

# **VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS**

## **INFORMATION BULLETIN**

**JUNE, 2025**



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**Jim McCormick, Commander**

**2024 – 2025**

**CONGRATULATIONS! OVER 102% MEMBERSHIP**

**VFW POSTS**

**40, 285, 549, 720, 769, 836, 1433, 1677, 1760, 1796, 2135, 3513, 3708,  
4903, 6271, 6310, 6739, 7507, 8987, 9400, 10015, 10227, 10385, 10726,  
11014, 12098, 12128, 12098, 12210, 12222**

**What Post is next?**

**DISTRICT 2, 3, 4,**



# FACT SHEET

*As the nation's oldest major war veterans' organization,* the VFW has an impeccable and longstanding record of service and stewardship. More than 4.4 million patriotic Americans, both members and non-members, entrust the VFW with financial contributions and dedicate millions of volunteer hours.

## THE VFW'S VITAL SUPPORT PROGRAMS

**Educate** separating service members about their well-earned VA benefits through private benefits counseling sessions with a VFW Accredited Service Officer.

**Advocate** for America's veterans and their families on Capitol Hill, ensuring *promises made* to veterans are *promises kept*.

**Help** cover rent, utilities or groceries for a military family struggling with the hardships of war.

**Deliver** morale-boosting "welcome home" celebrations for service members who have returned from combat.



## 2,162

Number of VFW Accredited Service Officers across America and abroad, helping veterans fight for the VA benefits they have earned.

## 308,045

Number of service members and their family members hosted at VFW Military Assistance Program (MAP) events.

## \$14.6 billion

The total annual amount the VFW helped veterans recoup in VA disability compensation and pension benefits in fiscal year 2024.

## \$1.54 million

Amount of academic scholarships awarded to 337 veterans and service members.

## 15

Number of times the VFW testified to Congress in fiscal year 2024. The VFW has been instrumental in virtually every major legislative victory for veterans in the 20th and 21st centuries.

## \$2.9 million+

Amount of scholarships, monetary awards and other incentives the VFW distributes annually to middle and high school students through two major patriotic essay competitions.

## \$150,352

Value of financial assistance awarded to military families to help cover basic needs in times of crisis. 26% of the funds covered basic housing needs in fiscal year 2024.



### JOIN THE VFW

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All figures are based on fiscal year 2024 totals unless otherwise stated.

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Learn more about the VFW's programs and services at [vfw.org](https://www.vfw.org).



# MORE FACTS ABOUT THE VFW

## About the VFW

We trace our roots back to 1899 when veterans of the Spanish-American War (1898) and the Philippine Insurrection (1899-1902) founded local organizations to secure rights and benefits for their service. Many arrived home wounded or sick. There was no medical care or veterans' pension for them, and they were left to care for themselves. In their misery, some of these veterans banded together and formed organizations that would eventually band together and become known as the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States.

**Our Mission:** To foster camaraderie among United States veterans of overseas conflicts. To serve our veterans, the military and our communities. To advocate on behalf of all veterans.

**Our Vision:** 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.



### The VFW by the numbers

**1.4 million+**

Number of VFW and VFW Auxiliary members.

**5,500+**

Number of VFW Posts worldwide.



**1899**

Year the VFW started to fight for veterans, service members and their families.



### Helping struggling military families

**48**

Number of grants provided to military families facing financial hardship through **VFW Unmet Needs**.

**\$39,737**

Amount of grants provided through **VFW Unmet Needs** covering housing for struggling military families.

**24**

Number of military families who received assistance with housing needs.



### Cutting red tape

**146,000**

Approximate number of veterans the VFW assisted in submitting new VA claims in fiscal year 2024.

**14,000**

Number of VA claims filed by the VFW's Pre-Discharge offices in fiscal year 2024 resulting in more than \$110 million in disability compensation.

**20+**

Number of VFW Pre-Discharge offices across the nation, including the military district of Washington, D.C., area.



