of non-service connected conditions and prescription drugs.)
- · Prosthetic Devices: for service-connected conditions, to include but not limited to wheelchairs, canes, crutches, hospital beds, Nebulizer, oxygen tanks, and electric scooters. The issue of any prosthetic devices requires a VA Doctor's prescription.

- · Medical Treatment in non-VA facilities for service connected conditions may be authorized by the VA Medical Center. (Certain restrictions apply.)
- Ten Point Civil Service Preference. (10 points added to Civil Service test score only after veteran achieves at least 70 on
- · Annual Clothing Allowance is available for veterans with a service-connected condition that requires the use of a prosthetic or orthopedic appliance (artificial limbs, braces, wheelchairs) or use prescribed medications for a skin condition which tends to wear, tear, or soil clothing. The items used must be prescribed and dispensed at a VA Medical Center. Temporary ratings of 100%, based on the hospitalization for a service-connected disability requiring at least one month of convalescence or immobilization by cast.
- Dental treatment for: (1) serviceconnected dental condition, or (2) followup dental treatment which has begun while hospitalized at a VA Medical Center, or any former Prisoner of War with 90 consecutive days or more of confinement. Some restrictions may apply.

Home Improvement and Structural Alteration Grant Program is administered by the Prosthetics Department at VA Medical Facilities for medically required improvements and/or structural changes to the veteran's residence.

This Grant requires a VA Doctor's prescription. Service-connected veterans can receive up to a \$6,800 grant. Nonservice-connected veterans may receive a grant up to \$2,000. The grant is to be used for allowing entrance or exit improvements for residence, essential lavatory and sanitary facilities, and kitchen and bathroom accessibility to sinks and counters.

This grant is not for complete remodeling of a veteran's bath or kitchen.

# **10% SERVICE CONNECTED AND HIGHER, ALL OF THE ABOVE PLUS:**

Vocational Rehabilitation which includes full medical and dental care (dental if determined to be essential to finish training), a subsistence allowance in addition to disability payments, payment for all required school-related supplies and direct payment of tuition. Funding fee waived for Homeloan Guarantee loans.



# **30% SERVICE CONNECTED AND HIGHER, ALL OF THE ABOVE PLUS:**

- · Additional compensation for dependents (spouse, children, adopted children, and dependent parents).
- Non-Competitive Civil Service appointment: Job appointment without the requirement of an interview.
- Affirmative action in employment: A disabled veteran cannot be passed over to hire a nondisabled veteran or nonveteran unless at least three interviews have been conducted by the employer.
- · Additional allowance for a spouse who is a patient in a nursing home: (Helpless or blind, or so nearly helpless as to require the aid and attendance of another person.)

# **40% SERVICE-CONNECTED AND HIGHER, ALL OF THE ABOVE PLUS:**

- Automobile Grant: (A one-time payment up to \$20,114) Veteran must have a service-connected loss of one hand, or one foot, or permanent loss of use of one hand or one foot, or a permanent impairment of vision of both eyes. A veteran must be rated for loss of use before this is granted.
- Payment of special adaptive automobile equipment: In addition to the automobile grant. Veteran must be entitled to the automobile grant as outlined above, or have a serviceconnected ankylosis (immobility) of one knee or one hip. (This requires a VA doctor's prescription for the adaptive equipment and can include; an automatic transmission, air conditioner, hand controls, power brakes, hand brakes, cruise control, ramps or wheelchair lifts, and any other adaptive equipment the doctor may deem necessary.)

# **50% SERVICE-CONNECTED OR HIGHER, ALL OF THE ABOVE PLUS:**

· Medical treatment for any condition at VA Medical Centers: Enrollment in a VA health care program is encouraged but

- not required for treatment of a serviceconnected condition. No copayments for treatment of non-service-connected care or non-service-connected prescription drugs.
- Medical treatment in non-VA facilities: for any medical condition may be authorized VA Medical Center.

### **60-90% SERVICE-CONNECTED OR HIGHER, ALL OF THE ABOVE PLUS:**

Individual unemployability (increased compensation) payable at the 100% rate based on the inability to work due to service-connected disability plus:

- Dental treatment if S/C for Dental Claim.
- Educational Assistance for Dependents: (under chapter 35).
- Specially Adapted Homes: Grants Up to 50% of the cost of the home but not more than \$70,465, for building, buying or remodeling adaptive homes or paying indebtedness on an existing home. Veteran must be entitled to compensation for permanent and total service-connected disability due to: (1) the loss or loss of use of both lower extremities or (2) disability which includes blindness in both eyes, having only light perception, plus loss or loss of use of one lower extremity, or (3) loss or loss of use of one lower extremity together with residuals of organic disease or injury, or (4) loss or loss of use of one upper extremity which so affects the balance as to preclude locomotion without using braces, canes, crutches, or a wheelchair. Veteran must be rated and approved for
- Specially Adapted Homes: Grants up to \$14,093, for the cost to adapt a veteran's home or to acquire a residence that is already adapted with special features for the veteran's disability. Veteran must be entitled to compensation for permanent and total service-connected disability due to: (1) blindness in both eyes with a 5/200 visual acuity or less, OR (2) anatomical loss or loss of use of both hands. Veteran must be rated and approved for this grant.

- Veterans Mortgage Life Insurance: Decreasing term mortgage insurance up to \$200,000 for veterans who have received a Specially Adaptive Housing grant and have an existing mortgage.
- · Waiver of cost of Service Disabled Life Insurance: and additional \$20,000 of life insurance at cost to veteran. Veteran must have applied for insurance within two years of initial disability rating or within two years of a new disability rating. An increase in a disability rating does not qualify as a new disability.
- Commissary and Exchange privileges for veteran and dependents: The veteran must request a letter from the VA specifying veteran is in receipt of 100% disability, and then applies for a military ID card at the nearest ID cardissuing facility.
- Emergency treatment in non-VA facilities: if VA facilities are not available.
- Annual eye exams and prescribed eye wear.
- Discounted life-time Hunting/Fishing License.
- FREE Entry into State Parks.

### **COMPENSATION HIGHER THAN THE 100% RATE:**

• Special Compensation: Veteran must be rated for Special Compensation due to the loss of limbs, eyesight, aid and attendance, housebound, or two separate medical conditions that are rated 60% each or 100% each. For more information about VA Compensation Rates, please visit: www.benefits.va.gov/COMPENSATION/ resources\_comp01.asp



# **BURIAL & CEMETERY BENEFITS**

The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Benefits Administration oversees a burial benefits program designed to assist claimants in meeting the funeral and burial costs of a deceased veteran.



The VA does not make funeral arrangements with a funeral provider or cremation office. You should advise your family of your wishes and where your discharge papers are kept. These papers are very important in establishing your eligibility. You may wish to make pre-need arrangements with a funeral home.

# **BURIAL & CEMETERY BENEFITS**

#### SERVICE-CONNECTED DEATH

If a veteran's death is service-connected, the VA will pay burial allowance of up to \$2,000 for deaths on or after Sept. 11, 2001. If the veteran is buried in a VA national cemetery, some or all of the cost of moving the veteran's body to the national cemetery nearest the veteran's home may also be reimbursed. There is no time limit for applying for a serviceconnected burial allowance. The person who bore the veteran's burial expense may claim reimbursement from any VA regional office.

#### NON-SERVICE-CONNECTED **DEATH**

If a veteran's death is not service-connected, there are two types of payments the VA may make: Burial and plot expense allowances. The VA will pay a burial and plot allowance if the veteran was discharged under conditions other than dishonorable and the veteran was in receipt of VA pension or compensation at the time of death. If a veteran died while in a VA facility or as a patient at an approved state nursing home, the VA may also pay this allowance.

#### **BURIAL PLOT ALLOWANCE**

When a veteran is buried in a cemetery that is not under the U.S. government jurisdiction, the VA may also pay a plot allowance, provided that the veteran was discharged under a condition other than dishonorable; and met other qualifications similar to that of a non-serviceconnected death.

#### FILING A CLAIM FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES

To file for reimbursement of burial expenses, an Application of Burial Allowance



form must be submitted to the VA. The person filing the claim must also provide a certified copy of the veteran's death certificate and proof of the veteran's military service (Form DD-214), and itemized bills of the funeral and burial expenses.

#### **BURIAL FLAG**

A United States flag is provided, at no cost, to drape the casket or accompany the urn of a deceased veteran who served honorably in the U.S. Armed Forces. It is furnished to honor the memory of a veteran's military service to his or her country. When burial is in a national, state or post cemetery, a burial flag will automatically be provided. When burial is in a private cemetery, the funeral director will generally help the next of kin with this process.

#### **HEADSTONE AND MARKERS**

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) furnishes upon request, at no charge to the applicant, a Government headstone or marker for the unmarked grave of any deceased eligible veteran in any cemetery around the world, regardless of their date of death.

For eligible veterans that died on or after Nov. 1, 1990 and whose grave is marked with a privately purchased headstone, VA may also furnish a headstone or marker to supplement the grave or a medallion to be affixed to the privately purchased headstone.

Eligible veterans are entitled to either a Government-furnished headstone or marker, or the new medallion, but not both.

#### **BRONZE MEDALLIONS** FOR HEADSTONES AND **MARKERS**

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) may also provide a medallion, by request, to be affixed to an existing privately purchased headstone or marker to signify the deceased's status as a veteran.

If requested, the medallion is furnished in lieu of a traditional Government headstone or marker for veterans that died on or after Nov. 1, 1990, and whose grave is marked with a privately purchased headstone or marker.

#### **BURIAL AT SEA**

The VA National Cemetery Administration cannot provide burial at sea. For information, contact the U.S. Navy Mortuary Affairs office toll free at:

(866) 787-0081.

#### MILITARY FUNERAL HONORS

The Department of Defense (DoD) is responsible for providing military funeral honors. "Honoring Those Who Served" is the title of the DoD program for providing dignified military funeral honors to veterans who have defended our nation.

Visit the North Carolina Veterans Affairs website for further information and instructions about this service.

www.nc4vets.com

#### PRESIDENTIAL MEMORIAL **CERTIFICATES**

A Presidential Memorial Certificate (PMC) is an engraved paper certificate, signed by the current president, to honor the memory of honorably discharged deceased veterans.

#### SURVIVOR BENEFIT PLAN

When a military retiree dies, their retirement pay stops. This means that the surviving spouse no longer receives income. If a veteran is a military retiree, thought needs to be given as to how to protect the spouse from hardships caused by the loss of the retirement pay.

One option available is the Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP). The SBP is an insurance plan that will pay the veteran's surviving spouse a monthly payment (annuity) to help make up for the loss of retirement income. The plan is designed to protect survivors against the risks of the veteran's early death, a survivor outliving the benefits, and inflation.

Survivors should report retiree deaths to the Defense Finance and Accounting Services (DFAS) casualty office at:

(800) 321-1080.

# NORTH CAROLINA STATE & NATIONAL CEMETERIES



The primary mission of the NCDVA State Veterans Cemetery Program is to provide a final resting place for North Carolina's Veterans at no cost, and their legal dependent(s) for a nominal fee. Veterans must be discharged under honorable conditions and meet certain residency requirements.

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#### NATIONAL VETERANS CEMETERIES

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\*Salisbury National Cemetery is the only remaining National Cemetery interring in NC.



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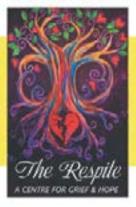
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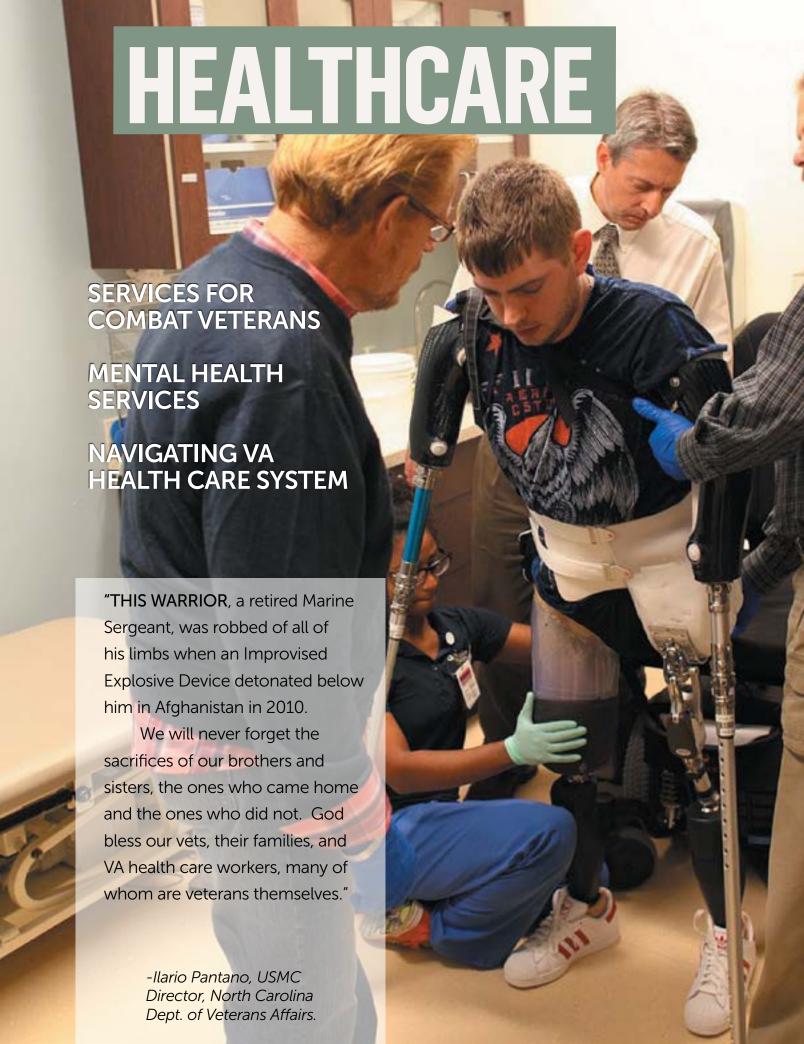
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# **VA HEALTH CARE BASIC ELIGIBILITY**

A person who served in the active duty military and who was discharged or released under conditions other than dishonorable may qualify for VA health care benefits.

Reservists and National Guard members also may qualify for VA health care benefits if they were called to active duty (other than for training only) by a federal order and completed the full period for which they were called or ordered to active duty.

Veterans who enlisted after Sept. 7, 1980, or who entered active duty after Oct. 16, 1981, must have served 24 continuous months or the full period for which they were called to active duty in order to be eligible. This minimum duty requirement may not apply to veterans discharged for hardship, early out, or a disability incurred or aggravated in the line of duty.

# 5-YEAR POST DEPLOYMENT BENEFIT.

Veterans, including members of the National Guard and activated reservists, are eligible for the enhanced "Combat Veteran" benefits if they served on active duty in a theater of combat operations after Nov. 11, 1998, and have been discharged under honorable conditions.

IF YOU KNOW A VET WHO NEEDS TO CHANGE HIS DISCHARGE, SEE PAGE 109 FOR MORE INFORMATION



### **ENROLLMENT**

For most veterans, entry into the VA health care system begins by applying for enrollment.

To apply, complete VA Form 10-10EZ, Application for Health Benefits, which may be obtained from a VA health care facility or regional benefits office, online or by calling VA.

Once enrolled, veterans can receive health care at VA health care facilities anywhere in the country. Veterans enrolled in the VA health care system are afforded privacy rights under federal law.

During enrollment, each veteran is assigned to a priority group based on their service connected disability rating and other factors. VA uses priority groups to balance demand for VA health care enrollment with resources.

### STANDARD BENEFITS

VA's medical benefits package provides the following health care services to all enrolled veterans:

- · Preventive Care Services
- Ambulatory (Outpatient) Diagnostic and **Treatment Services**
- Hospital (Inpatient) Diagnostic **Treatment**
- · VA prescribed Medications and Supplies

#### **ACUTE CARE SERVICES**

These services may have limitations and special eligibility criteria:

- · Ambulance service
- · Dental Care

- · Durable Medical equipment
- · Eyeglasses
- Hearing Aids
- · Home Health Care Services
- Non-VA Health Care Services
- · Orthopedic, Prosthetic, and Rehabilitative **Devices**
- Rehabilitative Services
- · Readjustment Counseling
- Sexual Trauma Counseling



### **MILITARY SEXUAL TRAUMA**

Military Sexual Trauma (MST) is the term that the Department of Veterans Affairs uses to refer to sexual harassment that occurred while the veteran was in the military. It includes any sexual activity where someone is involved against his or her will—he or she may have been pressured into sexual activities (for example, with threats of negative consequences for refusing to be sexually cooperative, implied faster promotions, or better treatment in exchange for sex), and may have been unable to consent to sexual activities (for example, when intoxicated), or may have been physically

forced into sexual activities. Other experiences that fall into the category of MST include unwanted sexual touching or grabbing; threatening, offensive remarks about a person's body or sexual activities; and/or threatening or unwelcome sexual advances.

Both women and men can experience MST during their service. All veterans seen at Veterans Health Administrations facilities are asked about experiences of sexual trauma because they know that any type of trauma can affect a person's physical and mental health, even many years later. People can recover from trauma and

the VA has free services to help veterans do this. You do not need to have a VA disability (service connected) rating to receive these services and may be able to receive services even if you are not eligible for other VA care. You do not need to have reported the incident(s) when they happened or have other documentation that they occurred.

For more information, veterans can speak with a VA healthcare provider, contact the MST Coordinator at their nearest VA Medical Center, or contact their local Vet Center. More MST information can be found at **mentalhealth.va.gov.** 

# **WOMEN VETERANS HEALTH CARE 1-855-VA-WOMEN** [1-855-829-6636]

Women veterans are eligible for the same VA benefits as male veterans. Comprehensive health services are available to women veterans including primary care, mental health care and reproductive health care services. VA provides management of acute and chronic illnesses, preventive care, contraceptive services, menopause management, and cancer screenings, including pap smear, and mammograms, and gynecology.

- Maternity care is covered in the medical benefits package to include care for newborn children of women veterans for up to 7 days after birth. VA is also mandated to implement pilot programs to provide child care to women veterans receiving medical care, and to provide readjustment services to women veterans. Infertility evaluation and limited treatments also are available.
- Women Veterans Program Managers are available at all VA facilities to help veterans seeking treatment and benefits.

# SERVICES FOR COMBAT VETERANS



The Vet Center Combat Call Center is an around the clock confidential call center where combat veterans and their families can call to talk about their military experience or any other issue they are facing in their readjustment to civilian life. The staff is comprised of combat veterans from several eras as well as family members of combat veterans.

SEE NC4VETS MAPS FOR YOUR LOCAL HEALTH SERVICE LOCATION: Pg's 4-11

# **VET CENTERS**

Services provided at the Vet Center include bereavement and readjustment counseling to individuals, groups, couples, and families.

If you served in a combat zone and received a campaign ribbon, you and your family are eligible for Vet Center services. In addition, parents, siblings, spouses and children of any active duty service member who dies while on active duty are eligible for bereavement counseling services. Services are also provided to any veteran who experienced military related sexual trauma while on active duty.

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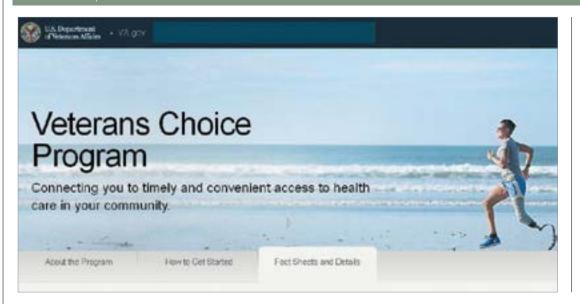
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# VETERANS **CHOICE PROGRAM**

Learn more about the VA's Veterans Choice Program by visiting their website at: www.va.gov/opa/choiceact

Many Veterans now have the option to receive non-VA health care rather than waiting for a VA appointment or traveling to a VA facility.

- You have been told by your local VA medical facility that you will need to wait more than 30 days from your preferred date or the date medically determined by your physician.
- Your current residence is more than 40 miles from the closest VA medical facility.
- You need to travel by plane or boat to the VA medical facility closest to your home.

The new Choice Program will begin to cover non-VA care for eligible Veterans enrolled in VA healthcare. Veterans are eligible if any of these situation apply to you:

- You face an unusual or excessive burden in traveling to a VA medical facility based on the presence of a body of water (including moving water and still water) or a geologic formation that cannot be crossed by road.
- To set up an appointment with a non-VA provider, call the VA at 866-606-8198 and we will work with you to ensure you are approved for care in your community.



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60% of returning combat veterans experiencing ringing in the ears or hearing loss.

Your homecoming is important – don't let your hearing difficulties get you down!

Contact us for counseling, training and specialized equipment so you can reconnect with your family and friends and stay connected with your military buddies.

There is no charge for our services.



North Carolina Division of Services for the Deaf and the Hard of Hearing

(919) 874-2212 (v) | (800) 851-6099 (v/tty) | (919) 890-0859 (VP) www.ncdhhs.gov/dsdhh

State of North Carolina | Pat McCrory, Governor, | Department of Health and Human Services Division of Services for the Deaf and the Hard of Hearing, | www.nothhs.gov/dsdhh N.C. DHHS is an equal opportunity employer and provided. 4/15



# NORTH CAROLINA VETERANS HEALTH CLINICS



#### ALBEMARLE POC

1845 W. City Dr. Elizabeth City, NC 27909 252-331-2191

#### **BRUNSWICK CLINIC**

20 Medical Campus Dr. Ste. 106 Supply, NC 28462 910-754-6141

#### **CHARLOTTE CBOC**

8601 University East Dr. Charlotte, NC 28213 704-597-3500

#### **ELIZABETH CITY CBOC**

1845 W. City Dr. Elizabeth City, NC 27909 252-331-2191

#### FRANKLIN CBOC

647 Wayah St. Franklin, NC 28734 828-369-1781

#### **GOLDSBORO CBOC**

2610 Hospital Rd. Goldsboro, NC 27534 919-731-4809

#### **GREENVILLE HCC**

401 Moye Blvd. Greenville, NC 27834 252-830-2149

#### **HAMLET CBOC**

100 Jefferson St. Hamlet, NC 28345 910-582-3536

#### **HICKORY CBOC**

2440 Century Pl., S.E. Hickory, NC 28602 828-431-5600

#### **HILLANDALE I**

1824 Hillandale Rd. Durham, NC 27705 919-383-6107

#### **HILLANDALE II**

1830 Hillandale Rd. Durham, NC 27705 919-642-6994

#### JACKSONVILLE CBOC

4056 Henderson Rd. Jacksonville, NC 28546 910-353-6406

#### MOREHEAD CITY CBOC

5420 Highway 70 Morehead City, NC 28557 252-240-2349

#### **RALEIGH I CBOC**

3305 Sungate Blvd. Raleigh, NC 27610 919-212-0129

#### **RALEIGH II ANNEX**

3040 Hammond Business Pl. Suite 105 Raleigh, NC 27603 919-899-6259

#### **ROBESON CO. CBOC**

139 Three Hunts Drive Pembroke, NC 28372 910-272-3220

#### RUTHERFORD CO. CBOC

374 Charlotte Rd. Rutherfordton, NC 28139 828-288-2780

#### **VILLAGE GREEN ANNEX**

1991 Fordham Dr. Fayetteville, NC 28304 910-488-2120 ext. 4020

#### WILMINGTON HCC

1705 Gardner Rd. Wilmington, NC 28405 910-343-5300

#### WINSTON-SALEM CBOC

190 Kimel Park Dr. Winston-Salem, NC 27103 336-768-3296

#### **WINSTON-SALEM ANNEX**

2101 Peters Creek Parkway Winston-Salem, NC 27127 336-761-5300

#### **BLIND AND DIALYSIS CENTERS**

#### VA DIALYSIS & BLIND REHAB CLINICS. **BRIER CREEK**

8081 Arco Corporate Drive Raleigh, NC 27617 919-286-5220

#### VA DIALYSIS CLINIC FAYETTEVILLE

2301 Robeson Street, Ste. 101 Fayetteville, NC 28305 910-483-9727



# TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT

The VA is authorized to provide eligible Veterans and other beneficiaries mileage reimbursement, common carrier (plane, train, bus, taxi, light rail etc.), or when medically indicated "special mode" (ambulance, wheelchair van) transport for travel to and from VA, or VA authorized non-VA health care for which the Veteran is eligible. Veterans qualify for travel benefits if:

- Veteran has a serviceconnected (SC) disability of 30% or more.
- Travel is in connection with care for SC disability
- Previous year income does not exceed maximum VA pension rate
- Projected income in travel year does not exceed maximum VA pension rate
- Travel is for a C&P exam
- · Travel is to obtain a service dog
- Travel is in relation to VA transplant care

Beneficiaries may apply for travel orally or in writing generally at the facility where care was provided however, in some cases there may be an alternate process. For more information, go to the Beneficiary Travel Office at the treating facility or call 877.222.8387 or visit: https://iris.custhelp.com/

# SCHEDULED VERSUS UNSCHEDULED APPOINTMENTS

Scheduled appointments qualify for round-trip mileage. Unscheduled visits may be limited to return mileage only.

