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## Veterans Benefits Newsletter

September 2023

**VA**



U.S. Department  
of Veterans Affairs



### **Don't Miss the September 30th Deadline**

Post-9/11 combat Veterans: If you were discharged or released before Oct. 1, 2013, you may be eligible to enroll in VA health care during a special enrollment period ending Sept. 30, 2023. Learn more and apply today: <https://www.VA.gov/PACT>

**Learn More**



## End-of-Life Planning

Talking about end-of-life planning is never easy, but it's essential. VA provides a variety of benefits and services to help Veterans and their loved ones prepare. From life insurance to burial costs, [learn how you can plan ahead with VA benefits](#).



## In-person Identity Verification

VA is encouraging Veterans to create a [Login.gov account](#). Login.gov now gives you the option to go to a participating U.S. Post Office to verify your [identity in-person](#).



## VA's Specially Adapted Housing Grant in Action

VA offers [housing grants](#) for Veterans and service members with certain service-connected disabilities so they can buy or [change a home](#) to meet their needs.



## Protecting Your PACT Act Benefits

VA will never charge you to apply for the benefits you may be entitled to. If you think you're entitled to benefits, please review the following preventive measures to help [guard against fraud and scams](#).



## Suicide Prevention Month

VA's top clinical priority is [preventing suicide](#) among all Veterans — including those who do not, and may never, seek care within the VA health care system. As a Veteran, you can play a role in fulfilling this mission, and VA can equip you with tools to do your part. [Make the connection](#) about Suicide Prevention and the [Veteran's Crisis Line](#) today.



## How Do You Apply for VMLI

Veterans' Mortgage Life Insurance (VMLI) provides mortgage protection for families of Veterans with severe service-connected disabilities. VMLI pays up to \$200,000 in mortgage life insurance directly to the bank or other lender that holds your mortgage. [Find out if you qualify and how to apply.](#)



## Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans of America

**IAVA is a small, innovative nonprofit organization dedicated to the newest generation of veterans. It is with the help of committed supporters and volunteers that we are able to reach our mission of improving the lives of 2.4 million Iraq and Afghanistan veterans and their families.**



[Learn More](#)

## Need a copy of your military records?

Submit a military records request to get your DD214 or other military service records through the milConnect website. [Here's how to submit a request for your records.](#)

**Buddy Check** ✓

Check on your buddy.  
Make the call.

Make a difference.



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## Upcoming Events

Sept. 12 – [Suicide Prevention Symposium](#)

Sept. 20 – [Wellness Wednesday](#)

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