

NIAGARA COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE AGENCY 175 HAWLEY STREET, RM 100D P.O. BOX 461 LOCKPORT, NEW YORK 14094-0461

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COUNSELING HOURS 9:00am - 4:00pm PHONE INQUIRIES 8:30am - 4:30pm

We strive to ensure that all veterans and their dependents have access to any benefits for which they **may be eligible** as the result of active duty, military, or naval service.

Areas most frequently covered by our office are:

## State and Federal Veterans Benefit Counseling and Application Services by Accredited Representatives:

- o Service-Connected Disability Compensation
- o Non Service-Connected Disability Pension (such as Aid & Attendance)
- Widow/Dependent Pension/DIC
- o Montgomery G.I. Educational Bill/Post 911 G.I. Bill/ VA Education & Job Resources
- o Vocational Rehabilitation at least 10% for a service-connected disability for review
- o Liaison between the Veterans Administration, and all State and Federal Agencies
- o Remote Access Claim Tracking and Submission Process
- VA Healthcare, VA Home Loan Guaranty and VA Life Insurance
- Request for military records and service medals
- NYS Blind Annuity
- o Records of DD214/Separation Papers filed in the County Clerk's Office
- NYS Property Tax Exemptions (Combat, Service-connected disability, war time era)
- o New York State Medals for Certain Active Duty Service
- New York State Exempt Parks Pass need to be 40% for a service-connected disability
- NYS Thruway Pass (E-Z Pass) 100% service-connected disability, permanent and total with vehicle adaptability necessary
- o New York State Hunting Licenses and Permits 40% service-connected disability necessary
- Discharge Upgrade or Correction to Discharge
- Burial Benefits monetary benefit requires at least 10% service-connected disability. Other restrictions apply.
- o American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars & (IAVA) Liaisons and Officers
- Active Municipal Outreach Program and Engagements
- Active Social Media Like us at Facebook.com/NiagaraVeterans

Office hours Mon - Fri, except holidays. Please call ahead to arrange an appointment at the number shown above. *PLEASE BRING YOUR ORIGINAL DD214 OR THE EQUIVALENT*.

If you do not have the original or a copy, we may be able to assist you in obtaining one.

You may also wish to check our webpage at <u>www.niagaracounty.com</u>, where you can download the Veteran's Data Sheet, complete and mail, or bring it to our office.

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