# Welcome to The Greater Miami Valley myVeteran Community

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# Agenda

- Welcome (Dr. Barlow)
- Introductions around the room (All)
- myVeteran Community purpose (Dr. Barlow)
- myVeteran Community charter review (Dr. Barlow)
- myVeteran Community Regional Forum 27 May 16 (Rick Perales)
- Discussion
- Meeting Adjourned

## GMV myVeteran Community Members

**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

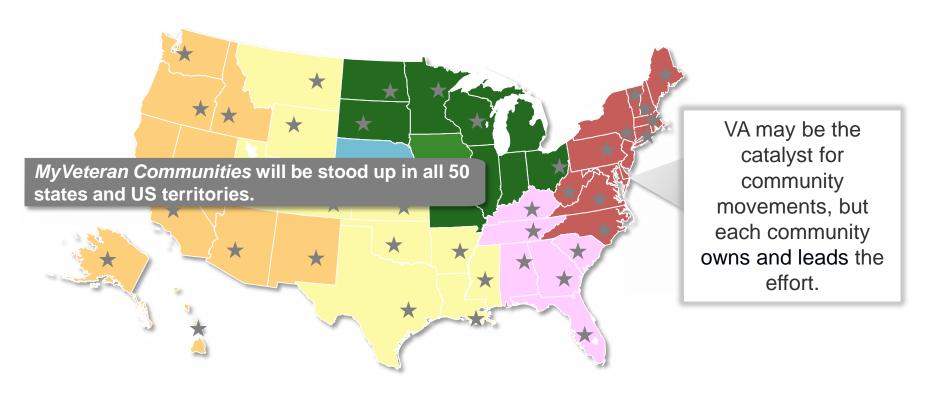
Resurrecting Lives Foundation

Habitat for Humanity

Additional Recommended Members?

### 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.



Inclusive • Accessible • Community-Driven • Flexible • Integrated

#### 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**.



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## myVeteran Community Charter Review

#### Objectives

- Identify and highlight/advertise resources around the region available to Veterans, transitioning Service Members and Families.
- Identify and facilitate forums where service providers can learn about each other in order to work together to enhance effectiveness and improve outcomes.
- Facilitate feedback mechanisms for Veterans.
- Host listening sessions in every county of Region in order to gather Veterans' needs. Improve communication across the Veteran service community in the Region.
- myVeteran Community Board Guidance
  - Established by the Dayton Region Community in association with the VA and co-chaired by community representatives.
  - Support Veterans in the Region.
- Limitations
- Governance
- Membership
- Meetings
- Logistics
- Veterans
- Region

## myVeteran Community Regional Forum

- Objective
  - Bring together veteran service providers from across our region once a year to network, and ensure Veterans are aware of service providers (one-stop shop) in their region.
- Date: 27 May 16 (3:00-6:00)
- Location
  - Large venue
- Communication
  - Invitations from Perales & myVeteran Community to State Representatives, VSOs, State Offices, city leaders, veteran service organizations
- Press conference to announce the event in February/March
- Potential Participants
  - Ohio Department of Veteran Services
  - VA Medical Center
  - Veteran Services Offices
  - Veteran service providers
  - Veterans
  - Legislators
  - Higher Education

## myYeteran Community Regional Forum Timeline

- February 2016
  - Setup Committee for Forum
  - Secure location
  - Send initial save the date to counties, DVS, VSOs, legislators, service providers
  - Hold press conference before next myVeteran Community Board Meeting to announce event
- March 2016
  - Send official invitations
  - Secure sponsors for event
- April 2016
  - Finalize agenda for event
  - Write op-ed to advertise event
- \* May 2016
  - Final preparations for event (names tags, sign-in, etc)
  - Build Event date: 27 May 2016



Health Benefits **Burials & Memorials** About VA Media Room Resources Locations I AM A ... VA » Office of Interagency Care and Benefits Coordination » MyVA Community Model Select One Office of Interagency Care and Benefits Coordination ▶ For Veterans ▶ For Family Members & Spouses MyVA Community Model ▶ For Employees ICBC Home ▶ For Business ▶ Forms & Publications ▶ Jobs Volunteer or Donate **Putting Veterans First** Public & Intergovernmental Affairs What is a MyVA Community? 1-800-273-8255 PRESS 1 VA is working to engage with existing community Veterans groups to improve outcomes for Service members, Veterans and their families. In areas where there Benefits

are no existing community Veterans groups, VA is facilitating the development of Veteran-focused community networks, using a model we call MyVA Communities.

The MyVA Communities model enables Veteran advocates, service providers, Veterans, and stakeholders to have a voice in identifying their community goals and work to improve service delivery for Veterans, Service members, and their families.

#### MyVA Community Objectives

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Online.

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To bring together local resources and advocates to improve outcomes for Veterans, transitioning Service members, and their families.

To enable Veterans to easily identify and reach resources available to them, voice their opinions, and provide valuable input.

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

#### RESOURCES

Contact Us

www.va.gov/icbc

Federal Recovery Coordination Program (FRCP)

MyVA Community Toolkit

Contact Us

#### CONNECT WITH US

Office of Interagency Care and Benefits Coordination 810 Vermont Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20420

Federal Recovery Coordination Program (877) 732-4456

#### QUICK LINKS

National Resource Directory (NRD)

Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA)

Veterans Crisis Line ₽

eBenefits

VA Caregiver Support

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Discussion