



Veterans Quick Guide

Veterans Benefits & Health Care

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)

The [VA](#) is the main federal agency in charge of providing benefits and health care services for U.S. Veterans. Determining VA eligibility and enrollment is free, and service members, veterans, and families can apply for VA benefits using one of the following methods listed below:

- ⇒ Apply online using [eBenefits](#), OR
- ⇒ Work with an accredited [representative or agent](#), OR
- ⇒ Go to a VA regional office and have a VA employee assist you.
(You can find your regional office on the VA [Facility Locator](#) page)

Native American Veterans

The VA consults with tribal governments to enhance access to services and benefits by veterans and their families through the [Office of Tribal Government Relations](#). Native American Veterans may be eligible for a wide-variety of benefits available to all U.S. Veterans, including the following:

- ⇒ [Disability Compensation](#)
- ⇒ [Pension](#)
- ⇒ [Education and Training](#)
- ⇒ [Health Care](#)
- ⇒ [Home Loans](#)
- ⇒ [Life Insurance](#)
- ⇒ [Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment](#)
- ⇒ [Burial](#)

Native American Veterans also may qualify for the [Native American Direct Loan \(NADL\) Program](#).

Elderly Veterans

[Aid & Attendance Housebound Benefits](#) can provide certain elderly veterans with an additional monetary amount if they are eligible for or receiving a VA Pension benefit. Elderly veterans also may qualify to receive geriatric and long term care programs through the VA:

- ⇒ [Geriatrics Program](#)
- ⇒ [Long Term Care](#)
- ⇒ [Home Based and Community Services](#)
- ⇒ [Nursing Home and Residential Care](#)

Caregiver Support

The VA provides resources, education, and support to caregivers of veterans through the following two programs:

- ⇒ [Program of General Caregiver Support Services \(PGCSS\)](#)
- ⇒ [Program of Comprehensive Assistance for Family Caregivers \(PCAFC\)](#)

Important VA Phone Numbers

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|-------------------|----------------|-------------------------|----------------|
| • Benefits: | 1-800-827-1000 | • Caregiver Support: | 1-855-260-3274 |
| • Health Care: | 1-877-222-8387 | • Veterans Crisis Line: | 1-800-273-8255 |
| • Life Insurance: | 1-800-419-1473 | • VA Inspector General: | 1-800-488-8244 |

Veteran Support from Tribal Governments

The following tribal governments indicate that they offer some form of assistance or support for veterans.

Please email olderindians@acl.hhs.gov if your tribal government would like to be added or removed from this list.

[Bad River Tribe](#)

[Blackfeet Nation](#)

[Cherokee Nation](#)

[Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes](#)

[Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe](#)

[Chickasaw Nation](#)

[Choctaw Nation](#)

[Comanche Nation](#)

[Coeur d'Alene Tribe](#)

[Delaware Tribe of Indians](#)

[Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians](#)

[Fort Peck Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes](#)

[Hopi Tribe](#)

[Kaw Nation](#)

[Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe](#)

[Lower Brule Sioux Tribe](#)

[Lummi Nation](#)

[Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians](#)

[Muscogee \(Creek\) Nation](#)

[Navajo Nation](#)

[Nooksack Indian Tribe](#)

[Ohkay Owingeh](#)

[Oneida Nation](#)

[Pascua Yaqui Tribe](#)

[Pokagon Band
of Potawatomi Indians](#)

[Prairie Band
Potawatomi Nation](#)

[Pueblo of Isleta](#)

[Pueblo of Jemez](#)

[Puyallup Tribe of Indians](#)

[Quinault Indian Nation](#)

[Rosebud Sioux Tribe](#)

[Seneca Nation of Indians](#)

[Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate](#)

[Sokaogon Chippewa
Community](#)

[Spirit Lake Tribe](#)

[Spokane Tribe of Indians](#)

[Stockbridge-Munsee
Community Band of
Mohican Indians](#)

[Suquamish Tribe](#)

[Three Affiliated Tribes](#)

[Tohono O'odham Nation](#)

[Tulalip Tribes](#)

[Turtle Mountain Band
of Chippewa Indians](#)

[Wichita and Affiliated Tribes](#)

[Yakama Nation](#)

[Yankton Sioux Tribe](#)

The following tribal governments may offer some form of assistance or support for veterans.

Please contact the tribal governments listed below to find out if they have any current programs available.

[AK-Chin Indian Community](#)

[Alabama-Coushatta Tribe of Texas](#)

[Bay Mills Indian Community](#)

[Chippewa Cree Tribe](#)

[Confederated Salish
and Kootenai Tribes](#)

[Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde](#)

[Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians](#)

[Confederated Tribes
of the Colville Reservation](#)

[Crow Tribe](#)

[Eastern Shoshone Tribe](#)

[Fort Mojave Indian Tribe](#)

[Forest County Potawatomi](#)

[Fort Belknap Indian Community](#)

[Fort Mojave Indian Tribe](#)

[Grand Portage Band
of Lake Superior Chippewa](#)

[Ho-Chunk Nation](#)

[Hualapai Tribe](#)

[Inter-Tribal Council of Arizona, Inc.](#)

[Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan, Inc.](#)

[Iowa Tribe of Oklahoma](#)

[Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe](#)

[Jicarilla Apache Nation](#)

[Ketchikan Indian Community](#)

[Keweenaw Bay Indian Community](#)

[Kiowa Tribe of Oklahoma](#)

[Lac Courte Oreilles Band
of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians](#)

[Little River Band of Ottawa Indians](#)

[Makah Tribe](#)

[Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin](#)

[Mescalero Apache Tribe](#)

[Metlakatla Indian Community](#)

[Muckleshoot Indian Tribe](#)

[Nez Perce Tribe](#)

[Northern Cheyenne Tribe](#)

[Oglala Sioux Tribe](#)

[Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe](#)

[Pueblo of Zuni](#)

[Quapaw Nation](#)

[Red Cliff Band
of Lake Superior Chippewa](#)

[Santa Ana Pueblo](#)

[Santee Sioux Nation](#)

[Seminole Nation
of Oklahoma](#)

[Shoshone-Bannock Tribes](#)

[South Puget Intertribal
Planning Agency](#)

[St. Croix Chippewa
of Wisconsin](#)

[Standing Rock Sioux Tribe](#)

[Swinomish Indian
Tribal Community](#)

[Uintah & Ouray,
Ute Indian Tribe](#)

[Wampanoag Tribe
of Gay Head \(Aquinnah\)](#)