

Welcome to  
The Greater Miami Valley  
myVeteran Community

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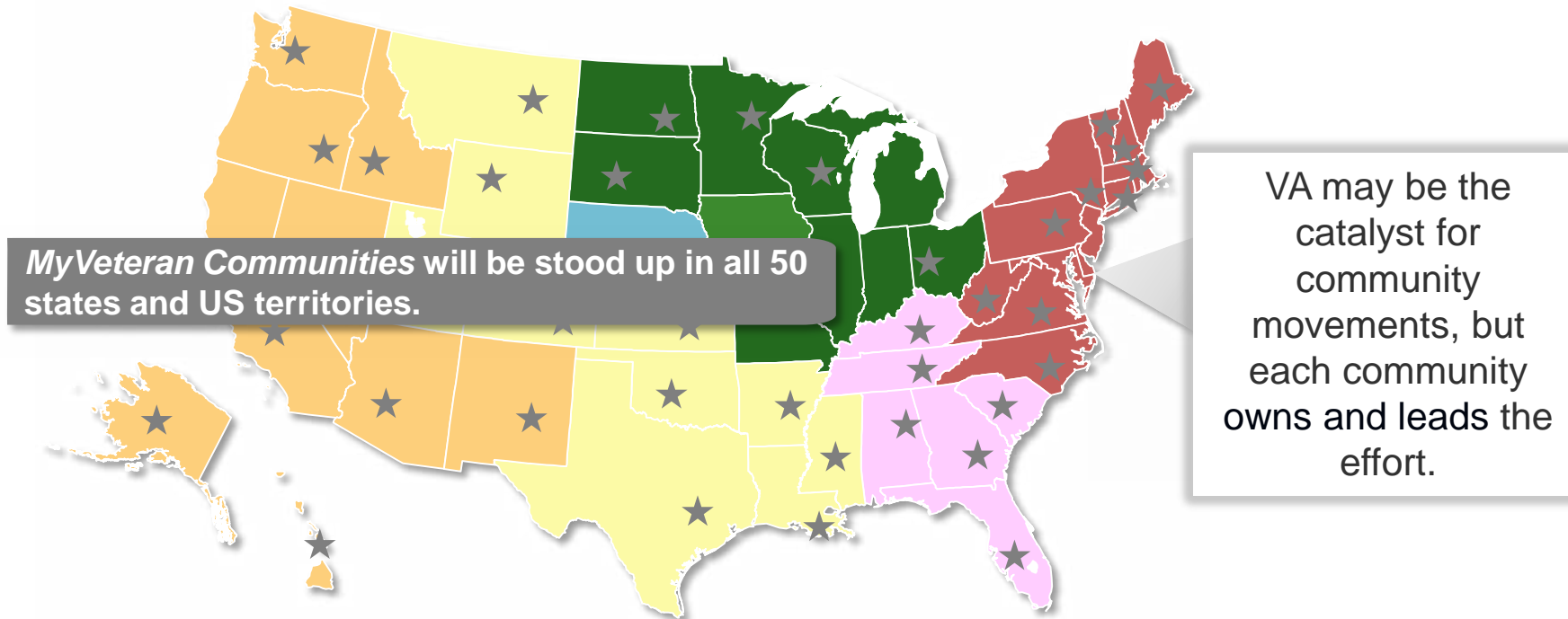
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# Agenda

- ❖ Welcome (Dr. Barlow)
- ❖ Introductions around the room (All)
- ❖ myVeteran Community purpose (Dr. Barlow)
- ❖ GMV myVeteran Community Charter (Dr. Barlow)
- ❖ Status - Listening Sessions
- ❖ Hot Wash - myVeteran Community Regional Forum – 24 May 16
- ❖ Discussion and Way Ahead
- ❖ Meeting Adjourned

# 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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# 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



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# GMV my Veteran Community Charter

