

# STATE RESOURCES

**M**ost states have organizations that provide information or offer assistance to dependents of deceased service members. This information is usually located in the veterans affairs section of a state's official website, which have been provided below. Furthermore, the website for the National Association of State Directors of Veterans Affairs, [www.nasdva.com](http://www.nasdva.com), is a helpful tool for accessing information about state resources available to surviving family members.

Listed below are also links for information on military service-related education benefits for each state. For additional information, surviving family members can also contact the state's veterans office or the higher education agency used by the state. In the table below, "Nothing currently available" indicates that the state does not have an education benefits program at the time of publication of this handbook, but surviving family members should continue to check the sites in case there is a change.

Also, listed below are the websites and general information telephone numbers for state taxing authorities. These websites are a good starting point for obtaining tax return forms and answers to many basic state tax questions. In addition, surviving family members are strongly encouraged to consult with a tax professional for advice about their particular situations.

## **ALABAMA**

*DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS*

**Phone:** (334) 242-5077

**Website:** [www.va.state.al.us](http://www.va.state.al.us)

*EDUCATION BENEFITS*

[www.va.state.al.us/scholarship.htm](http://www.va.state.al.us/scholarship.htm)

*TAX AUTHORITY*

Alabama Department of Revenue

**Phone:** (334) 242-1170

**Website:** [www.ador.state.al.us](http://www.ador.state.al.us)

## **ALASKA**

*DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS*

**Phone:** (907) 428-6016

**Website:** [www.ak-prepared.com/vetaffairs](http://www.ak-prepared.com/vetaffairs)

*EDUCATION BENEFITS*

[www.ak-prepared.com/vetaffairs/state\\_benefits.htm](http://www.ak-prepared.com/vetaffairs/state_benefits.htm)

*TAX AUTHORITY*

Alaska State Tax Division

**Phone:** Anchorage: (907) 269-6620

Juneau: (907) 465-2320

**Website:** [www.tax.state.ak.us](http://www.tax.state.ak.us)

*Note:* Alaska does not have an individual income tax at this time.

## **ARIZONA**

*DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS*

Department of Veterans Services

**Phone:** (800) 852-VETS or (602) 627-3268

**Website:** [www.azvets.com](http://www.azvets.com)

*EDUCATION BENEFITS*

Nothing currently available

*TAX AUTHORITY*

Arizona Department of Revenue

**Phone:** (602) 255-3381 or (602) 352-4090 (AZ only)

**Website:** [www.revenue.state.az.us](http://www.revenue.state.az.us)

## **ARKANSAS**

*DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS*

**Phone:** (501) 370-3820

**Website:** [www.nasdva.com/arkansas.html](http://www.nasdva.com/arkansas.html)

*EDUCATION BENEFITS*

[www.va.state.al.us/scholarship.htm](http://www.va.state.al.us/scholarship.htm)

*TAX AUTHORITY*

Arkansas Dpt. of Finance and Administration

**Phone:**

Director's phone: (501) 682-2242

Individual Income Tax Hotline: (501) 682-1100

Toll-free (Arkansas only): (800) 882-9275

**Website:** [www.state.ar.us/dfa](http://www.state.ar.us/dfa)



## CALIFORNIA

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

**Phone:** (800) 952-5626

**Website:** [www.cdva.ca.gov](http://www.cdva.ca.gov)

EDUCATION BENEFITS

County Veterans Service Office

**Phone:** (916) 503) 8397

**Website:** [www.cdva.ca.gov/service/feewaiver.asp](http://www.cdva.ca.gov/service/feewaiver.asp)

TAX AUTHORITY

California Franchise Tax Board

**Phone:**

CA Taxes and Homeowners and Renters

Assistance:

(800) 338-0505

(916) 845-6600

Taxpayer Services Center:

(800) 353-9032

**Website:** [www.ftb.ca.gov](http://www.ftb.ca.gov)

*Note:* For Information about legal referral services, please refer to the Legal Assistance section of this handbook.

