

Veterans
Resource
Guide



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Helpful Call Centers / Toll Free Numbers

Veterans Crisis Line

Phone: 1-800-273-TALK (8255)

National Call Center for Homeless Veterans

Phone: 1-800-4AID-VET (424-3838)

Wounded Warrior Resources

Phone: 1-800-342-9647

National Domestic Violence Hotline

Phone: 1-800-799-SAFE (7233)

National Hopeline

Phone: 1-800-SUICIDE (784-4233)

Adams County

Veterans Service Office

303-277-2107

Court / Justice Center

303-659-1161

County Attorney

303-659-6116

District Attorney

303-659-7720

Jail

303-654-1850

Social Services

303-287-8831

Government Resources

Colorado Department of Military and Veteran Affairs

Division of Veteran Affairs Office

Phone: 303-343-1268

Fax: 303-343-7238

<http://www.colorado.gov/cs/Satellite/DepartmentOfMilitaryandVeteransAffairs/CBON/1251619753245>

The Colorado Department of Military Affairs and the Colorado Department of Veteran Affairs provides services and information regarding benefits, tuition assistance, memorial / cemetery eligibility and more.

Service Member and Veterans Rights

http://www.justice.gov/crt/spec_topics/military/

The Civil Rights Division protects a service member's civilian employment rights by enforcing the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act, voting rights by enforcing the Uniformed and Overseas Citizen Voting Act of 1986, and financial security through the Service Members Civil Relief Act. This site provides information on how the Department of Justice and other federal agencies can help, and what service members can do to protect their rights under the law.

U S Department of Veterans Affairs

<http://www.vba.va.gov>

This site provides information about the benefits, disability compensation, pension, GI bill, vocational rehab and employment, survivor benefits, home loans, life insurance, traumatic injury insurance, healthcare, information including prescriptions, PTSD, and more.

- Benefits: 1-800-827-1000
- Medical Centers: 1-877-222-8387
- Persian Gulf War Help Line: 1-800-749-8387
- Veterans Justice Outreach Coordinator: 720-484-1027

State Wide Legal National

<http://www.statesidelegal.org>

This site will take you to actual resources that can be used if you are a veteran, active service member, or an immediate family member to:

- Apply for benefits
- Appeal benefits related decisions
- Find information about other legal issues

VA Centers in Colorado

<http://www2.va.gov/directory/guide/state.asp?STATE=CO&cnum=ALL>

Phone: 1-877-927-8387

Vet Centers

Vet Centers are part of the VA system. The records they maintain are separate and confidential health care service a veteran receives from VA Health Administration. Vet Centers provide counseling to individuals, families, bereavement counseling to surviving family members for active duty service person's death, and military sexual trauma. They also provide outreach, education, substance abuse assessments, employment assessments, and screening and referrals for VBA benefits, including TBI, depression, etc.

VA benefits regional office

Phone: 303-399-8020

Denver Vet Center

7465 E. First Ave., Suite B

Denver, CO 80230

Phone: 303-326-0645

Fax: 303-326-0715

Fort Collins Vet Center

Boulder Vet Center

4999 Pearl East Circle, Suite 106

Boulder, CO 80301

Phone: 303-440-7306

Fax: 303-449-3907

Colorado Springs Vet Center

602 S. Nevada Ave.

Colorado Springs, CO 80903

Phone: 719-471-9992

702 Drake, Bldg. C
Fort Collins, CO 80526
Phone: 970-221-5176
Fax: 970-482-9428

Fax: 719-632-7571

Pueblo Vet Center

1515 Fortino Blvd., Suite 130
Pueblo, CO 81008
Phone: 719-583-4058
Fax: 719-583-4074

Grand Junction Vet Center

2472 Patterson Road, Unit 16
Grand Junction, CO 81505
Phone: 970-245-4156
FAX: 970-245-7623

Healthcare

If eligible for Veterans Benefits: You are encouraged to apply to the VA Health Benefits System as soon as you are capable of doing so. Every VA Medical Center has a Health Care for Homeless Veterans Coordinator who helps veterans and their families find resources inside and outside the VA Health Care system. Call 1-877-222-8387 to find the medical center or Community Based Outpatient Clinic nearest you.

VA Medical Center

Denver

1055 Clermont Street
Denver, CO 80220
Phone: 1-888-336-8262

VA Outpatient Clinic

Aurora

13001 E. 17th Place, Bldg. 500,
2nd floor West Wing
Aurora, CO 80045
Phone 303-724-0190

Lakewood

155 Van Gordon Street, Suite 395
Lakewood, CO
Phone: 303-914-2680

If you are **ineligible** for veteran's benefits, free or low-cost health care may be available from sources listed under "Community Resources".

