Do you need assistance filing a VA claim? If so please contact a Veterans Service Office, someone who's tasked with assisting veterans in developing and processing their claims.



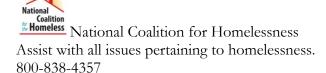
Chamber of Commerce Connecticut Veterans Chamber of Commerce

They help provide opportunity for veterans and veteran-owned businesses and help to reduce barrier to business and workforce entry.

203-978-1900 www.CTVetsChamber.com

dmhas Connecticut Dept. Mental Health & Addiction Services Provides support services for mental health issues. 800-662-4357

Focus on Recovery Helpline Provides support services for mental health issues. 800-374-2800





A program implemented by the Connecticut Housing Finance Authority in order to help veterans with mortgage related issues.

860-721-9501

SBA: GOV The U.S. Small Business Administration / Patriot Express Offers small business loans to members of the U.S. military community. http://www.sba.gov 860-240-4894



CT Dept of Social Services/Veterans Programs

860-424-5024



CT Soldiers', Sailors' and Marines' Fund

Provides emergency temporary assistance with things such as but not limited to rent, utilities and certain medical costs.

800-491-4941

http://www.ct.gov/ssmf/cwp/view.asp?a=2302&q=300728



The collect and archive the personal recollections of US wartime veterans to honor their service and share their stories.

www.loc.gov/vets

Connecticut Legal Services

They provide legal representation to low-income persons throughout the state except greater Hartford or New Haven.

860-344-0447 www.connlegalservices.org

Connecticut Military Support Program

This organization connects veterans to mental healthcare professionals. Most calls are returned within 48 hours. 866-251-2913

ghla Greater Hartford Legal Aid Greater Hartford Legal Aid

They provide legal representation to low-income persons who live in the greater Hartford area. 860-541-5000 www.ghla.org

New Haven Legal Assistance Association Association inc New Haven Legal Assistance Association

They provide legal representation to low-income persons who live in the greater New Haven and lower Naugatuck Valley areas.

203-946-4811 www.nhlegal.org

Legal Assistance Resource Center

They coordinate publications, policy advocacy and staff training for the legal service programs. 860-278-5688 www.larcc.org



Services include legal information, advice, referrals, case management, and representation for people living with HIV/AIDS

860-541-5027 <u>www.ghla.org/aln/</u>

Center for Children's Advocacy

Focuses on rights and interests of poor children involved in judicial, welfare, health, mental health, education and juvenile justice systems.

860-570-5327 www.kidscounsel.org

The Children's Law Center of Connecticut

Represents children whose families are involved in divorce and custody matters in court.



Connecticut Fair Housing Center

Provides legal representation for people claiming discrimination in housing matters and foreclosures. 860-247-4400 www.ctfairhousing.org



CLRP Connecticut Legal Rights Projects

Provides legal representation to low income adults with psychiatric disabilities, primarily legal problems related to their treatment and civil rights.

860-262-5030 www.clrp.org



Lawyers for Children America

Provides training and support for volunteer attorneys who represent children in child protection matters in Juvenile Court.

860-273-0441 www.lawyersforchildrenamerica.org



Consumer Law Project for Elders

Provides free legal assistance to people age 60 and over 1-800-296-1467 www.ctlawhelp.org



Woman Veterans Health Care

Provides healthcare to female veterans.

VA Health Benefits Call Center 1-877-222-8387

Veterans Benefits Administration 1-800-827-1000 www.vba.va.gov

Woman Veterans Health Strategic Health Care Group www.publichealth.va.gov/womanshealth



Military Sexual Trauma

For more information, male and female veterans can speak with their existing VA healthcare provider, contact the MST Coordinator at their nearest VA Medical Center, or contact their local Vet Center

1-800-827-1000 www.va.gov www.vetcanter.va.gov

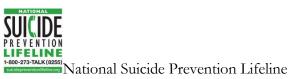
Mary Susan Hungerford, APRN Military Sexual Trauma Coordinator VA Connecticut Healthcare System 203-932-5711 EX 3207



CONNECTION US Department of Veterans Affairs Make the Connection

Helps veterans recognize they are not alone, there are people out there like them who are going through similar experiences, overcoming challenges, reaching positive outcomes for treatment and recovery, and finding paths to fulfilling lives.

www.Maketheconnection.net



National hotline that connects individuals with mental health professionals. 1-800-273-8255

24 Hour Crisis Hotline A domestic abuse crisis hotline. 203-789-8104 Connecticutprevention.com

The Financial Resource Center

They are a free and confidential financial coaching program that can help you get control of your finances 203-297-6674



The Veterans Crisis Line connects Veterans in crisis and their families and friends with qualified, caring Department of Veterans Affairs responders through a confidential toll-free hotline, online chat, or text. 1-800-273-8255 www.Veteranscrisisline.net

CT Department of Labor/Veterans Programs

Provides information and resources to aid veterans with employment related issues. 860-263-6514 http://www.ctdol.state.ct.us/veterans

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS CT Department of Veterans' Affairs

Provides assistance and services that relate to veterans and their needs in Connecticut.

1-866-928-8387 www.ct.gov/ctva

VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER NEWINGTON.......860-594-6604 VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER NORWICH......860-887-9162 VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER MILFORD......203-874-6711 VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER BRIDGEPORT......203-336-2570 VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER WATERBURY......203-805-6340

CT Trial Lawyers/VA Appeal Specialists Non-profit organization of trial lawyers. 860-522-4345 www.cttriallawyers.org/