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BENEFITS SERVICES

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VIRGINIA VETERAN AND FAMILY SUPPORT (VVFS)

(804) 371-4675 | (877) 285-1299 (toll free)

VETERANS EDUCATION, TRANSITION, AND EMPLOYMENT PROGRAMS

G.I. Bill Programs - State Approving Agency
(804) 225-2298

Virginia Values Veterans (V3) Program
(804) 371-2683

Military Medics and Corpsmen (MMAC) Program
(804) 482-8528

**Virginia Military Survivors & Dependents Education
Program (VMSDEP)**
(804) 225-2083

**Military Education and Workforce Initiative
(MEWI)/Virginia SkillBridge**
(804) 482-8494

CARE CENTERS

Virginia Veterans Care Center
4550 Shenandoah Avenue, Roanoke, VA 24017
(540) 982-2860, (800) 220-8387 (toll free)

Sitter & Barfoot Veterans Care Center
1601 Broad Rock Boulevard, Richmond, VA 23224
(804) 371-8000

Jones & Cabacoy Veterans Care Center
2641 Nimmo Parkway, Virginia Beach, VA 23456
(757) 263-3100

Puller Veterans Care Center
6951 Vint Hill Parkway, Warrenton, VA 20187

CEMETERIES

Albert G. Horton, Jr. Memorial Veterans Cemetery
5310 Milners Road, Suffolk, VA 23434;
855-4VA-VETS (855-482-8387)

Southwest Virginia Veterans Cemetery
5550 Bagging Plant Road, Dublin, VA 24084;
855-4VA-VETS (855-482-8387)

Virginia Veterans Cemetery
10300 Pridesville Road, Amelia, VA 23002;
855-4VA-VETS (855-482-8387)

VIRGINIA WAR MEMORIAL

621 S. Belvidere Street, Richmond, VA 23220; (804) 786-2060

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS SERVICES HEADQUARTERS

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www.dvs.virginia.gov

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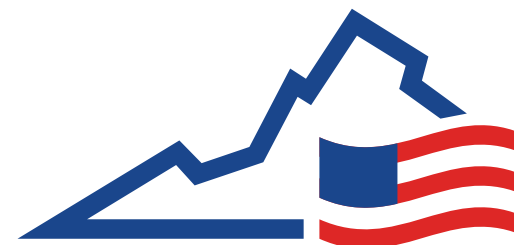
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About the Virginia Department of Veterans Services

(DVS): The Virginia Department of Veterans Services (DVS) is a state government agency with more than 50 locations across the Commonwealth of Virginia. DVS traces its history to 1928 and the establishment of the Virginia War Service Bureau to assist Virginia's World War I veterans. Today, DVS assists veterans and their families in filing claims for federal veterans benefits; provides veterans and family members with linkages to services including behavioral healthcare, housing, employment, education, and other programs. The agency operates three long-term care facilities (with a fourth center opening in 2024) offering in-patient skilled nursing care, Alzheimer's/memory care, and short-term rehabilitation for veterans; provides an honored final resting place for veterans and their families at three state veterans cemeteries; and operates the Virginia War Memorial, the Commonwealth's tribute to Virginia's men and women who gave the ultimate sacrifice from World War II to the present. For more information, please visit www.dvs.virginia.gov.

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THE VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS SERVICES (DVS)

is organized into seven service delivery sections: benefits; veteran and family support; education; transition and employment; care centers; cemeteries; and the Virginia War Memorial.

BENEFITS SERVICES

The DVS Benefits Services division advocates for Virginia veterans and connects 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 36 benefit service offices. All services are provided free of charge.

VIRGINIA VETERAN AND FAMILY SUPPORT (VVFS)

The Virginia Veteran and Family Support (VVFS) division provides peer and family support and care coordination services to Transitioning Service Members (leaving military service with any discharge type), Virginia veterans, members of the Virginia National Guard, and Armed Forces Reserves as well as all of their loved ones and families to assist with behavioral health and community resource needs. The VVFS team also provides specialized outreach and support to individuals and families with housing and/or criminal justice services needs. In addition to direct services, the Suicide Prevention and Opioid Addiction Services (SOS) team provides technical assistance and grants to community services providers and researchers to increase mental health support and life-saving best practices across the Commonwealth. Those interested in receiving alerts of future grant opportunities can register at www.grants.dvs.virginia.gov.

EDUCATION, TRANSITION, AND EMPLOYMENT PROGRAMS

Veterans Education, Transition, and Employment

(VETE) programs promote Virginia's economic development by supporting veterans and their families with individualized customer service to stay, work and thrive in Virginia. VETE programs ensure every veteran or eligible person reaches their fullest potential through transition assistance, access to G.I. Bill-approved post-secondary education, licensure, training, employment, and entrepreneurship opportunities. Not only do our programs provide services to improve economic mobility and quality of life, but we also provide cultural enrichment, fellowship, and networking opportunities for peer-to-peer support.

