

Veterans Resource Guide

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Benefits & Claims

Disabled American Veterans

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Providing services and counseling for veterans, their families and survivors to assist in filing claims for earned benefits.

Rutherford County Gov't.

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The Rutherford County Veterans Service Officer assists veterans, their spouses and survivors in filing claims for benefits earned through service to our nation. Benefits provided to veterans are available from the Federal, State and local governments.

TN Dept. of Veterans Services

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Helping veterans, dependents and surviving family members with claims assistance, advocacy during the appeals process and will connect customers with resources.

U.S. Dept of Veterans Affairs

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VA's Nashville Regional Benefit Office (RO) administers a variety of services, including Compensation, Education, Insurance, Loan Guaranty, Pension, and Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (VR&E) for Veterans, Service members, their families and survivors in Tennessee and at the Fort Campbell Military Base in Kentucky.

Education & Employment

Operation Stand Down Tennessee

Tim Pearsall Employment Coordinator

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Tennessee Career Center

Murfreesboro, TN 37129

1313 Old Fort Parkway

www.tn.gov/workforce

Their Employment Department offers job placement assistance, computer training, resume development, professional development workshops, interview preparation, and budget counseling. Veterans are interviewed by the Employment staff to assess their individual needs. If a Veteran is able to schedule an interview, employment counselors provide appropriate clothing for the interview from the 12th Avenue Thrift Store (shirts, ties, suit jackets, shoes, etc). The Employment Department can also provide for transportation needs in the form of gas or bus cards once the interview has been verified by the Employment staff.

Once a client secures employment, an employment counselor provides them with items that will contribute to their success at a new place of employment. These items include work boots, tools and equipment, bus passes or gas cards to help with transportation, and any specialized clothing. All items are provided once employment has verified the client's new employment.

TN Dept. of Labor & Workforce Development

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Serves as an outreach to veterans and ensures veterans' priority of service in referral to jobs and other services. Employment related testing, training information and case management are among the services provided. They offer programs such as skills assessment, resume assistance and coaching on how to conduct a successful interview. Additionally, they work with employers to match their needs with the veterans' qualifications.

Education & Employment (cont.)

U.S. Dept of Veterans Affairs

Heather A. Conrad VetSuccess on Campus Counselor

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The VSOC program provides a VA Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor (VRC) to each VSOC school. These VRCs are called VetSuccess on Campus (VSOC) Counselors. A VA Vet Center Outreach Coordinator is also provided, and co-located on many campuses, to provide peerto-peer counseling and referral services.

U.S. Dept of Veterans Affairs

Dean V. Nicholson Community Employment Coordinator

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Providing expanded employment opportunities and a full range of employment services to all homeless, chronically homeless and at-risk Veterans. Collaborates with VA and non-VA partners to identify local gaps in current competitive employment services for homeless Veterans, and welcomes opportunities to engage with community partners and local employers who are also committed to ending and preventing homelessness among Veterans.

Veteran & Military Family Center

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Middle Tennessee State University 1301 E. Main Street Director 124 Keathley University Center Murfreesboro, TN 37130 Tel: (615) 904-8347

Enabling the university's student-veteran population to have a virtual one-stop-shop to meet a variety of academic-related needs. A place for student-veterans to study, to gather and to get help from fellow veterans, who will serve as peer advisers and sponsors.

Health & Wellness

Centerstone Military Services

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Courage Beyond 1101 6th Avenue No. Nashville, TN 37208

Crisis & Counseling Line: 866-781-8010

www.couragebeyond.org

Providing confidential, no-cost programs and services to warriors and their loved ones facing post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) and other invisible wounds of military service. Through a supportive online community, retreats, eGroups, face-to-face counseling services across the nation provided by our parent company, Centerstone Military Services, and a 24-hour crisis line, they empower service men and women and their loved ones to heal and thrive. They serve everyone whose lives are impacted by military service including Veterans from all Active Duty and Reserve components, regardless of discharge status.

H30 Aquatics

Michael Burrows Owner/Operator

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H3O Aquatics incorporates physical and behavioral health into their program. H3O Aquatics is a recognized VA and Humana Military Healthcare Services/TRICARE provider. Their facility is the most advanced aquatic rehab and therapeutic exercise facility in the country. This allows for a smooth referral, admission, and treatment process. Timely and efficient attention permits the service member to receive specialty care and education. The Veteran's Aquatic Rehabilitation Fund provides free physical and psychological healthcare to veterans of the United States of America utilizing advanced aquatic therapies. This fund is financed by private and corporate donations and sponsorships.