## **Objectives:**

- ❖ Identify and highlight/advertise resources around the region available to Veterans, transitioning Service Members and Families
  - ❖ Assist United Way of Greater Dayton with VetLink 211 initiative to identify and connect Veterans with resources
  - ❖ Regularly meet with strategic Veteran Service providers across region to share best practices via the Dayton Region Military Collaborative
  - ❖ Assist veterans in identifying and reaching the existing resources via regular listening sessions and communiques through Ohio Department of Veterans Services and the Veterans Administration.
- ❖ Identify & facilitate forums where service providers can learn about each other in order to work together to enhance effectiveness and improve outcomes
  - ❖ Work with Ohio National Guard to add more service providers to Regional Inter-Service Family Assistance Committee meetings.
  - ❖ Promote cross function information sharing between service providers with similar missions and monitor flow/use to ensure to gap is uncovered
- ❖ Facilitate feedback mechanisms for Veterans
- ❖ Host listening sessions in every county of Region to gather Veterans' needs.





## *MyVeteran Community* Greater Miami Valley

Governor's Office  
Lt Governor's Office  
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  
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Logan County Veterans Services  
Mercer County Veterans Services  
Miami County Veterans Services  
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Putnam County Veterans Services  
Shelby County Veterans Services  
Warren County Veterans Services  
Wayne County Veterans Services

# GMV MyVeteran Community Members

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



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# Listening Session Status

- ❖ Objective:
  - ❖ Give Veterans a voice.
- ❖ Where: March-WSU/March-Huber Heights/April-Beavercreek/ Union/Vandalia/Springfield and Clark State/Spencerville/Greenville and WSU Lake Campus
- ❖ Details:
  - ❖ Professors at WSU designed study to collect data
  - ❖ Each session is recorded
  - ❖ Veterans have been very interested in sharing experiences and thoughts on Veterans Services in region
  - ❖ Sessions will be transcribed, content analyzed and delivered to Veterans Affairs, Dayton, Ohio Department of Veterans Services and County Veterans Services Offices
  - ❖ Focus group from offices above will come together to review results





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# Veterans Moving Forward

- ❖ Objective:
  - ❖ Bring together veteran service providers from across our region once a year to network, and ensure Veterans are aware of service providers in their region.
- ❖ Where and When: 24 May 3-6 WSU Student Union, Apollo Room
- ❖ Details:
  - ❖ Honor Guard and opening from VA and State
  - ❖ Table space for over 60 Veterans Service Providers
  - ❖ VA Mobile Clinic and Sim Center in Parking Lot
  - ❖ Food inside
  - ❖ Flyers sent out through multiple venues
  - ❖ Personal invitations sent to Distinguished Visitors
  - ❖ Radio Ads
  - ❖ News Release
  - ❖ Ask letters sent



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# Veterans Moving Forward

- ❖ Topics for Hotwash
  - ❖ Scheduling for event
  - ❖ Flyer
  - ❖ Website
  - ❖ Registration on website
  - ❖ Email Invitations
  - ❖ DV Invitations
  - ❖ Room setup – table assignments
  - ❖ Trucks in parking lot
  - ❖ Food
  - ❖ Honor Guard
  - ❖ Guest Speakers
  - ❖ Opening ceremony with videos
  - ❖ Script during event
  - ❖ Extra briefing room
  - ❖ Volunteers to assist
- ❖ Radio Ads
- ❖ News Release
- ❖ Live Radio Broadcast
- ❖ Sponsorship letters/requests
- ❖ Veteran invitations
- ❖ Thank you notes
- ❖ Nametags for all



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## Office of Interagency Care and Benefits Coordination

*MyVA Community Model*



### What is a MyVA Community?

VA is working to engage with existing community Veterans groups to improve outcomes for Service members, Veterans and their families. In areas where there 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

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

[ICBC Home](#)

[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 \(NRD\)](#)

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# ★ DRMC ★

DAYTON REGION MILITARY COLLABORATIVE

***"The Military is the Community and the Community is the Military"***

## What We Do


Foster effective communication, innovation, partnership, and collaboration within the Dayton Region Community and its military and veteran organizations. This effort will include discussion, activities, and actions to provide:

- Channel for communication between military and community leadership across multiple areas
- Mechanism to share best practices and innovation
- Sustainment of partnership initiatives

[Learn More »](#)

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## Discussion