Civil Legal Services

Colorado Legal Services Live Chat

Wednesdays, 0900 to 1100 and 1400 to 1600 at:

Veterans, service members, and immediate family members needing civil legal information chat 'live' online with volunteer attorneys and CLS staff about their legal issue. Volunteers or staff will refer them to information that may help, or, if the chat user might be eligible for legal help, may have a Colorado Legal Services intake worker contact them to determine eligibility.

Tax Information

Free online tax filing

For active duty service members, National Guardsmen, Reservists, and their families.

Military Onesource

<https://www.militaryonesourceeap.org/archivesolutions/en/militaryonesource/login.do>

Taxslayer

<http://www.taxslayer.com/products/free-military-tax-filing>

Health Care Resources

My Health eVet

<https://www.myhealth.va.gov/index.html>

This site provides access to health information for diseases/ conditions and mental health, links to federal and VA benefits and resources, and an online VA prescription refill for registered site members.

NeedyMeds

<http://www.needyMeds.org>

This site provides information on medicine and healthcare assistance programs. They neither run patient assistance programs, nor supply medicine or financial assistance.

Spina Bifida/Children of Women Vietnam Veterans (CWVV)

<http://www.va.gov/hac/forbeneficiaries/spina/spina.asp>

The U S Department of Veterans Affairs provides healthcare, rehabilitation, vocational training, and monetary allowances to children of Korea or Vietnam veterans that are diagnosed with Spina Bifida or other conditions that are considered medically necessary and appropriate. Here you will find detailed information on the benefits and how to apply.

Veterans Health Care Guide

<http://www.va.gov/health>

This site has links to health care benefits for active service members, veterans and their families, and also resources including medical center locations, information on diseases and conditions, news regarding veteran's health, and more.

Housing Resources

Federal Benefits for Veterans, Dependents, and Survivors

http://www1.va.gov/opa/publications/benefits_book/benefits_chap04.asp

This site links to different benefits offered to veterans, their dependents, and survivors including pension, insurance, housing, education, etc. The links describe the benefits offered for each category and eligibility requirements.

Loan Guaranty Home Loan Programs

<http://www.benefits.va.gov/homeloans>

Information about the home loan program including eligibility for VA home loans, adaptive housing, lenders and real estate professionals, contact information for regional loan centers, and more.

Domiciliary Care for Homeless Vets Programs

<http://www.va.gov/homeless/dchv.asp>

Resources for Homeless Veterans

<http://va.gov/homeless>

Denver County Homeless Center

HUD VASH Program
Phone: 303-294-5616

National Coalition for Homeless Veterans

Directory of shelters and homeless assistance programs online.

<http://www.nchv.org>

Phone: 1-800-838-4357

Other Services

Compensation and Pension Services

<http://www.benefits.va.gov/compensation/>

The Compensation and Pension Services website provides information on different types of compensation and pension for veterans and service members, dependents of veterans, and survivors. There are also links to forms to apply for compensation and pension benefits.

Legal Assistance for Military Personnel

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

This resource provides a collection of helpful legal guides.

Catholic Charities St. Joseph's Home for Veterans

<http://www.ccdenver.org>

Catholic Charities opened St. Joseph's Veterans Home in April 2007; located adjacent to the historic St. Joseph's Polish Church at 4626 Pennsylvania St, Denver, the home occupies the former convent building for the parish. This group home is a transitional housing program for male veterans who have been honorably discharged.

U. S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims

<http://uscourts.cavc.gov/>

The Appeals Court for Veterans Claims provides veterans an impartial judicial forum for review of administrative decisions by the Board of Veterans' Appeals that are adverse to the veteran-appellant's claim of various benefits and the waiver of indebtedness.

VA community Resource Referral Center

Phone: 303-294-5600

They provide showers, laundry services, housing referrals, have a clothing room and storage, and can help provide counseling.

Colorado Division of Veterans Affairs

Phone: 303-284-6077

They work with veterans to help get them what they need. This includes assistance with obtaining benefits, getting VA cards, and providing information.

Veteran Legal Services of Denver

<http://veteranslegalservicesofdenver.org/>

Resource list web address

<http://veteranslegalservicesofdenver.org/legal-resource-list>

Warrior Gateway

<http://warriorgateway.org>

National Resource Directory

<https://www.nrd.gov/>

Service Groups

The American Legion, Department of Colorado

Phone: 303-366-5201

The American Legion is the nation's largest veteran's service organization, committed to mentoring and sponsorship of youth programs in our communities, advocating patriotism and honor, promoting a strong national security, and continued devotion to our fellow service members and veterans.

