

Your Benefits, Our Commitment

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MASSVETS
FINANCIAL BENEFITS FOR THE ROAD AHEAD

**Massachusetts is proud to honor
the sacrifice of those who serve
our Nation and Commonwealth.**

Veterans and their family members may be eligible
for MASSVETS financial benefits.

To apply for these benefits, reach out to your
Veterans Service Officer at **Mass.gov/FindMyVSO**.



MASSVETS BENEFITS

Chapter 115

Needs-based program offering veterans and their dependents cash assistance for housing heating and medical care. Please contact your local VSO to apply.

Annuity Benefit

\$2,000 a year to eligible disabled veterans and the surviving spouses and parents of veterans who died on Active Duty or due to a service-related illness. Contact the DVS Annuity Department at (617) 210-5480 or contact your local VSO to apply.

Additional Department of Veterans' Services Resources



**Veterans
Cemeteries**



**Statewide Advocacy
for Veterans'
Empowerment
(SAVE) Program**



**Soldiers'
Homes**



**Women
Veterans'
Network**



**Outreach
Centers**

Eligible veterans may be buried in state and federal cemeteries for free. Spouses can be buried for a nominal fee.


The Massachusetts Veterans Memorial Cemeteries are in:

- Agawam
Call (413) 821-9500
- Winchendon
Call (978) 297-9501

The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs operates the National Cemetery in Bourne.

 **Call (508) 563-7113**

Peer veterans and family members offering veteran support for suicide prevention and ideation as well as veterans benefits and services.

 **Call (617) 210-5743
or email SAVE at
SAVE@mass.gov**

The Soldiers' Homes in Chelsea and Holyoke provide veterans' healthcare and other services:

- **Soldiers' Home in Chelsea:** Domiciliary and long-term care including physical and occupational therapy for long-term care residents.

 **Call Soldiers' Home
in Chelsea:
(617) 884-5660**

- **Soldiers' Home in Holyoke:** Long-term care including physical and occupational therapy.

 **Call Soldiers' Home
in Holyoke:
(413) 884-5660**

The Women Veterans' Network provides women veterans with access to resources, information and support as well as networking opportunities.

 **Visit WomenVeterans
NetworkMass.org or
email DVSWomen@
mass.gov**

DVS contracts with providers to assist veterans and their families with a range of services which may vary by location but not limited to:

- Food pantry
- State & federal benefits referrals
- Counseling
- Housing
- Employment & training
- Transportation services
- Community activities

 **For more information,
visit Mass.gov/
MassVetsAdvisor**

Additional Resources



Property Tax Exemptions

Certain veterans, disabled veterans, surviving spouses, and surviving parents may qualify for tax exemptions.



Contact your local Veterans Service Officer (VSO) for information.



Bonuses

The Massachusetts Veterans' Bonus Division distributes bonuses for various conflicts for qualified active duty, discharged, and deceased Massachusetts veterans.



For more information, visit www.vetsbonusma.com or call (617) 367-9333 ext. 859.



Housing Services

- Homeless prevention
- Outreach services
- Emergency shelters
- Transitional housing
- Counseling
- Permanent Housing to single providers



For a complete listing, visit mass.gov/veterans.

• Federal VA Housing

USVA Supported Housing (VASH) provides section 8 vouchers to chronically homeless veterans with substance abuse and/or mental health issues. Learn more:



U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development-VA Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH) Program - VA Homeless Programs

• Local Housing

Find state-aided public housing through the local housing authority. **Contact your local VSO for help.**

Additional Resources



Education Benefits

Tuition and/or fee waivers are available to veterans and members of the Massachusetts National Guard at all state schools, colleges and universities.



Contact the Veterans' Representative at the state college/university for eligibility requirements and to apply.



Motor Vehicle

Motor vehicle sales & tax exemptions for disabled/POW veterans.



Visit Mass.gov and search "Disabled veteran fee and tax exemptions"



Employment and Training

MassHire Career Centers offer employment opportunities and training programs for veterans and their family members.



Visit mass.gov/veterans-job-programs-and-services or call (617) 626-5300.



Visit [Mass.gov/MASSVETSADVISOR](https://mass.gov/MASSVETSADVISOR)
for information about additional resources.