

Nebraska Veterans Coalition



Leading the way for Nebraska's Veterans

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A Volunteer Organization Bringing Awareness To Veteran's Issues

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We at the Nebraska Veterans Coalition continue to research and provide veteran-related information to military members currently serving and veterans who have served in Active, National Guard, and Reserve. We also recommend and have continued supporting legislation to improve the lives of military personnel in Nebraska since 2014. Our newsletter distribution is over 2,000, including that of all Nebraska State legislators. We will do our best to post articles on our Facebook page and encourage those of the 5,200 followers to post to our page. Our Facebook administrators review all postings, ensuring they are appropriate. Our efforts to inform veterans are passed on to over 8,000 Nebraska veterans and supporters and forwarded or shared with many more.

You can post on our Facebook page (Nebraska Veterans Coalition). "Friend us," and encourage your Veterans Service organization or Veteran Owned Business to post veterans' events and other information and follow Twitter (X) @VetsCoalitionNE

We do not solicit or accept funding/donations for our efforts.

COALITION MISSION

WHAT WE DO AND WHAT OUR GOALS ARE UPDATE

Can be found on our Website.

The Nebraska Veterans Coalition is a non-partisan and bi-partisan group formed to raise veterans' awareness about what is happening at the Nebraska Unicameral. To inform veterans of their elected officials and the legislation on veterans' benefits going through the Nebraska Unicameral.

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Open To America's #1 Veterans Magazine

The Grapevine

Published by John Stewart

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<https://veteransgrapevine.com/>

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Find the previous Nebraska Veterans Coalition Newsletters here

Businesses Supporting Veterans

Are you a veteran-owned business or a business hiring veterans?

Email your business card to us with a link to your website or Facebook page, and it will be added to this page) <https://nebraskaveterans.org/sponsors.htm>

Visitors to our webpage can click on your card to find your website.

Our email is comeoncubs100@gmail.com

Nebraska Veterans Organizations **Join Us and add your link to our website**

Added

[American Legion Post #211 Elkhorn](#)

[American Legion Post 266 Bennington](#)

[American Legion Post 36 Gering](#)

[VFW Post 759 Kearney](#)

[American Legion Post 52 Kearney](#)

[VFW Post 2503 Omaha](#)

[VFW Post 1581 Omaha](#)

[VFW Post 247 Omaha](#)

[American Legion Post 32 Papillion](#)

[American Legion Dept of Nebraska](#)

[American Legion Nebraska News](#)

[American Legion Nebraska Ladies Auxiliary](#)

[American Legion Nebraska Legion Riders](#)

[VVA Chapter 279 Omaha](#)

[American Legion Post #1 Omaha](#)

[American Legion Post 374 Millard](#)

[VFW Post 8334 Millard](#)

(If you wish your organization added here, send us an email with the link)

Or email comeoncubs100@gmail.com

Omaha Vet Center

We offer confidential help for Veterans, service members, and their families at no cost in a non-medical setting. Our services include counseling for needs such as depression, posttraumatic stress disorder (PTSD), and the psychological effects of military sexual trauma (MST). We can also connect you with more support in VA and your community.

LOCATIONS AND CONTACT INFORMATION

MAIN LOCATION

2132 South 42nd Street

Suite 1

Omaha, NE 68105

DIRECT LINE

402-346-6735

Other services

Click on a service for more details.

HOW WE'RE DIFFERENT THAN A CLINIC

Click on a topic for more details. <https://www.va.gov/omaha-vet-center/>

HEALTH CARE

Home Base

Homebase.org

As a National Center of Excellence, Home Base operates the first and largest private sector clinic in America, and the only private sector clinic in New England, devoted to providing lifesaving clinical care and support for the treatment of invisible wounds. Since our founding in 2009, Home Base has been breaking new ground, leading regional and national efforts with a multidisciplinary team of experts working together to help Veterans, Service Members and their Families heal from invisible wounds. By caring for Veterans, Service Members and their Families in a family-based clinic, and working in cooperation with the US Departments of Defense (DoD) and Veterans Affairs (VA), Home Base serves as a replicable model to promote the health and well-being of Veterans, Service Members and their Families nationwide.

