

Welcome to The Greater Miami Valley myVeteran Community

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- GMV myVeteran Community purpose
- GMV myVeteran Community Charter
- Presentation on VetsLink from United Way
- Presentation on Veterans Experience Action Center
- GMV myVeteran Community Regional Forum 23 May 18
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What is a MyVeteran Community

MyVeteran Communities bring together local Veterans service providers, resources, advocates, and other stakeholders to improve outcomes for Veterans, Service members, and their families.

MyVeteran Communities will be stood up in all 50 states and US territories.

VA may be the catalyst for community movements, but each community owns and leads the effort.

What does a MyVeteran Community do?

A MyVeteran Community drives a shared understanding among stakeholders of the complex challenges that Veterans and transitioning Service Members face and leverages its collective strengths to improve the Veteran experience.





GMV my Veteran Community Charter

- Mission: Improve support to Veterans, Service Members and their families by connecting regional Veterans service providers, resources, advocates and other stakeholders.
- Vision: National Leader in Serving Veterans



GMV my Veteran Community Charter

- Identify and highlight/advertise resources available to Veterans and their Families
 Assist <u>United Way</u> of Greater Dayton with VetsLink to connect Veterans with resources
 Regularly meet with Veteran Service Organizations
- Identify & facilitate forums where service providers can connect to improve outcomes
 Work with Ohio National Guard to build Regional Inter-Service Family Assistance
 Committees.
 - Promote information sharing between service providers
- ✤ Facilitate feedback mechanisms for Veterans
 - Host listening sessions to gather Veterans' needs



GMV MyVeteran Community Members

Senator Portman's Office Governor's Office Lt Governor's Office **Representative Rick Perales WPAFB Ohio National Guard** Ohio Department of Veterans Services Veterans Administration Medical Center Veterans Administration National Cemetery Veterans Experience Office Montgomery County Veterans Services Greene County Veterans Services Allen County Veterans Services Auglaize County Veterans Services **Butler County Veterans Services** Champaign County Veterans Services Clark County Veterans Services **Clinton County Veterans Services** Darke County Veterans Services Hardin County Veterans Services Logan County Veterans Services Mercer County Veterans Services Miami County Veterans Services

Preble County Veterans Services Putnam County Veterans Services Shelby County Veterans Services Warren County Veterans Services Wayne County Veterans Services **Projects Unlimited GE** Aviation **Dayton Development Coalition** LexisNexis **Kettering Foundation** Vietnam Veterans Association Dayton VAMC Veterans Advisory Council Paralyzed Veterans of America Veteran Owned Business **Omega Baptist** United Way of the Greater Dayton Area Goodwill Easter Seals of the Miami Valley Miami Valley Human Resources Association **Operation Pathfinder** Military-Transition.org Community Support Coordinator, Ohio, West Virginia Disabled American Veterans US Veterans Motorcycle Club **Resurrecting Lives Foundation** Habitat for Humanity

Honor Flight Red Cross St Vincent de Paul Wounded Warrior Project Reynolds and Reynolds Becauser You Served Dayton Metro Library Extreme Focus ABLE and Legal Aid of Western Ohio Blue Skies for the Good Guys Cf Bucks SOCHE Wright State Sinclair Clark State



VetsLink Update



Veterans Experience Action Center Update



Veterans Moxing Forward

- ✤ Objective:
 - Bring together Veterans and Veteran Service Providers from across our region once a year to network, and ensure Veterans awareness of regional assets.
- ✤ Where and When: 23 May 2018 (3-7) WSU Student Union, Apollo Room
- ✤ Details:
 - Honor Guard and opening from VA and State
 - ✤ National Anthem
 - Veterans Service Providers
 - ✤ Job Fair
 - ✤ VA Mobile Clinic
 - ✤ Hearing Aid tests
 - Food Panera/Starbucks
 - Radio Ads
 - ✤ Live Radio
 - Sponsors



GMV myVeteran Community Speakers Bureau

- Spread the word around our region on the GMV myVeteran Community
- Slides w/notes created and sent to all
- Talk to your Community Groups (School Boards, Rotaries, Chambers etc).



GMV myVeteran Community StoryTellersX

- In 2012 "Got Your 6" was launched to change negative and inaccurate perceptions of Veterans
- Through StoryTellersX it has provided a Ted Talk like platform for Veterary's from different backgrounds with different experiences to share their stories
- The VA, Got Your 6 and other partners are calling on local leaders to bring StoryTellers to their community
- Idea is to shape a national narrative that promotes Veterans as leaders, problem solvers, and team builders.







Veterans, and stakeholders to have a voice in identifying their community goals

and work to improve service delivery for Veterans, Service members, and their

To bring together local resources and advocates to improve outcomes for

To resolve concerns at the local level and improve service delivery methods.

To enable Veterans to easily identify and reach resources available to them, voice

Veterans, transitioning Service members, and their families.

www.ebenefits.va.gov

families.

MyVA Community Objectives

their opinions, and provide valuable input.

QUICK LINKS

National Resource Directory (NRD)

Veterans Benefits Administratio (VBA)

Veterans Crisis Line 🔂

VA Caregiver Support

eBenefits

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www.va.gov/icbc



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