- *Benefits Center Website*
 - o <http://www.legion.org/serviceofficers>
- *Temporary Financial Assistance*
 - o <http://www.legion.org/financialassistance>

Colorado AMVETS

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

AMVETS Mission Statement: To enhance and safeguard the entitlements for all American Veterans who have served honorably and to improve the quality of life for them, their families, and the communities where they live through leadership, advocacy and services.

Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America (IAVA)

<http://www.iava.org>

Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America (IAVA) has an 11-point comprehensive blueprint for how Congress and candidates can support our veterans. Their plan can be seen at:

<http://iava.org/press-release/iraq-and-afghanistan-veterans-of-america-releases-policy-agenda/>

Military Officers Association of America

<http://www.moaa.org>

The Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization that works to support military officers and their families at every stage of life.

Veterans of Foreign Wars, Department of Colorado

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

Address: 1400 Carr St., Lakewood, Colorado 80214-6102

Phone: 303-421-1630

The nation's oldest combat veterans' organization that fights for VA benefits the VFW's voice had been instrumental in establishing the Veterans Administration creating a GI Bill for the 20th century the development of the national cemetery system and the fight for compensation for Vietnam vets exposed to Agent Orange and for veterans diagnosed with Gulf War Syndrome In 2008 VFW won a long-fought victory with the passing of a GI Bill for the 21st Century, giving expanded educational benefits to America's active-duty service members, and members of the Guard and Reserves fighting in Iraq and Afghanistan

Vietnam Veterans of America, Denver Chapter 1071

www.vva1071.org

VVA'S FOUNDING PRINCIPLE *"Never again will one generation of veterans abandon another." VVA's Goals are to promote and support the full range of issues important to Vietnam veterans, to create a new identity for this generation of veterans, and to change public perception of Vietnam veterans.*

Employment and Job Placement

Colorado Department of Labor and Employment Colorado Veteran Services

<http://www.colorado.gov/cs/Satellite/CDI.E-EmplovTrain/CDI.E/1248095317855>

This site provides veterans and transitioning service members with resources and services to succeed in the 21st Century workforce.

Hector Galacia

Phone: 720-857-5036

Hector is a local person who compiles a database of veteran-friendly jobs and job listings in the area.

Community Resources

Housing Resources

Brighton

Almost Home, Inc.

<http://almosthomeonline.org>

231 Main Street

Brighton Colorado 80601

Phone: 303-659-6199

Denver

American Red Cross

<http://www.redcross.org/local/co/denver>

Phone: 303-659-2631

Veterans for the Homeless

Rental assistance for veterans & families

2931 W 23rd Ave

Denver Colorado 80211

Phone: 303-433-5772

Samaritan Housing

<http://www.cd-denver.org/samaritanhouse>

2301 Lawrence Street

Denver Colorado

Phone: 303-294-0241 (24-hour line)

Denver Rescue Mission

<http://www.denverrescuemission.org>

Phone: 303-297-1815

e-mail: info@denrescue.org

Colorado Coalition for the Homeless

<http://www.coloradocoalition.org>

Emergency housing

2111 Champa Street

Denver Colorado

Phone: 303-293-2217

Mercy Housing

<http://www.mercyhousing.org>

1999 N Broadway St Suite 1000

Denver Colorado 80202

Phone: 303-830-3300

Salvation Army Crossroads Shelter

1901 29th Street

Denver Colorado

Phone: 303-298-1028

The local phone book yellow/blue pages calling 2-1-1, or visiting <http://www.unitedwaydenver.org> will provide a list of many local organizations that offer different services.

Employment

Brighton

Disabled American Veterans

Employment and education for disabled veterans.