Open this link and listen to Their Story

Our Impact | Home Base

DIRECT CLINICAL CARE FOR SERVICE MEMBERS, VETERANS, FAMILIES, & FAMILIES OF THE FALLEN

Providing timely, quality, and compassionate clinical care is one of the most critical components of healing invisible wounds. Home Base has developed three clinical models to serve Veterans and Families who live around the globe:

NATIONAL INTENSIVE CLINICAL PROGRAM (ICP)

This first of its kind 2-week ICP compresses 2 years of mental health, brain injury &/or substance use treatment into a 2-week program. Specially designed for Veterans of all eras, this program includes Family Members in the care model. A Special Iteration for Families of the Fallen is also offered to those who have experienced the suicide of their loved Veteran and need a path of recovery from grief and trauma.

NATIONAL SPECIAL OPERATIONS CLINIC

The Comprehensive Brain Health and Trauma (ComBHAT) Program provides coordinated, integrated, multi-disciplinary specialist evaluation, treatment, and care coordination for Special Operations Service Members and Veterans across the country.

REGIONAL OUTPATIENT CLINICAL CARE

With clinics located in Massachusetts, Florida, and soon-to-be Arizona, Home Base provides advanced in-person and telehealth care to Veterans, Service Members, and their Families in their local communities.

WARRIOR HEALTH & FITNESS

Warrior Health & Fitness is designed to improve physical health and well-being through supervised exercise, nutrition, mind-body medicine, stress management, and sleep. Combined with a Veteran and Family Adventure Series that hosts our military community through skiing, museum visits, apple picking, and more, the wellness mission recognizes the holistic importance of healing.

TRAINING IN UNDER-RESOURCED COMMUNITIES

The Home Base Training Institute has educated over 80,000 clinicians and first responders to recognize and treat the invisible wounds of war. This training propels strategic partnerships to address care in under-resourced community health centers caring for our Veterans of Color and a new initiative with Native American Veterans in the Navajo Nation.

INNOVATION & FINDING NEW TREATMENTS

Through leveraging 21st-century technology to discover new treatments in healing the invisible wounds of war, Home Base harnesses the scientific community of Mass General Brigham, Harvard, and national partners to find the most innovative solutions of tomorrow.

AWARENESS

Home Base Nation Podcast reaches audiences across the country and features stories of people and topics that have an important impact on our Veteran, Military and patriotic communities. Highlighted guests include Jake Tapper, Spike Lee, David "Big Papi" Ortiz, Sebastian Junger, and topics such as art therapy, psychedelics research, and the USS Intrepid with Prince Harry.

THEIR MISSION IS COMPLETE. OURS HAS JUST BEGUN.

Home Base is a national nonprofit dedicated to healing the invisible wounds of war for Veterans of all eras, Service Members, Military Families and Families of the Fallen through world-class, direct clinical care, wellness, education and research – all at no cost to them – regardless of era of service, discharge status or geographical location. The program was founded by Massachusetts General Hospital and the Boston Red Sox. Since 2009, Home Base has served more than 35,000 Veterans and their Family Members and trained over 85,000 clinicians across the nation, and we remain at the forefront of discovering new treatments to ensure a brighter future for Warriors and their Families.

<https://homebase.org/program/icp/>

Want to Participate?

- **Step 1**
- Click the Get Care button or call 617-724-5202
- to be connected to a member of our care team.
- **Step 2**
- A member of our care team will follow up to discuss your specific needs and establish next steps
- to help develop an effective treatment plan that meets each individual's needs.
- **Step 3**
- After a treatment plan has been established, you will attend the two-week ICP at no cost to you or your family
- to get help overcoming the effects of invisible wounds and successfully return to family life, work, school and community.