Project Healing Waters

Jeff Barrett Coordinator Tel: (615) 225-6997 jrbarr1@comcast.net Middle Tennessee Fly-Fishers Veterans Recovery Center 260 Glenis Drive Murfreesboro, TN 37129 www.projecthealingwaters.org

The Project Healing Waters Fly Fishing program provides basic fly fishing, fly casting, fly tying and rod building classes, along with clinics participants ranging from beginners who have never fished before, to those with prior fly fishing and tying experience who are adapting their skills to their new abilities. All fly fishing and tying equipment is provided to the participants at no cost. Fishing trips, both one day and multi-day, are also provided free of charge to participants. The TN Valley Chapter meets the second and fourth Wednesday of every month at 2:00 p.m.

Health & Wellness (Cont.)

Residential Rehabilitation Treatment Program (TVHS)

Alvin C. York Campus 3400 Lebanon Road

Bldg. 11

Program Manager Tel: (615) 225-3959

Michael Sullivan-Tibbs

Murfreesboro, TN 37129

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The mission of the program is to provide state-of-the-art, high-quality residential rehabilitation and treatment services for Veterans with mental illness, addiction, homelessness and/or psychosocial deficits. The MH RRTP identifies and addresses goals of rehabilitation, recovery, health maintenance, improved quality of life, and community integration in addition to specific treatment of medical conditions, mental illness, addictive disorders, and homelessness. Entry to the program is only through a medical consult from the veteran's doctor.

Tennessee Fisher House

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Alvin C. York Campus

3400 Lebanon Road

The Fisher House has 12 bedroom/bath suites, living room, dining room, gourmet kitchen, den and laundry room, offering free lodging in "a home away from home" atmosphere for families of patients receiving medical care at the Alvin C. York VA Medical Center.

Tennessee Valley Healthcare System

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Murfreesboro, TN 37129 Telephone Care: 880-228-8973 (M-F; 8-4:30) Nurse Advice Line: 877-291-5311 (After Hours) www.va.gov/directory/guide/facility.asp?id=94

Provides primary care and subspecialty medical, surgical and psychiatric services to veterans. The campus provides long-term rehabilitation and nursing home care, and serves as a VISN 9 resource for the long-term inpatient care of psychiatric patients. The medical center has a well established primary care program and provides subspecialty care in dermatology, gastroenterology, hematology/oncology, infectious diseases, neurology, pulmonology, nephrology, rheumatology, and sleep evaluation.

Health & Wellness (Cont.)

Tennessee Valley Healthcare System

Brian McSpadden

Therapeutic Recreation Specialist

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As part of the Veterans Recovery Center and in association with Middle Tennessee State University Horse Science Program, CERV is certified through Professional Association of Therapeutic Horsemanship International. They utilize recreational therapy designed to restore, remediate and rehabilitate a veteran's level of functioning and independence in life activities.

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Supports veterans who have mental illnesses such as Major Depression, Bipolar Disorder and PTSD in developing skills, support systems and wellness strategies to help improve their quality of life. Veterans participate in classes aimed at promoting community integration through effective symptom management, communication, and coping, as well as learning about computer and expressive arts skills. Its goal is to help Veterans lead more fulfilling lives and develop their full potential. Entry to the program is only through a mental health consult from the veteran's doctor.

Veterans Crisis Line

1-800-273-8255; Press 1 Text to 838255 for Confidential Chat www.veteranscrisisline.net

The caring responders at the Veterans Crisis Line are specially trained and experienced in helping Veterans of all ages and circumstances. Some of the responders are Veterans themselves and understand what Veterans and their families and friends have been through and the challenges Veterans of all ages and service eras face.

Housing Assistance

Centerstone

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Murfreesboro, TN 37129
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The SSVF program helps veterans and their families gain access to resources needed for permanent housing. The program is available to low- and very low-income veteran households where the family is at risk for homelessness or is homeless. The program is provided free of charge through a grant from the U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs.

Operation Stand Down Tennessee

Nicole Bridges SSVF Coordinator Tel: (615) 593-2849

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K.T. Parsons SSVF Case Manager Tel: (615) 593-2470 kerry.parsons@osdtn.org Supportive Services for Veterans & Families 1125 12th Avenue So. Nashville, TN 37203 www.osdtn.org

The SSVF Program is designed for honorably discharged veterans, earning less than 50% the area median income and are in danger of losing their housing, or are homeless and want housing. Based on need, SSVF can provide or facilitate financial empowerment training, job readiness training, employment assistance, legal aid, transportation services, as well as assistance with utilities and deposits.