## COLORADO

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Department of Military & Veterans Affairs

**Phone:** (303) 894-7474

**Website:** [www.dmva.state.co.us](http://www.dmva.state.co.us)

EDUCATION BENEFITS

Colorado Commission on Higher Education

**Phone:** (303) 866-2723

**Website:**

[www.state.co.us/cche/policy/finaid/guidelines.pdf](http://www.state.co.us/cche/policy/finaid/guidelines.pdf)

TAX AUTHORITY

Colorado Department of Revenue

**Phone:** (303) 238-7378

**Website:**

[www.revenue.state.co.us/main/home.asp](http://www.revenue.state.co.us/main/home.asp)

## CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

**Phone:** (860) 529-2571

**Website:** [www.state.ct.us/ctva](http://www.state.ct.us/ctva)

EDUCATION BENEFITS

Nothing currently available

TAX AUTHORITY

Connecticut Department of Revenue Services

**Phone:** (860) 297-5962 or (800) 382-9463 (CT only)

**Website:** [www.ct.gov/drs](http://www.ct.gov/drs)

## DELAWARE

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Delaware Commission of Veterans Affairs

**Phone:** (302) 739-2792

**Website:** [www.state.de.us/veteran](http://www.state.de.us/veteran)

EDUCATION BENEFITS

Postsecondary Education Commission

**Phone:** (302) 577-3240

**Website:** [www.doe.state.de.us/high-ed/vets.htm](http://www.doe.state.de.us/high-ed/vets.htm)

TAX AUTHORITY

Delaware Division of Revenue

**Phone:**

Public Service Office:

(302) 577-8200 or (800) 292-7826

Office of Personal/Income Taxes: (302) 577-8460

**Website:** [www.state.de.us/revenue/default.shtml](http://www.state.de.us/revenue/default.shtml)

## FLORIDA

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

**Phone:** (800) 827-1000, extension 7400

**Website:** [www.floridavets.org](http://www.floridavets.org)

EDUCATION BENEFITS

Office of Student Financial Assistance

**Phone:** (888) 827-2004

**Website:** [www.firm.edu/doe/osfa/cddvfactsheet.htm](http://www.firm.edu/doe/osfa/cddvfactsheet.htm)

TAX AUTHORITY

Florida Department of Revenue

**Phone:** (800) 352-3671 or (850) 488-6800

**Website:** [www.myflorida.com/dor/taxes](http://www.myflorida.com/dor/taxes)

## GEORGIA

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Georgia Department of Veterans Service

**Phone:** (404) 656-2300

**Website:** [www.vs.state.ga.us](http://www.vs.state.ga.us)

EDUCATION BENEFITS

None currently available

TAX AUTHORITY

Georgia Department of Revenue

**Phone:** (404) 417-3210 or (877) 602-8477

**Website:** [www2.state.ga.us/Departments/dor](http://www2.state.ga.us/Departments/dor)

## HAWAII

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Office of Veterans Services

**Phone:**

Oahu: (808) 433-0420

Kauai: (808) 241-3346

Hawaii: (808) 933-0315

Maui: (808) 873-3145

**Website:** [www.dod.state.hi.us/ovs](http://www.dod.state.hi.us/ovs)

EDUCATION BENEFITS

None currently available

TAX AUTHORITY

Hawaii Department of Taxation

**Phone:**

Taxpayer Services:

(808) 587-4242 or (800) 222-3229

January through April 20 only: (808) 587-6515

**Website:** [www.state.hi.us/tax/tax.html](http://www.state.hi.us/tax/tax.html)

## IDAHO

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Idaho State Department Veterans Services

**Phone:** (208) 334-3513

**Website:** [www.idvs.state.id.us](http://www.idvs.state.id.us)

EDUCATION BENEFITS

Idaho State Department of Veterans Services

**Phone:** (208) 334-3513

**Website:** [www.idvs.state.id.us](http://www.idvs.state.id.us)

TAX AUTHORITY

Idaho State Tax Commission

**Phone:** (800) 972-7660 or (208) 334-7660

**Website:** [www.tax.idaho.gov/index.html](http://www.tax.idaho.gov/index.html)

## ILLINOIS

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

#### Phone:

Springfield: (217) 782-6641

Chicago: (312) 814-2460

**Website:** [www.state.il.us/agency/dva](http://www.state.il.us/agency/dva)

#### EDUCATION BENEFITS

Illinois Attorney General

**Phone:** (800) 382-3000

#### Website:

[www.ag.state.il.us/rights/vetsrights/ch12.html](http://www.ag.state.il.us/rights/vetsrights/ch12.html)

#### TAX AUTHORITY

Illinois Department of Revenue

**Phone:** (800) 732-8866 or (217) 782-3336

**Website:** [www.revenue.state.il.us](http://www.revenue.state.il.us)

## INDIANA

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

**Phone:** (317) 232-3910 or (800)400-4520

**Website:** [www.state.in.us/veteran](http://www.state.in.us/veteran)

#### EDUCATION BENEFITS

Indiana Department of Veterans Affairs

**Phone:** (317) 232-3910 or (800) 400-4520

#### Website:

[www.in.gov/veteran/sso/brochure/remission.html](http://www.in.gov/veteran/sso/brochure/remission.html)