What we do: <https://ateaseusa.org/>

We support active military, veterans and more with confidential, research-supported, cost-effective treatment for **Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)**. We're excited to share that our organization has earned a 2023 Platinum Seal of Transparency with Candid!

At Ease USA was founded in 2009 in response to the lack of wounded warriors getting the treatment needed upon their return home.

At Ease USA (AEU) is committed to providing access to confidential trauma treatment and therapeutic support for active military, veterans and their loved ones, regardless of their ability to pay. AEU complements existing services offered by military and veterans organizations, with a focus on the elimination of barriers to treatment for those suffering from the effects of deployment and the uncertainty of war.

Programs

Behavioral Health Services

Vets 4 Vets Peer Support Group

Peer Support Services

[Omaha](#) [North Platte](#)

Virtual Military Spouse & Caregiver Support Group

Virtual Women's Vets 4 Vets

Dialectical Behavior Therapy (DBT) group

Trauma-Informed Yoga

Buddy Check

<https://ateaseusa.org/programs/>

[Veterans / Military](#)

[How We Can Help](#)
[PTSD Resources](#)
[Find a Provider](#)

We support active military, veterans and more with confidential, research-supported, cost-effective treatment for [Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder \(PTSD\)](#).

[Healthcare Workers](#)

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[PTSD Resources](#)

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Mental Health Practitioners
Nebraska Provider Roster

[Providers » At Ease USA](#)

Contact us:

At Ease USA

10605 Burt Circle

Omaha, NE 68114

[531.247.4040](tel:531.247.4040)

[Mon-Fri: 8am - 5pm](#)

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline

[1.800.273.TALK \(8255\)](tel:1.800.273.TALK(8255))

[Emergency 988 suicide and crisis lifeline](#)

[Live Online Chat](#)

At Ease USA

Exciting News Alert!

At Ease USA is thrilled to share that we've been awarded a generous grant from the Mutual of Omaha Foundation! This grant will empower us to expand our services across the state of Nebraska and host our inaugural veteran peer support retreat.

We're deeply grateful for this incredible opportunity and privileged to have the support of Mutual of Omaha Foundation in our mission to combat PTSD among active military, veterans and their loved ones. Together, we're making a difference in the lives of those who have served our country.

A heartfelt thank you to Mutual of Omaha Foundation for their partnership and commitment to our cause. Let's continue to stand together in support of our heroes! #PTSDawareness #AtEaseUSA #GrantAward #CommunitySupport

Interested in supporting veterans with PTSD? Contact info@ateaseusa.org to discuss.

Iowa mobile clinic ready to roll - VA News

Central Iowa VA welcomed a new virtual mobile clinic with an open house on June 14 in the parking lot at the Des Moines VA. Employees and visitors had a chance to get a look inside the clinic and learn more about its operations.

The vehicle has two exam rooms that provide patient privacy, a space for lab draws and a wheelchair lift to assist those with mobility concerns.

The clinic can facilitate up to 15 scheduled appointments and more than 20 vaccinations per day.

To be deployed four days per week, the clinic will mean greater ease of access to care for Veterans across Iowa.

Eliminating two-hour drive

“The Mobile Clinic allows Central Iowa VA Veterans to receive their health care within their own community and closer to home,” said Emily Morgan, mobile clinic nurse. “By eliminating some of the barriers of accessing health care, we can continue to improve health care outcomes for all the Veterans we serve.”

Morgan put forth a great deal of effort toward the organization and implementation of the

project to provide Veterans with this resource. With some Veterans needing to travel up to two hours to get to the nearest facility, the mobile clinic will have a great impact. Veterans can visit on a walk-in basis but are encouraged to schedule appointments.

