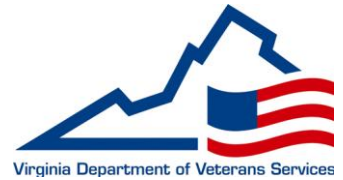


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## **THE VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS SERVICES MOVES BENEFIT OFFICE TO NEW LOCATION IN LYNCHBURG**

The Virginia Department of Veterans Services (DVS) is pleased to announce the new location of a benefit service office in Lynchburg. The new office is located at 519 Leesville Road, Lynchburg, VA 24502, (434) 582-5102.

John Newby, Commissioner of DVS, notes “Part of the DVS core mission is advocating for Virginia veterans and connecting them to benefits and services they have earned. Information on current federal, state and local veterans’ programs, entitlements and referral services is available in Virginia through a network of 23 benefit service offices such as this one here in Lynchburg. All services are provided free of charge and we look forward to spreading awareness to veterans and their families that we are here to help.”

Mayor Michael A. Gillette and Delegate Scott Garrett joined the DVS team to celebrate the grand opening.

Click [here](#) to view photo’s of the grand opening ceremony.

### ***About Virginia’s Department of Veterans Services (DVS):***

The Virginia Department of Veterans Services operates 23 benefit services offices where representatives assist veterans and their family members in filing claims for federal veterans benefits. The agency operates three cemeteries for veterans: the [Virginia Veterans Cemetery in Amelia](#), the [Albert G. Horton, Jr. Memorial Veterans Cemetery in Suffolk](#) and the [Southwest Virginia Veterans Cemetery in Dublin](#). DVS operates two long-term care facilities offering nursing and domiciliary care for veterans; [the Virginia Veterans Care Center \(VVCC\)](#) a facility which houses 240 beds in Roanoke and the 160-bed [Sitter & Barfoot Veterans Care Center](#) in Richmond.

The agency also certifies that post-secondary educational institutions meet G.I. Bill funding and eligibility requirements, enabling veterans and family members to pursue educational opportunities. DVS also launched the [Virginia Values Veterans \(V3\) Program](#) in 2012. This program’s mission is to educate and train employers throughout the Commonwealth on the Value of Virginia’s Veterans, and to help employers connect with these personnel assets to maximize the productivity of their workforce.

DVS also operates the [Virginia Wounded Warrior Program \(VWWP\)](#). The VWWP provides: comprehensive assessment of individual and family needs; direct linkages to needed services including

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behavioral healthcare, veteran’s benefits, housing, employment and other public and private assistance programs. Direct support is provided by veteran peer specialists, resource specialists, family support specialists and clinicians. VWWP also provides peer and family support groups; resilience-focused training and events for veteran couples and families; and specialized outreach and assistance to particularly vulnerable veterans including homeless (or at risk) and incarcerated veterans preparing for reentry from local jails and state prisons.

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