#### TAX AUTHORITY

Indiana Department of Revenue

**Phone:** (317) 232-2240 or (317) 233-4018

**Website:** [www.in.gov/dor](http://www.in.gov/dor)

## IOWA

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Iowa Commission of Veterans Affairs

**Phone:** (515) 242-5331 or (800) 838-4092

**Website:** [www2.state.ia.us/icva](http://www2.state.ia.us/icva)

#### EDUCATION BENEFITS

War Orphans Educational Aid

**Phone:** (515) 242-5331 or (800) 838-4092

#### Website:

[www2.state.ia.us/icva/Textweb/orphan.htm](http://www2.state.ia.us/icva/Textweb/orphan.htm)

#### TAX AUTHORITY

Iowa Department of Tax Revenue

**Phone:** (800) 367-3388 or (515) 281-3114

**Website:** [www.state.ia.us/tax](http://www.state.ia.us/tax)

## KANSAS

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Kansas Commission on Veterans Affairs

**Phone:** (785) 296-3976

**Website:** [www.kcva.org](http://www.kcva.org)

#### EDUCATION BENEFITS

Kansas Commission on Veterans' Affairs

**Phone:** (785) 296-3976

**Website:** [www.kcva.org/central.html#education](http://www.kcva.org/central.html#education)

#### TAX AUTHORITY

Kansas Department of Revenue

**Phone:** (785) 368-8222

**Website:** [www.ksrevenue.org](http://www.ksrevenue.org)

## KENTUCKY

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

**Phone:** (502) 564-9203 or (888) 724-7683

**Website:** [www.kdva.net](http://www.kdva.net)

#### EDUCATION BENEFITS

Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs

**Phone:** (502) 564-9203 or (888) 724-7683

**Website:** [www.kdva.net/benefitsbook.pdf](http://www.kdva.net/benefitsbook.pdf)

#### TAX AUTHORITY

Kentucky Department of Revenue

#### Phone:

General Assistance: (502) 564-4581

Taxpayer Ombudsman: (502) 564-7822

**Website:** [www.revenue.ky.us](http://www.revenue.ky.us)

*Note:* For information about legal referral services, please refer to the Legal Assistance section of this handbook.

## LOUISIANA

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

**Phone:** (225) 922-0500

**Website:** [www.nasdva.com/louisiana.html](http://www.nasdva.com/louisiana.html)

#### EDUCATION BENEFITS

Louisiana Department of Veterans Affairs

**Phone:** (225) 922-0500

**Website:** [www.nasdva.com/louisiana.html](http://www.nasdva.com/louisiana.html)

#### TAX AUTHORITY

Louisiana Department of Revenue

**Phone:** (225) 219-0102

**Website:** [www.rev.state.la.us](http://www.rev.state.la.us)

## MAINE

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Maine Bureau of Veterans Services

**Phone:** (207) 626-4464

**Website:** [www.mainebvs.org](http://www.mainebvs.org)

#### EDUCATION BENEFITS

Department of Defense, Veterans and

Emergency Management

**Phone:** (207) 626-4464 or (800) 345-0116

**Website:** [www.state.me.us/va/defense/vb.htm](http://www.state.me.us/va/defense/vb.htm)

#### TAX AUTHORITY

Maine Revenue Services

#### Phone:

Income Tax Assistance: (207) 626-8475

Taxpayer Advocate: (207) 624-9649

**Website:** [www.state.me.us/revenue/homepage.html](http://www.state.me.us/revenue/homepage.html)

## MARYLAND

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

**Phone:** (410) 333-4428 or (800) 446-4926

**Website:** [www.mdva.state.md.us](http://www.mdva.state.md.us)

#### EDUCATION BENEFITS

Maryland Higher Education Commission

**Phone:** (800) 974-1024

**Website:** [www.mhec.state.md.us](http://www.mhec.state.md.us)

#### TAX AUTHORITY

Comptroller of Maryland

#### Phone:

From Central Maryland: (410) 260-7980

Elsewhere in Maryland: (800) MD-TAXES

**Website:** [www.comp.state.md.us](http://www.comp.state.md.us)





## MASSACHUSETTS

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Department of Veterans Services

**Phone:** (617) 210-5480

**Website:** [www.mass.gov](http://www.mass.gov) (click on "State Government" at top of the page, then to "A-Z Agency List" (under Branches and Departments), then click on "Department of Veterans Services")