<https://news.va.gov/132623/iowa-mobile-clinic-ready-to-roll/>

FREE DENTAL CLINIC FOR VETERANS AND SPOUSES NOVEMBER 15–16

The 2024 Veterans Mission of Mercy Dental Clinic will be held from November 15-16 at the Army National Guard Readiness Center in Yutan, Nebraska. The dental clinic will provide a range of dental services to eligible Nebraska veterans and their spouses. Services include:

- Exams
- Cleanings
- Fillings
- Root Canals
- Extractions
- Dentures

Please note: There is a limited quantity of denture appointments available. Individuals wanting a denture appointment must register for a Friday morning slot and will need to return on Saturday to be fitted and receive dentures. To learn more about the Dental Clinic and sign up for an appointment, visit the link below.

<https://veterans.nebraska.gov/dentalclinic>

Trey Leffingwell

As a Dentist who has worked these in the past, please use this service as your financial situation dictates.

In other words, if you have resources, but someone who doesn't seek routine dental care because you're a cheap skate, this is not for you. Trust me it happens.

Veterans Dental Clinic Provides Over \$400k in Care, Receives VA Award

WASHINGTON (FEB 21, 2024) — On Wednesday, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Secretary Denis McDonough presented the Nebraska Department of Veterans' Affairs (NDVA) with an Abraham Lincoln Pillars of Excellence Award in recognition of the Veterans Mission of Mercy Dental Clinic, held in October 2023.

MORE: <https://veterans.nebraska.gov/veterans-dental-clinic>

Miscellaneous Information



PRESS OFFICE

Release Date: June 20, 2024 Contact: Press_Office@sba.gov

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**SBA Invests Over \$1 Million to Expand Support for Veteran Entrepreneurs
Organizations to Provide Critical Training and Counseling for Startups and Existing Small
Businesses**

Contact for updated information:

Jo Eckert

Economic Development Specialist/Public Information Officer

Nebraska District Office; 10675 Bedford Avenue, Suite 100, Omaha, NE 68134

WASHINGTON – Today, the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) announced over \$1 million in new funding to provide critical training and counseling to aspiring and existing veteran small business owners as a Veterans Business Outreach Center (VBOC).

The new funding opportunity will make awards of up to \$400,000 to up to three entities. Eligible awardees include private organizations, colleges and universities, private sector firms, nonprofit organizations, and state, local, or tribal governmental agencies.

“Through this initiative, the SBA’s Office of Veterans Business Development (OVBD) is investing in military-connected entrepreneurs that will grow the VBOC program from 28 to 31 locations nationwide,” said Robert Yannuzzi, Assistant Administrator for the SBA’s Office of Veterans Business Development. “This expansion will enhance the entrepreneurship experience across all U.S. states and territories.”

With this SBA funding, recipients will offer training to transitioning service members and military spouses via the Boots to Business entrepreneurship program, a key component of the Department of Defense’s Transition Assistance Program, as well as Boots to Business Reboot and the Military Spouse Pathway to Business program. Applicants will deliver counseling, technical support, financial skills development, comprehensive business evaluations, and mentorship to veterans, transitioning service members, Reserve and National Guard members, and military spouses aiming to launch or expand their small businesses.

The locations for new VBOCs are as follows: Arkansas, Kentucky, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, South Florida, and Puerto Rico, and organizations anywhere may apply for a portion of the total \$1.1 million in funding available for this program in Fiscal Year 2024.

Each award is made for a base project period of 8 months, with four 12-month option periods, starting Sept. 1, 2024. Additional information about the funding opportunity, including specific coverage areas and instructions on how to apply, can be found at www.grants.gov and by searching “SB-OVVB-24-001.”

Applications submitted via other media, including SBA’s website, will be rejected and will not be evaluated. Applications must be submitted via grants.gov no later than 11:50 p.m. EST on Friday, July 19, 2024.

The SBA’s Office of Veterans Business Development will host information sessions on the funding opportunity via this Microsoft Teams link or this call-in number (202-765-1264; access code: 265 542 768#, phone conference ID: 736 752 338#) at the following times:

- Monday, June 24: 4-5 p.m. ET
- Monday, July 15: 2-3 p.m. ET

Please direct all questions about the VBOC funding opportunity to Tangela Liddell at tangela.liddell@sba.gov. For issues with grants.gov, please call the support line at 1-800-518-4726 or email.