U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs

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Alvin C. York VA Medical Center 3400 Lebanon Road Bldg. 7, Rm. G-39 Murfreesboro, TN 37129 www.va.gov/homeless/hud-vash.asp

Eligible veterans receive case management services designed to resolve current homelessness and prevent future episodes of homelessness. In addition, veterans receive access to Section 8 housing voucher, which can substantially subsidize housing rental costs.

Legal

Rutherford & Cannon Co. Bar Association

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Greenhouse Ministries 309 S. Spring Street Murfreesboro, TN 37130 www.greenhousemin.org/legal_clinic

The RCCBA sponsors a free legal clinic on Thursday nights, starting at 3:30 p.m., at Greenhouse Ministries in Murfreesboro. The clinic allows RCCBA Members to provide pro bono services to the public and gives individuals an opportunity to meet one-on-one with local attorneys and have legal questions answered.

Veterans Treatment Court

Trey King Director

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Rutherford County Recovery Court 303 N. Church Street Suite 100 Murfreesboro, TN 37130 www.rutherforcountytn.gov/drug_court/vtc

Greg Elmore Mentor Coordinator Tel: (615) 713-8474 gregelmore42@gmail.com

The Rutherford County Veterans Treatment Court program is committed to assisting veterans with intervention, treatment and rehabilitation of typically non-violent substance abuse offenses, and/or mental health issues, who desire to change their lives and break the cycle of substance abuse dependency.

Shelters, Supportive Housing & Outreach

A Soldier's Child Foundation

Daryl Mackin Executive Director Tel: (615) 427-2970 daryl@asoldierschild.org 1197 Hazelwood Drive Smyrna, TN 37167 www.asoldierschild.org

Their mission is to serve the children of fallen active duty military personnel, who have given their lives while defending the United States of America. A Soldier's Child Foundation's three points of service are: Birthday celebrations every year, up to the 18th birthday; Mentorship programs, including camping, hunting and fishing for ages 12-16; College scholarships up to \$35,000, through The Children of Fallen Patriots Foundation.

Bridge Ministry

Paul Reissner Bridge Ministry Coordinator Tel: (615) 692-0159 preissner@bellsouth.net Saint Rose Catholic Church 1601 N. Tennessee Boulevard Murfreesboro, TN 37130 www.saintrose.org/bridge_ministries.php

Tammy Smith Food Pantry Coordinator Tel: (615) 692-0159 tinsmiths@comcast.net

Bridge is open Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to Noon. To provide limited financial assistance and/or referrals to other programs to the surrounding community as funds allow. They also offer food from their food pantry and assist in obtaining shelter and prayers for the homeless.

Doors of Hope

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They offer hope and help to ex-offenders willing to embrace positive values and commit to changing their future from the inside out. They teach personal values, responsibility, and practical life skills for life after prison. They mentor their clients and help them navigate the many reentry challenges faced before and after release.

Shelters, Supportive Housing & Outreach (Cont.)

First Things First – Sober Living Homes

John Colvert Director

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4016 Old Nashville Highway Murfreesboro, TN 37139 www.firstthingsfirstslh.com

Their mission is to provide a safe, clean & loving environment for men to build a long-term foundation of recovery from alcohol/drug addiction and dual diagnosis. With active participation in a 12-step spiritual program, as well as individual counseling with an approved sponsor, residents are provided the best opportunity for life renewal. Each house is active in the FTF community, supporting each other and working together to achieve their common recovery goals. Their ultimate goal is to equip their residents to give back to their individual communities.

Greenhouse Ministries

Cliff Sharp Executive Director Tel: (615) 494-0499

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309 S. Spring Street Murfreesboro, TN 37130 www.greenhousemin.org

A local non-profit that assists community members in need. They embrace all who come through their doors with open arms and compassion, providing services that not only meet immediate needs, but encourage healthy life changes for long-term success. Some of the services and programs they provide are a food pantry, homeless sack lunches, community closet, peer counseling, adult education classes and tutoring, men's housing program, job skills training, job and housing referrals, programs for veterans, recycled bicycle program and a thrift store.