### EDUCATION BENEFITS

Massachusetts Board of Higher Education Office of Student Financial Assistance

**Phone:** (617) 727-9420

**Website:** [www.mass.gov](http://www.mass.gov)

### TAX AUTHORITY

Massachusetts Department of Revenue

**Phone:** (617) 887-MDOR or (800) 392-6089

**Website:** [www.dor.state.ma.us](http://www.dor.state.ma.us)

## MICHIGAN

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

**Phone:** (517) 483-5500

**Website:** [www.michigan.gov/dmva](http://www.michigan.gov/dmva)

### EDUCATION BENEFITS

Michigan Veterans Trust Fund

**Phone:** (517) 373-3130

**Website:** [www.michigan.gov/mistudentaid](http://www.michigan.gov/mistudentaid)

### TAX AUTHORITY

Michigan Department of Treasury

**Phone:** (800) 827-4000

**Website:** [www.michigan.gov/treasury](http://www.michigan.gov/treasury)

## MINNESOTA

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

**Phone:** (651) 296-2784

**Website:** [www.mdva.state.mn.us](http://www.mdva.state.mn.us)

### EDUCATION BENEFITS

Commission of Higher Education

**Phone:** (406) 440-6594

**Website:** [www.mdva.state.mn.us/Publicwebsite/WOEducation.htm](http://www.mdva.state.mn.us/Publicwebsite/WOEducation.htm)

### DEPENDENT ASSISTANCE

**Phone:** (651) 296-2784

**Website:** [www.mdva.state.mn.us](http://www.mdva.state.mn.us)

### TAX AUTHORITY

Minnesota Department of Revenue

**Phone:**

Individual Income Tax Helpline: (651) 296-3781

Taxpayer Rights Advocate: (651) 556-6013

**Website:** [www.taxes.state.mn.us](http://www.taxes.state.mn.us)

## MISSISSIPPI

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Mississippi Veterans Affairs Board

**Phone:** (601) 576-4850 or (877) 203-5632

**Website:** [www.state.ms.us](http://www.state.ms.us) (click on "Mississippi Government," then "State Agencies" and then "Veterans Affairs Board")

### EDUCATION BENEFITS

Mississippi Veterans Affairs Board

**Phone:** (601) 576-4850 or (877) 203-5632

**Website:** [www.state.ms.us](http://www.state.ms.us)

### DEPENDENT ASSISTANCE

**Phone:** (601) 576-4850 or (877) 203-5632

**Website:** [www.state.ms.us](http://www.state.ms.us) (Veterans Affairs)

### TAX AUTHORITY

Mississippi State Tax Commission

**Phone:** (601) 923-7089

**Website:** [www.mstc.state.ms.us](http://www.mstc.state.ms.us)

## MISSOURI

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Missouri Veterans Commission

**Phone:** (866) 838-4636

**Website:** [www.mvc.dps.mo.gov](http://www.mvc.dps.mo.gov)

### EDUCATION BENEFITS

Nothing currently available

### TAX AUTHORITY

Missouri Department of Revenue

**Phone:** (573) 751-3505

**Website:** [www.dor.state.mo.us](http://www.dor.state.mo.us)

## MONTANA

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Montana Veterans Affairs Division

**Phone:** See website for list of phone numbers

**Website:** [www.state.mt.us/dma/veterans](http://www.state.mt.us/dma/veterans)

### EDUCATION BENEFITS

Nothing currently available

### TAX AUTHORITY

Montana Department of Revenue

**Phone:** (406) 444-6900

**Website:** [www.discoveringmontana.com/revenue/formsandresources/forms.asp](http://www.discoveringmontana.com/revenue/formsandresources/forms.asp)

## NEBRASKA

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

**Phone:** (402) 471-2458

**Website:** [www.vets.state.ne.us](http://www.vets.state.ne.us)

### EDUCATION BENEFITS

Department of Veterans Affairs

**Phone:** (402) 471-2458

**Website:**

[www.vets.state.ne.us/index\\_html?page=content/benefits.html](http://www.vets.state.ne.us/index_html?page=content/benefits.html)