In order to be eligible for travel benefits when transporting to VA care or treatment, a veteran must actually be incurring an expense. Should one or more veterans travel together in a private vehicle, only the owner of the vehicle is actually incurring expenses and therefore is the only person entitled to travel reimbursement. However, should

multiple veterans share a vehicle where passengers must pay for their transport such as a taxi or where one veteran pays another for transportation, then all are entitled to travel reimbursement either at the mileage reimbursement rate or actual expense, whichever is less. Such persons must provide a receipt to indicate an incurred expense and to receive reimbursement. Find your local medical center for reimbursement rates.

# NC DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS (DAV) TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM POCS

#### **CALVIN E. TURNER**

DURHAM VAMC 508 Fulton St., (135) Durham, NC 27705 (919) 286-0411 EXT. 7617

#### **RUPERT BENNETT**

FAYETTEVILLE VAMC 2300 Ramsey St., Rm. 245 Fayetteville, NC 28301 (910) 488-2120 EXT. 7302

#### HAMPTON, VA VAMC

100 Emancipation Dr. Bldg. 135, Rm. 28 Hampton, VA 23667 (866) 544-9961 EXT. 3148

#### ANDREW CLARK

ASHEVILLE VAMC 1100 Tunnel Road, Room B421 Asheville, NC 28805 (828) 298-7911 EXT. 5349

#### JAMES A. MARTIN

SALISBURY VAMC 1601 Brenner Ave. Bldg. 6 Rm. 1004 Salisbury, NC 28144 (704) 638-9000 EXT. 3904

# VA HOSPITAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICE PROGRAM

The Veterans Health Administration has a transportation program for non-ambulatory and remote VA patients. The Veterans Transportation Service (VTS) provides transport for veterans to VA Medical Centers (VAMCs). These services include vehicle routing and scheduling software for VA Medical Facilities.

While all veterans with VA funded medical appointments are eligible to ride VTS, a first priority is given to wheelchair-bound patients who have no other transportation alternatives. VTS is establishing a network of community and volunteer transportation services to improve access to VA health care, including the Durham VAMC.

#### **RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED**

Reservations are needed for transportation at least four full business days before the date of transport is needed. Specific information about the veteran is also required.

To see if services are available in your area, call:

Asheville: (828) 298-7911 EXT. 7977
 DAV: (828) 298-7911 EXT. 5349

Durham: (919) 286-0411 EXT. 4793
 DAV: (919) 286-0411 EXT. 7617

• Hampton, VA: (866) 544-9961 EXT. 3148

DAV: (757) 728-3148

Fayetteville: (910) 488-2120 EXT. 7694
 DAV: (910) 488-2120 EXT. 7302

Salisbury: (704) 638-9000 EXT. 4439
 DAV: (704) 638-9000 EXT. 3904

# DAV TRANSPORTATION NETWORK

Because many veterans lack transportation to and from VA medical facilities for needed treatment, the Disabled American Veterans (DAV) operates a nationwide Transportation Network to meet this need. Through the Transportation Network, DAV volunteers drive veterans to and from VA medical facilities for treatment.

The Transportation Network is a clear example of veterans helping veterans. The DAV has 189 Hospital Service Coordinators around the country who coordinate the transportation needs for disabled veterans. Contact your local medical center for more information.

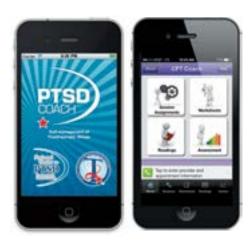
#### **VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED:**

The DAV is always looking for volunteer drivers. If you are interested in volunteering in the DAV Transportation Network please visit: www.dav.org/help-dav/volunteer/drive-a-van.

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# PTSD MOBILE APP



FREE PTSD COACH DOWNLOAD FROM: ITUNES (IOS)\* AND GOOGLE PLAY (ANDROID)\*

PTSD Coach has now been downloaded over 100,000 times in 74 countries around the word. The PTSD Coach app can help you learn about and manage symptoms that commonly occur after trauma. Features include: Reliable information on PTSD and treatments that work; Tools for screening and tracking your symptoms; Convenient, easy-to-use skills to help you handle stress symptoms; Direct links to support and help; Always with you when you need it.

Together with professional medical treatment, PTSD Coach provides you dependable resources you can trust. If you have, or think you might have PTSD, this app is for you. Family and friends can also learn from this app.

#### **DOWNLOAD THE MOBILE APP**

Free PTSD Coach download from: iTunes (iOS)\* and Google Play (Android)\*. Also see PTSD Coach ONLINE: 17 tools to choose from available for desktop. PTSD Coach was created by the VA's National Center for PTSD and the DoD's National Center for Telehealth and Technology.

NOTE: PTSD is a serious mental health condition that often requires professional evaluation and treatment. PTSD Coach is not intended to replace needed professional care.

# TRAUMA **AND PTSD**

Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) is a mental heath issue that can occur after someone goes through a traumatic event such as war, assault, disaster, or a car accident. Most people have some stress reactions after a trauma.

Each service member will have their own experiences. However, understand that almost all service members will need time to readjust after being in a war zone. This can be especially intense during the first months at home. Common stress reactions are a normal part of readjustment.

The stigma of mental health issues can be a huge barrier for people who need help, but knowing when and how to get help is actually part of military training.

Visit your local Vet Center (complete list of locations are on page 49) if you would like to talk to someone about what you are experiencing. You can also learn more about PTSD at ptsd.va.gov

# **VA RESOURCE CENTERS**

ASHEVILLE VAMC (828) 299-2519 EXT: 2519

CHARLOTTE CBOC (704) 638-9000 EXT:3175

**DURHAM CLINIC** (919) 286-0411 EXT: 7977

**FAYETTEVILLE VAMC** (910) 488-2120 EXT: 5839

HICKORY CBOC (704) 638-9000 EXT: 3175

SALISBURY VAMC **VAMC PTSD RESOURCES OUTPATIENT THERAPY UNIT** INPATIENT THERAPY UNIT CALL (704) 638-9000 EXT: 3175

WINSTON-SALEM CBOC (336) 768-3296 EXT: 1603

# NC RESOURCE CENTERS

Brain Injury Resource Offices are located throughout the state and are available to help you.

Statewide Family Help Line: 1-800-377- 1464

- Raleigh area call 1-919-833-9634
- Charlotte area call 1-704-355-1502
- Greenville area call 1-800-697-3115
- Asheville area call 1-866-890-7801

# TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY [TBI]

Major advancements in protective and medical technology have vastly increased survivability rates among wounded U.S. service members. They have also introduced new challenges to care for increasing numbers of veterans and service members with extremely complex injuries, particularly polytrauma and traumatic brain injury.

A Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) happens when something outside the body hits the head with significant force.

This could happen when the head hits a windshield during a car accident, when a piece of shrapnel enters the brain, or during an explosion of an improvised explosive device (IED).

Individuals who sustain a TBI may experience a variety of effects, such as an inability to concentrate, an alteration of the senses (hearing, vision, smell, taste, and touch), difficulty speaking, and emotional and behavioral changes.

If you experienced head trauma during your service, please contact the VA to schedule an examination. To learn more about TBI, visit www.polytrauma.va.gov





# **CHAMPVA AND TRICARE**

The Civilian Health and Medical Program of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (CHAMPVA) is a comprehensive health care program in which the VA shares the cost of covered health care services and supplies with eligible beneficiaries. The program is administered by Health Administration Center.

Due to the similarity between CHAMPVA and the Department of Defense (DOD) TRICARE program (sometimes referred to by its old name, CHAMPUS) the two are often mistaken for each other. CHAMPVA is a U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) program whereas TRICARE is a regionally managed health care program for active duty and retired members of the uniformed services, their families, and survivors. In some cases a veteran may look to be eligible for both/either program on paper. However, if you are a military retiree, or the spouse of a veteran who was killed in action, you are and will always be a TRICARE beneficiary.

# **NON-VA MEDICAL CENTER EMERGENCY CARE**

Veterans are eligible for emergency care at non-VA facilities under certain circumstances. The 2010 Veterans Emergency Care Protective Act enabled VA to reimburse veterans enrolled in VA health care for the remaining cost of emergency treatment if the veteran has outside insurance that only covers part of the cost.

If the non-VA emergency care is received, notification to the nearest VA health care facility must be made within 72 hours of hospitalization. VA payment is limited up to the point that veteran's condition is stable for transport to a VA Facility.

The VA can also provide retroactive reimbursements for emergency care received or after July, 19, 2001, if considered appropriate under the circumstances.



# **ONLINE MANAGEMENT**

Managing your health information appointments, prescriptions, labs, blood tests and even exchanging messages with your health care team has never been easier.

My HealtheVet, your online Personal Health Record, helps you gain a better understanding of your health status and allows you to explore a variety of ways to monitor and improve your health, 24 hours a day/7days a week.

To get the most out of My HealtheVet, veterans are urged to visit their local VA health care facility to get an upgraded account, known as In-Person Authentication (IPA). This simple process allows you to use My HealtheVet to:

- · View your VA appointments
- Access VA wellness reminders
- Communicate online through secure messaging
- · View laboratory results and more

To begin using My HealtheVet, register today at **www.myhealth.va.gov** 



# **NEED AN EXTRA** HAND?



NC offers additional resources to assist its North Carolina veterans through the Division of Mental Health, **Developmental Disabilities** and Substance Abuse Services.

# RETURNING VETERANS AND POSSIBLE BEHAVIORAL **HEALTH ISSUES**

"Although the majority of veterans who return from deployment do not have a behavioral health condition and have not experienced a traumatic brain injury (TBI) all service members, veterans and family members experience a period of reajustment as they reintegrate into life with family, friends and community. Behaviors needed to survive in war zone, such as maintaining a constant state of alertness, may initially translate into troublesome behaviors in civilian life." SAMHSA, 2012.

The North Carolina Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, and Substance Abuse Services (MH/DD/SA) with its Local Management Entities-**Managed Care Organizations (LME-**MCOs) provides mental health, developmental disabilities, including TBI and substance use services through a network of community-based agencies in all of the state's 100 counties.

Services and support are available to address the full continuum of care including crisis intervention, prevention, treatment and recovery supports for both adults and children. Program services are accessed by contacting the LME/MCO contracted to provide services in your county. To find out which LME-MCO your county is assigned

to please visit the DMH/DD/SAS website at ncdhhs.gov/mhddsas/lmeonblue.htm or you can call the customer service and community rights call center at 1-855-262-1946. The LME-MCO can also assist individuals needing to access the services provided by the Division of State Operated Health Facilities (DSOHF). Applications for care at the state psychiatric hospitals, the Alcohol and Drug Treatment Centers and the Developmental Centers can be made through your local LME-MCO, or, see page 63.

# OTHER PROGRAMS THAT MIGHT BE OF INTEREST:

The TASC (Treatment Alternatives for Safe Communities) Program works with individuals involved in the criminal justice system. TASC will work with individuals, families and probation officers to arrange for treatment and other support services. For more information about TASC services in your community please see the contact information here: www.nctasc.net/main/ providermap-t.php

**Driving While Impaired Services (DWI)** works with those individuals who have been convicted of Driving While Impaired to arrange interventions or treatment so that driving privileges can be restored. Contact the program by calling (919) 733-0566. For more information about DWI-related services in your community

please see the contact information here: www.ncdhhs.gov/mhddsas/services/dwi/ locateservices.htm

**North Carolina Peer Support Specialist** Program -Veterans interested in becoming a certified Peer Support Specialists can contact the Peer Support Specialist Program managed by the University of North Carolina School of Social Work. For more information, go to http://pss.unc.edu/

# **HOW TO ACCESS SERVICES** LOCALLY:

Accessing services begins with a phone call to the LME-MCO; additional information is also available on the LME/MCO's website. Each LME/MCO has a trained Veteran Point of Contact as well as a specific TBI Point of Contact who can assist service members, veterans, and their families seeking services. The list of 24/7 access numbers, the LME/MCO website address and the Veteran Point of Contact is provided on page 67.

MH/DD/SA is a member of the Governor's Working Group on Veterans, Service Members, and their families. This group is comprised of federal, state, and local agencies who meet regularly to identify the needs and to develop strategies to meet the needs of our military connected citizens. The North Carolina MH/DD/SA is proud to serve those who have served.



# **DIVISION OF SOCIAL SERVICES**

The North Carolina Division of Social Services (DSS) provides guidance and technical assistance to agencies that provide services that address issues associated with poverty, family violence, exploitation, and more. Our goal is to ensure proper quality of life and prevent other problems in vulnerable individuals and populations. We promote selfreliance and self-sufficiency. Services offered include:

- Adoption
- Child Protective Services
- Child Support Enforcement
- Emergency Assistance
- Short-Term Financial Assistance
- Food & Nutrition Services
- Foster Care
- County Social Services Directory
- Independent Living Services for Foster Children (LINKS)
- Low-Income Energy Assistance
- Pregnancy Services
- Refugee Services
- Safe Surrender (Newborn Surrender)
- Work First Cash Assistance

Applications for benefits can be taken at all 100 DSS offices across the state.

Contact your county DSS for information about the types of documents you must provide when you apply. Staff at the county DSS will assist you with this process, or call DHHS Customer Service Center at 1-800-662-7030. A list of County Departments of Social Service Offices can be found at: www.ncdhhs.gov/dss/

# **VAMC MENTAL HEALTH POINTS OF CONTACT**

**FACILITY:** Asheville

**CONTACT PERSON:** Laura Tugman

(828) 298-7911, x2009 Laura.tugman@va.gov

**FACILITY:** Durham

**CONTACT PERSON:** Cindy Woods

(919) 286-0411, x6073 Cynthia.woods@va.gov

FACILITY: Fayetteville

**CONTACT PERSON: Bill Castillo** 

(910) 488-2120, x5828 William.castillo2@va.gov

**FACILITY: Salisbury** 

**CONTACT PERSON:** Shanyn Aysta

(704) 638-9000, x4190 Shanyn.aysta-isaac@va.gov



# Residential Substance Abuse Treatment

TROSA's multi-year residential program provides stable housing in a supportive community at no cost to all residents. Program graduates also have the option of utilizing our additional housing and continuing care services.

The Veterans Administration (VA) works closely with TROSA to ensure graduates leave with permanent housing and long-term employment.

TROSA is free of charge to anyone with a substance abuse problem who wants to change their life.

Learn more about how we can help (919) 419-1059 www.trosainc.org











#### Services we provide:

Supportive housing, meals, clothing, medical, education, vocational training. life skills, mental health, employment services, continuing care

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(919) 419-1059 www.trosaine.org

# IT'S YOUR CALL

1-800-273-8255 PRESS



Confidential chat at VeteransCrisisLine.net or text 838255

# Do you feel this way?

- · I'm lost in a health care system
- · I just don't care anymore
- I feel like hurting myself or others
- People keep telling me I've changed
- I have a short fuse
- I seem to be drinking more
- I can't sleep
- I don't have the patience I need with my kids

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**NORTH CAROLINA NATIONAL GUARD HELP LINE** 1-855-322-3848

CURRENT NC NATIONAL GUARD MEMBERS AND FAMILIES



#### Get Immediate Assistance



If your military family has an emergency need for communication, please call the American Red Cross at (877) 272-7337.

| Region                          | Local Office<br>Phone Number       | Counties Covered<br>By This Location  |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Triangle Area Chapter           | (919) 231-1602<br>Raleigh, NC      | Chatham, Wake, Warren, Johnston, Lee,<br>Franklin   |
| Central NC Chapter              | (919)-489-6541<br>Durham, NC       | Durham, Orange, Person, Granville, Vance  |
| Cape Fear Area Chapter          | (910) 762-2683<br>Wilmington, NC   | Brunswick, Carteret, Columbus, Craven,<br>Duplin, Greene, Jones, Lenoir, New<br>Hanover, Onslow, Pamlico, Pender, Wayne   |
| North East NC Chapter           | (252)-977-1720<br>Rocky Mount, NC  | Beaufort, Bertie, Camden, Chowan,<br>Currituck, Dare, Edgecombe, Gates,<br>Halifax, Hertford, Hyde, Martin, Nash,<br>North Hampton, Pasquotank, Perquimans<br>Pitt, Tyrrell, Washington, Wilson |
| Sandhills Area Chapter          | (910)-867-8151<br>Fayetteville, NC | Bladen, Cumberland, Harnett, Hoke,<br>Moore, Richmond, Robeson, Sampson,<br>Scotland  |
| Charlotte Metro Chapter         | (704) 347-8254<br>Charlotte, NC    | Iredell, Mecklenburg  |
| Southern Piedmont Chapter       | (704) 782-9022<br>Concord, NC      | Anson, Cabarrus, Montgomery, Rowan,<br>Stanly, Union  |
| Piedmont Triad Chapter          | (336) 333-2111<br>Greensboro, NC   | Alamance, Caswell, Davidson, Randolph,<br>Rockingham, Stokes, Surry, Yadkin   |
| Blue Ridge Piedmont Chapter     | (828) 332-4151<br>Hickory, NC      | Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Burke,<br>Caldwell, Catawba, Cleveland, Gaston,<br>Lincoln, Watauga, Wilkes  |
| Asheville-Mountain Area Chapter | (828) 258-3888<br>Asheville, NC    | Buncombe, Cherokee, Clay, Graham,<br>Haywood, Henderson, Jackson, Macon,<br>Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Polk,<br>Rutherford, Swain, Transylvania, Yancey                                       |

American Red Cross **Emergency Communication Services** Call Toll-Free (877) 272-7337

They serve our nation.

We are honored to serve them.



# THE DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES

North Carolina's Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities and Substance Abuse Services offers behavioral health services to those who have served in the active or reserve components of the U.S. Armed Forces, are a Veteran or a family member.





# HELP HAS A STARTING POINT.

At Eastpointe, we understand the unique mental health challenges that military service members and veterans face.

We're here to support our troops and their families. Our customer service staff and veterans/military liaison connect veterans and those on active duty with the best community resources and services for mental health, intellectual and developmental disabilities, and substance use disorders.

Our commitment to the health of service members is 12 counties strong. Contact us anytime, 24/7, 365 days a year at 1-800-913-6109 or Eastpointe.net.



Serving Bladen, Columbus, Duplin, Edgecombe, Greene, Lenoir, Nash, Robeson, Sampson, Scotland, Wayne and Wilson counties.





# **DIVISION OF AGING** AND ADULT SERVICES

In support of the mission, vision, and values of the NC Department of Health and Human Services, the Division of Aging and Adult Services (DAAS) works to promote independence and enhance the dignity of North Carolina's older adults, persons with disabilities, and their families through a

· Adult Day Care

Adult Day Health Care

• Care Management

Congregate Nutrition

• Guardianship Services

• Disease Prevention

• Health Promotion

· Health Screening

• Consumer Directed

· Adult Placement Services

Adult Protective Services

• At-Risk Case Management

Family Caregiver Support

Foster Care Services for Adults

community-based system of opportunities, services, benefits, and protections; to ready younger generations to enjoy their later years; and to help society and government plan and prepare for the changing demographics of the population.

- Services available for adults of all ages are provided by a variety of auspices such as agencies serving primarily older adults, licensed home care agencies, and county departments of social services. The services span a wide spectrum of care listed below. http://www.ncdhhs.gov/divisions/daas
- Health Support Services
  - Home Delivered Meals
  - Home Health
  - Housing and Home Improvement
  - Individual & Family Adjustment Services
  - In-home Aide
  - Legal
  - · Mental Health Counseling
  - · Options Counseling
  - Personal and Family Counseling
  - Project Care
  - Respite Group / Institution
  - Senior Centers

- · Senior Companion
- State-County Special Assistance for- adults
- State County Special Assistance for-Adults In-Home program
- Transportation General Medical
- · Veterans Affairs

NC Division of Veterans Affairs **US Department of Veterans Affairs** 

# **DIVISION OF SERVICES** FOR THE BLIND (DSB)

"Welcoming our veterans with disabilities adapting to employment and independent living"

Since 1935, the North Carolina Division of Services for the Blind (DSB) has provided services to people who are visually impaired, blind and deaf-blind to assist them with reaching their goals of

- A veteran does not need to be legally blind to receive services from DSB. Some of DSB's services include:
- Assistive Technology Assessments and Training
- Vocational/Career Training
- Transition-Age Services
- Supported Employment Services
- Career Counseling and Job Placement Assistance

independence and employment. DSB has vocational rehabilitation, independent living, medical eye care and Business Enterprises programs. DSB partners with the Veterans Administration VIST Programs that provide services to veterans who have severe visual impairments.

- Rehabilitation Center Instruction
- In-Home & Community-Based Independent Living Skills Training
- Counseling & Guidance
- Information and Referral
- Low Vision Assessments and Adaptive Aids
- In-Home Labeling of Appliances
- Safe Travel Training (Orientation & Mobility)

Contact DSB at 1-866-222-1546 or contact your closest local office at the number below. You can also contact a DSB Social Worker for the Blind at your local Department of Social Services office.

Asheville 1-800-422-1881

Wilmington 1-800-422-1884

Raleigh 1-800-422-1871

Favetteville 1-800-422-1897

Charlotte 1-800-422-1895

Winston-Salem 1-800-422-0373

Greenville 1-800-422-1877

Elizabeth City 252-338-2126 Ext. 179



Have a Health Issue the VA Can't Solve? Try These State Providers

# **ACCESS SERVICES**

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Members, and their families. This group is comprised of federal, state, and local agencies who meet regularly to identify the needs and to develop strategies to meet the needs of our military connected citizens. The North Carolina DMH/DD/SAS is proud to assist those who have served our country.





# ALTERNATIVES TO VA HEALTH CARE OFFERED BY NORTH CAROLINA'S DEPT. OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

# LME-MCO MILITARY AND VETERANS CONTACTS

#### ALLIANCE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

#### **COUNTIES SERVED:**

Cumberland, Durham, Johnston, Wake

#### CONTACT:

Hank Debnam (910) 491-4798 hdebnam@alliancebhc.org www.alliancebhc.org

# ► CARDINAL INNOVATIONS HEALTHCARE SOLUTIONS

#### **COUNTIES SERVED:**

Alamance, Cabarrus, Caswell, Chatham, Davidson, Franklin, Granville, Halifax, Mecklenburg, Orange, Person, Rowan, Stanly, Union, Vance, Warren

#### CONTACT:

Emily Godfrey (704) 939-7803 emily.godfrey@pbhsolutions.org www.pbhsolutions.org

#### ► CENTERPOINT HUMAN SERVICES

#### **COUNTIES SERVED:**

Forsyth, Stokes, Davie, Rockingham

#### **CONTACT PERSON:**

Rob Pigg (336) 778-3506 rpigg@cphs.org www.cphs.org

#### ► TRILLIUM

#### **COUNTIES SERVED:**

Beaufort, Bertie, Brunswick, Camden, Cateret, Chowan, Craven, Currituck, Dare, Gates, Hertford, Hyde, Jones, Martin, New Hanover, Northampton, Onslow, Pamlico, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Pender, Pitt, Tyrrell, Washington

#### **CONTACTS**:

Charlene Irvin
1-866-998-2597
charlene.irvin@coastalcarenc.org
www.trilliumhealthresources.org

#### **►** EASTPOINTE

#### **COUNTIES SERVED**:

Bladen, Columbus, Duplin, Edgecombe, Greene, Lenoir, Nash, Robeson, Sampson, Scotland, Wayne, Wilson

#### **CONTACTS**:

1-800-513-4002

Susan Johnson sjohnson@eastpointe.net Tara Sessoms tsessoms@eastpointe.net www.eastpointe.net

# PARTNERS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH MANAGEMENT

#### **COUNTIES SERVED:**

Burke, Catawba, Cleveland, Gaston, Iredell, Lincoln, Surry, Yadkin

#### **CONTACTS**: Karen Creech

(704) 772-4314 kcreech@partnersbhm.org Kimberly Rhoads (877) 439-2535 krhoads@partnersbhm.org www.partnersbhm.org

# SANDHILLS CENTER FOR MH/DD/SAS

#### **COUNTIES SERVED:**

Anson, Guilford, Harnett, Hoke, Lee, Montgomery, Moore, Randolph, Richmond

#### CONTACT:

Tera Duthie (910) 673-9111 terad@sandhillscenter.org www.sandhillscenter.org

#### ► SMOKY MOUNTAIN CENTER

#### **COUNTIES SERVED:**

Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe, Avery, Buncombe, Caldwell, Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Haywood, Henderson, Jackson, Macon, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Polk, Rutherford, Swain, Transylvania, Watauga, Wilkes, Yancey

#### CONTACT:

Sara Wilson (828) 586-5501 sara.wilson@smokymountaincenter.com www. smokymountaincenter.com

#### Note:

\*If you serve or have served in the active or reserve components of the U.S.