### Inspiring patriotism in young people

**26,431**

Number of high school students who competed in the 2023-24 VFW Voice of Democracy competition.

**68,439**

Number of students who competed in the 2023-24 VFW Patriot's Pen competition.



### Improving life in America

**5.9 million**

Number of volunteer hours contributed by VFW members annually.

**\$50.8 million**

Amount donated annually to local community service projects by VFW members.

### The VFW Relies on Donations

The VFW is a 501(c), and programs are made possible through membership dues and tax-deductible donations from good-hearted Americans.

**Cost of VFW Program Services:  
\$58.9 Million**



Source: VFW 2024 Annual Report



**SUPPORT THE VFW**

Learn more about the VFW at [vfw.org](https://www.vfw.org).

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## **Quartermaster's Corner**



**PLEASE CHECK THE  
ARREARS SHEET FOR  
POST STATUS ON  
MANDATORY  
OBLIGATIONS**

**IF YOU SEE AN ERROR  
SEND AN EMAIL.**

**AZVFW3@GMAIL.COM**





# Arizona VFW Mandatory Obligations

Delegate Fees Shaded in Orange include Arrearage from 2023-24 and indicate a Post is not in Good Standing

Posts	City	District	24-25 Election Report				Audits due 45 days after Quarter Closes				25-26 Election Report		State Delegate Fees	
			QMBond	06/30	09/30	12/31	03/31	06/30	09/30	12/31	03/31	State Delegate	Fees	
40	Avondale	3	X	X	X	X	X			2	X	X	PAID	
285	Surprise	3	X	X	X	X	X			6	X	X	\$ 11.00	
404	Mohave Valley	8	X	X	X	X				1	X		\$ 49.50	
541	Prescott	2	X	X	X	X	X			8	X	X	PAID	
549	Tucson	5	X	X	X	X	X			2	X	X	\$ 49.50	
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1704	Globe	6	X	L	X	X	X			6	X	X	PAID	
1709	Flagstaff	2	X	X						10	X	X	\$ 22.00	
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2190	Chloride	9	X	L	X	X	X			6	X	X	\$ 71.50	
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2364	Pinetop-Lakeside	6	X	X	X	X	X			7	X	X	PAID	
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Annual Mandatory Obligation

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If paying all with one check, please attach a note with a breakdown of how much for each item.

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## **Tentative 2025 Arizona VFW Convention Schedule**

### **Wednesday, June 4, 2025**

**1:00 – 4:00 PM    Registration**

### **Thursday, June 5, 2025**

**8:00 – 10:00 AM    Registration**

**9:00 AM            Joint Opening Ceremony**

**12:00 – 2:00 PM    Registration**

**1:00 PM            Dashboard & Adjutant Training**

**2:00 PM            Quartermaster Training**

**5:00 PM            Joint Memorial Service**

### **Friday, June 6, 2025**

**8:00 – 11:00 AM    Registration**

**9:00 AM            VFW Opening Session**

**\*Nomination of 25-26 Department Officers\***

**2:00 PM            Quartermaster Training (Repeated)**

**3:00 PM            2025-2026 Programs Overview**

### **Saturday June 7, 2025**

**7:00 – 9:00 AM    Registration**

**8:00 AM            Flag Raising**

**9:00 AM            VFW Business Session**

**\*Election of 25-26 Department Officers\***

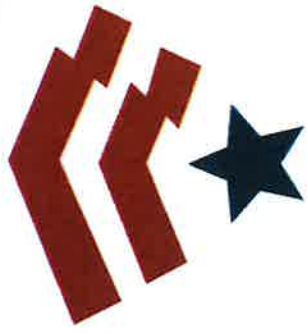
**2:00 PM            Post Commanders Meeting with Incoming Dept Commander**

