

The Greater Miami Valley myVeteran Community

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Agenda

- GMV myVeteran Community purpose
- GMV myVeteran Community Charter
- ❖ Update on participation in VA Vet Engagement Board WebX
- Update on VetsLink from United Way
- StorytellersX
- ❖ Outbrief/Hotwash GMV myVeteran Community Regional Forum 23 May 18
- ❖ Reminder GMV myVeteran Community Speakers Burgau
- Discussion
- 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.



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 United Way 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 <u>Regional Inter-Service</u> Family Assistance <u>Committees</u>.
 - Promote information sharing between service providers
- * Facilitate feedback mechanisms for Veterans
 - ❖ Host listening sessions to gather Veterans' needs



GMY My Veteran 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

Because You Served

Dayton Metro Library

Extreme Focus

ABLE and Legal Aid of Western Ohio

Blue Skies for the Good Guys

G/Bucks

SOCHE

Wright State

Sinclair

Clark State



VA Community Vet Engagement Board WebX

- 29 June 2018 Midwest CVEBs gathered via WebX
- Agenda
 - Remarks from VA Chief Vet Exp Officer Dr. Lynda Davis (142 CVEBs in country)
 - VA Center for Women Veterans increasing trust; Female/ Veterans Art Exhibit (working with Dayton Art Institute for November exhibit)
 - National Veterans Intermediary 71 communities in NVI
 - America's Warrior Partnership
 - Dayton as a Veteran Friendly Community
 - Best Practices (https://www.va.gov/ve/engagement/index.asp)
 - Veteran Friendly Community recognition working with VA Veterans Experience Office for Nov 18 recognition



YetsLink Update



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 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
- The idea is to shape a national narrative that promotes the terans as leaders, problem solvers, and team builders.



Veterans Moving 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
- Results:
 - 200 Veterans
 - 75 Veteran Services Organizations/64 Companies seeking work orce

Details:

- Honor Guard/USAF Band of Flight and opening from VA and State
- Greg McAfee as keynote speaker
- Press Conference for new community partnership (A/L/Assoc; WPAFB; DVAMC)
- VA Mobile Clinic in Parking Lot
- Food Panera/Starbucks
- Radio Ads
- Live Radio
- Sponsors (BBB, Panera; VA; WSU Hospitality Services; Greene Optimists, Red Cross; Starbucks; DBJ; RTA, WHIO, K99.1 Soft Rock 92.9; Home Depot; Best Buy; Green CATS)







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Veterans Moving Forward Comment Cards

- Comment Cards:
 - Comments on one side
 - Raffle on the other
 - 75 comment cards received
 - Most Liked:
 - 1) VA Resources
 - 2) Resources tables/Job tables
 - * 3) Liked education resources
 - 4) Liked everything
 - What can we do better:
 - 1) Advertise
 - 2) Get more vets in attendance
 - 3) Signage (both inside and out)

Best Comment:
"Loved the interchange with Vets and Vendors"







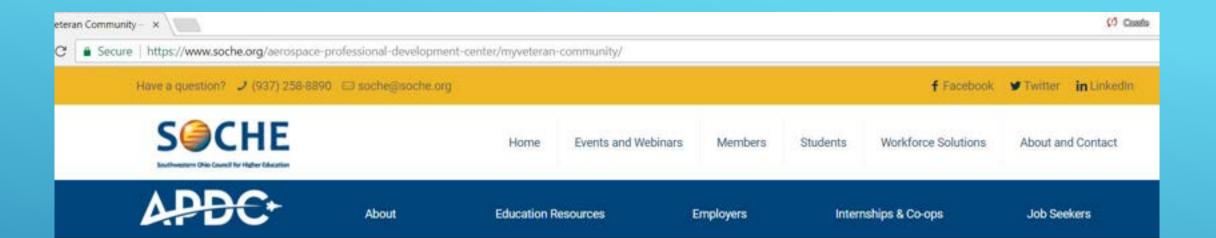






Veterans Moving Forward 2018

Wednesday 22 May 2019 3:00-7:00 at WSU Student Union







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

www.ebenefits.va.gov

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.

Federal Recovery Coordination

MyVA Community Toolkit

CONNECT WITH US

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

Federal Recovery Coordination

QUICK LINKS

National Resource Directory (NRD)

Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA)

Veterans Crisis Line of

VA Caregiver Support

eBenefits

My HealtheVet

www.va.gov/icbc