Armed Forces, are a Veteran or a family member and you need help, please contact the person listed above for your county of residence.

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# **NON-AMBULATORY** TRANSPORTATION



OWL, Inc. provides nonambulatory transportation services for Veterans who require mobility assistance and who have been authorized by the Veterans Health Administration to receive transportation services. Transportation services are available to all VA Medical Facilities in the DURVAMC Catchment area-including CBOCs, Dialysis Centers and HCCs. Services are available 24/7.

Please call four days in advance to arrange transportation.

Offices Servicing the Durham VAMC Network:

#### **Durham Office**

3310 Croasdaile Drive Ste. 301 Durham, North Carolina 27705

Office (919) 864-8461

#### Raleigh Office

4801 Glenwood Avenue Ste. 200 Raleigh, North Carolina 27612

Office (919) 604-4405

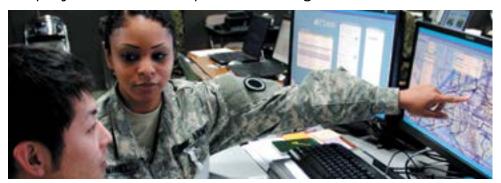
#### Greenville Office

400 W. Arlington Blvd. Greenville, North Carolina 27834

Office (252)756-5665

# DIVISION OF VOCATIONAL **REHABILITATION SERVICES**

"Welcoming our veterans with disabilities adapting to employment and independent living"



The Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services (DVRS) can assist veterans with disabilities in transitioning smoothly back to civilian life. DVRS offers counseling, training, education, transportation, job placement, assistive technology and other support services to people with the following disabilities:

- Physical
- Psychiatric
- · Intellectual and/or developmental
- Substance abuse
- · Deaf or hard of hearing or have other communicative disorders
- Any other disability that affects a person's ability to work or live independently.

These services help people with disabilities live and work independently in their community.

DVRS (known to many simply as "VR") has local field offices and facilities that serve every county in North Carolina. DVRS also directly serves businesses and other organizations by linking them to individuals who are well-matched for jobs with these entities. Contact DVRS at:

www.ncddhs.gov/dvrs 1-800-689-9090 TTY (919) 855-3579 VP (919) 324-1500 Fax (919) 733-7968

MAILING ADDRESS: **NCDVRS** 2801 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-2801

# NORTH CAROLINA ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM (NCATP)

The North Carolina Assistive Technology Program (NCATP) is a state agency under the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation Services that can assist veterans with disabilities in transitioning smoothly back to civilian life. NCATP provides assistive technology device demonstrations, short-term device loans, assessments, training, public awareness and technical assistance to individuals, family members and organizations needing assistive technology services.

NCATP has offices across the state providing services to all N.C. citizens regardless of age and/or disability. For a full listing, please visit the NCATP website at: www.ncatp.org

1-919-855-3500 Administrative Number 919-715-1776 Fax **NCATP** 2801 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-2801



# NC OPERATED HEALTHCARE FACILITIES

# PURPOSE OF THE DIVISION OF STATE OPERATED **HEALTHCARE FACILITIES:**

We are a system of state operated healthcare facilities that respects the dignity of individuals and provides individualized, compassionate, efficient, quality care to citizens of North Carolina with developmental disabilities, substance use disorders and psychiatric illnesses and whose needs exceed the level of care available in the community.

# ALCOHOL AND DRUG ADDICITION TREATMENT **CENTERS**

Julian F. Keith ADATC, 828-257-6200, 201 Tabernacle Road Black Mountain, N.C. 28711

R. J. Blackley ADATC, 919-575-7928 100 H St. Butner, N.C. 27509

Walter B. Jones ADATC 252-830-3426 2577 W. Fifth Street Greenville, N.C. 27834

# **DEVELOPMENTAL CENTERS**

Caswell Developmental 252-208-4000 2415 West Vernon Ave. Kinston, N.C. 28504

J. Iverson Riddle Developmental Center 828-433-2731 300 Enola Road Morganton, N.C. 28655

Murdoch Developmental Center 919-575-1000 C Street Butner, N.C. 27509

# NEURO-MEDICAL TREATMENT CENTERS

Black Mountain Neuro-Medical Center 828-259-6700 Old Highway 70 Black Mountain, N.C. 28711

O'Berry Neuro-Medical Center 919-581-4000 400 Old Smithfield Rd. Goldsboro, N.C. 27530-8464

Longleaf Neuro-Medical Center 252-399-2112 4761 Ward Boulevard Wilson, N.C. 27893

# **PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITALS**

**Broughton Hospital** 828-433-2111 1000 South Sterling Street Morganton, North Carolina 28655

Central Regional Hospital Butner Campus - 919-764-2000 300 Veazey Road Butner, NC 27509

Cherry Hospital 919-731-3200 201 Stevens Mill Rd Goldsboro, N.C. 27530

# **RESIDENTIAL PROGRAMS** FOR CHILDREN

Whitaker School 919-575-7048 L Street Butner, N.C. 27509

Wright School 919-560-5790 3132 Roxboro Road Durham, N.C. 27704



# DIVISION OF SERVICES FOR THE DEAF AND THE



The Division of Services for the Deaf and the Hard of Hearing serves individuals who are Deaf, Hard of Hearing, Deaf-Blind, their families and the communities in North Carolina by enabling them to achieve equal access, effective communication and a better quality of life.

Established in 1977 as the North Carolina Council for the Hearing Impaired, the North Carolina Division of Services for the Deaf and the Hard of Hearing has developed into a statewide network of programs providing a wide variety of services to Deaf, Hard of Hearing and Deaf-Blind people.

#### **DSDHH Administration Office**

2301 Mail Service Center Raleigh, NC 27699-2301 919-874-2212 V/TTY 800-851-6099 V/TTY 919-890-0859 VPW www.ncdhhs.gov/dsdhh





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# **NORTH** CAROLINA **VETERANS HOMES**

EMPLOYING OVER 750 **NORTH CAROLINIANS** 

#### **MISSION**

"To provide quality health care services in a professional and ethical manner, ensuring the trust, confidence and respect of our veteran residents, their families, employees, and the communities we serve"

The NC State Veterans Homes provide skilled nursing care to all eligible veterans. All of the NC State Veterans Homes are certified by VA Medical Centers of jurisdiction,

The State of North Carolina is proud to offer four, full-service, State Veterans Homes. They are located adjacent to the VA Medical Center in Fayetteville, on the W.G. Hefner Medical Center campus in Salisbury, Kinston, and in Black Mountain.

Please call our office at 844-NC4-VETS for further information. Our primary mission is to provide high quality care to veterans, which will improve their quality of life. At the North Carolina State Veterans Homes, we know how to meet the special needs of our veterans.



Medicaid, Medicare, and the Joint Commission.

Our professional staff and volunteers are committed to providing quality, comprehensive, short term or long term care with an extra warm and personal touch. It is important each veteran feels we are not just a skilled nursing facility, but an actual "home" in every sense of the word. Every individual is of vital interest to us and we ensure that our focus is the total needs of the resident. Through quality care and constant companionship, we strive to make every day not a "living experience," but "an experience worth living."

We encourage veterans and family members to arrange a pre-admission tour and meeting at your convenience. This will let you see first-hand the care and warmth of our homes as well as give you the opportunity to ask questions about the facility, or visit www.NC4VETS.com for a link

to a virtual tour.



# LONG – TERM CARE ELIGIBILITY



We serve all qualified North Carolina Veterans. The rate of payment is based on a daily per diem rates established by the NC Veterans Commission.

#### **TO BE ELIGIBLE, A VETERAN MUST:**

- Have served in the Armed Forces for other than training purposes.
- Have been discharged under honorable conditions from the United States Armed Forces.
- Have resided in North Carolina at least 24 months prior to the date of application.
- Be referred by a licensed physician and be in need of skilled nursing care.
- Be disabled by reason of age, disease, or other reasons determined through a physical exam. Our facility must be able to meet the need of the resident.

#### **DEDICATED TO EXCELLENCE**

Our highly skilled professional staff provides exceptional care and activities to enrich individuals.

- Comfort and security which encourages independence, meets individual needs and emphasizes personal choice.
- Comfortable, spacious accommodations in an attractive environment.
- Care provided by registered nurses, licensed practical nurses and certified nursing assistants under the direction of licensed physicians.
- · Registered dietician on staff.
- Experienced social workers to assist veterans and families.
- Veterans Service Officer to assist veterans and families in applying for VA Benefits.
- Licensed by the State of North Carolina and approved for Medicare, Medicaid and third party insurance.
- Complete team of therapists provide physical, occupational and speech therapy within the facility.
- Specially designed therapeutic recreational programs directed by activity personnel on each unit.
- Full range of in-house activities, community outings and programs involving local volunteer groups.
- Special programs throughout the year honoring veterans.
- Our first two homes are 5 star rated and we expect our two newest homes to earn that distinction as well.

Hospital care provided by either the VA Medical Centers or local hospitals.





214 Cochran Ave. Fayetteville, NC 28301

#### Phone:

(910) 482-4131

#### **Visiting hours:**

8AM to 8PM

#### Certifications:

Medicaid Medicare Joint Commission

#### **SERVICES OFFERED:**

Semi-private rooms/private rooms (additional cost) 24-hour nursing, IV therapy, oxygen therapy, physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, wound care and pain management, full-time dietician, nourishment care, activity programming, hospice, counseling services, family group meetings, laundry, pharmacy, volunteer medication management, psychiatry, MSW socialworker, barber/beauty shop services.











1601 Brenner Ave. Building #10 Salisbury, NC 28144

#### Phone:

(704) 638-4200

#### Visiting hours:

8AM to 8PM

#### Certifications:

Medicaid Medicare Joint Commission

#### **SERVICES OFFERED:**

Semi-private rooms/private rooms (additional cost) 24-hour nursing, IV therapy, oxygen therapy, physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, wound care and pain management, full-time dietician, nourishment care, activity programming, hospice, counseling services, family group meetings, laundry, volunteer services, management, psychiatry, MSW social worker, barber/beauty shop services.











62 Lake Eden Road Black Mountain, NC 28711

#### Phone:

(828) 257-6800

#### Visiting hours:

8AM to 8PM

#### Certifications:

Medicaid Medicare Joint Commission

#### **SERVICES OFFERED:**

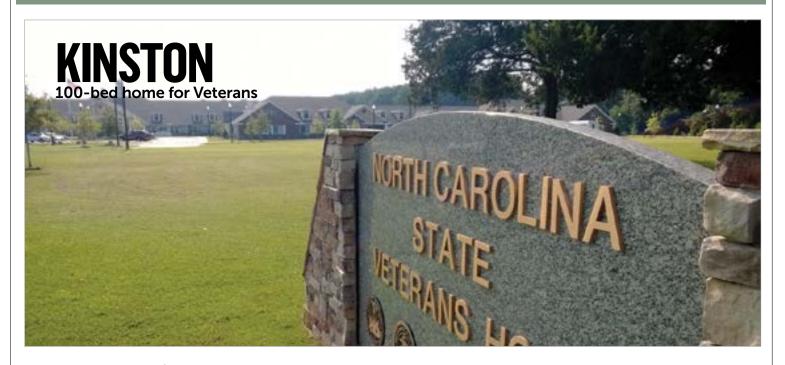
Private rooms, 24-hour nursing, IV therapy, oxygen therapy, physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, wound care and pain management, full-time dietician, nourishment care, activity programming, hospice, private chapel, counseling services, family support group meetings, laundry, volunteer services, medication management, psychiatry, MSW social worker, aquatic therapy, barber/ beauty shop services.











2150 Hull Road Kinston, NC 28504

#### Phone:

(252) 939-8000

#### Visiting hours:

8AM to 8PM

#### Certifications:

Medicaid Medicare Joint Commission

#### **SERVICES OFFERED:**

Private rooms, 24-hour nursing, IV therapy, oxygen therapy, physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, wound care and pain management, full-time dietician, nourishment care, activity programming, hospice, private chapel, counseling services, family support group meetings, laundry, volunteer services, medication management, psychiatry, MSW social worker, aquatic therapy, barber/beauty shop services.







# **Concussion/Mild Traumatic Brain Injury** and Posttraumatic Stress Disorder

#### WHAT IS A TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY (TBI)?

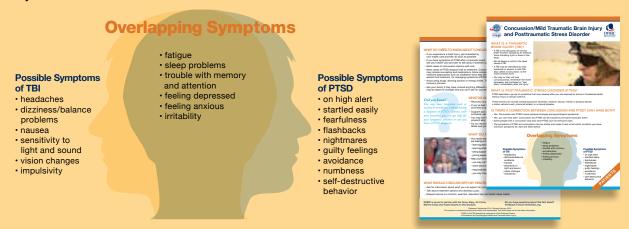
- A TBI is the disruption of normal brain function caused by an external force including a jolt or blow to the head.
- Not all blows or jolts to the head cause a TBI.
- A TBI may be classified as mild, moderate or severe. A mild TBI, also called a concussion, is the most common form.
- You may or may not lose consciousness, remember the event (amnesia), feel confused or "see stars" immediately after the injury.

#### WHAT IS POSTTRAUMATIC STRESS DISORDER (PTSD)?

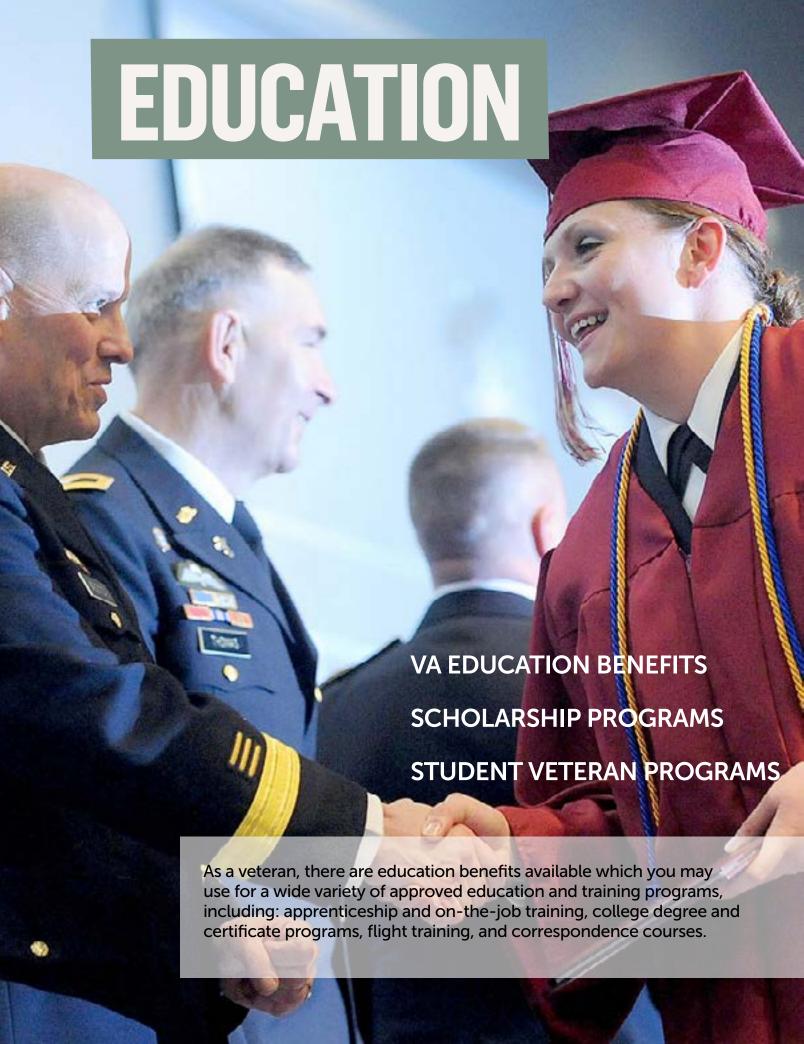
- PTSD describes a group of symptoms that may develop after you are exposed to actual or threatened death, serious injury or sexual violence.
- These events can include combat exposure; domestic violence; sexual, mental or physical abuse; a motor vehicle crash; a terrorist attack; or a natural disaster.

#### IS THERE A CONNECTION BETWEEN CONCUSSION AND PTSD? CAN I HAVE BOTH?

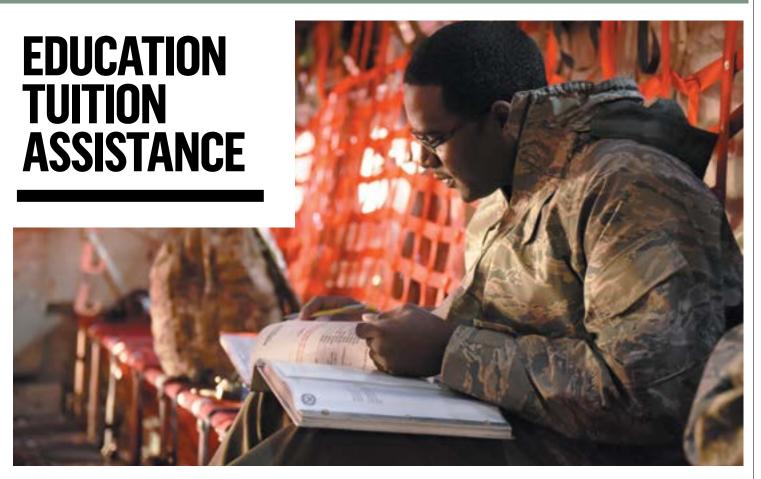
- Yes. Concussion and PTSD involve physical changes and psychological symptoms.
- Yes, you can have both. Concussion and PTSD can be caused by the same traumatic event.
- Some people with a concussion may also have PTSD, but not everyone does.
- The symptoms of PTSD and concussion may be similar and make it hard to tell which condition you have



For more information about the overlap and differences between TBI and PTSD, order or download Defense and Veterans Brain Injury Center Concussion/Mild Traumatic Brain Injury and Posttraumatic Stress Disorder Fact Sheet: https://dvbic.dcoe.mil/material/ concussionmild-traumatic-brain-injury-and-posttraumatic-stress-disorder-fact-sheet







#### POST 9/11 GI BILL

The Post-9/11 GI Bill provides financial support for education and housing to honorably discharged veterans with at least 90 days of aggregate service on Title 10 Active Duty or Title 32 Active Guard Reserve Duty after Sept. 10, 2001, or individuals discharged with a service-connected disability after 30 days. The Post 9/11 GI Bill will pay eligible individuals full tuition and fees directly to the school for all public school in-state students, attending classes at a greater than halftime rate. A Monthly Housing Allowance (MHA) based on the Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH) for an E-5 with dependents is also provided. Distance learning enrollee's housing allowance is equal to half the national average BAH for an E-5 with dependents. An annual books and supplies stipend is paid proportionately based on years of active duty service. (GIBill.va.gov)

# RESERVE EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

REAP is a Department of Defense (DoD) education benefit program designed to provide education assistance to members of the Reserve components called or ordered to active duty in response to a war or national emergency (contingency operation) as declared by the President or Congress.

Eligible veterans must be a member of a Ready Reserve component (Selected Reserve, Individual Ready Reserve, or Inactive National Guard) to pay into the "buy-up" program. Guard members are eligible if they were serving under Title 32 orders for 90 consecutive days as authorized by the President or Secretary of Defense for a national emergency which is supported by federal funds.

The DoD or Department of Homeland Security (Coast Guard) determine eligibility www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/ reap.asp

#### **MONTGOMERY GIBILL**

Montgomery GI Bill (MGIB) benefits are available for service members and veterans to help with education and training costs.

MGIB can be used to pay for many different programs including the following degrees; business, technical or vocational courses, distance learning including correspondence courses, apprenticeship/job training, flight training, licensing and certification exams.

VA educational benefits may be used while the service member is on active duty or after the service member's separation from active duty with a fully honorable military discharge. Discharges "under honorable conditions" and "general" discharges do not establish eligibility.

Eligibility generally expires 10 years after the service member's discharge. However, there are exceptions for disability, re-entering active duty, and upgraded discharges. (GIBill.va.gov)



#### FOLDS OF HONOR (PRIVATE)

Folds of Honor proudly stands in the gap, providing scholarships and assistance to the spouses and children of those killed or disabled in service to America.

Of the one million-plus dependents adversely affected by deployments to Iraq and Afghanistan, over 87% do not qualify for federal scholarship assistance. We can honor those who fought for our freedom by serving the families they leave behind.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, GO TO;

www.foldsofhonor.org

#### **TILLMAN MILITARY SCHOLARSHIP** (PRIVATE)

The Pat Tillman Foundation's Tillman Military Scholars program supports our nation's active and veteran service members and their families by removing financial barriers to completing a degree or certification program of their choice. Studyrelated expenses such as tuition and fees, but also other needs, including housing and child care. To apply, go to

www.pattillmanfoundation.org

## POST-9/11 GI BILL TRANSFER OF ENTITLEMENT

The post-9/11 GI Bill also offers some service members the opportunity to transfer their GI Bill to dependents. An individual approved to transfer an entitlement to educational assistance under this section may transfer the individual's entitlement to the individual's spouse, or one or more of the individual's children or any combination of spouse and child. A family member must be enrolled in the Defense Eligibility Enrollment Reporting System (DEERS) and be eligible for benefits, at the time of transfer to receive transferred educational benefits.

Visit www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/ post911\_transfer.asp

#### **TUITION ASSISTANCE -ITOP-UP1**

TOP-UP allows the VA to reimburse an individual for all or a portion of the charges for courses that are not reimbursed under certain military education programs. The amount of this benefit can be equal to the differences between the total cost of a college course and the amount of Tuition

Assistance that is paid by the military for the course.

To be eligible for the TOP-UP benefit, the person must be approved for federal tuition assistance by a military department and be eligible for Montgomery GI Bill (MGIB)-Active Duty benefits or the Post-9/11 GI Bill.

### YELLOW RIBBON GI EDUCATION ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM

This program was enacted to assist eligible individuals with payment of their tuition and fees in instances where costs exceed the most expensive in-state undergraduate tuition at a public institution of higher educa-

To be eligible, the student must be a veteran receiving benefits at the 100 percent benefit rate payable, a transfer-of-entitlement-eligible dependent child or spouse of a veteran.

VA will match the school's percentage (up to 50 percent) to reduce or eliminate out-ofpocket costs for eligible participants.

To receive this benefit, your school must agree to participate in the Yellow Ribbon Program.

#### **VETERANS EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (VEAP)**

Benefit entitlement is for one to 36 months depending on the number of monthly contributions. You have 10 years from your release from active duty to use VEAP benefits. If the entitlement is not used after the 10-year period, your portion remaining in the fund will be automatically refunded.

You must meet the following requirements to qualify:

- Entered service for the first time between Jan. 1, 1977, and June 30, 1985
- Opened a contribution account before April 1, 1987
- Voluntarily contributed from \$25 to \$2,700;
- Completed your period of service and were discharged or released from service under conditions other than dishonorable.

If you are currently on active duty and wish to receive VEAP benefits, you must have at least three months of contributions available www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/veap. asp



#### NC IN-STATE TUITION

Gov. Pat McCrory proposed, and the General Assembly approved \$5.8 million for public colleges and universities, including community colleges, to participate in the federal Yellow Ribbon Program, which provides schools matching federal funds to cover part of the gap between instate tuition and out-of-state tuition or tuition at a private institution.

## DEPENDENTS' EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE IDEAL

DEA is a federal VA benefit that provides education and training opportunities to eligible dependents, spouses and survivors of certain veterans.