**4:30 PM            Installation of Officers**

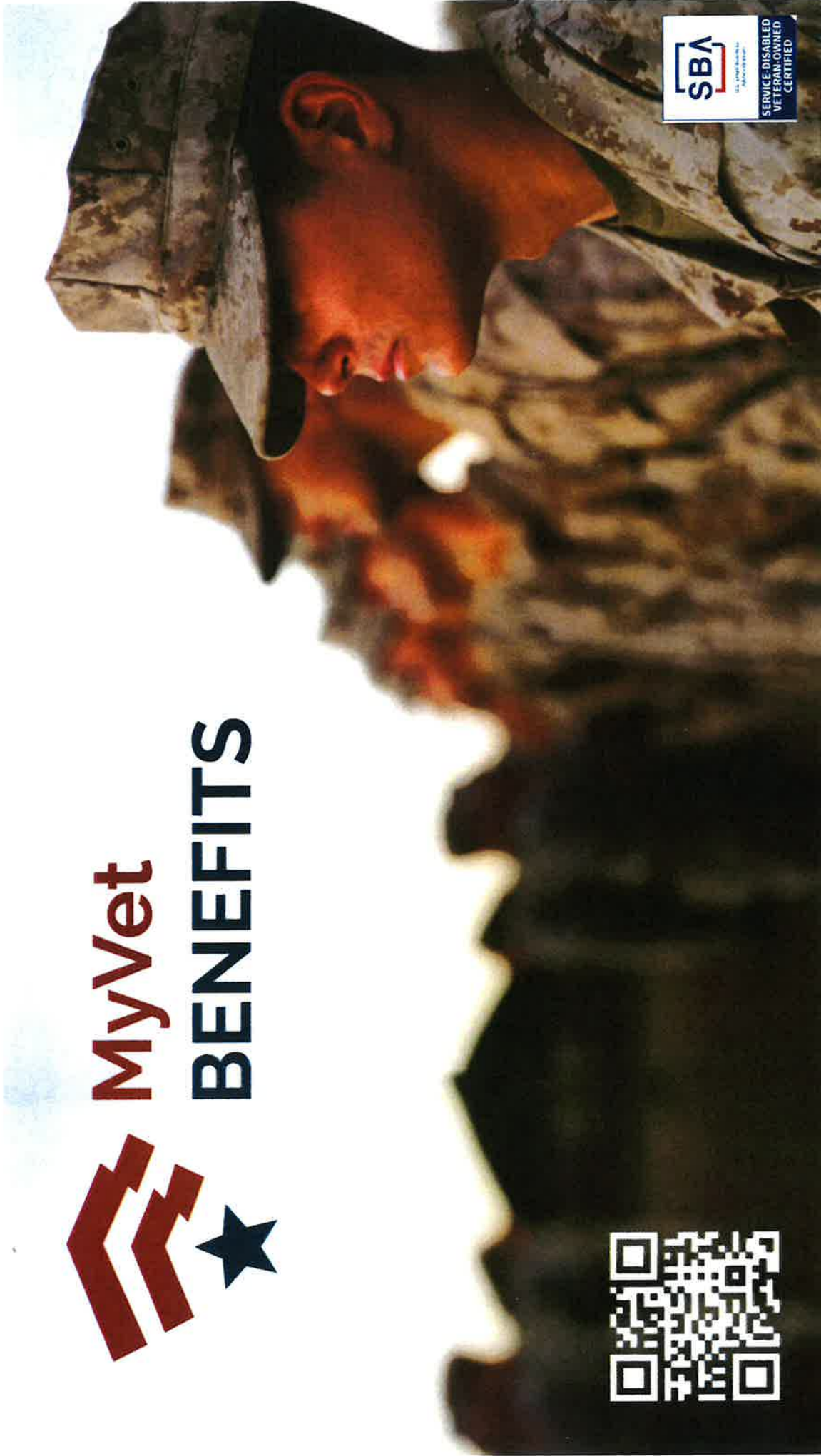
**5:00 PM            Social Hour/Reception, followed by Banquet**