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About the SBA’s Office of Veterans Business Development

The SBA’s Office of Veterans Business Development (OVBD) works through the SBA’s extensive resource partner network, which includes Small Business Development Centers, SCORE, Women’s Business Centers, and 28 VBOCs located throughout the nation. VBOCs are also the leading partner in hosting the “Boots to Business” and “Boots to Business Reboot” programs, which offer courses on entrepreneurship on military installations and in local communities. Since the program’s inception in 2013, Boots to Business has trained and graduated more than 200,000 service members, veterans, National Guard and Reserve members, and military spouses. For more information on the resources available for veteran entrepreneurs, visit sba.gov/veterans.

About the U.S. Small Business Administration

The U.S. Small Business Administration helps power the American dream of business ownership. As the only go-to resource and voice for small businesses backed by the strength of the federal government, the SBA empowers entrepreneurs and small business owners with the resources and support they need to start, grow, expand their businesses, or recover from a declared disaster. It delivers services through an extensive network of SBA field offices and partnerships with public and private organizations. To learn more, visit www.sba.gov.



Defense Finance and Accounting Service Retiree Newsletter

[Defense Finance and Accounting Service > RetiredMilitary > newsevents > newsletter \(dfas.mil\)](#)

We have all the information in this edition that can give your retired pay account a checkup.

- There is an article in this edition with helpful tips on how to do that.
- For the Reservists and National Guard who are in the Gray Area, but haven’t reached retired pay age yet, be sure to check out our Gray Area Retiree spotlight article!

- We also have information for our SBP college-age annuitants about school certifications.
- Finally, DFAS will have a representative at a few upcoming Retiree Appreciation Days. If you are close to one of the events listed in the article, please come out and say hello.

Defense Finance and Accounting Service Providing payment services for the U.S.
Department of Defense

[Quick Tools for Retirees, SBP Annuitants and Survivors](https://www.dfas.mil/RetiredMilitary/Quick-Tools-for-Retirees-SBP-Annuitants-Survivors/)

<https://www.dfas.mil/RetiredMilitary/Quick-Tools-for-Retirees-SBP-Annuitants-Survivors/>



A Message from the Commander...

Welcome to the Nebraska American Legion website. We currently have over 350 American Legion Posts and over 22,000 Legion members throughout the State of Nebraska. Our members are proud to be part of the largest veteran's organization in the world.

[MORE](http://www.nebraskalegion.net/?fbclid=IwZXh0bgNhZW0CMTEAAR1X_-q0p-T336MRHxl0PmcEQ7aj3kM3rXnk6PhRIJ3HjRQpYtGTk0ewW0A_aem_u5U2ekpu0FYARuKzpKc_VA)

http://www.nebraskalegion.net/?fbclid=IwZXh0bgNhZW0CMTEAAR1X_-q0p-T336MRHxl0PmcEQ7aj3kM3rXnk6PhRIJ3HjRQpYtGTk0ewW0A_aem_u5U2ekpu0FYARuKzpKc_VA

Veterans Business Outreach Center

PROUDLY SERVING NEBRASKA & IOWA

The Veterans Business Outreach Center (VBOC) Program is designed to proudly provide entrepreneurial development services such as business training, counseling, and resource partner referrals to transitioning service members, veterans, National Guard & Reserve members, and military spouses interested in starting or growing a small business. VBOC at Nebraska Enterprise Fund is funded in part through a Cooperative Agreement with the U.S. Small Business Administration.

<https://nebbiz.org/vboc>



Military Veterans Service Center on the Bellevue University campus at:

Temporarily re-located inside the Muller Administration Building, 812 Bruin Blvd. (ASB) during construction of fieldhouse.