To be eligible, you must be the dependent or spouse of a veteran who died or is permanently and totally disabled as the result of a serviceconnected disability, a veteran who died from any service-connected disability, a service member missing in action or captured in line of duty, a service member forcibly detained or interned in line of duty, or a service member who is hospitalized or receiving outpatient treatment for a service-connected permanent and total disability.

#### FRY SCHOLARSHIP (PRIVATE)

Children of an active duty member of the Armed Forces who has died in the line of duty on or after September 11, 2001, are eligible for the Marine Gunnery Sergeant John David Fry Scholarship. Eligible children attending school may receive up to their full tuition and fees for a public school or a statutory annual maximum amount for a public school, plus a monthly living stipend and book allowance under this program.

Website: http://gibill.va.gov



#### EDUCATIONAL FUNDING PROGRAMS FOR MILITARY AND THEIR DEPENDENTS

#### **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE VOLUNTARY EDUCATION PROGRAM**

Each of the four military services, the Coast Guard and the Selected Reserve Service Components operates its own voluntary education program.

#### **INCREASED TITLE IV STUDENT** ASSISTANCE TO CHILDREN OF **CERTAIN DECEASED MEMBERS** OF THE U.S. MILITARY

The Higher Education Opportunity Act (HEOA) established certain conditions for an otherwise eligible student whose parent or guardian died as a result of U.S. military service in Iraq or Afghanistan after September 11, 2001, to receive increased amounts of Title IV student financial assistance.

#### **IRAQ/AFGHANISTAN** SERVICE GRANT (IASG)

This program provides assistance to undergraduate students whose parents or guardians died as a result of U.S. military service in Iraq or Afghanistan after September 11, 2001, and do not have a Pell-eligible expected family contribution.

#### **NORTH CAROLINA NATIONAL GUARD TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM** (NCTAP)

NCTAP provides assistance for tuition and required fees to qualified members of the NC National Guard.

#### NORTH CAROLINA VIETNAM **VETERANS, INC. SCHOLARSHIP** PROGRAM (NCVVI)

Eligibility: applicant must meet the following eligibility requirements:

- Be a current resident of Wake, Durham, Harnett, Johnston, Franklin, Nash, Chatham, or Granville counties in North Carolina.
- · Have been awarded the Vietnam Service Medal (VSM) for service in the Vietnam War, or
- · Be a spouse, child, foster child, adopted child, grandchild, etc. of a Vietnam veteran (a recipient of the VSM).

#### **NORTH CAROLINA SCHOLARSHIP FOR** CHILDREN OF WAR TIME **VETERANS**

Since July 2002, the North Carolina Division of Veterans Affairs has awarded over 5,000 scholarships to the children of North Carolina veterans.

North Carolina's Scholarship Program was created to show its appreciation for the services and sacrifices of it's war veterans. The scholarship program is only valid at North Carolina schools. Scholarship recipients attending North Carolina approved private schools shall be granted a monetary allowance.

The scholarship is for 8 academic semesters; in which the applicant will have six years to utilize the eight academic semesters.

The Scholarship program has been established for the qualifying natural or adopted (before age 15) children of certain class categories of deceased. disabled, combat or POW/MIA veterans.

Applicant must be under age 25 at the time of application. The veteran's qualifying criteria must have occurred during a period of war. At time of application, applicant must be domiciled and a resident of North Carolina. In addition:

A. Veteran parent was a legal resident of North Carolina at time of said veteran's entrance into that period of service in the Armed Forces during which eligibility is established

OR

B. The applicant, of an eligible veteran, is the natural child or adopted child prior to age 15, who was born in North Carolina and has been a resident of North Carolina continuously since birth.

#### RESERVE OFFICERS TRAINING CORPS SCHOLARSHIPS (ROTC) - INCLUDES ARMY, AIR FORCE, NAVY & MARINE

Repetitive four-year scholarships are available on a competitive, merit basis to high school students who plan to enroll in the Army, Air Force, Navy, or Marine Corps, Reserve Officers Training Corps at a postsecondary institution.

#### **COAST GUARD COLLEGE STUDENT PRE-COMMISSIONING INITIATIVE** PROGRAM (CSPI)

The Coast Guard College Student Precommissioning Initiative (CSPI) provides up to two academic years of college tuition, required textbook costs, required fees, monthly salary of approximately \$2,900, medical and life insurance, 30 days paid vacation per year and leadership training.

#### **SELECTED RESERVE/NATIONAL GUARD** STUDENT LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAM

The SLRP repays 15% or \$500, whichever is greater, on any outstanding balance on eligible loans. Payments are made once a year, on the anniversary of the enlistment, on loans at least one year old. Some limitations apply. Total repayment cannot exceed \$50,000. Only preexisting loans can qualify. Value is subject to the availability of funds.





#### NC INSTITUTIONS WHICH CURRENTLY PARTICIPATE IN THE STATE'S SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Appalachian State University East Carolina University Elizabeth City State University Fayetteville State University N.C. A & T State University N.C. Central University N.C. School of the Arts N.C. State University University of North Carolina, Asheville University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill University of North Carolina, Charlotte University of North Carolina, Greensboro University of North Carolina, Pembroke University of North Carolina, Wilmington Western Carolina University, Cullowhee Winston-Salem State University

**COMMUNITY COLLEGES** AND TECHNICAL INSTITUTIONS

Alamance Community College Asheville-Buncombe Tech. Comm. College Wake Technical Community College Beaufort County Community College Bladen Community College Blue Ridge Community College Brunswick Community College Caldwell Community & Tech. College Cape Fear Community College Carteret Community College Catawba Valley Community College Central Carolina Community College Central Piedmont Community College Cleveland Community College Coastal Carolina Community College College of the Albemarle Craven Community College Davidson County Community College Durham Technical Community College Edgecombe Community College Fayetteville Technical Community College Forsyth Technical Community College Gaston College Guilford Technical Community College Halifax Community College Haywood Community College Isothermal Community College James Sprunt Community College Johnston Community College Lenoir Community College Martin Community College Mayland Community College McDowell Technical Community College Mitchell Community College

Montgomery Community College Nash Community College Pamlico Community College Piedmont Community College Pitt Community College Randolph Community College Richmond Community College Roanoke-Chowan Community College Robeson Community College Rockingham Community College Rowan-Cabarrus Community College Sampson Community College Sandhills Community College South Piedmont Community College Southeastern Community College Southwestern Community College Stanly Community College Surry Community College Tri-County Community College Vance-Granville Community College Wayne Community College Western Piedmont Community College Wilkes Community College Wilson Technical Community College

PRIVATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

Barton College Barber-Scotia College Belmont Abbey College Bennett College Wake Forest School of Medicine **Brevard College** Cabarrus College of Health Sciences Campbell University Carolinas College of Health Sciences Catawba College **Chowan University** Davidson College **Duke University Elon University** Gardner-Webb University Greensboro College Guilford College Heritage Bible College High Point University John Wesley Bible College Johnson C. Smith University Lees-McRae College Lenoir Rhyne University Livingstone College

Louisburg Junior College

Mars Hill College Meredith College Methodist University Mid-Atlantic Christian University Montreat College Mount Olive University Wesleyan College Pfeiffer University Piedmont International University Queens University of Charlotte St. Andrews Presbyterian College St. Augustine's College Salem College **Shaw University** Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary Southeastern Free Will Baptist College Wake Forest University Warren Wilson College Watts School of Nursing William Peace University Wingate University

#### \*Go to NC4VETS.COM for eligibility information and to apply





#### HOW TO **REGISTER YOUR APPRENTICESHIP** PROGRAM I

#### REGISTERED APPRENTICESHIP SPONSORS

Industries today are constantly on the lookout for talent, and North Carolina's Veterans are a proven talent pool. The Departments of Veterans Affairs (VA) and Labor (DOL) are working together to make GI Bill approval for registered apprenticeship programs a seamless process.

As a Registered Apprenticeship program, your program may be "Approved for GI Bill". To determine whether your program is eligible, it is best to first contact your State Approving Agency (SAA) for advice and guidance. Find your state's contact information: nccommerce.com/workforce/

job-seekers/apprenticeship

#### **VETERANS EDUCATIONAL** ASSISTANCE PROGRAM [VEAP]

The Post-Vietnam Era Veterans Education Assistance Program (VEAP) is available if you elected to make contributions from your military pay to participate in this education benefit program. You can use this benefit for degree, certification, correspondence, apprenticeship/job training programs, and vocational flight training programs. www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/veap.asp

#### **VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION AND EMPLOYMENT [VR&E]**

The Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (VR&E) VetSuccess Program assists veterans with service-connected disabilities to prepare for, find, and keep suitable jobs. For veterans with service-connected disabilities so severe that they cannot immediately consider work, VetSuccess offers services to improve their ability to live as independently as possible.

Eligibility and entitlement for VR&E are two different things. You may meet eligibility criteria, yet not be entitled to services. The first step in the VR&E process is to be evaluated upon application to your local VA Regional Office, to determine if you qualify for services. Please contact your local service officer for further assistance. See pages 4-11 for contact information.

www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/reap.asp

#### **TUITION ASSISTANCE WHILE** ON ACTIVE DUTY

This DoD program is administered by the individual branches of the Armed Forces. Tuition Assistance (TA) can be used to pay up to 100 percent of a service member's tuition while taking eligible courses during off-duty hours. Tuition Assistance benefits are capped at \$250 per semester credit hour, with a \$4,500 yearly cap.



#### NCWORKS APPRENTICESHIP

NCWorks Apprenticeship helps workers learn new specialized skills needed in today's workforce through its apprenticeship programs. The program combines on-the-job training with classroom instruction so participants can become fully competent in the professional knowledge, skills, and proficiency of an occupation.

#### **HOW IT WORKS**

Apprentices choose from a variety of occupations in which to pursue an apprenticeship and receive a combination of classroom instruction and on-the-job training. Participants are paid for their work, and their wages will increase as they progress in the program.

Apprentices work as they complete their classes; their work schedule will be determined by their respective employers. When they graduate, apprentices will receive a Certificate of Completion and will have earned the highly skilled "journeyman worker" designation. The program can last one to five years depending on the occupation.

Employers work with the Apprenticeship and Training Bureau to create a written agreement that specifies the length of a participant's training, the related technical instruction, an outline of the skills that person will need to learn, and the wages he or she will earn. The N.C. Department of Commerce must approve this agreement before apprentices can start their training.

To join an apprenticeship program, participants are required to pay an annual fee of \$50. Many employers, however, choose to pay this fee on behalf of their apprentices (although they are not required to do so).

#### **HOW TO APPLY**

Call 919-814-0303, or e-mail apprenticeshipmail@nccommerce.com.

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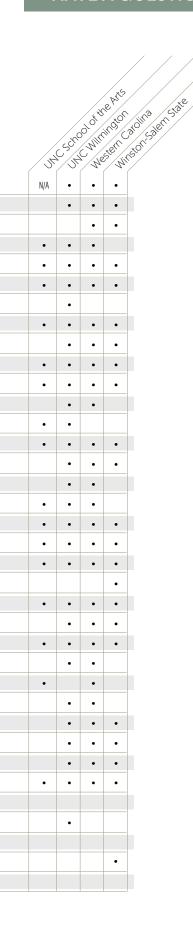
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| Grant PE Credit to Service Members  | •  | •       | •                                      | •      | •           | •   | •                | •       | •     | •    | •        | •        |            |
| Has Clearly Articulated Military to Campus Credit Equivalencies             | •  | •       | •                                      | •      | •           |     | •                | •       | •     |      | •        | •        |            |
| Offer Priority Enrollment for Active Duty Military Students                 | •  | •       | •                                      |        | •           |     |                  |         |       |      |          |          |            |
| Has Call to Duty Student Policy   | •  | •       | •                                      | •      | •           |     | •                | •       | •     | •    | •        | •        |            |
| Classify Military Students as Transfer Students                             | •  | •       | •                                      | •      | •           | •   | •                | •       | •     | •    | •        | •        |            |
| Has One Admissions Counselor for Military Affiliated Students               | •  | •       | •                                      | •      | •           | •   | •                | •       | •     | •    | •        | •        |            |
| Offer Conditional Admission Contracts                                       | •  |         | •                                      | •      |             |     |                  |         | •     |      | •        |          |            |
| Has one Financial Aid Counselor for Military Affiliated Students            | •  | •       |  | •      | •           |     |                  | •       | •     |      |          | •        |            |
| Accept Tuition Assistance   |    | •       | •                                      |        |             |     |                  | •       | •     | •    |          | •        |            |
| Accept Veterans Education Benefit   | •  |         | •                                      | •      |             |     | •                | •       | •     |      |          | •        |            |
| Offer Payment Plan for Students with VA Payment Delay                       |    |         |  |        |             |     |                  |         |       |      |          |          |            |
| Has Scholarship or Grant for Military Veterans or Dependents                | •  |         |  |        |             |     |                  |         | •     |      |          |          |            |
| Has Military/Veteran Specific Housing or Assistance w/ Off Campus Housing   |    |         | •                                      |        |             |     |                  |         |       |      |          |          |            |
| Has one Student Affairs Person for Military Affiliated Students             | •  |         | •                                      |        |             |     |                  | •       | •     |      |          |          |            |
| Has Student Veteran Organization or other Military Student Organizations    |    |         |  |        |             |     |                  |         |       |      |          |          |            |
| Has Veteran or Military Student Space on Campus                             |    | •       | •                                      |        |             |     |                  |         |       |      |          | •        |            |
| Has Military or Veteran Orientation   |    |         |  |        |             |     |                  | •       |       |      |          |          |            |
| Track Active Duty Military and Veteran Student Populations                  |    |         |  | •      | •           |     |                  | •       | •     |      |          | •        |            |
| Identify Military Affiliated Students on the Student Data File              |    |         |  |        |             |     |                  |         |       |      |          |          |            |
| Has PTSD,TBI and Military Stress Trained Support Staff                      |    |         |  |        |             |     |                  |         |       |      |          |          |            |
| Has Yellow Ribbon Program Participation                                     |    |         |  |        |             |     |                  |         |       |      |          |          |            |
| Has Military Affairs Liaison Appointed                                      |    |         | •                                      |        |             |     |                  | •       | •     |      |          |          |            |
| Has Targeted Collateral Material for Military Students                      |    |         |  |        |             |     |                  |         |       |      |          |          |            |
| Has Military Affairs Committee  |    |         | •                                      |        |             |     |                  | •       | •     |      |          |          |            |
| Offer Core Education Curriculum Online                                      |    |         |  |        |             |     |                  |         |       |      |          |          |            |
| Designate Military Ombudsman to Advocate on Behalf of Students              | •  | •       | •                                      |        | •           |     | •                | •       |       | •    |          | •        |            |
| Offer Targeted Online Programs to the Military                              |    |         |  |        |             |     |                  |         |       |      |          |          |            |
| Affiliate with the Servicemembers Opportunity College Network (SOC)         |    |         | •                                      |        |             |     |                  |         |       |      |          | •        |            |
| Employ VA Work Study Students   |    |         |  |        |             |     |                  |         |       |      |          |          |            |
| Has Dedicated Web Presence for Military Affiliated Students                 |    |         |  |        | •           |     |                  | •       | •     |      |          | •        |            |
| Conduct for Faculty, Staff, and Student Military Student Awareness Training |    |         |  |        |             |     |                  |         |       |      |          |          |            |
| Has Military or Veteran "Seminar" Classes                                   |    |         | •                                      |        | •           |     |                  |         |       |      |          | •        |            |
| Deliver Classes on Military Base with approval from Military Installation   |    |         |  |        |             |     |                  |         |       |      |          |          |            |
| Has Army ROTC   |    |         | •                                      | •      | •           | •   |                  |         | •     |      | •        | •        |            |
| Has Air Force ROTC  |    |         |  |        |             |     |                  |         |       |      |          |          |            |
| Has Navy/Marine Corps ROTC  |    |         |  |        |             |     |                  |         |       |      |          |          |            |
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#### APPALACHIAN STATE UNIVERSITY

Call: 828-262-2120

Student Veterans Association www.veterans.appstate.edu/

Veterans Benefits - www.financialaid.appstate.edu/va

#### **EAST CAROLINA UNIVERSITY**

Call: 252-328-4781 Military Programs Office -

www.ecu.edu/cs-acad/militaryprograms/

Veterans Affairs/Benefits -

www.ecu.edu/cs-acad/registrar/VAcontactInfo.cfm

#### **ELIZABETH CITY STATE UNIVERSITY**

Call: 252-335-8722

Credit for Military Experience - www.ecsu. edu/academics/catalogs/undergrad/5619.htm Veterans Benefits - www.ecsu.edu/veterans/faqs.cfm

#### **FAYETTEVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY**

Call: 910-672-1411

Veterans Affairs -

www.uncfsu.edu/military-students

Veterans Benefits -

www.uncfsu.edu/ftbraggcampus/va-services

#### NORTH CAROLINA A & T STATE UNIVERSITY

Call: 336-334-7946

Veterans Benefits - www.ncat.edu/student-affairs/ student-services/ovdss/veteran%20students/index.

Veteran & Disability Support Services www.ncat.edu/student-affairs/student-services/ovdss/

#### NORTH CAROLINA CENTRAL UNIVERSITY

Call: 919-530-6298

Student Veterans Organization - www.nccu.edu/ veteransaffairs/links.cfm

Veterans Affairs -

www.nccu.edu/veteransaffairs/index.cfm

Veterans Law Clinic -

www.law.nccu.edu/clinics/veterans-law/

#### **NORTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY**

Call: 919-515-5036

NCSU Veterans Affairs - www.ncsu.edu/veterans/ Student Veterans Association-

www.clubs.ncsu.edu/sva/

#### **UNC ASHEVILLE**

Call: 828-250-3829

Student Veterans Organization - www.transition. unca.edu/veterans-programs-and-services

Veterans Benefits -

www.registrar.unca.edu/veteran-services

Veterans Programs and Services - www.transition. unca.edu/veterans-programs-and-services

#### **UNC SCHOOL OF ARTS**

Veterans Benefits www.uncsa.edu/registrar/military.htm Military and Veteran Resources www.uncsa.edu/registrar/military.htm

#### **UNC-CHAPEL HILL**

Call: 919-966-3621

Admissions -

www.admissions.unc.edu/apply/military-veterans/ Veterans and Military Family Resources - www.diversity.unc.edu/military/Veterans Benefits - registrar.unc. edu/academic-services/veteran-affairs/

Veterans Benefits- www.registrar.unc.edu/Academic-Services/VeteranAffairs/index.htm

Veteran Services -

www.deanofstudents.unc.edu/veterans

#### **UNC CHARLOTTE**

Call: 704-687-0354

ROTC - www.arotc.uncc.edu/, afrotc.uncc.edu/ Student Veterans Organization - www.uncc.veterans. association@gmail.com

Veteran Student Services and Benefits www.veterans.uncc.edu

#### **UNC GREENSBORO**

Call: 336-334-5496

Veteran Services - www.uncg.edu/reg/veterans/ Veterans Resource Center - www.veterans.uncg.edu/

#### **UNC PEMBROKE**

Call: 910-962-2029

Distance Education at Fort Bragg -

www.uncp.edu/academics/online-distanceeducation/campus-programs/fort-braggmilitary-base

Military and Veteran Services -

www.uncp.edu/veterans/

Veterans Benefits - www.uncp.edu/student-life/ student-services/military-and-veteran-services/ben-

#### **UNC WILMINGTON**

Call: 910-962-2029

Financial Aid/Veterans Benefits –

www. uncw.edu/admissions/MIFinAid.html Registrar – www.uncw.edu/reg/military.htm

Military Student Resources -

www.uncw.edu/perch/military/index.html

#### WESTERN CAROLINA UNIVERSITY

Call: 828-227-2135

Army Career Degrees – www.military.wcu.edu Distance Education – www.distance.wcu.edu Military Student Services - www.military.wcu.edu Professional Development - www.wcu.edu/academics/edoutreach/conted/profdev/

#### WINSTON-SALEM STATE UNIVERSITY

Call: 336-750-2256

Office of Military Services - www.wssu.edu/academics/ucall/pce/msss/military-ed.aspx

Veterans Benefits - www.wssu.edu/administration/ registrar/veterans-affairs.aspx



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| Beaufort County Community College                | 61    | •           |             | •               |                 |          |               |  |                     |
| Brunswick Community College                      | 52    |             |             | •               |                 |          |               |  |                     |
| Caldwell Community College & Technical Institute | 109   | •           |             | •               |                 |          |               |  |                     |
| Cape Fear Community College                      | 540   | •           | •           | •               | •               | •        |               |  |                     |
| Catawba Valley Community College                 | 168   |             |             | •               |                 |          |               |  |                     |
| Central Carolina Community College               | 290   |             |             | •               |                 |          |               |  |                     |
| Central Piedmont Community College               | 569   | •           | •           | •               | •               | •        | •             | •  |                     |
| Cleveland Community College                      | 131   | •           | •           | •               |                 |          |               |  |                     |
| Coastal Carolina Community College               | 1211  |             | •           | •               | •               |          | •             | •  |                     |
| College of The Albemarle                         | 193   |             |             |                 |                 |          |               |  |                     |
| Craven Community College                         | 274   |             | •           | •               | •               |          |               |  |                     |
| Davidson County Community College                | 96    |             |             |                 |                 |          |               |  |                     |
| Durham Technical Community College               | 216   | •           |             |                 |                 |          |               |  |                     |
| Edgecombe Community College                      | 115   |             |             |                 |                 |          |               |  |                     |
| Fayetteville Technical Community College         | 2126  | •           | •           | •               |                 |          |               | •  |                     |
| Haywood Community College                        | 75    |             |             |                 |                 |          |               |  |                     |
| Isothermal Community College                     | 64    | •           | •           | •               |                 |          | •             |  |                     |
| James Sprunt Community College                   | 50    |             |             |                 |                 |          |               |  |                     |
| McDowell Technical Community College             | 26    |             |             | •               |                 |          |               |  |                     |
| Mitchell Community College                       | 101   |             |             |                 |                 |          | •             |  |                     |
| Montgomery Community College                     | 34    | •           |             | •               |                 |          |               |  |                     |
| Nash Community College                           | 97    |             |             |                 |                 |          |               |  |                     |
| Piedmont Community College                       | 35    | •           |             | •               |                 |          |               |  |                     |
| Pitt Community College                           | 433   |             |             |                 |                 |          |               |  |                     |
| Randolph Community College                       | 102   | •           | •           | •               |                 |          |               |  |                     |
| Roanoke-Chowan Community College                 | 23    |             |             |                 |                 |          |               |  |                     |
| Rowan-Cabarrus Community College                 | 270   |             |             |                 |                 |          |               |  |                     |
| Sampson Community College                        | 45    |             |             |                 |                 |          |               |  |                     |
| Sandhills Community College                      | 252   | •           |             |                 |                 |          | •             |  |                     |
| South Piedmont Community College                 | 68    |             |             |                 |                 |          |               |  |                     |
| Southeastern Community College                   | 45    |             |             |                 |                 |          |               |  |                     |
| Southwestern Community College                   | 67    |             |             |                 |                 |          |               |  |                     |
| Stanly Community College                         | 92    | •           |             | •               |                 | •        | •             |  |                     |
| Wake Technical Community College                 | 799   |             |             |                 |                 |          |               |  |                     |
| Western Piedmont Community College               | 72    | •           |             |                 | •               |          | •             |  |                     |
| Wilkes Community College                         | 69    |             |             |                 |                 |          |               |  |                     |
| Wilson Community College                         | 52    | •           | •           |                 |                 |          |               |  |                     |
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|   |  | Academic advising; once a semester veteran "meet and greet"   |
|   |  | Upward Bound, financial aid services  |
| •                                       | •  | Career services, group counseling, couples counseling, satellite location for Veteran Service Office          |
|   |  | Tutoring, TRIO  |
| •                                       | •  | Educational benefits, disability services, academic advising, flexible payment agreements, group counseling   |
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|   |  | Weekly meet and greet; Veterans Day, Pearl Harbor Day, & Memorial Day; academic advising; financial aid       |
|   |  | Career counseling, disabilities services  |
|   |  | Disability services, financial aid services   |
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|   | •  | Academic advising, disability services, tutoring, civilian re-entry and academic adjustment                   |
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|   |  | Relationship with Greenville Vet Center to provide counseling; educational benefits; academic adjustment      |
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|   |  | Group counseling, referral to internal & external support services  |
|   |  | Financial aid services, veterans benefits fair where community agencies help student veterans                 |
|   |  | Educational benefits, financial aid services  |
|   |  | Civilian & college adjustment; referral to community services   |
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|   |  | Academic advising, disability services, relationship with Charlotte Vet Center to provide counseling, monthly |
|   | -  | Career counseling, SA prevention program, information from VA Clinic on available services                    |
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Source: Fang, WL. Services and Supports Offered to Student Veterans at Community Colleges in North Carolina. Raleigh: Governor's Institute on Substance Abuse, August 29, 2013.