### TAX AUTHORITY

Nebraska Department of Revenue

**Phone:**

In Nebraska or Iowa: (800) 742-7474

Elsewhere: (402) 471-5729

**Website:** [www.revenue.state.ne.us](http://www.revenue.state.ne.us)

## NEVADA

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Office of Veterans Services

**Phone:** (775) 688-1155 or (702) 636-3070

**Website:** [www.state.nv.us/veterans](http://www.state.nv.us/veterans)

### EDUCATION BENEFITS

Nothing currently available

### TAX AUTHORITY

Nevada Department of Taxation

**Phone:**

Carson City: (775) 684-2000

Las Vegas: (702) 486-2300

Reno: (775) 688-1295

Elko: (775) 753-1115

Hederson: (702) 486-2300

**Website:** [www.tax.state.nv.us](http://www.tax.state.nv.us)

## NEW HAMPSHIRE

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

New Hampshire State Veterans Council

**Phone:** (603) 624-9230

**Website:** [www.state.nh.us/nhveterans](http://www.state.nh.us/nhveterans)

### EDUCATION BENEFITS

New Hampshire State Veterans Council

**Phone:** (603) 624-9230

**Website:**

[www.state.nh.us/nhveterans/bene.html#edu](http://www.state.nh.us/nhveterans/bene.html#edu)

### TAX AUTHORITY

New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration

**Phone:** (603) 271-2191

**Website:** [www.state.nh.us/revenue](http://www.state.nh.us/revenue)

## NEW JERSEY

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

New Jersey Veterans Affairs

**Phone:** (800) 624-0508

**Website:** [www.state.nj.us/military/veterans](http://www.state.nj.us/military/veterans)

### EDUCATION BENEFITS

Department of Military Affairs

**Phone:** (800) 624-0508

**Website:**

[www.state.nj.us/military/veterans/njguide/warorphans.html](http://www.state.nj.us/military/veterans/njguide/warorphans.html)

### TAX AUTHORITY

New Jersey Division of Taxation

**Phone:** (609) 292-6400

**Website:** [www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation](http://www.state.nj.us/treasury/taxation)

## NEW MEXICO

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

New Mexico Veterans Service Commission

**Phone:** (505) 827-6300

**Website:** [www.state.nm.us/veterans](http://www.state.nm.us/veterans)

### EDUCATION BENEFITS

New Mexico Veterans Service Commission

**Phone:** (505) 827-6300

**Website:** [www.state.nm.us/veterans](http://www.state.nm.us/veterans)

### TAX AUTHORITY

New Mexico Taxation and Revenue Department

**Phone:**

Tax Information and Policy: (505) 827-0908

PBX Operator: (505) 827-0700

**Website:** [www.state.nm.us/tax](http://www.state.nm.us/tax)

## NEW YORK

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

NY State Division of Veterans Affairs

**Phone:** (888) 838-7697

**Website:** [www.veterans.state.ny.us](http://www.veterans.state.ny.us)

### EDUCATION BENEFITS

NY State Division of Veterans Affairs

**Phone:** (888) 838-7697

**Website:**

[www.veterans.state.ny.us/benefits.htm#SUMMA](http://www.veterans.state.ny.us/benefits.htm#SUMMA)

### TAX AUTHORITY

New York State Department of Taxation and Finance

**Phone:** (800) 225-5829

**Website:** [www.tax.state.ny.us](http://www.tax.state.ny.us)

## NORTH CAROLINA

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Division of Veterans Affairs

**Phone:** See website for district office phone numbers

**Website:** [www.doa.state.nc.us/doa/vets/va.htm](http://www.doa.state.nc.us/doa/vets/va.htm)

### EDUCATION BENEFITS

Division of Veterans Affairs

**Phone:** See website for district office phone numbers

**Website:** [www.doa.state.nc.us/doa/vets/va.htm](http://www.doa.state.nc.us/doa/vets/va.htm)

### TAX AUTHORITY

North Carolina Department of Revenue

**Phone:** (877) 252-3052

**Website:** [www.dor.state.nc.us](http://www.dor.state.nc.us)

*Note:* For information about legal referral services, please refer to the Legal Assistance section of this handbook.

## NORTH DAKOTA

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

North Dakota Veterans Affairs

**Phone:** (701) 239-7165

**Website:** [www.state.nd.us/veterans](http://www.state.nd.us/veterans)

### EDUCATION BENEFITS

North Dakota Veterans Affairs

**Phone:** (701) 239-7165

**Website:**

[www.state.nd.us/veterans/benefits/waiver.html](http://www.state.nd.us/veterans/benefits/waiver.html)

### TAX AUTHORITY

North Dakota Office of State Tax Commissioner

**Phone:**

General Information: (701) 328-2770

Individual Income Tax: (701) 328-3450

**Website:** [www.state.nd.us/taxdpt](http://www.state.nd.us/taxdpt)





## OHIO

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Governor's Office of Veterans Affairs