Hours of Operation

- Monday- Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM
- Saturday and Sunday closed
- Toll free: 1.866.676.3614
- Local: 402.557.7820
- Email: mvsc@bellevue.edu
- Clinical Counseling Services: 402.557.7808

What you will find at the Center.

Our Military Veteran students can make themselves at home here in our welcoming lounge, fully equipped conference rooms, or private study rooms; and we invite them to take advantage of friendly support teams also located here, including representatives from – The Department of Veteran Affairs VetSuccess on Campus Counselor (VSOC); DAV Chapter 47; Guitars For Veterans (G4V); Clinical Counseling Services and career and academic support. Learn more about the [services](https://tinyurl.com/yzbduayt) you will find at the MVSC.

<https://tinyurl.com/yzbduayt>

Prepare for VA's secure sign-in changes

In 2025, you'll need to start using a Login.gov or ID.me account to sign in.

Getting started

Why should I create an account to sign in to VA.gov?

When you create a Login.gov or ID.me account, you can access and manage your VA benefits, health care, and information online. You can use your account to sign in to VA.gov, VA mobile apps, and any other VA online service.

Here are some things you can do with an account:

- Apply for benefits
- Check your claim status
- Update your address and other contact information across several VA benefits and services
- Check the status of and request help with any benefit overpayments or copay bills you may have

You can also do these things to manage your health:

- Refill prescriptions
- Communicate privately and securely with your healthcare team
- Request or schedule some health appointments
- Review lab and test results

You can also use your account to sign in to some other government websites to manage benefits like Social Security benefits.

What type of account should I create to manage my VA benefits online?

You can create a Login.gov or ID.me account.

What to know:

- **Login.gov** is our government's one account provider for VA and other government benefits and services. The U.S. General Services Administration creates and maintains your account. To learn how our government protects your information, read the [privacy policy](#).
- **Read the privacy policy on the Login.gov website**
- **ID.me** is a non-government account provider that contracts with government and non-government organizations. ID.me creates and maintains your account. To learn how ID.me protects your information, read their [privacy policy](#).
- **Read the privacy policy on the ID.me website**
- Both Login.gov and ID.me meet modern security standards. Both accounts protect your data so only you can access and change your stored information.
- Both Login.gov and ID.me let you use a single, secure account to access your VA benefits and services. You can use either account to manage some other government benefits and services (like Social Security benefits).

Creating your account Preparing for VA sign-in changes

- [Create a Login.gov account](#)
- [Create an ID.me account](#)

Tags [All Veterans Sign in](#)

VA benefits

- Records
- Apply for a printed Veteran ID card, get your VA benefit letters and medical records, and learn how to apply for a discharge upgrade.

<https://tinyurl.com/2ca65jnf>

Nebraska Department of Veterans' Affairs

Open this link and visit the NDVA website

<https://veterans.nebraska.gov/>

Follow

NDVA Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/NEVetsAffairs/>

NDVA Twitter https://twitter.com/NEVetsAffairs?ref_src=twsrc%5Etfw

Newsletter & Events

<https://veterans.nebraska.gov/newsletters>

MORE

- [Benefits and Services Overview](#)

Part of our mission is to help veterans identify and access benefits. There is a wide range of county, state, and federal benefits related to education, employment, finance, health care, housing, legal assistance, recreation, taxes, and more. Use our Benefits Expert to help guide you to the benefits you're interested in or

learn about some of the most-used benefits. If you have additional questions, don't hesitate to contact your County Veterans' Service Officer or a State Service Officer.

[Benefits Expert](#)

There are a lot of benefits available for veterans and their family members. Our Benefits Expert will guide you through all the county, state, and federal benefits available to help you find just the ones you are

eligible for or interested in.

Nebraska Veterans' Aid
Waiver of Tuition
DD-214 Request

MORE: <https://veterans.nebraska.gov/benefits>

[Nebraska Veterans' Gateway](#)

Welcome to your gateway to career and employment resources for Nebraska veterans.