<http://www.dav.org>

Phone: 303-922-3631

Adams County Workforce and Business Center

<http://co.adams.co.us>

Locations:

*1931 E. Bridge Street
Brighton, Colorado 80601
Phone: 303-659-4250*

*12200 Pecos Street
Westminster, Colorado 80234
Phone: 303-453-8600*

*Front Range Community College
Westminster, Colorado*

*550 Thornton Parkway
Thornton, Colorado 80229*

*3508 Peoria Street
Aurora, Colorado
Phone: 303-363-9380*

24-Hour job line
303-654-6075

Local Veterans Employment Representative (LVER), Incarcerated Veterans Transition Program (IVTP) representatives and Disabled Veterans Outreach Program (DVOP) specialists exist to help veterans find and keep
Information may be found at: <http://www.coworkforce.com/jobs/vet/lvers.asp>

Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Project (HVRP) assists veterans with job search preparation, vocational counseling, occupational skills training, on-the-job training, trade skills certification and licensing, and job placement assistance and referral to supportive services.
Phone: 720-94403500

Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (VA) helps veterans with service-connected disabilities by providing job training and counseling to those who have an employment handicap.
1-800-827-1000
<http://www.vba.va.gov/bln/vre/regionaloffices.html>

*Homeless Veterans Reintegration
1200 Federal Blvd., Denver
Phone: 720-944-3500*

*Denver County Workforce Center
1400 Federal Blvd., Denver
Phone: 720-944-1615*

*Arapahoe County Workforce Center
303-14980 E Alameda Drive
Aurora, CO 80012
Phone: 303-340-7575*

*Denver Urban Ministries (DeNUM)
1717 E Colfax Ave.
Denver, CO 80218
Phone: 303-355-4896*

*Broomfield County Workforce Center
6650 West 129th Ave., Unit A-1
Broomfield, CO 80020*

Healthcare

If you are **ineligible** for veteran's benefits from the VA, free or low-cost health care may be available from the following sources:

Department of Human Services (DHS): Can provide information about where to look for health care facilities for the homeless.

United Way: Provides information and referral information for much of the state of Colorado. 2-1-1 is free, confidential, bilingual (English & Spanish) and a comprehensive information and referral (I&R) service available to anyone who calls.

<http://www.unitedwaydenver.org>

National Health Care for the Homeless Council: Has a list of health care providers working with homeless people across the nation.

Free Clinics: Run by many local organizations and communities. Look in the phone book under "Public Health" to contact local government offices for clinics in your area.

Community reach Centers

Mental Health services & support

<http://www.communityreachcenter.org>

- 30 S. 3rd Avenue

Brighton, CO 80601

Phone: 303-853-3600

- 4371 E 72nd Avenue

Commerce City, CO 80022

Phone: 303-853-3456

- 8989 N. Huron

Thornton, CO 80260

Phone: 303-853-3500

- 3200 W. 76th Avenue

Westminster, CO 80030

Phone: 303-853-3661

Colorado Access

<http://www.coloradoaccess.com>

10065 E. Harvard

Denver, CO 80231

Phone: 303-287-8831

- **Colorado Community Health Network**

<http://www.cchn.org>

- **Denver Health Medical Center**

777 Bannock St

Denver, CO

Phone: 303-436-6000

Tri-County Health Department

Nutritionists, WIC Program,

Occupational Health, immunizations, & family planning.

<http://www.tchd.org>

- 1295 Bridge Street

Brighton, Colorado 80601

Phone: 303-659-2335

- 4201 E. 72nd Avenue

Commerce City, CO 80022

Phone: 303-288-6816

- 15400 E 14th Place

Aurora, CO 80011

Phone: 303-452-9547

- 10190 Bannock

Northglenn, CO 80264

Phone: 303-452-9547

- 7290 Samuel Drive

Denver, CO 80221

Phone: 303-426-5232

- **Senior Assistance Center**

2839 W. 44th Avenue

Denver, CO

Phone: 303-455-9642

Special Health Information for Veterans

- If you think you may be at risk for AIDS and HIV infection, contact the nearest VA Medical Center to get tested and seek counseling.
- Veterans, homeless, and incarcerated persons are at high risk for Hepatitis C (HCV), a serious disease that can cause cirrhosis (scarring of the liver) and liver cancer. If you think you are or may be at risk after your release, contact the nearest VA Medical Center to get tested and seek HCV counseling.

Dental Assistance

CU School of Dentistry

13065 E 17th Avenue
Aurora, CO
Phone: 303-724-6900

Inner City Health Clinic

3405 Downing Street
Denver, CO
Phone: 303-296-1767

Colorado Indigent Care Program (CICP)

667 Bannock Street, Unit 9
Denver, CO

Metropolitan Denver Dental Society

<http://www.mddsdentist.com/find/listing.asp>

Concorde Career College

The college provides a dental clinic staffed by Dental Hygiene students and overseen by a dentist. The clinic is in Aurora, it held one day per month that provides dental exams, cleanings, and other limited services. Call the clinic to check current dates.