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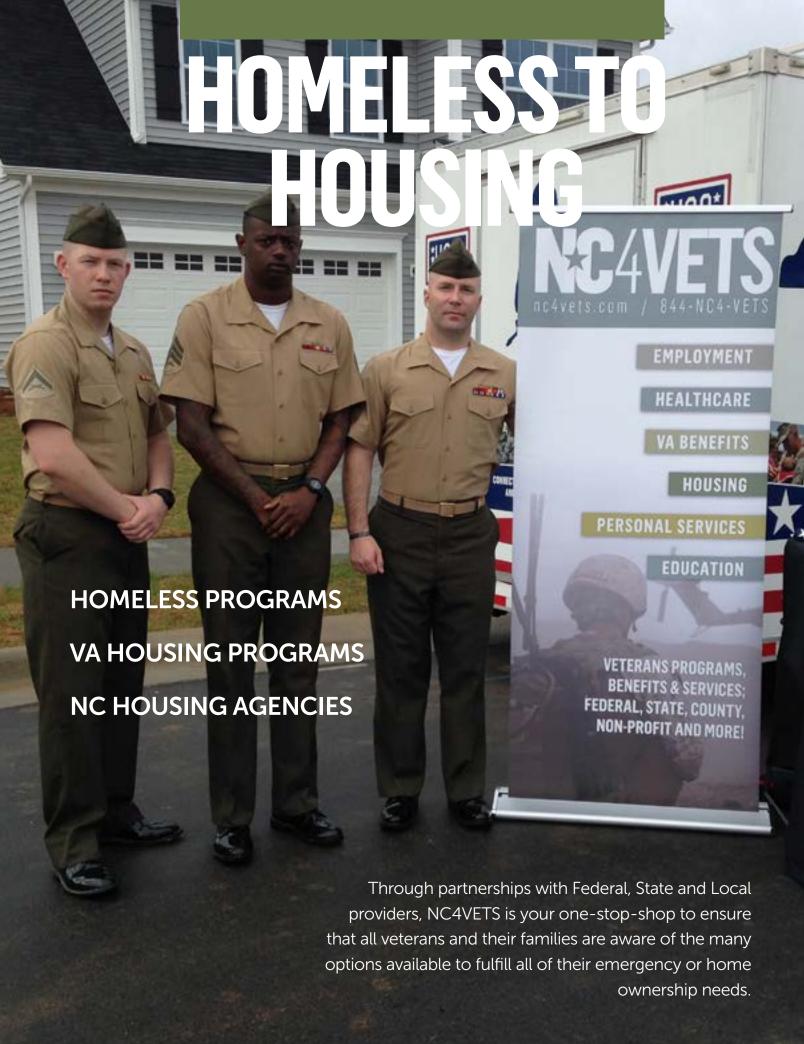


showers, laundry, mail services, case management, counseling, jobs program, GED classes, educational opportunities, barber shop, medical clinic, shelter referral, computer lab, edible gardens, resume help, disability claims assistance, Veteran Support Group, VetCorps member on location, more.

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www.gsodaycenter.org





# **EMERGENCY SUPPORT AND RESOURCES**

If you are a homeless veteran we are here to support you and to help you get back on your feet.



## NATIONAL CALL CENTER FOR HOMELESS VETERANS



Contact VA's National Call Center for Homeless Veterans at 877-4AIDVET (877-424-3838) to speak to a trained VA responder. The hotline and online chat are free and neither VA registration nor enrollment in VA healthcare is required to use these services.

Expert responders staff the hotline for homeless veterans 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The responders can provide emergency support and resources to homeless veterans, family members, as well as community agencies and non-VA

When you call or join the online chat, you will be connected to a trained VA responder. The responder will ask a few questions and assess your needs.

If you're a veteran, you may be connected with the Homeless Program point of contact and the nearest VA facility.

According to the National Coalition for Homeless Veterans (NCHV), about 23 percent of America's homeless population are veterans. This equates to between 529,000 and 840,000 veterans who are homeless at some time each year. Because of this, the Department of Veterans Affairs and other non-profit organizations have devised a number of initiatives to help our homeless veterans.

See page 93 for some of the initiatives provided by VA for our veterans. -->



# HOMELESS? CALL OR GO TO THESE LOCATIONS NOW! VA GRANT & PER DIEM (GPD) HOMELESS PROGRAMS

| NAME & LOCATION OF GPD PROGRAM   | PHONE NUMBER | COMMENTS   |
|--|--------------|--|
| Veteran's Restoration Quarters &<br>Transitional Housing (ABCCM)<br>1329 Tunnel Rd.<br>Asheville, NC 28805 | 828.299.8701 | 24 month program. Converted motel.<br>www.abccm.org/ministries/veterans<br>Men's Program.  |
| Steadfast House (ABCCM)<br>30 Cumberland Ave.<br>Asheville, NC 28801                                       | 828.259.5365 | Women's Program. Women with young children welcome. http://www.abccm.org/ministries/women  |
| First at Blue Ridge (Vets First) PO Box 40 Ridgecrest, NC 28770  | 828.669.0011 | For those in recovery from substance use disorders.<br>www.firstinc.org<br>Men's program and Women's Program. Near Asheville           |
| Family Forum (Independence Place)<br>3501 E Independence Blvd.<br>Charlotte, NC 28805                      | 704.817.8049 | Call for information.  |
| Faith Farm (Lutheran Family Services)<br>842 Dallas-Stanley Highway<br>Dallas, NC 28034                    | 800.435.7464 | Women's Program.<br>www.lfscarolinas.org<br>Near Charlotte.  |
| Healing with CAARE<br>214 Broadway St.<br>Durham, NC 27701   | 919.687.0793 | 24 month program. Shared living space, single rooms in several houses. www.caare-inc.org   |
| Maple Court (Volunteers of America)<br>207 Commons Blvd.<br>Durham, NC 27704                               | 919.477.0571 | Apartments.<br>24 month program.   |
| Triangle Residential Options for<br>Substance Abusers (TROSA)<br>1820 James St.<br>Durham, NC 27707        | 919.419.1059 | For those in recovery from substance use disorders (alcohol and other drugs). Must be able to work. 24 month program. www.trosainc.org |
| Servant Center<br>1312 Lexington Ave.<br>Greensboro, NC 27403  | 336.275.8585 | For those with medical issues and receiving or applying for benefits. Men's program. www.theservantcenter.org                          |
| Caring Services Vet Safety Net<br>102 Chestnut Drive<br>High Point, NC 27262                               | 336.886.5594 | For those in recovery from substance use disorders (alcohol and other drugs). Men's Program. www.caringservices.org                    |
| Arthur Cassell Transitional House<br>1022 True Lane<br>High Point, NC 27260                                | 336.885.2166 | For those in recovery from substance use disorders (alcohol and other drugs). 24 month men's program. www.odm-hp.org/ch.htm            |
| Healing Place of Wake County<br>1251 Goode St.<br>Raleigh, NC 27603  | 919.838.9800 | For those in recovery from substance use disorders (alcohol and other drugs). 24 month program. www.hpowc.org                          |
| Veterans Helping Veterans Heal<br>3614 N Glenn Ave.<br>Winston-Salem, NC 27105                             | 336.744.1313 | For those in recovery from substance use disorders (alcohol and other drugs). Men's program.   |
| Good Shepherd Ministries<br>811 Martin St.<br>Wilmington, NC 28401   | 910.763.4424 | For those in recovery from substance use disorders. 18 month program. www.goodshepherdwilmington.org                                   |



## **VETERANS** RESTORATION



1329 TUNNEL RD ASHEVILLE, NC 28805 (828) 259-5300



In 2014, the Veterans Restoration Quarters served 424 homeless male Veterans with their 148 VA program beds and 50 Permanent Supportive Housing units.

In 2014 the Steadfast House served 34 homeless female Veterans with their 10 VA program beds.

In 2014 through the US Department of Labor Veteran Employment & Training Services

- Veterans Workforce Investment Program (VWIP) employed 167 Veterans at an average hourly rate of \$13.50/hr compared to the DOL wage goal of \$9.50
- Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) program: Screened 168, Enrolled 80, Housed 71 or 89% successfully housed and stabilized.

#### PROGRAMS:

- Programs (both Male and Female Veterans):
- Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing Shelter: Transitional Housing
- Homeless Education, Training and Employment Jail Ministry:
- Buncombe County Detention Center Supportive Services for Veterans and Families (SSVF)

#### ADDITIONAL MINISTRIES SUPPORTING **HOMELESS VETERANS**

Steadfast House (828) 259-5365 Veterans Services of the Carolinas (828 259-5314

#### **DISABLED VETERAN** HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION

To qualify as a disabled veteran and be eligible for a homestead property tax exemption under North Carolina law, a person must meet certain criteria. The property owner must be a veteran of any branch of the US Armed Forces with an honorable discharge and must have a permanent & total service connected disability of 100% from the US Department of Veteran Affairs. If in receipt of DIC, a surviving spouse of a disabled veteran may also qualify for a tax exemption.

The disabled veteran homestead exemption is the first \$45,000 of your assessed real property value is exempt from tax abatement.

Find more information about eligibility and qualifications at www.dornc.com

#### **NEED HELP WITH HOUSING OR HOMELESSNESS?**

#### TRY THESE LOCAL HOUSING & CERTIFIED VETERAN PEER SUPPORT ASSISTANCE CENTERS

| LME/MCO                                   | REGION            | 24/7 ACCESS NUM | MBER WEBSITE                    |
|---|-------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|
| Alliance Behavioral Healthcare            | Central/Eastern   | 1-800-510-9132  | www.alliancebhc.org             |
| Cardinal Innovations Healthcare Solutions | Mountain          | 1-800-939-5911  | www.cardinalinnovations.org     |
| Centerpoint Human Services                | Central           | 1-888-581-9988  | www.cphs.org                    |
| East Carolina Behavioral Health           | Northeast Coastal | 1-877-685-2415  | www.ecbhlme.org                 |
| Eastpointe                                | Sandhills         | 1-800-913-6109  | www.eastpointe.net              |
| Partners Behavioral Health Management     | Foothills         | 1-888-235-4673  | www.partnersbhm.org             |
| Sandhills Center                          | Central           | 1-800-256-2452  | www.sandhillscenter.org         |
| Smoky Mountain LME/MCO                    | Mountain          | 1-800-849-6127  | www.smokymountaincenter.com     |
| Trillium Healthcare                       | Coastal           | 1-877-685-2415  | www.trilliumhealthresources.org |



#### **VA'S COMPENSATED WORK THERAPY**

VA's Compensated Work Therapy (CWT) is comprised of three unique programs which assist homeless veterans in returning to competitive employment: Sheltered Workshop, Transitional Work, and Supported Employment. Veterans in CWT are paid at least the federal or state minimum wage, whichever is the higher.

The Homeless Veteran Support Employment Program (HVSEP) provides vocational assistance, job development and placement, and ongoing supports to improve employment outcomes among homeless veterans and veterans who have been trained as Vocational Rehabilitation Specialists (VSRs).

CWT veterans have been successfully employed over the years in various competitive positions including, but not limited to, health care, information technology, manufacturing, warehousing construction trades, clerical and office support, retail and services delivery. CWT programs develop an individual rehabilitation plan for each veteran and provide a wide range of support services to the veteran at the CWT locations. Benefits including service-connected compensation, and non-service-connected pensions cannot be reduced, denied, or discontinued based on participation in CWT.

The CWT program's mission is to provide realistic and meaningful vocational opportunities to the veteran, and encouraging successful reintegration into the community at the veteran's highest functional level.

Contact your local VA Medical Center on page 56.

#### TRANSITIONAL RESIDENCE **PROGRAM**

The Transitional Residence (TR) program is a work-based Psychosocial Residential Rehabilitation Treatment Program offering a therapeutic residential setting for veterans involved in Compensated Work Therapy. The TR program provides a rehabilitation-focused residential setting for veterans recovering from chronic mental illness, chemical dependency and/

or homelessness. TR provides a bridge between hospitalization or intensive outpatient treatment in a successful community of peer and professional support, with a strong emphasis on increasing personal responsibility and achievement of individualized rehabilitation goals.

This program differs from other VAoperated residential bed programs in that participants contribute (using their CWT earnings) to the cost of operating and maintaining their residence and are responsible for planning, purchasing and preparing their own meals.

Contact your local VA Medical Center on page 56.

#### **HUD-VASH**

This joint Supportive Housing Program with the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) provides permanent housing and ongoing case management treatment services for homeless veterans who would not be able to live independently without the support of case management. HUD's Section 8 Voucher Program has designated more than 10,000 Vouchers to Public Housing Authorities (PHAs) throughout the country for veterans who are homeless. This program allows veterans to live in veteran selected apartment units with a Housing Choice voucher.

These vouchers are portable so that veterans can live in communities served by their VA medical facility where case management services can be provided. See your local county social services office for more information.

#### **DROP-IN CENTERS**

These programs provide a daytime sanctuary where homeless veterans can clean up, wash their clothing, and participate in a variety of therapeutic and rehabilitative activities. Linkages with longer-term assistance are also available. Locations vary.

Contact your local Vet Center or VA Community Based Outpatient Clinic for locations and services in your area. See page 53 or 56.

#### STAND DOWNS

Stand Downs are one-to three-day events that provide homeless veterans a variety of services and allow VA and community-based service providers to reach more homeless veterans in a temporary refuge where they obtain food, shelter, clothing and a range of community and VA assistance. In many locations. Stand Downs provide health screenings, referral and access to longterm treatment, benefits counseling, ID cards and access to other programs to meet their immediate needs. For more information on Stand Down dates and locations, please contact the Homeless Veterans Programs Office at 1-877-4AID-VET or visit www.va.gov/HOMELESS, or go to our Facebook page for real-time updates.

#### **VETERANS EMERGENCY** RELIEF PROGRAMS

Many military and service organizations have emergency relief programs specifically designated to help veterans and military members and their families. Inquire within local organizations about programs such as the Air Force Aid Society, American Legion Temporary Financial Assistance, Army Emergency Relief, Disabled American Veterans Disaster Relief Grants, Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society, Salvation Army Home Front War Relief Program, and VFW Unmet Needs. For a list of VSO's see pages 4 - 11.

#### **VAMC HOMELESS VETERAN** COORDINATORS

Asheville VAMC Alison Bond (828) 298-7911 ext. 5506 **Durham VAMC** 

Bob Williamson (919) 286-0411 ext. 7065

Fayetteville VAMC **Emmitt Bryant** (910) 488-2120 ext. 5796

Salisbury VAMC (704) 638-9000 ext. 3466





# NORTH CAROLINA HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY

#### ONE-OF-A KIND MORTGAGE IS PRODUCING RESULTS FOR MILITARY VETERANS. YOU MAY ALSO BENEFIT FROM HOME **BUYER TAX CREDITS**

The N.C. Home Advantage Mortgage™ was created by the North Carolina Housing Finance Agency with a feature that helps overcome the No. 1 obstacle for first-time buyers -- lack of funds for the down payment. Offered through more than 85 banks and mortgage companies statewide, this unique mortgage product is a 30-year, fixed rate loan with competitive interest rates - PLUS down payment assistance in the form of a zero-interest, second mortgage for up to 5 percent of the loan amount.

The down payment help can be used to cover closing costs and pre-paid expenses. Even better – the down payment loan is forgivable in years 11-15 and repaid ONLY if the borrower sells, refinances or moves out of the home before year 15!

The N.C. Home Advantage Mortgage™ can be combined with a tax-saving Mortgage Credit Certificate (MCC) to reduce your federal income tax liability. If you qualify (there are income limits for the MCC that vary by county and household size), you may be able to claim up to 50 percent of the interest you pay on your mortgage - up to \$2,000 a year- as a tax credit on your federal income taxes every year you live in your home.

You may be eligible for an N.C. Home Advantage Mortgage™ if:

- you are buying a new or existing home
- you are a first-time or move-up buyer
- you buy a home in North Carolina and occupy it within 60 days of closing
- your annual income does not exceed \$85,000
- you are applying for a FHA, USDA, VA or conventional loan through a Participating Lender and meet the sales price limits of the loan type
- you are a legal resident of the United States, and
- your credit score is 640 or higher.

You can learn more about the N.C. Home Advantage Mortgage<sup>™</sup> and MCC by visiting the NCHFA's website www.nchfa.com or by calling 1-800-393-0988

# Let's Make Home Happen

N.C. Home Advantage Offers Down Payment Help Up to 5% of the Loan Amount

- . 0% interest, forgiven after year 15
- Incomes up to \$85,000
- . 100% financing available
- FHA, USDA, VA & Conventional loan types

First-time buyers and veterans may also qualify for a Mortgage Credit Certificate that will reduce their federal income tax by up to \$2,000 a year.

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Details at www.nchfa.com or call 1-800-393-0988.



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# DEBT-TRAP LOANS

#### High-cost, debt-trap loans can create long-term problems for North Carolina Veterans

Across North Carolina, military, veteran, faith and community leaders are increasingly focused on the harm predatory lending inflicts on our communities. Some lenders violate our state law and extend loans designed to trap borrowers in a cycle of debt. Veterans and active duty service members should be aware of which loans are legal and which are illegal in North Carolina, how to avoid a long-term financial headache, and where to turn for help if you need it.

Installment, payday and car-title loans are misleadingly marketed to veterans across the country as a quick fix when they are in a financial bind. However, once vets take out these loans, they find that they cannot pay them off and cover their living expenses. They end up taking out loan after loan after loan, paying new fees each time. This is the "debt trap," and for some it's a cycle they remain caught in for months or even years.

Fortunately, payday and car title loans are illegal in North Carolina, including loans made over the internet. However, some lenders still make illegal internet loans to North Carolina residents. If you are caught in one, you should report the lender to the North Carolina Attorney General's office.

Installment loans, however, are legal in North Carolina as long as the loan does not exceed our state's interest rate and fee cap. North Carolina law has a complicated formula for determining the maximum annual percentage rate (APR) of interest. Lenders may charge up to 30% on loans up to \$4000, and lower rates (24% and 18%) on amounts above \$4000, as well as small origination fees. Installment lenders are not required by state law to determine whether a borrower actually has the ability to repay a loan. This is significant because a borrower who falls behind on their loan, and refinances to avoid a default, is the ideal customer for these

lenders. Data from the NC Commissioner of Banks office show that, on average, twothirds of these installment loans made each year in North Carolina are to renew existing accounts.

North Carolina veterans are better off considering other options before taking out one of these loans. Credit counselors can help you make a plan to manage your finances, or can help if you are having trouble repaying an installment loan. Many banks and credit unions offer alternatives to installment loans at a fraction of the interest rates other lenders charge. While most people are hesitant to ask friends or family for money, borrowers caught in the debt trap often turn to them for help to escape it anyway.

We are making progress ending the debt trap, but there is still work to do. The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau is writing new rules for payday, car-title, and high-cost installment loans that will, among other protections, require lenders to ensure that the borrower can effectively repay the loan. In July 2015, the Department of Defense amended an existing rule to close loopholes in the Military Lending Act (MLA), a critical protection designed to prevent abusive lenders from targeting service members and their families. The MLA caps interest rates charged to service members at 36%. Most lenders must comply with these new protections by October 2016. These protections only cover active duty members.

Going forward, it is important that our North Carolina legislature maintain the ban on car-title and payday lending. And it's important that installment loans not be made even more expensive.

If you would like learn more about this issue, contact Susan Lupton at the Center for Responsible Lending at susan.lupton@ responsiblelending.org or 919-313-8521.

## **RESOURCES FOR NORTH CAROLINA VETERANS**

If you think a company is making illegal loans in North Carolina, please:

- File a complaint with the NC Attorney General's Office at 877-566-7226 or at www.ncdoj.gov
- File a complaint with the Consumer Finance Protection Bureau at:

#### www.consumerfinance.gov

- If an active duty service member, military retiree, or dependent of either, or otherwise eligible for military legal assistance, contact the legal assistance office at the nearest military installation
- · Contact the Center for Responsible Lending at 919-313-8521
- Contact a credit counselor for free advice at: 1-800-388-2229 or www.debtadvice.org

To learn more about debt trap lending, visit:

www.responsiblelending.org



#### **HOMELESS? HERE ARE SOME GREAT** LOCAL RESOURCES

#### SUPPORTIVE SERVICES FOR VETERAN FAMILIES (SSVF) GRANTS IN NORTH CAROLINA

FOR GRANT YEAR OCTOBER 1, 2015 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2016

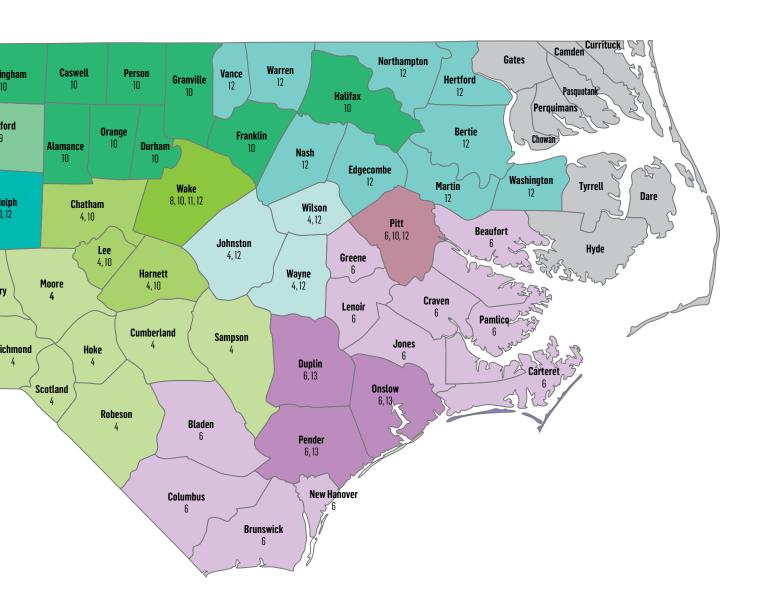
Under the SSVF program, VA is awarding grants to private non-profit organizations and consumer cooperatives that provide services to very low-income Veteran families living in – or transitioning to – permanent housing. The SSVF program gives Veterans and their families the rapid assistance they need to remain in permanent housing or get back into Alleghany permanent housing as quickly as possible. Ashe Surry **Stokes** Rock Watauga Wilkes Yadkin Forsyth Avery Guil Mitchell Davie Yancev Caldwell Alexander 5.9 **Davidson** Madison Iredell 3.5.9 **Burke** Rand Catawba Mcdowell Rowan 1, 3, 5 **Buncombe** 3.5 1.7 Haywood Lincoln Swain 1, 3, 5 Cabarrus Rutherford Graham Henderson 3,5 Stanly Cleveland Gaston Jackson Polk Montgome 1.3.5 Mecklenburg Transylvania Macon Cherokee 1, 2, 3, 5 Clay Union R Anson

#### SSVF CONTACT INFORMATION

- 1. Asheville Buncombe Community Christian Ministry: 828-259-5314 or vsc@abccm.org
- 2. Alston Wilkes Society: 704-375-0159 or bettyrosa@aws1962.org
- 3. Community Link: 704-943-9490/1-800-977-1969 or intake@communitylink-nc.org
- 4. Family Endeavors-Fayetteville Region: 910-672-6166 or lwitt@familyendeavors.org
- 5. Family Endeavors-Charlotte Region: 704-780-4950 or ssenbel@familyendeavors.org
- 6. Family Endeavors-Jacksonville Region: 910-459-4320 or scovington@familyendeavors.org
- 7. Homeward Bound of Western NC: 828-772-9144 or leigh@homewardboundwnc.org
- 8. Passage Home: 919-834-0666 ext. 236 or oroyster@passagehome.org
- 9. United Way of Forsyth County: 336-723-3601 or rose.fisher@uwforsyth.org
- 10. Volunteers of America Carolina-Durham Region: 919-530-1100
- 11. Volunteers of America Carolina-Wake Region: 919-831-9042
- 12. Volunteers of America Carolina-Rocky Mount Region: 252-985-0230 or trogers@voa.org
- 13. Eastern Carolina Human Services Agency: 910-347-0060 or tmurrayechsa@earthlink.net



- ➤ Counties in color are covered by one or more SSVF grants. Use the number(s) in the county to find contact information in the list below.
- Counties in gray are not covered by SSVF grants.