The Journey Home

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308 W. Castle Street Murfreesboro, TN 37129 www.lovegodservepeople.org

A Christian Outreach Center for the homeless and at-risk individuals, and families in Rutherford County. Offering varied life-skill and recovery programs, as well as:

Community Center; Mon.-Fri., 6:00-3:00 Breakfast; Mon.-Fri., 6:00-8:30

Lunch; Mon.-Sat., 11:30-1:00

Supper; Sun. & Mon., 5:30-7:00

Food Boxes; Mon.-Fri., 8:30-10:30 & 1:30-3:00

Laundry Facility; Mon.-Fri., 6:30-Noon Showers; Mon.-Fri., 6:00-11:30 & 2:30-3:00 Bible Studies; Mon.-Fri., Times Vary Clothes Closet; Mon.-Fri., 9:00-Noon

Shelters, Supportive Housing & Outreach (Cont.)

Operation Adopt A Hero

Malcolm Stallard Executive Director Tel: (615) 398-0224 Malcolm@oaahtn.org 107 W. Lytle Street Murfreesboro, TN 37130 www.oaahtn.org

A community-based organization created to reach out to ALL veterans, active, reserve, and retired alike, and bridge the gap between them and their local community. They promote and host social events, gather and compile links to resources that are already in place to aid veterans and their families to build a life both inside and outside of the military. Their goal is to strengthen the bond between the community and veterans so they feel the same kind of camaraderie they felt while in the service. Coffee with Veterans, every 3rd Thursday, from 7:30-9:00.

Room in the Inn

Georgene Brinkley Director

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640 W. Main Street Murfreesboro, TN 37129

Homeless shelter capable of holding up to 21 people, depending on the family size. There are six beds for men, six for women and two family rooms, which can hold anywhere from three to six occupants. Meals provided by local church groups.

The Salvation Army

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Murfreesboro Tennessee Corps 1137 W. Main Street Murfreesboro, TN 37129 www.salvationarmytennessee.org/murfreesboro

The Salvation Army operates a year-round back-to-work homeless shelter for single men and families. The shelter can accommodate up to 34 individuals at a time. This includes four private family rooms and 18 dorm style men's beds. The Life Recovery Program teaches responsibility and gives accountability for sustainability as men and families rebuild their lives to become productive citizens in our community. Food, shelter, hygiene items, linens, a weekly Life Skills Class and other needs are met as each person creates an individualized case plan to achieve their goals and to re-establish themselves. They also operate a family store, and provide church services, bible sturdy and a community care ministry.

Shelters, Supportive Housing & Outreach (Cont.)

Veterans Recovery Center Council

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Veterans Recovery Center 260 Glenis Drive Murfreesboro, TN 37129 www.facebook.com/VRCC2012/

Bill Kampbell Chaplain

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Vets Helping Vets; Coordinating fundraisers that help provide Health Training Tools & supplies to the VRC, as well as holiday meals for veterans in need. They also support the Alvin C. York Volunteer Fund.

Helpful Websites

eBenefits

www.ebenefits.va.gov

This site is the result of a collaboration between the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and the Department of Defense (DoD). They serve Veterans, Service members, Wounded Warriors, their family members, and their authorized caregivers. Users can apply for benefits, file claims for compensation and pension, manage benefits, add/remove dependents, view payment history and more.

My HealtheVet

www.myhealth.va.gov

My HealtheVet is VA's online personal health record. It was designed for veterans, active duty servicemembers, their dependents and caregivers. My HealtheVet helps users partner with their healthcare team. It privides them opportunities and tools to make informed decisions and manage their healthcare. Users can communicate directly with their healthcare provider via secure massaging, manage appointments, order medication refills and view medical records.

Support Organizations

American Legion

Jim Sandman
Commander
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contact@murfreesborotnlegion.org

Post 141 Veterans Recovery Center 260 Glenis Drive Murfreesboro, TN 37129 www.murfreesborotnlegion.org

The American Legion is committed to mentoring youth and sponsorship of wholesome programs in our communities, advocating patriotism and honor, promoting strong national security, and continued devotion to their fellow servicemembers and veterans. Post 141 meets the third Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m.

Disabled American Veterans

John Daly Adjutant Tel: (615) 890-1624 Chapter 8
Meeting Location:
219 NW Broad Street
Murfreesboro, TN 37130

www.davmembersportal.org/chapters/tn/08/default.aspx

They are dedicated to a single purpose: empowering veterans to lead high-quality lives with respect and dignity. They accomplish this by ensuring that veterans and their families can access the full range of benefits available to them; fighting for the interests of America's injured heroes on Capitol Hill; and educating the public about the great sacrifices and needs of veterans transitioning back to civilian life. Chapter 8 meets the second Monday of every month at 6:30 p.m.