111 N. Havana Street
Aurora, CO 80010
Phone: 303-861-1151
<http://www.concorde.edu>

Substance Abuse & Mental Health Treatment

- If eligible for veteran's benefits: contact the **Homeless Veterans Services Coordinator** at the local VA Medical Center or Vet Center.
- If **not** eligible for veteran's Benefits: The following sources may be able to tell you where you can go to get help:
 - The Department of Health and Human Services **Drug and Alcohol Treatment Referral Routing Services** can refer you to local programs
Phone: 1-800-662-4357
 - **National Alliance for the Mentally Ill** lists community groups, rehabilitation, socialization, and housing services through 340 community organizations across the country

Adams County Community Reach Centers

<http://communityreachcenter.org>
30 S. 3rd Avenue
Brighton, CO 80601
Phone: 303-853-3661

Brighton Counseling Center

30 S. 3rd Avenue
Brighton, CO 80601
Phone: 303-853-3600

4371 E. 72nd Avenue
Commerce City, CO 80022
Phone: 303-853-3456

Project CASE

Suicide grief support
24150 E. 156th Avenue
Brighton, CO 80601
Phone: 720-933-1227

8931 Huron Street
Thornton, CO 80260
Phone: 303-853-3456

11285 Highline Drive
Northglenn, CO 80233

3031 W. 76th Avenue
Westminster, CO 80030
Phone: 303-853-3661

**Adams County Department of
Social Services**

<http://www.co.adams.co.us>
7190 Colorado Blvd.
Commerce City, CO 80022
Phone: 303-287-8831

Denver Care

1155 Cherokee
Denver, CO 80204
303-436-3500

AMEND

Abusive Men Exploring New Directions
Counseling, advocacy, support for men

<http://www.amendinc.org>

2727 Bryant Street
Denver, CO 80211

Phone: 303-832-6363

* 24-hour hotline

1401 Bridge Street
Brighton, CO 80601
Brighton, CO 80601
Phone: 303-453-1000

Sobriety House

121 Acoma Street
Denver, CO 80223
Phone: 303-722-5746

Financial Assistance

- The American Legion provides **Temporary Financial Assistance (TFA)** from its national headquarters to help maintain a stable environment for children of veterans. To obtain an application, contact National Headquarters to find a Post near you.
- If you are unemployed or have little or no income or savings, you may be eligible for food stamps. Phone: 1-800-221-5689 or visit <http://www.fns.usda.gov/fsp/contactinfo/hotlines.htm>
- **Supplemental Security Income (SSI)** benefits can be applied for. Phone: 1-800-722-1213 or visit <http://www.ssa.gov/notices/supplemental-security-income/>
- Federal Emergency management Agency (FEMA) has a program called **Emergency Food and Shelter Program** to help prevent homelessness.

Legal Help

Veteran status issues:

- You should talk to a Veterans Service Officer (VSO) for help with discharges, upgrades, seeking benefits, and filing a VA claim. Phone: 1-800-562-2308

Other legal issues:

- The **American Bar Association** provides guidance about free legal services and links to directories of legal aid offices and pro-bono programs. Visit <http://www.abanet.org>
- **Pine Tree Legal Assistance** has an online list of organizations across the nation that provides free legal help to clients who qualify. Visit <http://www.ptla.org/links/services.htm>
- **Colorado Legal Services** (legal aid) assists low income and seniors in Colorado by providing meaningful access to high quality civil legal services.

1905 Sherman St, Suite 400
Denver, CO
Phone: 303-837-1321

Other Resources

Bus Tokens

- ***Catholic Charities***
 - *Brighton: 303-654-1040*
 - *Aurora: 303-363-9543*
 - *Denver: 303-399-1558*

Clothing Banks

Crossroads of the Rockies
2707 W. Mississippi
Denver, CO
Phone: 303-922-8772

Sharing and Caring Ministries
3739 Downing Street
Denver, CO
Phone: 303-295-3301

The Gathering Place
1535 High Street
Denver, CO
Phone: 303-321-4198

Food Pantries

Heat to Hand Resource Center
12332 E. Colfax Avenue
Aurora, CO
Phone: 720-859-2513

Aurora Family Assistance Center
Aurora, CO
Phone: 303-363-9543

Beacon of Hope
P. O. Box 461074
Aurora, CO
Phone: 303-290-7412

Denver Urban Ministries
1717 E. Colfax Avenue
Denver, CO
Phone: 303-355-4896

Prescription Assistance

Partnership for Prescription Assistance
Phone: 1-888-477-2669

Broadway Assistance Center
Phone: 303-893-4108