**Phone:** (614) 644-0898

**Website:** [www.veteransaffairs.ohio.gov](http://www.veteransaffairs.ohio.gov)

### EDUCATION BENEFITS

Ohio Board of Regents/State Grants and Scholarships Department

**Phone:** (888) 833-1133

**Website:** [www.regents.state.oh.us/sgs/waroprhans.htm](http://www.regents.state.oh.us/sgs/waroprhans.htm)

### TAX AUTHORITY

Ohio Department of Taxation

**Phone:** (800) 282-1780

**Website:** [www.tax.ohio.gov](http://www.tax.ohio.gov)

## OKLAHOMA

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

**Phone:** (405) 521-3684 or (918) 781-7800

**Website:** [www.odva.state.ok.us](http://www.odva.state.ok.us)

### EDUCATION BENEFITS

Nothing currently available

### TAX AUTHORITY

Oklahoma Tax Commission

**Phone:** (405) 521-3160 or (800) 522-8165, ext. 13160

**Website:** [www.oktax.state.ok.us](http://www.oktax.state.ok.us)

## OREGON

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

**Phone:** (800) 692-9666 or (503) 373-2085

**Website:** [www.odva.state.or.us](http://www.odva.state.or.us)

### EDUCATION BENEFITS

Nothing currently available

### TAX AUTHORITY

Oregon Department of Revenue

**Phone:** (503) 378-4988 or (800) 356-4222

**Website:** [www.dor.state.or.us](http://www.dor.state.or.us)

## PENNSYLVANIA

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Department of Military and Veterans Affairs

**Phone:** (800) 54-PA-VET

**Website:**

[www.sites.state.pa.us/PA\\_Exec/Military\\_Affairs/va/index.htm](http://www.sites.state.pa.us/PA_Exec/Military_Affairs/va/index.htm)

### EDUCATION BENEFITS

Bureau for Veterans Affairs

**Phone:** (800) 54- PA-VET

**Website:**

[www.sites.state.pa.us/PA\\_Exec/Military\\_Affairs/va/benefits.htm#educ](http://www.sites.state.pa.us/PA_Exec/Military_Affairs/va/benefits.htm#educ)

### TAX AUTHORITY

Pennsylvania Department of Revenue

**Phone:**

Automated FACT line: (888) PA TAXES

Individual Taxpayer Services: (717) 787-8201

Taxpayer Rights Advocate: (717) 772-9347

**Website:** [www.revenue.state.pa.us](http://www.revenue.state.pa.us)

## RHODE ISLAND

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Division of Veterans Affairs

**Phone:** (401) 462-0324

**Website:** [www.dhs.ri.gov/dhs/dvetaff.htm](http://www.dhs.ri.gov/dhs/dvetaff.htm)

### EDUCATION BENEFITS

Nothing currently available

### TAX AUTHORITY

Rhode Island Division of Taxation

**Phone:** (401) 222-1040

**Website:** [www.tax.state.ri.us](http://www.tax.state.ri.us)

## SOUTH CAROLINA

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Office of the Governor, Division of Veterans Affairs

**Phone:** (803) 734-0200

**Website:** [www.govoepp.state.sc.us/vetaff.htm](http://www.govoepp.state.sc.us/vetaff.htm)

### EDUCATION BENEFITS

Office of the Governor

**Phone:** (803) 255-4255

**Website:** [www.govoepp.state.sc.us/vabenef.htm](http://www.govoepp.state.sc.us/vabenef.htm)

### TAX AUTHORITY

South Carolina Department of Revenue

**Phone:** (803) 898-5709

**Website:** [www.sctax.org](http://www.sctax.org)

## SOUTH DAKOTA

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

South Dakota Division of Veterans Affairs

**Phone:** (605) 773-4981

**Website:**

[www.state.sd.us/military/VetAffairs/sdmva.htm](http://www.state.sd.us/military/VetAffairs/sdmva.htm)

### EDUCATION BENEFITS

South Dakota Division of Veterans Affairs

**Phone:** (605) 773-4981

**Website:**

[www.state.sd.us/military/VetAffairs/benefits.htm](http://www.state.sd.us/military/VetAffairs/benefits.htm)

### TAX AUTHORITY

South Dakota Department of Revenue and Regulation

**Phone:** (603) 773-3311

**Website:** [www.state.sd.us/drr2/revenue.html](http://www.state.sd.us/drr2/revenue.html)

*Note:* South Dakota does not have an individual income tax at this time.