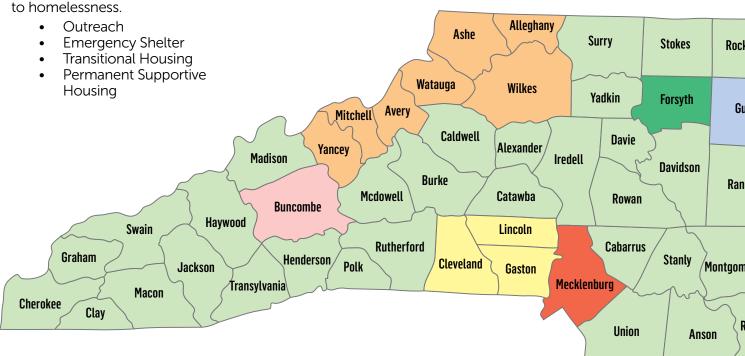






#### NORTH CAROLINA CONTINUUMS OF CARE (COCS)

CoC's are a community plan to organize and deliver housing and services to meet the specific needs of people who are homeless as they move to stable housing and maximize self-sufficiency. It includes action steps to end homelessness and prevent a return

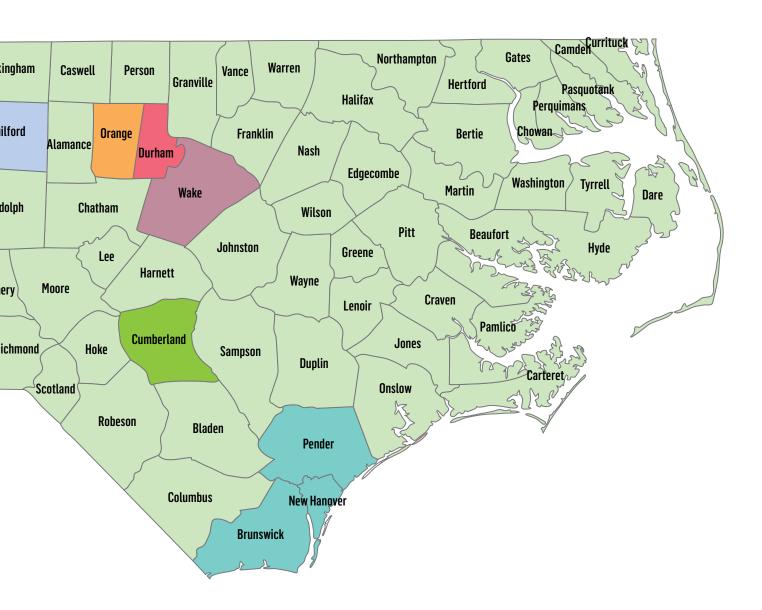


- NC-500 Winston-Salem/Forsyth Co. Mellin Parker: 336-734-1310 Tim West: 336-734-1305 mellinp@cityofws.org/timw@cityofws.org
- NC-501 Asheville/Buncombe Co. Christiana Glenn Tugman: 828-251-4084 ctugman@ashevillenc.gov
- NC-502 Durham City/Durham Co. Lloyd Schmeidler: 919-560-4570 x. 22267 lloyd.schmeidler@durhamnc.gov
- NC-503 NC Balance of State NC Coalition to End Homelessness: 919-755-4393 bos@ncceh.org
- NC-504 Greensboro/High Point/Guilford Co. Darryl Kosciak: 336-553-2715 darryl@partnersendinghomelessness.org
- NC-505 Charlotte/Mecklenburg Co. Rebecca Pfeiffer: 704-336-2266 rpfeiffer@ci.charlotte.nc.us

- NC-506 Wilmington/Brunswick/ New Hanover/Pender Co. Cecelia Peers: 910-395-4553 cpeers@capefearcog.org
  - NC-507 Raleigh/Wake Co. Shana Overdorf: 919-473-6933 soverdorf98@gmail.com
- NC-509 Gastonia/Cleveland/Gaston/Lincoln Co. Steve Crane: 704-866-6766 reinvestmentincommunities@gmail.com
- NC-511 Fayetteville/Cumberland Co. Sylvia McLean: 910-323-6112 smclean@co.cumberland.nc.us/dtaylor@co.cumberland.nc.us
- NC-513 Chapel Hill/Orange Co. Corey Root: 919-245-2496 croot@orangecountync.gov
- NC-516 Northwest NC Tina Krause: 828-264-1237 director@hosphouse.org



▶ The CoCs are planning groups which develop strategies and coordinate action plans for the homeless in their defined area, including homeless veterans. The North Carolina Coalition to End Homelessness staffs the Balance of State CoC, which includes 79 counties.



▶ The organizing structure for coordinated work to end homelessness is called a Continuum of Care (CoC). In North Carolina there are 12 CoCs, which are situated either around larger cities and surrounding counties, or geographical groupings in more rural areas.





Located in Hendersonville, NC, we foster a thriving micro-community of veterans and civilians who build deep friendships, implement innovative gardening techniques, and help cultivate emotional, physical, and spiritual health.

Launching Permaculture Boot Camp Program in 2016: Intensive training in permaculture, sustainable technologies, and holistic health. Permaculture Boot Camps are hosted on site at our Hendersonville Farm.

Visit our website to contact us and learn more: www.VeteransHealingFarm.org







#### 2014 MILITARY RETIREMENT **BENEFITS DEDUCTION**



There is no longer a retirement deduction for military retirement benefits included in adjusted gross income for those who do not qualify for the Bailey retirement deduction. The Tax Simplification and Reduction Act (House Bill 998) was signed into law on July 23, 2013. Under this law, all taxpayers will be taxed at a lower rate and be granted a higher standard deduction. The Act made significant changes to the individual income tax law for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2014.

- Before Tax year 2014: Taxpayers were allowed a deduction on their NC return for government retirement income (up to \$4,000) and private retirement income (up to\$2,000), retirement benefits received by vested NC State government, NC local government, or Federal Government Retirees under the Bailey Settlement, and Taxable Social Security.
- Tax Year 2014: The deductions for retirement benefits received pursuant to the Bailey settlement and Taxable Social Security are still allowed.

Although the \$4,000 and \$2,000 deduction will no longer be offered; under the Bailey Settlement, if an individual had five years of creditable service as of August 12, 1989, all of their military retirement income is exempt from N.C. State taxes. In addition, beginning in 2014, N.C. has increased the amount of standard deduction across the board, leaving North Carolinians paying lower taxes.

#### **GUIDE DOGS AND SERVICE DOGS**

VA may provide guide dogs to blind veterans including the expense of training the veteran on how to use them, and the cost of the dog's medical care.

Additionally, VA may also provide service dogs trained for the aid of hearing impaired veterans and veterans with spinal cord injuries, dysfunction and other chronic impairment that substantially limits mobility. Currently there are pilot programs being conducted by the VA to provide service dogs to veterans who have conditions such as PTSD.

There are also many private nonprofit organizations that provide service dogs to disabled veterans.

See a list of non-profits on page 110.

#### **CLOTHING ALLOWANCE**

The VA pays a clothing allowance to veterans who, because of a serviceconnected disability, wears or uses a prosthetic or orthopedic appliance (including a wheelchair) in which the VA determined tends to wear out or tear the clothing. The VA will also pay an annual clothing allowance to veterans who use medication prescribed

by VA physicians for skin conditions caused by a service-connected disability which the VA determines causes irreparable damage to the veteran's outer garment.

#### **AUTOMOBILE** ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The VA offers qualified veterans and active duty service members a one-time payment of up to \$20,114 to be used toward the purchase of an automobile or other forms of conveyance. To qualify, a veteran or service member must have one of the following disabilities including loss, or permanent loss of use, of one or both feet, loss, or permanent loss of use, of one or both hands, or permanent impairment of vision in both eyes to a certain degree.

#### ADAPTIVE EQUIPMENT

VA will pay for installation of adaptive equipment for automobiles deemed necessary to ensure that eligible veterans will be able to safely operate vehicles, and to satisfy the applicable state standards of licensure. This equipment includes power steering, power brakes, power windows, lifts, power seats and other special equipment necessary to assist the person into and out of the vehicle or other conveyance.

VA will also repair, replace, or reinstall adaptive equipment determined necessary for the operation of a vehicle acquired under this program, or for the operation of a vehicle an eligible veteran may previously or subsequently have acquired.





# VETERAN DESIGNATION ON NC DRIVER LICENSE



The Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) now offers a veteran designation that can be voluntarily placed on a North Carolina Drivers License. In order to receive the designation, veterans must be a United States veteran, provide proof of veteran status (DD-214, or DD-215), and meet all other North Carolina requirements for driving privilege or identification card including payment of the original, renewal or replacement fee, only if new - not on renewal.

## MILITARY RECORDS AND MEDALS

Veterans or their next of kin who need assistance in obtaining service records, a DD-214, or replacement awards and medals must formally request them through the National Personnel Records Center (NPRC). The NPRC is the records custodian for most discharged and retired members of all branches of service. The fastest way to obtain a copy is through their website.

If you do not have access to the internet, you can order a copy by mailing or faxing a Standard Form 180. The forms are available in any CVSO office or online at www.archives.gov/veterans.

## **VETERANS RECOGNITION LICENSE PLATES**

The North Carolina DMV offers specialty license plates to veterans and service members who want to display their military service.

You can choose from over 20 specialized license plates which include Purple Heart recipient, Bronze and Silver Star, Combat Theaters and POW plates.

To obtain a specialty license plate, proof of military service (DD-214) and form MVR-33A must be brought to a state veteran service office. You can find the form MVR-33A at your local DMV, State Veterans Office or online at:

www.ncdot.gov/download/dmv/Plates\_MVR33A.pdf

#### **SPECIALTY LICENSE PLATE TYPES:**

- · Afghanistan Veteran
- Bronze Star Valor Recipient
- Bronze Star Recipient
- · Congressional Medal of Honor
- Desert Storm Veteran
- 100% Disabled Veteran
- Distinguished Flying Cross
- Distinguished Service Cross
- Ex-Prisoner of War
- Gold Star Lapel Button
- Iraq Veteran
- Korean Conflict

- · Legion of Merit
- · Legion of Valor
- Partially Disabled Veteran
   Pearl Harbor Survivor
- Purple Heart Recipient Motorcycle
- Purple Heart Recipient
- Silver Star Disabled Veteran
- Silver Star Recipient
- Vietnam Era
- War on Terror
- WW II Veteran















#### **NC HUNTING AND FISHING** I ICFNSFS

All North Carolina veterans who are 50% or more disabled may purchase a lifetime hunting-fishing license.

Prices of the licenses range from \$10 to \$110 depending on the type of license the veteran wishes to purchase. To purchase a

license, visit your local wild life commission or www.ncwildlife.org to download a free application.

When returning an application, bring a copy of your VA decision letter awarding a 50% or greater disability rating and a check or money order.

#### OTHER DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE:

The following attractions provide a discount on admission fees for Active Duty Military and Veterans:

Battleship North Carolina www.battleshipnc.com

NC Museum of Art www.ncartmuseum.org

NC Museum of History www.ncmuseumofhistory.org

**NC State Fair** www.ncstatefair.org

Tryon Palace www.tryonpalace.org

NC Zoological Park www.nczoo.org

# NORTH CAROLINA AQUARIUMS

www.ncaquariums.com

#### **HOURS & FEES**

Daily 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. year-round Closed Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day

Adults: Ages 13-61: \$10.95 Seniors: Ages 62+: \$9.95

Military: \$9.95

Children: Ages 3-12: \$8.95

No charge for children 2 and under, registered NC school groups and NC Aquarium Society Members

The Aquariums are wheelchair-accessible.

#### **ROANOKE ISLAND**

374 Airport Road, Manteo, NC, 27954, Toll Free: 800-832-3474 ext. 4

#### PINE KNOLL SHORES

1 Roosevelt Blvd., Pine Knoll Shores, NC 28512, Toll Free: 800-832-3474 ext. 3

#### **FORT FISHER**

900 Loggerhead Road, Kure Beach, NC, 28449,

Toll Free: 800-832-3474 ext. 2

#### JENNETTE'S PIER

7223 South Virginia Dare Trail, Nags Head, NC, 27959,

Toll Free: 800-832-3474 ext. 6





Active-duty service members, reservists, retirees, National Guardsmen and their dependents (ages 13-64) pay only \$6 daily at the gate. That's a 44% discount! Additionally, veterans are offered the same discount for themselves, plus one discounted ticket for a guest or dependent, for a total of two tickets at the reduced rate.



This offer is not available online or in advance. You must present proper identification at the ticket window to receive this discount.

#### Identification accepted for discount:

Valid Uniformed Services ID Valid North Carolina Driver's License with Veteran Designation Photocopy of valid DD-214 Form

Valid Common Access Card (CAC)
Valid Veteran's Affairs Health Identification Card
Photocopy of valid NGB-22 Form

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# INCARCERATED **VETERANS BENEFITS**

#### **VETERANS COURTS**

There is a growing effort nationally to institute Veterans Courts or dockets to allow district attorneys to send military members and veterans into treatment, rather than jail, when they commit a non-violent offense.

These courts are staffed by people who take into consideration charges and challenges facing veterans who return home from war. They may allow some military members to enter into mental health diversion programs as treatment for non-violent infractions as opposed to automatically jailing the offender.

The law relies on the judgment of a prosecutor, who will determine, on a caseby-case basis, which defendants may be eligible for diversion. These prosecutors must consider, for example, whether a veteran who spent four years at a military base should be offered the same diversion opportunity as one who deployed twice to combat situations in Afghanistan or Iraq.

Prosecutors must decide how serious the crime must be before diversion is taken off the table and must consider the victim of the offense.

# THE VETERANS JUSTICE OUTREACH (VJO) PROGRAM

VJO offers outreach and case management to veterans involved in law enforcement encounters, overseen by treatment courts, and incarcerated in local jails.

# INCARCERATED VETERANS BENEFITS

VA benefits are affected if a beneficiary is convicted of a felony and imprisoned for more than 60 days. Disability compensation paid to an incarcerated veteran rated 20 percent or more disabled is limited to the 10 percent rate.

Payments are not reduced for participants in work-release programs, residing in halfway houses or under community control.

Failure to notify VA of a veteran's incarceration can result in overpayment of benefits and the subsequent loss of all VA financial benefits until the overpayment is recovered. VA benefits will not be provided to any veteran or dependent wanted for an outstanding felony warrant.

VA may be able to take a portion of the amount that an incarcerated veteran is not receiving and pay it to his or her dependents, if they can show need.

When a veteran is released from prison, his or her compensation or pension benefits may be restored.

Depending upon the type of disability, the VA may schedule a medical examination to see if the veteran's disability has improved or worsened.

## THE HEALTH CARE FOR REENTRY VETERANS **PROGRAM**

This program offers outreach to veterans incarcerated in state and federal prisons, and referrals and short-term case management assistance upon release from prison.

#### **KNOW A VET IN JAIL?**

Lucas Vrbsky GED, MSW, LCSW Incarcerated Veterans Reentry Specialist

Salisbury VA Medical Center 1601 Brenner Avenue, Rm: 122 Salisbury, NC Carolina 28144

Office: 800-469-8262 x5521 Mobile:704-267-9565 Fax: 704-638-3437 Email: lucas.vrbsky@va.gov



# NORTH CAROLINA CENTRAL UNIVERSITY VETERANS LAW CLINIC

The North Carolina Central University School of Law operates a Veterans Law Clinic that provides legal advice to veterans in the community and throughout the state. Under extensive supervision, law students assist veterans and their families with the complexities and technical aspects of filing their claims with the US Department of Veterans Affairs Regional Offices nationwide, the Board of Veterans Appeals, and the US Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims. This service is provided to veterans throughout North Carolina through partnerships with UNC Campuses located in other regions of the State.

The Veterans Law Clinic is handling all types of claims at all stages of the Veterans Affair's claims adjudication process including judicial review.

The Veterans Law Clinic is one of the leading advocates for eligible active duty personnel, veterans, or their survivors. The Clinic accepts cases year-round but cannot accept all cases. To determine eligibility, contact the Supervising Attorney. Craig Kabatchnick, 919-530-6605.

#### **NCVETSLEGAL.ORG**

NC Veterans Pro Bono Network is a collaboration of over thirty stakeholders seeking to provide a structure and sharing of information among service providers, law schools, legal aid organizations, public defenders, veterans service organizations, VJOs and others interested in expanding pro bono representation to veterans throughout the state of North Carolina through public-private partnerships and recruitment of private bar members.

# CORRECTION OF ERRORS OR INJUSTICES ON MILITARY RECORDS

Requests to have military records corrected are handled through each branch of service's Boards for Correction of Military Records.

All requests to correct an error to military records must be filed within three years of discovery of the error and contain evidence, such as signed statements from you and other witnesses or copies of records that support your case. It is not enough to provide the names of the witnesses.

Applying for a correction is a simple process: however, it is recommended you use the services of a VSO.

# APPLYING FOR REVIEW OF DISCHARGE

You must make your application for discharge upgrade within 15 years of discharge. If your discharge is older than 15 years, you must apply for a change to your military records using the process detailed above.

Form DD 293 (Application for the Review of Discharge or Dismissal from the Armed Forces) can be obtained from NCDVA or a local VSO. See pages 4-11 for contact information.

# LEGAL AID SOCIETY OF NORTH CAROLINA

Legal Aid of North Carolina is a statewide, nonprofit law firm that provides free legal services in civil matters to lowincome people in order to ensure equal access to justice and to remove barriers to economic opportunity.

www.legalaidnc.org

# VETERANS TREATMENT COURTS

The court provides a means to divert veterans from the traditional criminal justice system and provide them the support they need to lead productive and law-abiding lives through referrals for treatment, education and vocational programs, and community resources, all while being judicially monitored.

#### Mark A. Teachey

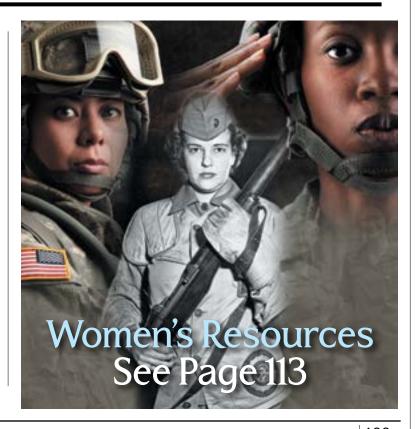
Veterans Court Coordinator District 11A Harnett County Courthouse 301 West Cornelius Harnett Blvd., Suite 101 Lillington, NC 27546 910-814-4515 (Office)

#### Craig V. Shore

Veterans Court Coordinator District 12 Cumberland County 117 Dick St Fayetteville, NC 28301 910-475-3243

#### Ricky L. Haralson

Veterans Court Coordinator District 28 Buncombe County 60 Court Plaza Asheville, NC 28801 828-259-6601





#### MISSION

Determined to expand and improve services for the state's 800,000 Veterans, Governor Mc-Crory has built an unprecedented intra-governmental Working Group focused on Job Creation, Workforce Enrichment, Health and Wellness, Legal and Financial Services and Benefits for Veterans. This real-time referral and collaboration network cuts red tape.

#### JOIN US: ncveteransworkingroup.org



#### **JOIN THE GROUP**

"Do you currently work in Veterans Affairs, or in a service area that supports veterans? The Governor's Working Group on Veterans, Service Members and their Families is a unique and valuable resource for those that care for our heroes. Great articles and informative monthly calls allow best practices to be shared across our state. Please visit our website, ncveteransworkingroup. org, for more information that can help you better help those who've served!"

- Secretary Cornell Wilson, Jr. Major General (R), USMC NC Dept. of Military & Veterans Affairs

# ARE YOU A NON-PROFIT OR **GOVERNMENT AGENCY THAT** WORKS WITH VETERANS? JOIN US.



#### **NON PROFITS HELPING VETS:**

Looking for an opportunity to volunteer? Below is a partial list of area non-profits that are looking for a few good people! Seek out those programs in your communities, and make a difference today!

Alcohol and Drug Council of NC (800) 688-4232

Alliance of Disability Advocates (919) 833-1117

**BIANC** (Brain Injury Association of NC) (800) 377-1464

**Blue Star Families** (202) 630-2583

Canine Angels' (917) 575-6235

(919) 424-6346

Care Share Health Alliance (919) 861-8353

Carolina Veterans Support Group

**Charlotte Bridge Home** (704) 332-8802

**Community Blueprint** (Favetteville/Cumberland County)

**Concerned Veterans for America** (703) 678 4664

**Easter Seals UCP** (800) 662-7119

**Family Endeavors** (910) 672-6166

**Giving Women Wings** www.givingwings.org

**Gold Star Mothers** (202) 265-0991

Governor's Working Group www.ncveteransworkinggroup.org

**Green Beret Foundation** www.greenberetfoundation.org Hope for the Homefront (719) 440-1000

Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America (202) 544-7692

Joint Veterans Crisis Response Team (919) 907-0577

Legal Aid of NC (866) 219-LANC (5262)

**Lucy Daniels Center** (919) 677-1400

Military and Veterans Resource Coalition (Wake County (919) 267-3690

National Alliance for Mental Illness - NAMI (NC chapter) (800) 451-9682

**Navy Marine Corps Relief Society** (800) 654-8364

**NC Equal Access** to Justice

(336) 688-5329

North Carolina Heroes www.ncheroes.org

**NC Justice Center** (919) 856-2570

NC VetsLegal www.ncvetslegal.org

**Old North State Medical Society** (919) 696.0206

**Onslow County Partnership** for Children (888) 378-2470

Outside the Wire Group www.otwgroup.org

**Outward Bound for Veterans** (866) 467 7651

Oxford House (800) 689-6411

**Project Lazarus** (336) 667-8100

**Purple Heart Homes** (704) 838-4044

The American Red Cross (800) 733-2767

Semper Fi Fund (703) 640-0181

Step Up for Soldiers (910) 383.3220

Stop Soldier Suicide www.stopsoldiersuicide.org

TAPS (Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors) (800) 959-TAPS

TROSA (Durham) (919) 419.1059

(919) 840-3000

**US Veterans Corps** (919) 818-9609

Veterans Restoration Quarters (ABCCM) (828) 259-5300

**VLCNC Cares** (Veterans Life Center)

(919) 803-5516 Wags 4 Tags (919) 475-2076



#### MORE NONPROFITS YOU SHOULD KNOW, OR THAT MIGHT BE ABLE TO HELP YOU!



#### www.mymvrc.org

A community collaborative of organizations support-

ing military service members, veterans and their families in Wake County and the Triangle area.

Email: contact@mymvrc.org

Military and Veterans Resource Coalition on Facebook



#### www.greenberetfoundation.org

The Green Beret Foundation provides unconventional resources to facilitate the special needs of our wounded, ill and injured and imparts unique support to the Special Forces community

in order to strengthen readiness and uphold Green Beret traditions and values. Learn more about who we are and what we do or support our cause by donating today.



#### 1.800.FRA.1924 www.fra.org

Fleet Reserve Association is a non-profit organization representing the interests of U.S. Navy, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard personnel with regard to pay, health care, benefits, and other quality of life programs.



#### www.stepupforsoldiers.org

Step Up For Soldiers: An All-Volunteer Group Providing Renovations, Recreation, and Recognition for Recently Disabled Veterans.

Mission Statement: To provide

disabled veterans who experienced loss of limb and mobility problems with the resources necessary to adjust in a postwar environment. As a result of the events and fundraisers, sponsored by Step Up For Soldiers, we strive to not only enhance their lives and those of their families but also help to restore their confidence and positive self-image.



#### www.familyendeavors.org

Fayetteville (910) 672-6166 2125 Valleygate Dr. Ste. 101 Fayetteville, NC 28304 Charlotte (704) 780-4950 5700 Executive Center Dr. Ste. 105 Charlotte, NC 28212 Jacksonville (910) 459-4320 120 Henderson Dr. Ste. B Jacksonville, NC 28540



#### www.semperfifund.org

The Semper Fi Fund, and its program America's Fund, provide immediate financial assistance and lifetime support to post 9/11 wounded, critically ill and injured members,

and their families of all branches of the U.S. Armed Forces, ensuring that they have the resources they need during their recovery and transition back to their communities. Since establishing the Semper Fi Fund in 2004, we have issued more than 76,500 grants, totaling more than \$94 million in assistance to over 12,000 of our heroes and their families.