Marine Corps League

David J. Gardner, PDC Commandant

Tel: (615) 889-2834 MCMarine1@comcast.net Detachment 1158 Meeting Location:

Murfreesboro, TN 37130 www.mcldepttn.org/Stone%20River%201158.htm

The purposes of the organization are: To preserve the traditions and promote the interests of the United States Marine Corps (USMC); To band those who are now serving in the USMC and those who have been honorably discharged from that service together in fellowship that they may effectively promote the ideals of American freedom and democracy; To fit its members for duties of citizenship and to encourage them to serve as ably as citizens as they have served the Nation under arms; To hold sacred the history and memory of the men who have given their lives to the Nation; To foster love for the principles which they have supported by blood and valor since the founding of the Republic; To maintain true allegiance to American institutions; To create a bond of comradeship between those in the service and those who have returned to civilian life; To aid voluntarily and to render assistance to all Marines and former Marines, as well as to their spouses, orphans and other dependent family members; To perpetuate the history of the USMC, and to observe the anniversaries of historical occasions of particular interest to Marines. Detachment 1158 meets the second Tuesday of every month at 7:00 p.m.

Support Organizations (Cont.)

Military Order of the Purple Heart

Richard A. Sherman President Tel: (931) 808-9975 songbe@aol.com Chapter 0613 Meeting Location: 82 Paradise Street Manchester, TN 37355 www.purpleheart.org

The mission of the Military Order of the Purple Heart is to foster an environment of goodwill and camaraderie among combat wounded veterans, promote patriotism, support necessary legislative initiatives, and most importantly, provide service to all veterans and their families. Chapter 0613 meets the first Tuesday of every month at 6:00 p.m.

Rolling Thunder, Inc.

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President
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TN Chapter 1 VFW Post 8422 10157 Old Nashville Highway Smyrna, TN 37167 www.rollingthundertn1.com

The major function of Rolling Thunder, Inc. is to publicize the POW-MIA issue: To educate the public that many American Prisoners of War were left behind after all previous wars and to help correct the past and to protect the future Veterans from being left behind should they become Prisoners Of War-Missing In Action. They are committed to helping American Veterans from all wars. Rolling Thunder, Inc. is a non-profit organization and everyone donates his or her time because they believe in the POW/MIA Issue that they are working on. Chapter 1 meets the last Sunday of every month at 1:00 p.m.

U.S. Military Vets Motorcycle Club

Dominick Grimaldi Secretary Tel: (615) 294-8352 x@tn7.usmvtn.com TN Chapter 7 VFW Post 8422 10157 Old Nashville Highway Smyrna, TN 37167 www.tn7.theeaglenation.org

The club as a national organization strives to achieve the following: Provide a club for qualified military veterans, which offers brotherhood and an opportunity to establish relationships with other veterans, who have served in defense of the United States of America; Establish and support a strong sense of pride of having served in the active military service of the United State of America; Improve the image of military veterans and bikers to the general public. USMVMC hosts multiple fund-raising events annually to support veterans in their community. Chapter 7 meets the first and third Saturday of every month at 10:30 a.m.

Support Organizations (Cont.)

Vietnam Veterans of America

Eddie Lynch President Tel: (615) 220-1954 vvachapter1089@gmail.com Chapter 1089
Meeting Location:
521 Mercury Boulevard
Murfreesboro, TN 37130
www.vvachapter1089.org

The Vietnam Veterans of America is the only national Vietnam veterans' organization congressionally chartered and exclusively dedicated to Vietnam-era veterans and their families. VVA's goals are to promote and support the full range of issues important to Vietnam veterans, to create a new identity for this generation of veterans, and to change public perception of Vietnam veterans. Chapter 1089 meets the third Saturday of every month at 9:00 a.m.

Vietnam Vets/Legacy Vets Motorcycle Club

Kevin Lewis President Tel: (714) 251-4794 kalewis00@yahoo.com F Chapter TN Meeting Location: Contact for meeting Location, date & time www.vnvlvmctn.com

The VNV/LV MC is an advocacy and activist organization for veterans' rights and related issues. As activists, they organize awareness events within their community, which help to illuminate the plight of often forgotten veterans. As advocates, they attempt to influence and educate their community, and media, to the unique problems of Vietnam veterans. Contact F Chapter TN for meeting location, date & time.

Veterans of Foreign Wars

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Their mission is to foster camaraderie among United States veterans of overseas conflicts. To serve our veterans, the military and their communities. To advocate on behalf of all veterans. They strive to ensure that veterans are respected for their service, always receive their earned entitlements, and are recognized for the sacrifices they and their loved ones have made on behalf of this great country. Post 8422 meets the second Wednesday of every month at 7:00 p.m.