## TENNESSEE

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

**Phone:** (615) 741-1346 or (800) 342-1663

**Website:** [www.state.tn.us/veteran](http://www.state.tn.us/veteran)

### EDUCATION BENEFITS

Nothing currently available

### TAX AUTHORITY

Tennessee Department of Revenue

**Phone:** (800) 342-1003

**Website:** [www.state.tn.us/revenue](http://www.state.tn.us/revenue)

## TEXAS

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Texas Veterans Commission

**Phone:** (800) 252-8387

**Website:** [www.tvc.state.tx.us](http://www.tvc.state.tx.us)

### EDUCATION BENEFITS

Texas Veterans Commission

**Phone:** (800) 252-8387

**Website:** [www.tvc.state.tx.us](http://www.tvc.state.tx.us)

### TAX AUTHORITY

Texas State Comptroller

**Phone:** (800) 654-3463

**Website:** [www.window.state.tx.us](http://www.window.state.tx.us)

*Note:* Texas does not have an individual income tax at this time.

*Note:* For information about legal referral services, please refer to the Legal Assistance section of this handbook.

## UTAH

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Utah Division of Veterans' Affairs

**Phone:** (800) 894-9497 or (801) 326-2372

**Website:** [www.ut.ngb.army.mil/veterans](http://www.ut.ngb.army.mil/veterans)

### EDUCATION BENEFITS

Nothing currently available

### TAX AUTHORITY

Utah State Tax Commission

**Phone:**

Salt Lake City: (801) 297-2200

Outside Salt Lake City: (800) 662-4335

**Website:** [www.tax.utah.gov/index.html](http://www.tax.utah.gov/index.html)

## VERMONT

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Office of Veterans Affairs

**Phone:** (802) 828-3379

**Website:** [www.va.state.vt.us](http://www.va.state.vt.us)

### EDUCATION BENEFITS

Nothing currently available

### TAX AUTHORITY

Vermont Department of Taxes

**Phone:** (866) 828-2865 or (802) 828-2865

**Website:** [www.state.vt.us/tax](http://www.state.vt.us/tax)

## VIRGINIA

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Department of Veterans Services

**Phone:** (540) 857-7101

**Website:** [www.vdva.vipnet.org](http://www.vdva.vipnet.org)

### EDUCATION BENEFITS

Department of Veterans Services

**Phone:** (540) 857-7101

**Website:** [www.vdva.vipnet.org/education\\_benefits.htm](http://www.vdva.vipnet.org/education_benefits.htm)

### TAX AUTHORITY

Virginia Department of Taxation

**Phone:** (804) 367-8031

**Website:** [www.tax.virginia.gov](http://www.tax.virginia.gov)

## WASHINGTON

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

**Phone:** (800) 562-2308 or (360) 586-1070

**Website:** [www.dva.wa.gov](http://www.dva.wa.gov)

### EDUCATION BENEFITS

Nothing currently available

### TAX AUTHORITY

Washington State Department of Revenue

**Phone:**

Tax Assistance: (800) 647-7706

Taxpayer Rights Advocate: (360) 705-6714

**Website:** [www.dor.wa.gov](http://www.dor.wa.gov)

## WEST VIRGINIA

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

West Virginia Division of Veterans Affairs

**Phone:** (304) 266-3661 or (888) 838-2332

**Website:** [wvs.state.wv.us/va](http://wvs.state.wv.us/va)

### EDUCATION BENEFITS

West Virginia Division of Veterans Affairs

**Phone:** (304) 266-3661 or (888) 838-2332

**Website:** [www.state.wv.us/va/state\\_fed.htm](http://www.state.wv.us/va/state_fed.htm)

### TAX AUTHORITY

West Virginia State Tax Department

**Phone:** (304) 558-3333 or (800) 982-8297

**Website:** [www.state.wv.us/taxdiv](http://www.state.wv.us/taxdiv)

## WISCONSIN

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

**Phone:** (608) 266-1311 or (800) 947-8387

**Website:** [dva.state.wi.us](http://dva.state.wi.us)

### EDUCATION BENEFITS

Department of Veterans Affairs

**Phone:** (608) 266-1311 or (800) 947-8387

**Website:**

[www.dva.state.wi.us/Ben\\_education.asp#TuitionGrant](http://www.dva.state.wi.us/Ben_education.asp#TuitionGrant)

### TAX AUTHORITY

Wisconsin Department of Revenue

**Phone:** (608) 266-2772

**Website:** [www.dor.state.wi.us](http://www.dor.state.wi.us)

## WYOMING

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

**Phone:** (304) 558-3661 or (888) 838-2332

**Website:** [www.wyoming.gov/governor/boards/veterans/veterans.asp](http://www.wyoming.gov/governor/boards/veterans/veterans.asp)