[Get Started](#)

[Nebraska Veterans' Homes](#)

Nebraska's state veterans' homes offer top-of-the-line domiciliary, intermediate, and skilled nursing care for the men and women who have served our country, as well as eligible family members.

<https://veterans.nebraska.gov/homes>

[Military & Veterans' Registry Application](#)

Applicants must submit a DD-214 or NGB-22 indicating the length and character of services.

https://www.nebraska.gov/va_registry/index.cgi

[Community Resource Directory](#)

There is a wide variety of resources throughout the state, including resources for housing assistance, substance abuse treatment, transportation, community support, and more. Select one of the state's six behavioral health regions on the map below to see what resources are available in that area.

Disclaimer: These resources are not managed or delivered by the Nebraska Department of Veterans

<https://veterans.nebraska.gov/healthmap>

Other VA social media:

[U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs](#) [U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs](#)

[Nebraska Western Iowa Health Care System](#) [Nebraska Western Iowa Health Care System](#)

<https://www.facebook.com/NebraskaIowaVA/>

[County Veterans Service Offices Directory](#)

Contact your County Veterans Service Officer and offer your help

Help with providing transportation for fellow veterans

Offer your business as a place for Buddy Check Meetings

This video is provided by the Nebraska Association of County Officials

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?app=desktop&v=bqhlwylZv2c>

A County Veterans Service Office staff provides confidential counseling and assistance to Veterans and their families who are applying for Federal, State, and County Veterans programs and benefits. Federal Veterans Benefits include Education Benefits, Vocational Rehabilitation, Service-connected disability, Non-service disability pension, Healthcare, and Burial benefits.

Nebraska Veterans programs include waiver of tuition, admittance to a Nebraska Veterans home, and emergency financial assistance from the Nebraska Veterans Aid Fund.

Eligibility for State financial assistance requires Honorable or General (Under Honorable Conditions) discharge from active duty. This requirement is not met by active duty for training only.

(Specific residency and service dates are required for some State Benefits)

[County Veterans Service Offices Directory](#) (Updated Monthly)

<https://veterans.nebraska.gov/cvso>

[The Nebraska Veterans Coalition](#)

[presents this month's](#)

[FEATURED COUNTY VETERAN SERVICE OFFICER INFORMATION](#)

PLATTE COUNTY

Service Officer Eric Mullally (402) 563-4914 pcvets@plattecounty.ne.gov

Admin Assistant Bev Brunkhorst pcvets3@plattecounty.ne.gov

Fax: (402) 564-7460

Location Courthouse, 3rd Flr. Columbus, NE 68601
Mailing Address 2610 14th St. Columbus, NE 68601
Hours Monday – Friday
8 am to 5 pm

Website http://www.plattecounty.net/webpages/veterans_services/veterans_services.html
Also CVSO for Colfax County

POLK COUNTY

Service Officer Kenneth Toline (402) 747-2130 ktoline@polkcountyne.gov
Fax: (402) 747-2656

Location Courthouse Osceola, NE 68651
Mailing Address PO Box 603, Osceola, NE 68651
Hours WEDNESDAY ONLY
9 am to noon

Website <https://polkcounty.nebraska.gov/county-services/veterans-service>

RED WILLOW COUNTY

Service Officer Michael Simmonds (308) 345-2385 vso4838@redwillowcountyne.gov

Secretary Kathy Lichty

Fax: (308) 345-2365

Location: 322 Norris Ave., Ste. 3, McCook, NE 69001
Mailing Address 322 Norris Ave., Ste. 3, McCook, NE 69001

Hours Monday – Friday
8 am to 3 pm

Website http://www.co.red-willow.ne.us/webpages/veterans_services/veterans_services.html
Also CVSO for Furnas Co

Did you know?

VA clothing allowance

If your clothing has been damaged by your prosthetic or orthopedic device (such as a wheelchair) or by the medicine you're taking for a skin condition, you may be able to get money each year to help you buy new clothes. This is called an annual clothing allowance. Keep reading to find out if you may be eligible.