### **Sunday, June 8, 2025**

**8:00 AM            VFW Council of Administration Meeting**



# MyVet BENEFITS





OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE  
1000 DEFENSE PENTAGON  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20301-1000

MAY 26 2025

MEMORANDUM FOR EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS  
AFFAIRS

SUBJECT: Memorandum of Understanding

The Secretary of Defense has signed the now jointly-signed Memorandum of Understanding between the Secretaries of Defense and Veterans Affairs – Strengthening Our Partnership in Service to Those Who Serve. Attached is a copy for your information/action.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Kelly Bulliner Ross", is positioned above the printed name.

Kelly Bulliner Ross  
Executive Secretary

Attachment:  
As stated

cc:  
USD(P&R)



# **MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE SECRETARIES OF DEFENSE AND VETERANS AFFAIRS**

## **Strengthening Our Partnership in Service to Those Who Serve**

As we approach Memorial Day, a time when our Nation solemnly honors the brave men and women who gave their lives in service, we are reminded of the enduring duty we hold to all who wear or have worn the uniform.

The Departments of Defense (DoD) and Veterans Affairs (VA) are united by more than law. We are bound by an enduring commitment to the well-being of Service members, Veterans, their families, and caregivers. Though our core missions differ, our collective purpose is deeply intertwined: supporting those who sacrifice for our Nation.

The relationship between our Departments continues to strengthen as we recognize that our roles are intertwined, starting early in a Service member's journey. From the first time a recruit dons the uniform, they begin a lifelong journey connected to both Departments—through educational benefits, life insurance, home loans, and health care. Our partnership begins early and must remain strong throughout.

In the spirit of collaboration, we are reaffirming our joint commitment to a strengthened partnership between the DoD and VA, with a focus on delivering quality health care and the seamless delivery of benefits and services. Together, we will:

### **Optimize Shared Use of Health Care Resources, Facilities, and Workforce**

DoD and VA, together, manage the two largest health care systems in the Nation serving overlapping populations. Ensuring we provide patient-centered health care that delivers excellent quality, access, satisfaction, and value is a priority of both Departments. By jointly planning and sharing infrastructure and expertise, we will improve care, enhance readiness, and deliver better value for the American people. This collaboration allows for greater flexibility, maximizes taxpayer investment, and ensures that both Departments remain prepared to meet the evolving health care needs of today's Service members and tomorrow's Veterans.

### **Enable Enrollment into VA for Uninterrupted Health Care**

Each year, approximately 200,000 Service members transition to civilian life, a period often marked by uncertainty and stress for them and their families. To ensure no Veteran falls through the cracks, DoD and VA are working to provide Service members the option to elect to enroll in VA health care prior to separation. This approach ensures continuous access to care, reduces administrative burdens, and supports long-term health and well-being during a critical life transition.

## **Provide Comprehensive and Continuous Mental Health Treatment**

Mental health care must be a continuous thread throughout a Service member's journey. DoD and VA are committed to identifying transitioning Service Members, who may be at higher risk for mental health challenges, and ensuring they are not only referred to care, but warmly handed off to providers at VA. Service members may see this as communication between care teams or pre-scheduled appointments. Providing continuity of care is more than just policy; it will help save lives.

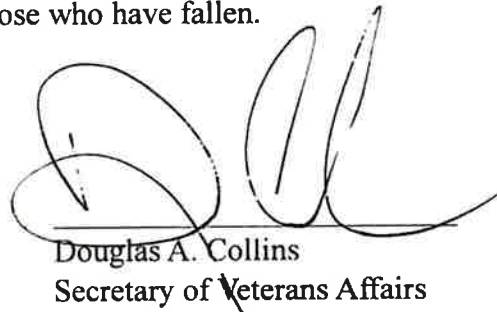
This is only the beginning. From a unified electronic health record and a joint Separation Health Assessment to strengthened suicide prevention initiatives, our Departments will continue breaking down barriers to better serve those who serve. This commitment and our enhanced collaboration will set a new standard of excellence in how we support Service members, Veterans, their families, and caregivers. We pledge to advance this partnership with urgency, unity, and unwavering respect for all who defend our freedom.