The State Approving Agency (SAA) for Veterans

Education & Training ensures access and quality instruction, appropriate administration, and fair and equitable practices for every veteran (and eligible person) who enters a Virginia SAA-approved educational or training program. Over 900 Virginia facilities are approved for G.I. Bill benefits, including colleges and universities, vocational schools, and on-the-job training and apprenticeship programs. Contact (804) 225-2298 or saa@dvs.virginia.gov for more information.

The Virginia Military Survivors and Dependents Education Program (VMSDEP)

waives tuition and mandatory fees at Virginia's public colleges and universities for spouses and children of a qualified military service member who, during direct involvement in covered military combat, was killed, missing in action, or became a prisoner of war, or of a qualified veteran who, as a direct result of such service, has been rated by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs as totally and permanently disabled or at least 90 percent permanently disabled and have been discharged or released under conditions other than dishonorable. Contact (804) 225-2083 or vmsdep@dvs.virginia.gov for more information.

The Virginia Military and Education Workforce Initiative (MEWI)

assists Veterans and service members with their transition from active duty to civilian life. MEWI enhances employment opportunities for Virginians who have served in the United States Military, and their spouses, by providing a pathway to education, training, certifications, and technology. Contact MEWI@dvs.virginia.gov for more information.

The Virginia SkillBridge Program provides transitioning service members the opportunity to network with veteran Certified employers offering 4-24 week internships to eligible applicants, with commander approval, up to six months prior to separation. Participation in the Virginia SkillBridge internship program while still serving in the military allows service members the opportunity to gain marketable skills and experience to enhance their civilian career opportunities. Contact VASkillbridge@dvs.virginia.gov for more information.

The Virginia Values Veterans (V3) Program provides comprehensive support to employers and military job seekers that live or work in the Commonwealth. The V3 Program educates and certifies employers on why recruiting, hiring, training, and retaining veterans is a smart business decision. V3 staff aid employers in meeting their hiring goals, establishing workforce solutions to create pathways for employment and more. In addition, V3 staff help transitioning service members, veterans, guardsmen/reservist, military spouses, and dependents with life goals. We help eligible persons transition to the next chapter in life, be it attending school, finding employment, starting a business, training for their next job and more. If you are an employer looking for military talent in Virginia, join the V3 Program by registering online at: www.dvs.v3.com. If you are an individual seeking services, complete the online Universal Intake form at <https://www.dvs.virginia.gov/veteran-intake-form> or call (804) 371-2683.

The Military Medics and Corpsmen (MMAC) Program provides employment assistance to veterans or transitioning Combat Medics who have practiced hands-on clinical care within twelve months of military discharge. MMAC partners with healthcare employers to provide opportunities to continue working in healthcare without receiving civilian credentials. The

MMAC program also works with V3 Certified Employers to help spouses and military job seekers with specialized medical training find employment. Contact us at (804) 482-8509 or mmac@dvs.virginia.gov for more information.

The Virginia Women Veterans Program (VWVP)

educates, unifies, and empowers Virginia's women veterans who have served in the military across all eras. The VWVP serves Virginia's women veterans by providing access to community resources; helping to ensure timely transition and benefits support; and promoting employment, education, health care, and community advocacy. Contact womenvet@dvs.virginia.gov for more information.

The Virginia Military Spouse Liaison provide outreach and advocate for military spouses and their families. Liaisons work with key stakeholders within federal, state, local government, military installations, and the private sector to develop and implement resource systems that provide access to education, employment, benefits, and community resources. Contact milspouse@dvs.virginia.gov for more information.

VETERANS CARE CENTERS

DVS Veterans Care Centers provide affordable, long-term nursing, memory care and short-term rehabilitation for Virginia's veterans. Conveniently located in three locations, Richmond (Sitter & Barfoot Veterans Care Center), Roanoke (Virginia Veterans Care Center), and Virginia Beach (Jones & Cabaco Veterans Care Center), each first-class facility is designed to enhance quality of life with a clean, caring, and dignified setting appropriate for those men and women who have served our country with honor. An additional center, Puller Veterans Care Center in Fauquier County, will be opening in 2024.

VETERANS CEMETERIES

Virginia's three state veterans cemeteries provide a final resting place for veterans and eligible dependents—a place of honor, dignity, respect, and remembrance. These cemeteries include the Albert G. Horton, Jr. Memorial Veterans Cemetery in Suffolk, the Virginia Veterans Cemetery in Amelia, and the Southwest Virginia Veterans Cemetery in Dublin.

VIRGINIA WAR MEMORIAL

The Virginia War Memorial is the Commonwealth of Virginia's monument to honor the memory of Virginia's men and women who demonstrated a willingness to serve and fight to defend our way of life from World War II to the present. It is heralded by many as the preeminent state memorial in the United States. The Virginia War Memorial honors our fallen heroes by passing their extraordinary stories of sacrifice forward to future generations through many outreach and on-site educational programs.