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#VetResources is a weekly newsletter for Veterans, their families, caregivers, and survivors. ***Connect with Secretary Collins on X***



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UPCOMING VA EVENTS



JOBS FOR VETERANS

VETERANS DAY 2026

Join Veterans nationwide for the 73rd National Veterans Day Observance, livestreamed from Arlington National Cemetery on November 11. Experience the music, ceremonial tributes and inspiring words honoring all who have served—in wartime and in peace. Watch live tomorrow at 11 a.m. Eastern.

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Your community may be hosting an official Veterans Day ceremony. Explore the 48 VA-approved regional sites across 24 states, find an observance near you, and join your community in honoring all who served.

Veterans Day ceremonies

Discover how the 2026 Teachers Resource Guide brings the stories of service and sacrifice into classrooms and communities—with lessons, activities, and ideas for honoring Veterans.

Teachers Resource Guide

Veterans Day honors all who have served—and its November 11 date carries a history of its own. Learn how the observance began as Armistice Day, became a tribute to Veterans of every generation in 1954, and returned to November 11 in 1978.

Veterans Day history

From free meals and coffee to discounts, haircuts and family outings, explore 2026 Veterans Day offers. The list is updated through Nov. 11—check local details before you go, and **enjoy a thank-you you can put to use.** *Don't forget—you can always find yearlong savings here!*

Veterans Day savings

HONORING VETERANS THROUGH ACTION



As we honor those who served this Veterans Day, VA is turning gratitude into action—expanding access to timely, quality care through new clinics, more convenient appointments, and modernized facilities. This week, VA held a ribbon-cutting ceremony for the 47th clinic it's opened since 2025, under President Trump.

Honoring Veterans means delivering the care and support they earned and deserve.

Learn more

A HOME FOR VETERANS



This Veterans Day, explore a homebuying benefit you earned through service—the VA home loan. Eligible borrowers may be able to buy with no down payment and no private mortgage insurance (PMI)—the extra monthly cost many buyers pay when they put less than 20% down. VA Deputy Secretary Lawrence sits down with National

Association of Realtors to discuss how these benefits work and how they help Veterans build equity and put down roots.

Learn more

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- For any questions or requests, 1-800-MyVA411 (1-800-698-2411) is always the right number.
- Veterans Crisis Line: 988 and press 1, Chat, or Text 838255
- Vet Centers: 1-877-927-8387
- Homeless Veteran Resources: 1-877-424-3838 or Chat
- Ask VA
- Schedule a 1-on-1 Appointment with a VA Benefits Expert
- Find a VA facility near you
- Apply for Pre-Need burial eligibility at a VA national cemetery or Call the National Cemetery Scheduling Office at 800-535-1117 (TTY: 711) and select option 4.

For non-urgent questions, you can reach VA using the VA Health & Benefits App or My HealtheVet secure messaging to schedule an appointment, refill prescriptions, and access your medical records.

GET MOVING WITH TEAM RWB



This Veterans Day, get moving with purpose and connect with your community. Team Red, White, & Blue (RWB) brings Veterans together through hometown events, shared challenges and a community that lasts beyond service. Join the 250-burpee Workout of the Day (WOD) for Warriors or find your people and keep moving with Team RWB.

Learn more

FREE NATIONAL PARKS PASS



Celebrate Veterans Day by checking out a benefit that lasts a lifetime. **Eligible Veterans and Gold Star Families can get a free lifetime pass to national parks** and other federal recreation sites, and you can claim it anytime, not just on Veterans Day.

Free lifetime pass

HAPPY 251ST BIRTHDAY, MARINE CORPS!

Since 1775, generations of Marines have served with courage, discipline and unwavering faithfulness. Today, we honor their legacy and the bonds that connect Marines past and present.

Semper Fidelis!

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- DISABILITY
- EDUCATION AND TRAINING
- CAREERS AND EMPLOYMENT
- PENSION
- HOUSING ASSISTANCE
- LIFE INSURANCE
- BURIALS AND MEMORIALS
- RECORDS

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If you are having thoughts of suicide, **call 988, then PRESS 1** or visit http://www.veteranscrisisline.net/.

Please remember the only secure way to ask personal questions is at VA.gov/contact-us/.

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