Clothing Allowance:

A Veteran who wears or uses a prescribed prosthetic, orthopedic appliance, and/or skin medication for a service-connected disability may be eligible for an annual clothing allowance. To be entitled, the prosthetic or orthopedic appliance must cause wear/tear; skin medication must cause irreparable staining to your outer garments. **The current annual rate is \$999.51. You'll need to submit your application on or before August 1, 2024, to get a clothing allowance for this year.** Download the clothing allowance application (VA Form 10-8678) at: <https://www.va.gov/find-forms/about-form-10-8678/>. Once completed, the application needs to be submitted to the Prosthetics Department at the VA Clinic or VA Medical Center for processing.

- Am I eligible for this benefit from VA?
- What kind of clothing allowance can I get?
- Do I need to apply every year to get an annual payment?
- How do I get a clothing allowance?
- You can submit your application in any of the ways listed here.
- Apply through your local VA medical center

[VA Clothing Allowance | Veterans Affairs](#)

ICYMI: Veterans Benefits Newsletter | July 2024

Veterans Benefits Administration sent this bulletin at 07/16/2024 12:02 PM EDT

80th Anniversary of the GI Bill

Attention Karshi Khanabad
(K-2) Veterans

Disability Benefits Questionnaires

Start a New Career Journey with VR&E

Disaster Assistance and Resources for Veterans

Change Your GI Bill School or Program

Get Connected to Affordable Internet

Pursue Financial Stability With Veteran Saves

Insurance Awareness Month

<https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/USVAVBA/bulletins/3a8eac3>



The US Military News is an Independent, Educational, and Documentary Military Channel devoted to armed forces and military technologies. [facebook.com/USNMil](https://www.facebook.com/USNMil) and [2 more](#) links to do (call-to-action)?

https://www.youtube.com/@USMilitary_News?app=desktop#bottom-sheet

The Top 7 Deadliest Gatling Guns of the US Military

<https://www.facebook.com/reel/894386055789593>



This is B-21 RAIDER: The Key to Winning a War against China

For years now, the Air Force has been ordering a minimum of 100 B-21 Raiders, at a rate of 10 jets per year to replace its oldest bombers. It will be lucky if it can declare its first squadron operational by 2027. Meanwhile, multiple heads of the Air Force Global Strike Command, along with other observers, have suggested that the U.S. really needs more stealth B-21s.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L0CdCGNMNIQ>

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B-36 Peacemaker

With a fuel load of 33,626 gallons of aviation gas and 1,500 gallons of engine oil, the B-36 Peacemaker required a fleet of tanker trucks for each fill-up. At cruising speed, this B model's six Pratt & Whitney Wasp Major R-4360 engines consumed 600 gallons of gas an hour. Each 28-cylinder engine had its own 250-gallon engine oil tank. Each cylinder had two spark spark plugs for a total of 336 per plane.

The Convair B-36 "Peacemaker"^[N 1] is a [strategic bomber](#) that was built by [Convair](#) and operated by the [United States Air Force](#) (USAF) from 1949 to 1959. The B-36 is the largest mass-produced [piston-engined](#) aircraft ever built. It has the longest [wingspan](#) of any combat aircraft ever built, at 230 ft (70 m). The B-36 was the first bomber capable of delivering any of the [nuclear weapons](#) in the U.S. arsenal from an internal bomb bay without aircraft modifications. With a range of 10,000 mi (16,000 km) and a maximum payload of 87,200 lb (39,600 kg), the B-36 is capable of intercontinental flight without refueling. All but four aircraft have been scrapped.

MORE:

https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Convair_B-36_Peacemaker?fbclid=IwY2xjawETpuNleHRuA2FibQIxMAABHT4UbADTevWx8wOL6VSIOSrZg54pWZ8v1bBFh8ezJPsk-WWUjTNjr8knPA_aem_wnWUZwi0UMiNCNSA3Gy00g

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