#### www.ncheroes.org

The mission of the North Carolina Heroes' Fund is to improve the quality of life for

the military men and women of North Carolina and their families who are experiencing financial hardships as a result of their service, often times from overseas deployment.



#### www.ncobs.org/veterans

Outward Bound for Veterans helps thousands of returning service members and recent veterans readjust to life at home through powerful wilderness courses that draw on the healing

benefit of teamwork and challenge through use of the natural world.



#### CHARLOTTE BRIDGE HOME

2200 E. 7th Street, Charlotte NC 28205 704-332-8802 www.charlottebridgehome.org

#### **Our Mission:**

Charlotte Bridge Home helps Charlotte veterans successfully transition home after military service by identifying their education, employment and healthcare needs and connecting them to available community, state and federal resources.



# **MILITARY & VETERAN ID CARDS**

If you are an Active Duty, Reserve or National Guard service member, dependent, or retiree, you can get a Military ID at any DEERS location within North Carolina. Veterans receiving VA benefits may be able to get an ID card (medical benefits card) at VA Medical Centers or Community Based Outpatient Clinics (CBOC). If you are not receiving benefits, you can choose to place your veteran status on your North Carolina Drivers License.



#### MILITARY ID (DEERS) LOCATIONS

#### ASHEVILLE VA MEDICAL CENTER

Appointments Only Monday - Friday 8:00-4:00 Asheville, NC 828-271-5000 ext. 14319/14331

#### MARINE CORPS AIR STATION-**NEW RIVER**

Appointments & Walk-ins Monday - Friday 7:30-11:30; 12:30-4:30 Jacksonville, NC 910-449-6354

#### NC AIR NATIONAL GUARD

Appointments Only Monday - Friday 8:00 - 3:00 Charlotte, NC 704-398-4782

#### **NAVY - MARINE CORPS** RECRUITING CENTER

Appointments Only Thursday Only 9-11; 1-3 Charlotte, NC 704-598-0447

#### NC NATIONAL GUARD HQ, RALEIGH

Appointments & Walk-ins Monday - Friday 8:00 - 4:00 Raleigh, NC 919-664-6250

#### **ELIZABETH CITY US COAST GUARD STATION**

Appointments: M/T/Th/F 8:00-3:00 Walkins: Wednesday 8:00 - 11:15 Elizabeth City, NC 252-335-6228

#### **DEPT. HOMELAND SECURITY**

Appointments: M/T/Th/F 8:00-3:00 Walkins: Wednesday Only 8:00-11:15 Elizabeth City, NC 252-335-6228

#### POPE AIR FORCE BASE

Walk-ins: Mon-Wed & Fri 8:00-4:00 Thurs 9:00-3:00 Spring Lake, NC 910-394-2276

FORT BRAGG, ID Card Facility Appointments & Walk-ins: Mon-Fri: 9-5 Thursdays 9-7: Extended hours and weekends available for groups with Commander's Request and appointment Fayetteville, NC 910-396-9339

#### **SUNNY POINT, MILITARY** OPERATION TERMINAL

Appointments Only Thursdays Only 8:30 - 3:00 Southport, NC 910-457-8000 ext. 230

#### **SEYMOUR JOHNSON AIR FORCE BASE**

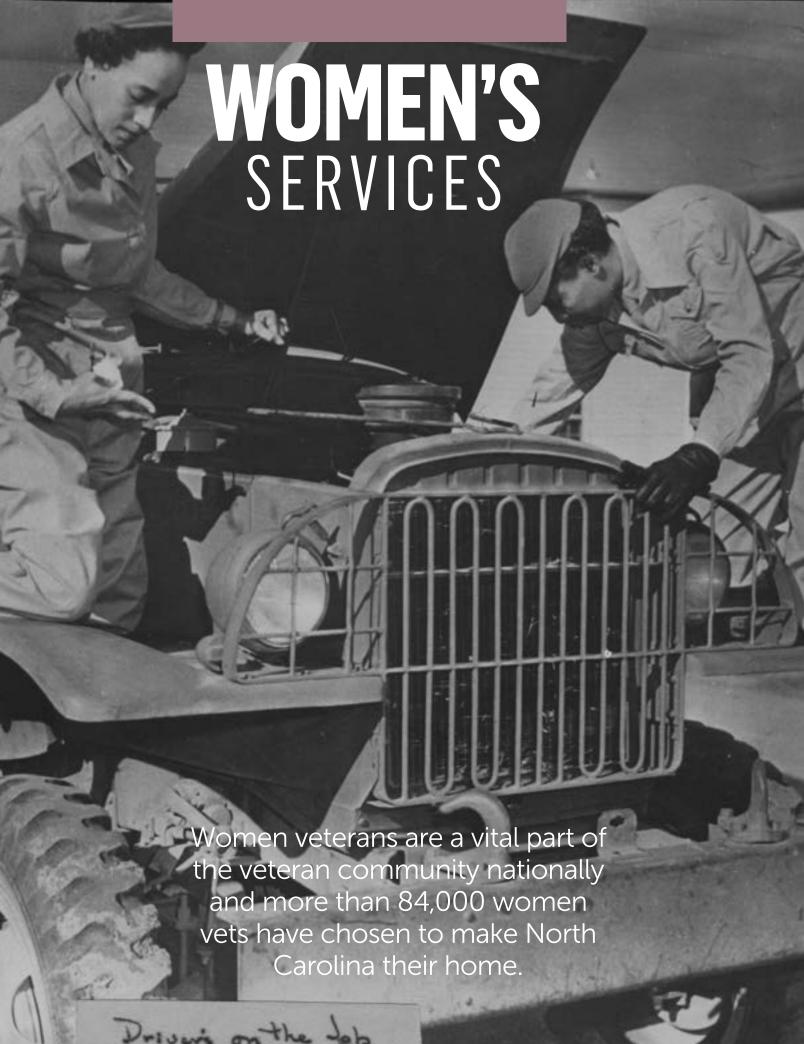
Walk-ins Monday - Friday 8:30 - 4:00 Goldsboro, NC 919-722-8702

#### **US NAVAL RESERVE CENTER**

Appointments Only Thursday's Only Wilmington, NC 910-762-9676

#### ARMED FORCES RESERVE CENTER

Appointments Only Wednesday & Thursday 8:00 – 11:30; 1:00 - 3:30Greensboro, NC 336-668-0053 Ext 26



# NORTH CAROLINA WOMEN

In 2014, North Carolina ranked 6th in the United States in its population of women veterans while ranking 8th in veterans population overall. The women veterans population is the fastest growing segment of vets nationally and in North Carolina.



According to the **National Center for Veterans Analysis** and Statistics, while the overall veteran population of the **United States is** expected to decrease significantly in the future, the percentage of women veterans is projected to nearly double in the next 30 years. In 2015, North Carolina ranked 5th in the nation in the number of veteran women-owned employer firms by numbers employed.

#### NATIONAL GROWTH IN WOMEN **VETERAN-OWNED BUSINESSES SINCE 2012:**

- 35.9 percent of U.S. business owners are
- 383,302 veteran women-owned businesses exist - an increase of 294.7% over the 2007 Census data
- · Veteran women-owned businesses and firms with no employees generated a total of \$17.9 billion in receipts (businesses with employees generated \$10.9 billion)

Women veterans are a vital part of the veteran community nationally and more than 84,000 women vets have chosen to make North Carolina their home.

A study released by Disabled American Veterans in November 2014 found that women veterans continue to experience "stubbornly high" unemployment rates, a known precursor to poverty. Women veterans are the fastest growing segment of the homeless veteran population, and are at higher risk for homelessness than their male counterparts and female

A 2010 study conducted by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs found that 31 percent of female veterans did not believe they were eligible for VA benefits, mainly due to a perception that they were not a veteran unless

they had served in combat. We here in North Carolina are working to change that misperception, and we need your help to spread the word. Under Federal law, a veteran is any person who has served honorably on active duty in the armed forces of the United States and was discharged or released under conditions other than dishonorable.

The North Carolina Department of Military and Veterans Affairs (NCDMVA) is committed to providing information, advocacy, outreach and support to all women veterans and their families in the state. The NCDMVA also seeks to ensure that women veterans are aware of their federal and state benefits so they can obtain the unique care and assistance that is available to them.

Outreach efforts are expanding every year to aid women veterans in improving access to support and services from public and private organizations that specifically address the needs of women veterans, but we are not content to stop there, we want to do more! Let us know how by dropping me an email at Catherine.Barker@NC.gov.



God Bless and Semper Fi! Catherine Barker Colonel, USMC (ret.) NCDMVA Women Veterans Coordinator



THE NCDMVA wants all women veterans to know about their available veteran benefits, services and resources. Many women veterans are not aware of all the benefits and programs they qualify for or are eligible to receive.

Women Veterans seeking assistance may call the NC Department of Veterans Affairs at any time by dialing 844-NC4-VETS (1-844-624-8387) or can visit the website at **NC4VETS.com**.

### NORTH CAROLINA WOMEN **VETERANS SUMMIT AND**

The North Carolina Women Veterans Summit and Expo is a biennial event whose purpose is to empower women veterans to live healthy, happy lives, become successful leaders in their communities, and to advocate on behalf of other women veterans. Women veterans throughout the state participate in this event to share their stories and exchange ideas about business, entrepreneurship, educational and career opportunities, and health and wellness. The event features state, local and federal exhibitors. a speaking program, and a series of networking and breakout sessions. NC WVSE (women.nc4vets.com)

#### **NORTH CAROLINA WOMEN VETERANS DAY**

Every other year, the Governor may proclaim a day in the year as Women Veterans Day. NCDMVA recognizes the achievements of women veterans who have served in the Armed Forces in defense of their country and is committed to improving veteran opportunities throughout the state for women veterans in particular.

#### **NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF** COMMERCE

The NC Division of Workforce Solutions provides job seeker services for veterans, transitioning service members, and eligible spouses. Women veterans can visit their local NCWorks Career Center and take advantage of no-cost services, including career assessments, job interview preparation, resume and cover letter assistance, access to computers and free internet service, and help with applying to local and federal employment and training opportunities. Some veterans face significant barriers

that make it difficult for them to find suitable employment. Most offices have specialized staff—all of whom are veterans—who work closely with employers to create more opportunities for these veterans and provide them with referrals to supportive services including vocational rehabilitation, transportation, elder care, food and nutrition services, and non-profit organizations that address homelessness.

NCWorks Veteran Services (www. nccommerce.com/workforce/jobseekers/veterans) and NCDWS Veterans Services Facebook (www.facebook. com/NCvets)

#### **UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS (VA)**

The Women Veterans Call Center (WVCC) answers questions and responds to concerns from women veterans, their families, and caregivers across the nation about VA services and resources. The call is free, and women veterans can call as often as they need until they have the answers to their questions. Hours of operation are Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. ET and Saturday, 8:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. ET. WVCC: 1-855-VA-WOMEN (1-855-829-6636)

The VA is taking steps to improve and expand services for women veterans who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. Many women veterans face challenges when returning to civilian life that are different from those of their male counterparts, including raising children on their own or dealing with the psychological after effects of events such as military sexual trauma. These issues, without intervention, can put women veterans at greater risk of becoming homeless.

VA Homeless Women Veteran Resources (www.va.gov/homeless/ for\_women\_veterans.asp)



#### **VA VETERANS HEALTH ADMINISTRATION (VHA)**

The Veterans Health Care Act of 1992 authorized new and expanded services for women veterans. These services include: counseling for trauma related to sexual assault; specific health care services such as Pap smears, mammography, and general reproductive health care at VA facilities; and mental health services that include substance abuse counseling, evaluation and treatment of Military Sexual Trauma (MST) and post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD).

The VHA encourages all women between ages 50 and 75 to get mammograms every two years. If your health care provider recommends a mammogram outside of this age range, the VA will still provide it.

The Department of Veterans Affairs Mobile Mammography Unit provides access to mammography screening at selected VA Health Care Centers in North Carolina, and is one of only two regional mobile radiology units in the US. The Mobile Mammography Unit features digital mammography technology; allfemale technologists; a private changing room with separate clinical exam room; and the privacy and comfort of a traditional screening center with the convenience of a fully functioning mobile unit.

The Women Veterans Health Program promotes the health, welfare, and dignity of women veterans and their families by ensuring equitable access to timely, sensitive, and quality healthcare. There is a full-time Women Veteran Program Manager at every VA Medical Center, a Women's Liaison at every communitybased outpatient clinic, and a Women Veterans Coordinator at every regional office. VA Women Veterans Health Care (www.womenshealth.va.gov)





#### North Carolina Council for Women

ncadmin.nc.gov/about-doa/ divisions/council-for-women

#### North Carolina Coalition Against Sexual Assault (NCCASA)

www.nccasa.org

#### **Dress for Success Triangle**

trianglenc.dressforsuccess.org

#### **Dress for Success Charlotte**

charlotte.dressforsuccess.org

#### **Dress for Success Winston-Salem**

winstonsalem.dressforsuccess.org

#### **Women Veterans Support Services** wvss-nc.ora

The Aura Home for Homeless Women Veterans Asheville aurahomewomenvets.org

#### University of North Carolina at Greensboro **Women Veterans Historical Project**

libcdm1.uncg.edu/cdm/landingpage/ collection/WVHP

#### Steadfast House Women's Shelter and Support **Program Asheville**

www.abccm.org/steadfast-house



#### **Dress for Success**

www.dressforsuccess.org

#### VA Office of Diversity and Inclusion (ODI)

www.diversity.va.gov

#### Women in Military Service for America (WIMSA) Memorial

www.womensmemorial.org

#### **American Women Veterans**

americanwomenveterans.org

#### National Association of Black Military Women

www.nabmw.com

#### **U.S Army Women's Foundation**

armywomensfoundation.org

#### The Vietnam Women's Memorial Foundation

vietnamwomensmemorial org

#### **Women Marines Association**

www.womenmarines.org

#### Women's Army Corps Veterans Association

www.armywomen.org

#### Women of the WAVES

womenofthewaves.com

#### Service Women's Action Network

www.servicewomen.org

#### Department of Defense Sexual Assault Prevention and Response with Safe Helpline

www.sapr.mil

#### **Alliance for National Defense**

www.4militarywomen.org

#### **VETERANS BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION (VBA)**

The VA's Women Veterans Coordinators can assist women veterans with the development and handling of claims for gender-specific conditions, including trauma from sexual harassment and assault A PDF document has been created that addresses women veterans' 25 most frequently asked questions about their benefits, and it can be found along with many other resources on the VA's Center for Women Veterans (CWV) website. VA CWV Resources (www.va.gov/womenvet)

#### **UNITED STATES SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION** (SBA)

In March 2016, the SBA's Office of Veterans Business Development (OVBD) and Office of Women's Business Ownership (OWBO) submitted a report to Congress increasing attention on women veteran-owned small businesses. The report compiles and disseminates information on women veterans, and makes recommendations to improve outreach to women veterans, providing them with greater access to procurement, lending, and affordable capital.

SBA Women Veterans Business Resources (www.sba.gov/offices/headquarters/ovbd/spotlight)

Veteran Women Igniting the Spirit of Entrepreneurship (VWISE) is an entrepreneurial training program for female veterans of all service eras and branches with a passion for and interest in either starting a new small business or growing an existing one. VWISE enables female veterans to learn business-savvy skills in order to turn their ideas or businesses into growth ventures while recognizing entrepreneurship as an important part of economic growth nationwide. This unique training program was designed specifically by Syracuse University with the Office of Veterans Business Development, SBA, to encourage and support female veterans with an interest in exploring career opportunities in small business ownership.

SBA and Syracuse University VWISE (whitman.syr.edu/vwise)

#### **UNITED STATES CHAMBER** OF COMMERCE

The US Chamber of Commerce is working with the Business and Professional Women's (BPW) Foundation and Military Spouse Employment Partnership in an effort to help women veterans and military spouses find meaningful employment in the private sector. The US Chamber of Commerce hosts tailored events and champions specific forums to address some of the unique challenges these two groups have in obtaining employment.

Hiring our Heroes (www.uschamberfoundation.org/hiring-our-heroes) and the Center for Women in Business (www. uschamberfoundation.org/center-women-business)

#### UNITED STATES DEPT. OF LABOR (DOL)

Women veterans, who comprise 10 percent of the veteran population, but only 2 percent of all working women in America, are a critical segment of today's workforce. Job-hunting can be difficult for anyone, and transitioning veterans may experience culture shock, difficulty translating skills, unfamiliarity with the civilian job search process, and more. Unlike their male veteran peers, women veterans may also experience unique challenges common among nonveteran working women.

Free employment services are available to women veterans nationwide from the DOL Veterans' Employment and Training Service (VETS) Women Veteran Program these services are targeted to be particularly helpful to women veterans.

As a part of the VETS program, the DOL also funds The Homeless Female Veterans' and Homeless Veterans with Families Program. The program provides supportive services to eligible homeless female veterans and female veterans who are at risk of becoming homeless. The program provides direct services through a case management approach that leverages Federal, State and local resources. Eligible veterans are connected with appropriate employment and life skills support to ensure a successful integration into the workforce.

DOL VETS Women Veteran Program (www.dol.gov/vets/womenveterans)



We advocate for and walk with women veterans. We engage with them in the process of obtaining the services and benefits they seek. Services offered are based on individual needs, and customized solutions are sought. Through our partnerships and programs, we are committed to supporting women as they transition back into family life. We help to identify employment opportunities and focus on personal goals. We are here to listen, guide, and support as women veterans establish plans and set out to achieve them.

e-mail: contact@indigoconsortium.org

Phone: (919) 808-1814



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# Women Veterans Support Services

Women Veterans Support Services, Inc. provides compassionate care to women veterans in the Triangle in times of crises, ensuring they receive the benefits to which they and their families are entitled, while connecting them to community support services.

Existing local agencies alone cannot address the unique needs of women veterans and their families, WVSS understands these challenges, assisting women veterans in:

- Finding short-term emergency housing, with or without children.
- Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) claims, helping them through the process.
- Receiving support services for Military Sexual Trauma & Domestic Violence.
- Providing referral services for federal, state and local programs that assist women veteran, including rehabilitation and jobs.

Contact Us

(919) 894-1012

www.wvss-nc.org

# NORTH CAROLINA HOSPITALS AND VA MEDICAL CENTERS



#### **ASHEVILLE VAMC**

1100 Tunnel Road Asheville, NC 28805 828-298-7911



Women's Health Clinic

#### **DURHAM VAMC**

508 Fulton Street Durham, NC 27705 919-286-0411 888-878-6890



Women's Health Clinic

#### **FAYETTEVILLE VAMC**

2300 Ramsey Street Fayetteville, NC 28301 910-488-2120 800-771-6106



Women's Health Clinic

#### **SALISBURY VAMC**

1601 Brenner Avenue Salisbury, NC 28144 704-638-9000 800-469-8262



Women's Health Clinic

# **MILITARY SEXUAL TRAUMA**

Military Sexual Trauma (MST) is the term that the Department of Veterans Affairs uses to refer to sexual harassment that occurred while the veteran was in the military. It includes any sexual activity where someone is involved against his or her will—he or she may have been pressured into sexual activities (for example, with threats of negative consequences for refusing to be sexually cooperative, implied faster promotions, or better treatment in exchange for sex), and may have been unable to consent to sexual activities (for example, when intoxicated), or may have been physically forced into sexual

Other experiences that fall into the category of MST include unwanted sexual touching or grabbing; threatening, offensive remarks about a person's body or sexual activities; and/or threatening or unwelcome sexual advances.

Both women and men can experience MST during their service. All veterans seen at

Veterans Health Administrations facilities are asked about experiences of sexual trauma because they know that any type of trauma can affect a person's physical and mental health, even many years later. People can recover from trauma and the VA has free services to help veterans do this.

You do not need to have a VA disability (service connected) rating to receive these services and may be able to receive services even if you are not eligible for other VA care. You do not need to have reported the incident(s) when they happened or have other documentation that they occurred.

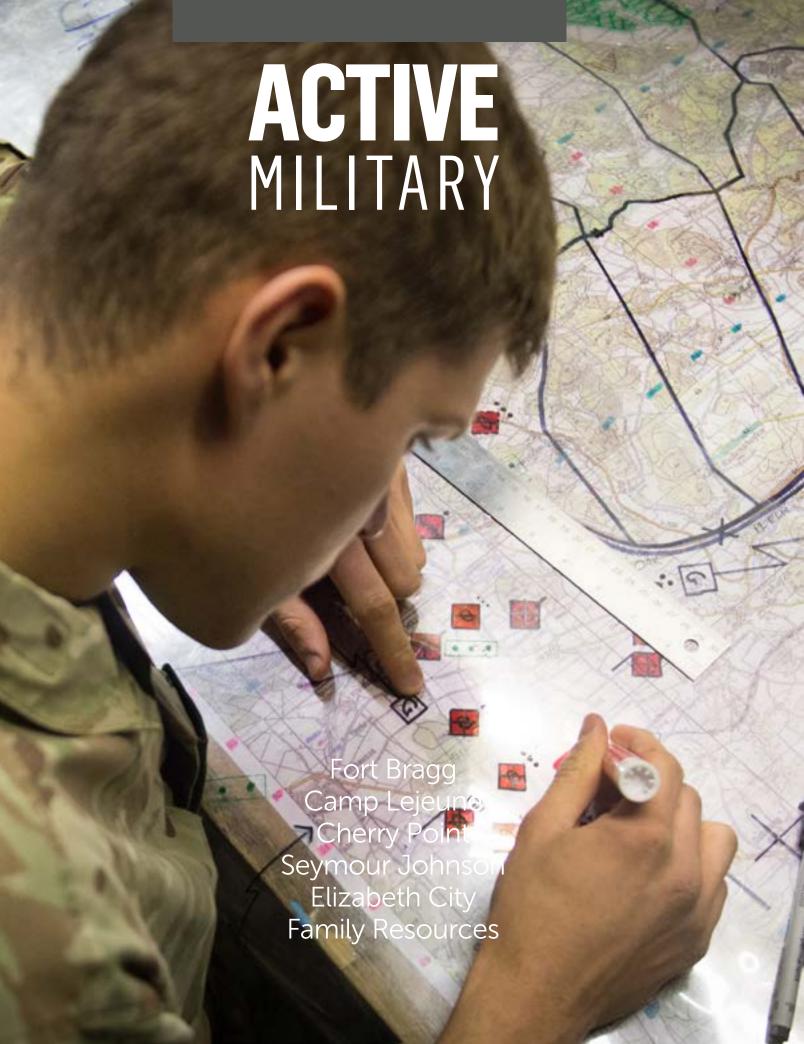
For more information, veterans can speak with a VA healthcare provider, contact the MST Coordinator at their nearest VA Medical Center, or contact their local Vet Center. More MST information can be found at mentalhealth.va.gov.

# **WOMEN VETERANS HEALTH CARE** 1-855-VA-**WOMEN** [1-855-829-6636]

Women veterans are eligible for the same VA benefits as male veterans. Comprehensive health services are available to women veterans including primary care, mental health care and reproductive health care services. VA provides management of acute and chronic illnesses, preventive care, contraceptive services, menopause management, and cancer screenings, including pap smear, and mammograms, and gynecology.



- Maternity care is covered in the medical benefits package to include care for newborn children of women veterans for up to 7 days after birth. VA is also mandated to implement pilot programs to provide child care to women veterans receiving medical care, and to provide readjustment services to women veterans. Infertility evaluation and limited treatments also are available.
- Women Veterans Program Managers are available at all VA facilities to help veterans seeking treatment and benefits.





# NORTH CAROLINA ACTIVE MILITARY









#### NORTH CAROLINA IS HOME TO THE 4TH LARGEST MILITARY POPULATION IN THE UNITED STATES.

Six major installations and several critical defense support activities are located within the state. Our installations. missions, assets, and personnel are some of the finest in the Department of Defense. Its

superb ranges, amphibious landing sites, and dedicated airspace provide unique training opportunities for all services. Nothing Compares with North Carolina's air, land, and sea resources.

There are nearly 600,000 defense-related jobs in North Carolina. Our DoD and Homeland Security sectors

have a \$66 Billion impact on our economy, representing 15% of North Carolina's gross state product. Defense is the 2nd largest economic engine in the state, just behind agriculture. Each installation in North Carolina provides critical capabilities that contribute to our state's livelihood and our nation's security.



