

RESOURCES

Indiana Department of Veterans Affairs (IDVA)

in.gov/dva | 317-232-3910

Toll-free in state: 800-400-4520

IDVA's mission is to Support, Serve and Advocate for the Indiana Veteran Community.

Hoosier Women Veterans

in.gov/dva/women-veterans | 317-232-3910

Devoted to providing resources for women veterans and their friends and families

American Legion

legion.org | 800-433-3318

Indiana: 317-860-3100

Committed to mentoring youth and sponsorship of wholesome programs in our communities, advocating patriotism and honor, promoting strong national security, and continued devotion to our fellow service members and veterans

Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW)

vfw.org | 317-377-1795

Fosters camaraderie among United States veterans of overseas conflicts, serves veterans, the military and our communities. Advocates on behalf of all veterans.

Veterans Crisis Support

veteranscrisisline.net | 800-273-8255

If you or someone you know is having a crisis or harmful thoughts/actions, call the Veterans Crisis Line at 1-800-273-8255 or dial 9-8-8 and press 1.



Scan the QR code to visit these resources online

Did you know?

Veterans' Problem-Solving Courts are meant to help veterans that commit low-level offenses who may be dealing with drug addiction or mental health issues.

Find a local contact at:

courtapps.in.gov/reports/api/pscdirectory

The Military Family Relief Fund provides emergency financial assistance to current active duty military families and households of veterans who served on active duty.

in.gov/dva/2329.htm | 317-232-3910

Supporting Hoosier VETERANS



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Property Tax Deduction for Partially Disabled Veterans

An honorably discharged wartime veteran with a service-connected disability of at least 10% (or the veteran’s surviving spouse) is entitled to a \$24,960 property tax deduction each year. Any veteran or surviving spouse who does not use the entire above amount is entitled to a vehicle excise tax credit.

Property Tax Deduction for Totally Disabled Veterans or Partially Disabled Veterans Age 62+

An honorably discharged veteran with a total disability or who is at least 62 years old with a disability of at least 10% (or the veteran’s surviving spouse) is entitled to a \$14,000 property tax deduction if the assessed value of the property is less than \$240,000.

Military Service Income Tax Deductions: Active, Reserve, National Guard and Retirement Pay

All income earned from active or reserve military service is exempt from Indiana income tax. Military retirement benefits are also exempt from Indiana income tax.

Visit [IndianaSenateRepublicans.com/veterans](https://www.indianasenaterpublicans.com/veterans) to connect with organizations and resources for veterans.

HIGHER EDUCATION

College Credit for Military Work

State universities are required to award credit to veterans for courses they completed at other higher education institutions during their military service and competency tests they passed during their military service.

In-State Tuition for Veterans, Spouses and Dependents

All honorably discharged veterans who enroll in an Indiana public college within one year of discharge are eligible for in-state tuition. If they reside in a state that borders Indiana, all honorably discharged veterans who enroll in an Indiana public college within three years of discharge are eligible for in-state tuition. If enrolled within one year of the veteran’s discharge, spouses and dependents of veterans are eligible for in-state tuition.

Free College and Career Training for Indiana National Guard Members

The National Guard Supplemental Grant ensures all Indiana Air and Army National Guard members receive 100% tuition and fee support while attending higher education or career training.

Free College for Children and Spouses of Deceased Indiana National Guard members

Children and spouses of a deceased Indiana National Guard member who suffered a service-connected death may receive 100% tuition and fee support.

Free College for Purple Heart Recipients and their Children

The state pays for 8 semesters (124 credits) of college for honorably discharged Purple Heart recipients from Indiana. The state pays for 8 semesters (124 credits) of public college for children of honorably discharged Purple Heart recipients from Indiana.

Free Re-enrollment or Refund for Military Deployment

If a college student is called for active duty after having paid their tuition for the semester, they may re-enroll free of charge when they return or receive a full refund for the tuition.

EMPLOYMENT

Exemption from Professional Licensing Requirements

Veterans are exempt from professional licensing requirements if they received relevant training as part of their military service.

Local Government License Fees

Local governments waive business and professional license fees for veterans and their spouses.

Disabled Veterans’ Outreach Program (DVOP)

Department of Workforce Development (DWD) program that specializes in tailored training and job placement opportunities for veterans with service-connected disabilities

Local Veterans’ Employment Representative (LVER) Program

DWD program that coordinates services provided to veterans, including counseling, testing and identifying training and employment opportunities

To reach a DVOP or LVER representative, visit the nearest Indiana Workforce Development Office and ask for the location of the closest veteran’s representative. Visit [in.gov/dva/2390.htm](https://www.in.gov/dva/2390.htm) to find an office near you.

Veterans’ Employment and Training Program Preference

Veterans and their spouses receive priority placement in any federal or state employment or training program administered by DWD.

Private Employment Preference Policies

Allows private employers to establish an employment preference policy for hiring, promoting or retaining veterans

State Employee Hiring

Provides for the addition of points for veterans applying for merit positions or promotions within state government

State Contracting Goal

The state has established a goal of making 3% of its contracts with Indiana veteran-owned businesses.

OTHER BENEFITS

Golden Hoosier Passport

This provides unlimited admission to all Indiana state-owned parks, recreation areas, reservoirs and forests. Disabled veterans can receive the passport at a discount, and former prisoners of war can receive the passport for free.

Free State Park Admission for Gold Star Families

Family members of soldiers who died on active duty – known as Gold Star Families – are eligible for free admission at all Indiana state parks.

Resident Veteran Hunting & Fishing License

Indiana residents with a service-connected disability can purchase an Indiana license to hunt and fish for a very reduced fee.

Disabled Hoosier Veteran License Plates and Parking Placards

Disabled Hoosier veterans, former POWs and Medal of Honor recipients are eligible for special license plates and parking placards that exempt them from being charged or fined in metered parking spots.

Veteran’s Service Organization Charity Gaming License

The Indiana Gaming Commission may issue special three-year charity gaming licenses to veterans’ service organizations. These permits can be used for charity games such as raffles and bingo that raise money for veterans’ organizations.

