



Montgomery County

# Veterans Services

Commission Newsletter

January 2022

## Director's Message

As winter is here in full force, with colder weather this may mean higher utility bills, possibly less winter driving, and the need to dress warmly for the weather. For the home, if needed now would be the time to contact your energy provider for assistance they can provide with your energy bills, special payment plans, and weatherization programs. If you must drive in winter conditions, please slow down, stay alert, and maintain control - don't panic. If you need transportation to your medical appointments we can help. Lastly, dress warmly and in layers. We still have warm winter coats available. Contact us, if needed.

**Kimberly Frisco,**  
Executive Director

## Benefits and Entitlements for 100% Service Connected Veterans

- 1.) **Uniformed Services Identification Cards:** ID Cards can be obtained at Wright-Patterson AFB (937-257-2547). You will need 2 forms of identification and a copy of your award letter.
- 2.) **Dependents Education Assistance:** Authorized up to 36 months of accredited schooling with monthly stipend. Apply through the college or contact us for assistance.
- 3.) **Dental Coverage:** Dental care through the Dayton VAMC, register award letter at the Eligibility Desk.
- 4.) **CHAMPVA Health Insurance for the Spouse and Dependent Children:** Call 1-800-733-8387.
- 5.) **VA Life Insurance:** The VA may grant a \$10,000 insurance policy and "waive" the premiums. Please call 1-800-669-8477 for more information or to apply.
- 6.) **Dependency and Indemnity Compensation (DIC):** The spouse or eligible dependent of a Veteran rated at 100% P&T who passes away after 10 years of receiving benefits may be entitled to DIC.
- 7.) **VA Co-Pay Reimbursement:** Request co-pays on your treatment through the VA to be reimbursed back to the date of the 100% rating.
- 8.) **Federal Loan Waiver (Student Loan Discharge):** A Total and Permanent Discharge relieves you from having to repay a William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan, Federal Family Education Loan (FFEL), and/or Federal Perkins Loan or complete a TEACH Grant Service obligation on the basis of your total and permanent disability.
- 9.) **Ohio BMV:** a.) Free driver's license. b.) Free Disabled Veterans license plates for 2 vehicles. Please see [ohiobmv.com](http://ohiobmv.com) Form 4507 to apply.
- 10.) **Free Hunting and Fishing License:** Disabled Veterans and former Prisoners of War to receive a fishing license, hunting licenses free of charge.
- 11.) **Camping:** Free camping for Ohio residents. For reservations call 866-644-6727.
- 12.) **Watercraft:** Ohio boat registration fees may be waived by contacting the Ohio Wildlife Division at 614-265-6494.
- 13.) **Property Tax Break:** Veterans rated by the VA as 100% P&T disabled due to a service-connected disability, and surviving spouses who occupy the same home, are eligible for the expanded Homestead Exemption, which applies to tax years 2014 and forward.
- 14.) **Ohio War Orphans and Severely Disabled Veterans' Children Scholarship:** Awards tuition assistance to the children of deceased or severely disabled Ohio Veterans who served in the Armed Forces during a period of declared war or conflict. For additional information on this scholarship, please visit: <https://www.ohiohighered.org/ohio-war-orphans>



## Post Commanders Informational Meeting and Banquet

**WEDNESDAY**

**APRIL 20, 2022**

**Registration begins at 1:30 PM**

**SINCLAIR CONFERENCE CENTER**

**KEYNOTE ADDRESS BY**

**HONORABLE JUDGE DENNIS ADKINS**

**Presentations include:**

- \*Update on VA Benefits**
- \*Dayton VAMC Update**
- \*New Initiatives at MCVSC**
- \*Veteran ID Card/Recording DD-214 by County Recorder**
- \*MCVSC Legal Team**

**Please RSVP at 937-225-4801**

### This Month in History

#### Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Martin Luther King was an important civil rights activist. He was a leader in the movement to end racial segregation in the United States. His most famous address was the "I Have A Dream" speech. He was an advocate of non-violent protest and became the youngest man to be awarded the Nobel Peace Prize. He was assassinated in 1968. Martin Luther King Day was first observed in 1986, however not observed in all states until the year 2000. The federal holiday is established as the third Monday in January.

#### Important Military Dates

- 1/16 Desert Storm (Persian Gulf) Began (1991)
- 1/27 Vietnam War Cease Fire (1973)
- 1/31 Panama Campaign Ended (1990)

### Updates

- The Spring Honor Flight for Dayton will push to late Summer 2022
- VETS MOVING FORWARD (Veterans Resource Fair) May 18 (3PM -7PM) Wright State Student Union [www.vetsmovingforward.org](http://www.vetsmovingforward.org)

### About Us

**Montgomery County Veterans  
Services Commission**

627 Edwin C. Moses Blvd. 4th  
Floor, East Medical Plaza  
Dayton, OH 45417

**Office Hours:** Monday - Friday,  
8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

**Appointment Hours:** Monday -  
Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

### Upcoming Events

#### Commission Meetings

*Currently at 10:00 a.m. every  
second Wednesday of each  
month.*

**February 9, 2022**

March 9, 2022

April 13, 2022

May 11, 2022

June 8, 2022

July 13, 2022

August 10, 2022

September 14, 2022

October 12, 2022

November 9, 2022

December 14, 2022

#### Holiday Office Closures

#### Our Commissioners

Jerry Hays  
President  
Disabled American Veterans

William Fried  
Vice President  
Vietnam Veterans of America

James Dare  
Secretary  
American Legion

John Theobald  
American Veterans (AMVETS)

Michael Howley  
Veterans of Foreign Wars  
(VFW)

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