### EDUCATION BENEFITS

Nothing currently available

### TAX AUTHORITY

Wyoming Department of Revenue

**Phone:** (307) 777-7961

**Website:** [www.revenue.state.wy.us](http://www.revenue.state.wy.us)

*Note:* Wyoming does not have a personal income tax at this time



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## INTREPID FALLEN HEROES FUND

**Phone:** (800) 340-HERO (4376)  
**Email:** info@fallenheroesfund.org  
**Website:** www.fallenheroesfund.org

## CASUALTY ASSISTANCE OFFICER (“CAO”)

*US Army:* (703) 325-7990  
*US Marine Corps:* (703) 784-9513  
*US Navy:* (703) 614-7613  
*US Air Force:* (800) 433-0048  
*US Coast Guard:* (202) 267-1648

## U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS (“VA”)

### General Information

**Phone:** (800) 827-1000  
**Website:** www.va.gov

### To Obtain VA Forms

**Phone:** (800) 733-8387  
**Website:** www.va.gov/vaforms

### Home Loan Program

**Phone:** (800) 827-1000  
**Website:** www.homeloans.va.gov

## LIST OF EACH STATE’S DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

**Website:** www.nasdva.com

## VA NATIONAL CEMETERY ADMINISTRATION

**Phone:** (800) 827-1000  
**Website:** www.cem.va.gov

## SERVICEMEMBERS’ GROUP LIFE INSURANCE (“SGLI”)

**Phone:** (800) 419-1473  
**Website:** www.insurance.va.gov/SgliSite/default.htm

## SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION (“SSA”)

**Phone:** (800) 772-1213  
**Expedited Claims:** (866) 777-7887  
**Website:** www.ssa.gov

## EDUCATION BENEFITS

### Dependent’s Educational Assistance Program (“DEA”)

**Phone:** (888) 442-4551  
**Other contacts:** Financial Aid Office of the school

### Current Benefit Rates

**Website:** www.gibill.va.gov/education/rates.htm

## SURVIVOR BENEFIT PLAN (“SBP”)

### General Information

**Phone:** (800) 321-1080  
**Website:** www.dfas.mil

### U.S. Coast Guard Human Resources Service

**and Information Center**  
**Phone:** (800) 772-8724  
**Website:** www.uscg.mil/hq/psc

## THRIFT SAVINGS PLAN (“TSP”)

**Phone:** (877) 968-3778  
**Website:** www.tsp.gov

## HEALTH CARE COVERAGE – TRICARE

### To Find the Nearest Uniformed Service Identification Card Facility

**Website:** www.dmdc.osd.mil/rsl (search by zip code)

### To Update Address and Contact Information for DEERS

**Phone:** (800) 538-9552

**Website:** www.tricare.osd.mil/DEERSAddress

### To Submit TRICARE Enrollment Forms

**Website:** www.tricare.osd.mil/enrollment/index.cfm

### To Compare TRICARE Plans

**Website:** www.tricare.osd.mil/TRICAREcomparisons/admin/index.cfm

## DENTAL CARE COVERAGE – TRICARE DENTAL

### TRICARE Dental Program (“TDP”)

**Phone:** (888) 622-2256  
**Website:** www.ucci.com

### Enhanced TRICARE Retiree Dental Program (“ETRDP”)

**Phone:** (888) 838-8737  
**Website:** www.trdp.org

## CHAMPVA

**Phone:** (800) 733-8387  
**Website:** www.va.gov/hac/forbeneficiaries/champva/champva.asp

## MEDICARE

**Website:** www.medicare.gov

## INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE (“IRS”)

### General Questions

**Phone:** (800) 829-1040  
**Website:** www.irs.gov

### Taxpayer Advocate

**Phone:** (877) 777-4778  
**Website:** www.irs.gov/advocate

## LEGAL ASSISTANCE

### To Locate the Nearest Military Legal Assistance Office

**Website:** assistance.law.af.mil (note: “www” must be omitted)

### To Find Military Legal Assistance for Each Branch of the Military

**Army:** www.jagcnet.army.mil/Legal  
**Air Force:** arpc.afrc.af.mil/ja/legasst.htm  
**Navy:** www.jag.navy.mil/html/OJAGLegal%20AssistHome.htm  
**Marine Corp:** sjahqmc.usmc.mil/jal/default.htm  
**Coast Guard:** www.uscg.mil/legal/la

### Referral Services and Free Legal Assistance

#### American Bar Association:

www.abanet.org/legalservices/findlegalhelp/home.shtml

### Legal Services Corporation (Assistance for Low-Income Families)

**Phone:** (202) 295-1500  
**Website:** www.lsc.gov

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**(800) 340-HERO**

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