



Veterans: Disability & Benefits Assistance

Navigation Services



Need more information? Contact our Navigation Services Team at 303-432-5130 or navigation@jcmh.org

If you notice any changes or inconsistencies with our resources, please inform Navigation to help us stay current.

Disability and Benefits Overview

The VA may provide a number of benefits to Veterans (*contingent on type of discharge*) including, but not limited to:

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| Disability Compensation | Support for those with limited incomes | Education and Training | Home Loans |
| Dependent and Survivor Benefits | Medical Insurance | Burial and Memorial Benefits | Vocational Rehabilitation |
| Mental Health Care | Crisis Hotlines | Dental Insurance | Assistance with homelessness |

If you are service connected or receive benefits from the VA, please consult the VA directly at 303.399-8020. If you need assistance with applying for or understanding your benefits, please review the resources below:

Colorado Veterans Service Officers

<https://vets.colorado.gov/>

The Veterans Service Officer (VSO) assists Veterans who served in the United States Military and/or their dependents in filing valid claims for including those listed above as well as life insurance, discharge upgrades, high school diplomas, and other issues.

The VSO may assist a surviving spouse or other individual with any entitled benefit based on the veteran’s service history.

Contact Information for local Veterans Service Officers:

Jefferson County Service Officers:

- Peter Mortaro
 - 303-271-4205
 - pmortaro@jeffco.us
- Diane Ricci
 - 303-271-4213
 - dricci@jeffco.us
- Kevin Ashcraft
 - 303-271-4574
 - kashcraf@co.jefferson.co.us

Clear Creek Service Officer:

- Troy Erickson

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- 303-670-7543
- terickson@clearcreekcounty.us

Gilpin County Service Officer:

- Leon Pohl
 - 303-515-4297
 - lapohl@co.gilpin.co.us

Denver County Service Officers:

- George Cassidy
 - 303-476-0048
 - george.cassidy@denvergov.org
- Daniel Neelands
 - 720-392-5236
 - daniel.neelands@denvergov.org

Disabled American Veterans (DAV)

303-914-5570

www.dav.org

- Free, professional assistance available from benefits advocates who can help veterans and their families receive the benefits they've earned —health care, disability, employment, education, financial benefits and more.

Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) of the United States

1-833-VFW-VETS (1-833-839-8387)

<http://www.vfw.org/>

5340 Marshall St. Arvada, CO 80002

- VFW's National Veterans Service (NVS) was established to help all veterans, service members, their families and survivors.
- NVS assists veterans and families in filing for disability compensation, rehabilitation and education programs, pension and death benefits, and employment and training programs.