# **CAMP LEJEUNE / NEW RIVER**

Learn more: www.nc4vets.com/active-military/camplejeune

Camp Lejeune is home to the largest concentration of Marines in the Marine Corps and also the largest amphibious base on the East Coast. II Marine Expeditionary Force, Marine Special Operations Command, and Marine Corps Installations East provide the Nation's Rapid Response Team.

Camp Lejeune includes a 156,000-acre training base, with 11 miles of beach capable for supporting amphibious operations, and 50 tactical landing zones. The Base community is home to over 45,000 Servicemembers and civilian employees.

#### **RELOCATION:**

**Distribution Management Office (TMO)** Bldg 1011, Camp Lejeune (910) 451-2377

#### Inns of the Corps Leieune

www.mccslejeune.com/inns 910-451-3041

#### **Atlantic Marine Corps Communities**

www.atlanticmcc.com 866-509-2424

#### Military Installations

www.militaryinstallations.dod.mil

### Per Diem, Travel & Transportation Allowance Committee

www.defensetravel.dod.mil

Navy Housing: www.housing.navy.mil

#### Home Rentals/Sales

**Jacksonville Board of Realtors** 

www.jbornc.com

#### **Carteret County Assoc. of Realtors**

www.ccrealtors.org

#### **Duplin-Sampson Assoc. of REALTORS**

www.duplinsampsonrealtors.com

#### **Neuse River Region Assoc. of REALTORS**

www.nrrar.com

#### **EDUCATION:**

#### **Onslow County Public Schools**

www.onslow.k12.nc.us (910) 455-2211

#### Camp Lejeune DoDea Schools

www.am.dodea.edu/lejeune/clds/ (910) 451-2461

#### **About.com: Private Schools**

www.privateschool.about.com

#### **GreatSchools**: www.greatschools.net

#### Military Child Education Coalition

www.militarychild.org

#### Home School Legal Defense Association

www.hslda.org

#### **EMPLOYMENT:**

Army: cpol.army.mil

**USAJOBS:** www.usajobs.gov

MCCS: www.mccslejeune-newriver.com/jobs

Navy: www.navy.mil

#### **Employment Security Commission**

www.ncesc.com - (910) 347-2121

#### **NCWorks Online**

www.ncworks.gov

#### North Carolina for Military Employment

www.nc4me.org

#### Family Member Employment Assistance

Program (FMEAP)

www.mccslejeune-newriver.com/fmeap

#### **EMERGENCY:**

#### **Red Cross Office**

www.redcross.org (910) 451-2182/5159 (after hours 877-272-7337)

#### **Navy Marine Corps Relief Society**

www.nmcrs.org (910) 451-5346/5584

#### Military One Source

www.militaryonesource.mil

#### **Family Preparedness**

www.ready.gov

#### The National Weather Service

www.weather.gov

#### **North Carolina Road Conditions**

www.ncdot.org/traffictravel

#### **NC Dept of Insurance**

www.ncdoi.com

#### NC Crime Control and Public Safety

www.nccrimecontrol.org

#### **Travel Warnings**

www.travel.state.gov

#### **FAMILY RESOURCES:**

#### **Marine Corps Community Services**

www.mccslejeune-newriver.com

#### **Department of Social Services**

www.onslowcountync.gov/DSS Food Stamps, etc., (910) 455-4145

#### Women, Infants, and Children Program

www.fns.usda.gov/wic (910) 353-0022

#### Military Youth on the Move

www.defenselink.mil/mtom

**DStress Line**: www.dstressline.com/

#### Child and Youth Program

www.mccslejeune-newriver.com/cytp

#### Onslow County Partnership for Children

www.onslowkids.org (910) 938-0336

#### **Tragedy Assistance Program**

www.taps.org

#### National Military Family Association

www.militaryfamily.org

#### **New Parent Support Program**

www.mccslejeune-newriver.com/npsp

#### **Exceptional Family Member Program**

www.mccslejeune-newriver.com/efmp

#### **Counseling Services**

www.mccslejeune-newriver.com/counseling

#### Military & Family Life Counselors

www.mccslejeune-newriver.com/mflc

#### Marine Corps Family Team Building

www.mccslejeune-newriver.com/mcftb

#### Behavioral Health Info Network (BHIN)

www.bhin.usmc-mccs.org



# **CHERRY POINT**

**Learn more:** www.nc4vets.com/active-military/cherrypoint

Cherry Point is the largest Marine Corps Air Station in the world. It is the headquarters of the 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing, the aviation component of II Marine Expeditionary Force. Cherry Point is home to the AV-8B Harrier. and will eventually be the largest F-35B Joint Srike Fighter base in the Nation.

Cherry Point has 4 runways over 8,000 feet and over 29,000 acres of land! Bombing ranges and outlying fields are used by Marine Corps, Navy, and Air Force aviators for training. Nearly 14,000 Servicemembers and civilians work at Cherry Point.

#### **RELOCATION:**

Relocation Services: 252-466-4201

Traffic Management Office (TMO)

Bldg 298 E St

MCAS Cherry Point NC 28533

(252) 466-2345

252-466-4455/3883 (Inbound Shipments)

Transient Officer Quarters (TOQ)

(252) 466-5169 / 3359

**Transient Enlisted Quarters (TEQ)** 

(252) 466-3060

**Atlantic Marine Corps Communities** 

cp.atlanticmcc.com 888-883-0980

Military Installations

www.militaryinstallations.dod.mil

Per Diem, Travel & Transportation **Allowance Committee** 

www.defensetravel.dod.mil

Navy Housing: www.housing.navy.mil

Home Rentals/Sales:

**Neuse River Region Association of** 

**REALTORS:** www.nrrar.com

**Carteret County Association of Realtors** 

www.ccrealtors.org

**EDUCATION:** 

**Craven County Schools** 

www.craven.k12.nc.us 252-514-6300

**Carteret County Schools** 

www.carteretcountyschools.org

(252) 728-4583

About.com: Private Schools

www.privateschool.about.com

GreatSchools: www.greatschools.net

Military Child Education Coalition

www.militarychild.org

Home School Legal Defense Association

www.hslda.org

**EMPLOYMENT:** 

Army: cpol.army.mil

**USAJOBS:** https://www.usajobs.gov

MCCS: mccscherrypoint.com/employment

Navy: www.navy.mil

**Employment Security Commission** 

www.ncesc.com (910) 347-2121

NCWorks Online: www.ncworks.gov

North Carolina for Military Employment

www.nc4me.org

Family Member Employment Assistance

Program (FMEAP)

usmc-mccs.org/employ/benefits/employee/

eap.html

**EMERGENCY:** 

Red Cross Office: www.redcross.org

(910) 451-2182/5159

(after hours 877-272-7337)

**Navy Marine Corps Relief Society** 

www.nmcrs.org (910) 451-5346/5584

Military One Source

www.militaryonesource.mil

Family Preparedness: www.ready.gov

The National Weather Service

www.weather.gov

**North Carolina Road Conditions** 

www.ncdot.org/traffictravel

NC Dept of Insurance: www.ncdoi.com

**NC Crime Control and Public Safety** 

www.nccrimecontrol.org

Travel Warnings: www.travel.state.gov

**FAMILY RESOURCES:** 

**Marine Corps Community Services** 

mccscherrypoint.com

Dept. of Social Services - Craven County

www.cravencountync.gov/departments/dss.cfm

Food Stamps, etc., 252-636-4900

Social Services - Carteret County

www.carteretcountync.gov/144/Social-252-728-8485

Women, Infants, and Children Program

mccscherrypoint.com/programs/family-care/wic

Military Youth on the Move

www.defenselink.mil/mtom

DStress Line: www.dstressline.com

Child and Youth Program

mccscherrypoint.com/programs/family-care/

children-youth

Craven Smart Start, Inc

www.cravensmartstart.org (252) 636-3198

Carteret County Partnership for Children

www.carteretkids.org 252-727-0440

Tragedy Assistance Program: www.taps.org

National Military Family Association

www.militaryfamily.org

**New Parent Support Program:** 

252-466-3651

**Exceptional Family Member Program** 

mccscherrypoint.com/programs/family-care/ exceptional-family-member

252-466-7533

Marine & Family Programs

mccscherrypoint.com/programs



# **ELIZABETH CITY**

**Learn more:** www.nc4vets.com/active-military/elizabethcity

Located in the heart of Northeastern North Carolina, the U.S. Coast Guard Base at Elizabeth City is a regional command center that provides logistics, engineering, administrative, financial, purchasing, and health care services to Coast Guard units throughout North Carolina. Comprised of more than 880 acres and nearly 2,000 Servicemembers and civilian employees, the base is the Coast Guard's largest aviation facility, and the largest employer in Northeastern North Carolina. Elizabeth City is the hub for Coast Guard aviation support.

#### **RELOCATION:**

#### **USCG Elizabeth City Welcome Aboard**

www.uscg.mil/baseElizabethCity/ welcomeaboard.asp

Area Housing Office at Base Portsmouth (757) 686-4044

Rental Partnership Program, Leased Housing, Housing Releases and Community Housing Referrals/Listings (757) 686-4047

Housing Referral Network, Leased Housing, Housing Releases and Community Housing Referrals/Listings (757) 686-4081

#### Military Installations

www.militaryinstallations.dod.mil

### Per Diem, Travel & Transportation Allowance Committee

www.defensetravel.dod.mil

#### Home Rentals/Sales:

Albemarle Area Association of REALTORS

www.ar-nc.com

#### **EDUCATION:**

#### **Elizabeth City-Pasquotank County Schools**

www.ecpps.k12.nc.us/pages/ECPPS 252.335.2981

#### GreatSchools

www.greatschools.net

#### Military Child Education Coalition

www.militarychild.org

#### Home School Legal Defense Association

www.hslda.org

### North Carolina Division of Non-Public Education

www.ncdnpe.org

#### **EMPLOYMENT:**

#### Coast Guard:

www.uscg.mil/civilian/careeropps.asp www.uscg.mil/alc/jobs.asp

**USAJOBS:** www.usajobs.gov

#### **Employment Readiness Program**

3rd Fl., Bldg. 4-2843 910-396-2390

#### **Spouse Employment Assistance**

www.uscg.mil/worklife/spouse\_employment.asp 202-475-5158

NCWorks Online: www.ncworks.gov

#### North Carolina for Military Employment

www.nc4me.org

#### **EMERGENCY:**

Red Cross Office: www.redcross.org

(910) 451-2182/5159 (after hours 877-272-7337)

#### Welcome to Coast Guard Mutual Assistance

www.cgmahq.org 800-881-2462

#### Military One Source

www.militaryonesource.mil

#### Family Preparedness

www.ready.gov

#### The National Weather Service

www.weather.gov

#### North Carolina Road Conditions

www.ncdot.org/traffictravel

#### NC Crime Control and Public Safety

www.nccrimecontrol.org

#### **FAMILY RESOURCES:**

#### **USCG Elizabeth City MWR**

www.uscg.mil/baseElizabethCity/mwr ECITY-MWR@uscg.mil

#### **Department of Social Services**

www.co.pasquotank.nc.us/DSS Food Stamps, etc., 252-338-2126

#### Women, Infants, and Children Program

www.fns.usda.gov/wic 800-367-2229

#### Military Youth on the Move

www.defenselink.mil/mtom

**DStress Line**: www.dstressline.com

Youth Program Center: 919-722-0502

#### **Albemarle Smart Start Partnership**

www.albemarlessp.org (252) 333-1233

#### Tragedy Assistance Program: www.taps.org

#### National Military Family Association

www.militaryfamily.org

#### **USCG Special Needs Program**

www.uscg.mil/worklife/special\_needs.asp 757-686-4023

#### **FACEBOOK:**

### **U. S. Coast Guard Base, Elizabeth City, N.C.** www.facebook.com/BaseElizabethCity

WWW.ideebook.com/baseEttZabett/eity

#### U.S. Coast Guard Air Station Elizabeth City

facebook.com/uscoastguardairstationecity/

#### U.S. Coast Guard Mid-Atlantic

facebook.com/USCGMidAtlantic

#### **GOVERNMENT:**

#### City and County Tax Information

www.co.pasquotank.nc.us/Tax.htm 252-338-5169

#### **Department of Motor Vehicles**

1164 US 17 South Elizabeth City, 27909 252-331-4776



# **FORT BRAGG**

**Learn more:** www.nc4vets.com/active-military/fortbragg

With over 65,000 Servicemembers and civilian employees, Fort Bragg has the highest population of any U.S. Army installation. The base is home to the Army's Rapid Response Force, consisting of Special Operations and Airborne Soldiers.

On its 161,000 acres, Fort Bragg also houses the U.S. Army Airborne Forces, Joint Special Operations Command, Special Operations Command, Army Forces Command, and the Army Reserve Command.

#### **RELOCATION:**

**Installation Transportation Office (ITO)** 

1st Floor, Bldg. 4-2843 Inbound 910-396-2903/6790

**IHG Army Hotels on Fort Bragg** 

www.ihg.com/armyhotels/hotels/us/en/ reservation 910-396-7700

**Housing Referral Service Office** 

6th Floor, Bldg. 4-2843 910-396-1022

Military Installations

www.militaryinstallations.dod.mil

Per Diem, Travel & Transportation **Allowance Committee** 

www.defensetravel.dod.mil

Home Rentals/Sales:

Fayetteville Regional Association of REALTORS: www.fayettevillencrealtors.com

Cumberland County Board of REALTORS www.ccbor.com/

**EDUCATION:** 

**Cumberland County Public Schools** 

ccs.k12.nc.us

910-678-2300

Fort Bragg DoDea Schools

www.dodea.edu/Americas/NC-FortBragg 910-907-0200

**About.com: Private Schools** 

www.privateschool.about.com

GreatSchools: www.greatschools.net

Military Child Education Coalition

www.militarychild.org

Home School Legal Defense Association

www.hslda.org

**EMPLOYMENT:** 

Army: cpol.army.mil

**USAJOBS:** www.usajobs.gov

**Employment Readiness Program** 

3rd Fl., Bldg. 4-2843 910-396-2390 **Employment Security Commission** 

www.ncesc.com (910) 347-2121

NCWorks Online: www.ncworks.gov

North Carolina for Military Employment

www.nc4me.org

**EMERGENCY:** 

Red Cross Office: www.redcross.org

(910) 451-2182/5159 (after hours 877-272-7337)

**Army Emergency Relief** 

www.aerhq.org/dnn563 866-878-6378

Military One Source

www.militaryonesource.mil

Family Preparedness: www.ready.gov

The National Weather Service

www.weather.gov

**North Carolina Road Conditions** 

www.ncdot.org/traffictravel

NC Dept of Insurance: www.ncdoi.com

**NC Crime Control and Public Safety** 

www.nccrimecontrol.org

Travel Warnings: www.travel.state.gov

**FAMILY RESOURCES:** 

**Army Community Service (ACS)** 

www.fortbraggmwr.com/acs

**Department of Social Services** 

www.dss.co.cumberland.nc.us Food Stamps, etc., 910-323-1540

Women, Infants, and Children Program

800-367-2229 www.fns.usda.gov/wic

Military Youth on the Move

www.defenselink.mil/mtom

**DStress Line:** www.dstressline.com

Child and Youth Program

mccscherrypoint.com/programs/family-care/

children-youth

Partnership for Children of Cumberland

(910) 867-9700 County: ccpfc.org:

Tragedy Assistance Program: www.taps.org

National Military Family Association

www.militaryfamily.org

**New Parent Support Program** 

www.mccslejeune-newriver.com/npsp

**Exceptional Family Member Program** 

bragg.armymwr.com/us/bragg/programs/efmp

**Counseling Options** 

bragg.armymwr.com/us/bragg/programs/

counseling-options

**FACEBOOK PAGES:** 

Fort Bragg: facebook.com/fortbraggnc

**Bragg Training and Education Center:** 

facebook.com/BraggTrainingAndEducationCenter

Fort Bragg Family and MWR:

facebook.com/fortbraggmwr/

Ft. Bragg Housing Services Office:

facebook.com/pages/Ft-Bragg-Housing-Services-Office/217629734944267

Fort Bragg Army Wellness Center:

facebook.com/pages/Fort-Bragg-Army-Wellness-Center/212313675513024

Fort Bragg Community Health Promotion:

facebook.com/BraggCHP

Fort Bragg VETCEN:

facebook.com/ft.bragg.vetcen

Fort Bragg Wildlife Branch:

facebook.com/fortbraggwildlife

**GOVERNMENT:** 

City and County Tax Information

www.co.cumberland.nc.us/tax.aspx 910-678-7507

**Department of Motor Vehicles** 

www.ncdot.org/DMV 910-678-7507



# **SEYMOUR JOHNSON**

**Learn more:** www.nc4vets.com/active-military/seymourjohnson

Seymour Johnson Air Force Base, with a population of approximately 6,000 Servicemembers and civilian employees, is home to the Air Combat Command's 4th Fighter Wing. With 2 training and 2 operational squadrons. Seymour Johnson represents the entire U.S. Air Force training capability for the F-15E Strike Eagle. The 916th Air Refueling Wing is the preferred alternative for the first Reserveled KC-46A Pegasus main operating base.

#### **RELOCATION:**

#### **Travel Management Office**

1280 Humphrey St 919-722-5458

#### Temporary Lodging - Southern Pines Inn

www.sjfss.com/lodging/lodging.html 919-722-0385

#### **Housing Management Office**

1500 Vermont Garrison St, Bldg 3801 919-722-0363

#### Military Installations

www.militaryinstallations.dod.mil

### Per Diem, Travel & Transportation Allowance Committee

www.defensetravel.dod.mil

#### Home Rentals/Sales:

Goldsboro Wayne County Association of REALTORS

www.usamls.net/goldsboro

#### **EDUCATION:**

#### **Wayne County Public Schools**

www.waynecountyschools.org 919-731-5900

#### **Private Schools:**

Arendell Parrott Academy, TK-12:

www.parrottacademy.org.

Faith Christian Academy, PK-12:

www.fcagoldsboro.com.

Saint Mary School, PK-8:

www.smsgoldsboro.org.

Wayne Christian School, Daycare-12:

www.waynechristian.org.

Wayne Country Day School, K-12:

www.waynecountryday.com

#### GreatSchools

www.greatschools.net

#### Military Child Education Coalition

www.militarychild.org

#### Home School Legal Defense Association

www.hslda.org

### North Carolina Division of Non-Public Education

www.ncdnpe.org

#### **EMPLOYMENT:**

**Air Force:** afciviliancareers.com **USAJOBS:** www.usajobs.gov

#### **Employment Readiness Program**

3rd Fl., Bldg. 4-2843 910-396-2390

#### **Employment Security Commission**

www.ncesc.com

(910) 347-2121

#### **NCWorks Online**

www.ncworks.gov

#### North Carolina for Military Employment

www.nc4me.org

#### **EMERGENCY:**

**Red Cross Office:** www.redcross.org (910) 451-2182/5159

(after hours 877-272-7337)

#### Air Force Aid Society

www.afas.org/703-972-2650

#### Military One Source

www.militaryonesource.mil

#### **Family Preparedness**

www.ready.gov

#### The National Weather Service

www.weather.gov

#### North Carolina Road Conditions

www.ncdot.org/traffictravel

#### **NC Crime Control and Public Safety**

www.nccrimecontrol.org

#### **FAMILY RESOURCES:**

**Airman & Family Readiness Center** 919-722-1123

#### **Department of Social Services**

www.waynegov.com/domain/44 Food Stamps, etc., 919-580-4034

#### Women, Infants, and Children Program

www.fns.usda.gov/wic

800-367-2229

#### Military Youth on the Move

www.defenselink.mil/mtom

DStress Line: www.dstressline.com

Youth Program Center: 919-722-0502

#### Partnership for Children of Wayne County

pfcw.org 919-735-3371

Tragedy Assistance Program: www.taps.org

**National Military Family Association** 

www.militaryfamily.org

#### **Exceptional Family Member Program**

919 -722-1123

#### **FACEBOOK PAGES:**

#### Seymour Johnson AFB

facebook.com/SeymourJohnsonAirForceBase

#### Seymour Johnson AFB Airman & Family

Readiness Center: facebook.com/sjafrc

#### Seymour Johnson AFB Passenger Terminal

facebook.com/seymourjohnsonpax

#### Exceptional Family Members Program –

Seymour Johnson AFB: facebook.com/sjefmp

### Seymour Johnson AFB Military Family Housing

facebook.com/seymourjohnsonhousing

### Health Promotions Program-Seymour Johnson AFB

facebook.com/Health-Promotions-Program-Seymour-Johnson-AFB-107513789304823

#### **GOVERNMENT**

#### City and County Tax Information

www.waynegov.com/463/Tax 919-731-1461

#### **Department of Motor Vehicles**

701 West Grantham Street Goldsboro, 27530 919-731-7963





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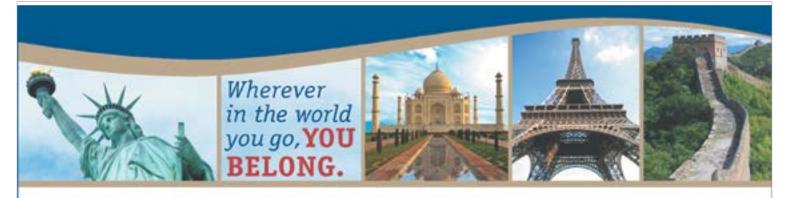
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- financial needs
- housing/homelessness
- · any stressor weighing you down

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Operation Homefront provides emergency financial and other assistance to the families of our service members and wounded warriors.

# Grants to address unforeseen budget shortfalls for basic needs like rent, utili-

ties, and food, with a focus on relieving financial crisis and putting military families on a path to long-term financial sustainability.

**EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE:** 

#### FAMILY SUPPORT:

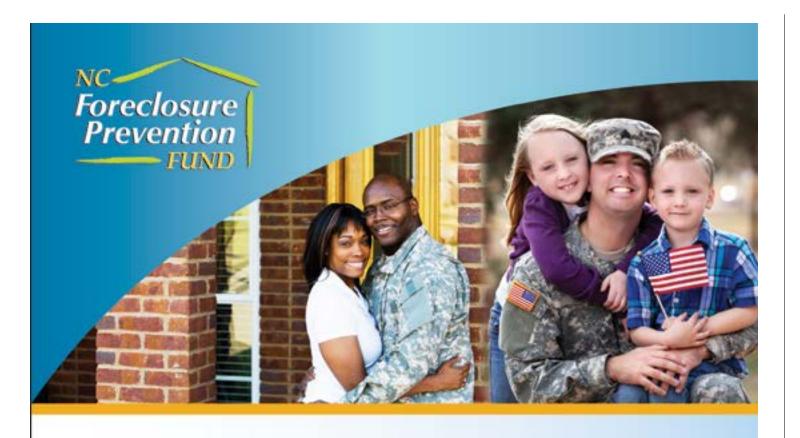
Programs designed to provide material and morale support that strengthens and uplifts military families.



#### HOUSING:

Rent-free apartment communities for wounded warriors and their families transitioning from the military, and permanent mortgage-free homes for military and veteran families, accompanied by a wide spectrum of services and support.

OperationHomefront.net | Call toll free 1.800.722.6098



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The transition to civilian life can be challenging. If you're struggling with your mortgage, we can help while you look for work or attend school on the GI Bill.

The N.C. Foreclosure Prevention Fund can pay your mortgage for up to 3 years (\$36,000).





Offered by the N.C. Housing Finance Agency, a self-supporting public agency, using funds from the U.S. Treasury. For homes in North Carolina.

Find out if you're eligible. 1-888-623-8631 NCForeclosurePrevention.gov



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#### Making Marines, Winning our Nation's **Battles, Returning Quality Citizens**

Through the development of robust networks of Marine For Life representatives, Veterans, employers, educators and mentors, Marine For Life Network provides continuity and assistance to those transitioning from active duty to ensure new Veterans successfully reintegrate and add value to our Nation's communities as they pursue their lifelong goals.

#### We offer assistance in...



#### Education

We partner with educational resources to build a network of military friendly schools to increase Veteran's assistance in the admissions process and educational pursuits.



#### Employment

We manage a database of employment resources, job fairs, and hiring events, as well as partner with federal agencies, national Veterans Service Orgranizations and top tier companies.



#### Resources

We offer a collection of valuable, and relevant education, employment, Veteran, and community resources.



#### Join Our Network!

Contact us or visit us online to learn how you can join the Marine For Life Network and help connect Marines with opportunites.















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