God Bless America, our Warriors, and those who have fallen.



Pete Hegseth  
Secretary of Defense

5-23-25  
Date



Douglas A. Collins  
Secretary of Veterans Affairs

5-23-25  
Date



# There are over 2,000 Veterans awaiting a kidney transplant in the United States.

The average wait for a kidney from a deceased donor is 5 years long. *Veterans are dying while waiting for a kidney.*

- Living kidney donors would enable Veterans to bypass this long wait.
- Living Kidney Donation is safe for those who are medically cleared.
- Living Kidney donors live normal lives with one kidney and can save a Veteran's life with their other!

We know many will "Step Up" as donors if they can directly help a Veteran in need. Through DOVE - they now can!

## Message from DOVE Founder



Sharyn Kreitzer, DOVE founder and living kidney donor, with donor advocates and veterans raising awareness!

*"I am dedicated to giving back to those who served our country. Finding and matching living kidney donors with Veterans will save Veterans' lives as well as help the overall transplant community by elevating awareness about organ donation, getting people off the long wait list, and contributing to transplant chains. Together, as communities, we can and will make a huge difference."*



[info@dovetransplant.org](mailto:info@dovetransplant.org)

[WWW.DOVETRANSPLANT.ORG](http://WWW.DOVETRANSPLANT.ORG)

**Combined Federal Campaign**

**Charity #84662**

DOVE is a 501(c)(3) organization founded by experienced and dedicated transplant professionals. DOVE seeks to improve access to living kidney transplantation for veterans by facilitating kidney donor campaigns and providing education, advocacy and support to all donors.

## Donor Outreach for Veterans, Corps. (DOVE Transplant)

INCREASING ACCESS TO LIVING KIDNEY  
DONOR TRANSPLANTATION FOR VETERANS



*"I donated in honor of my brother, a Veteran, who loved his country. This experience changed my life for the better." - Amanda*

*"Amanda saved my life. She is my angel and now will always be a part of my family." - David*



LIVING KIDNEY DONATION FOR VETERANS

**Combined Federal Campaign Charity  
#84662**

Through both individual and community outreach campaigns, DOVE will Find, Educate and Match prospective donors to Veterans who are active "status 1" on the national (UNOS) wait list.

Many DOVE donors are anonymous. However, directed donors, such as friends and family members, are also entitled to the full support and resources provided by DOVE.

DOVE encourages all donors to consider participation in kidney paired exchanges in order to expand the donor pool. This also enables the Veteran to find an optimal match. There are several national paired exchange programs. Transplant centers will determine if paired exchange is an option and discuss with eligible donors.

### Who Can Be a Living Kidney Donor?

Research confirms that donating a kidney does not have an adverse effect on future health of the donor in any way.

All donors undergo extensive testing by a specialized, interdisciplinary Donor Transplant Team to ensure that donors can safely recover from elective surgery and live a normal life with their remaining kidney.

There are some conditions that can screen out a donor's candidacy through an initial health screening:

- Obesity (BMI >35)
- Under 18 or over 70 \*(some centers do not have age limit)
- Medical problems such as diabetes, uncontrolled high blood pressure, cancer, kidney and heart disease
- Psychological problems such as unstable mental illness, active substance abuse

All testing and medical care is covered by the Veteran's transplant center. Costs related to travel, lost wages, childcare can be covered by DOVE or other available transplant funds such as The National Living Donor Assistance Center (NLDAC).

To learn more about kidney donation: [info@dovetransplant.org](mailto:info@dovetransplant.org) or call 551-449-8319.

### For Veteran Recipients

Many Veterans—who have already sacrificed so much for others—would be the first to offer to donate but are unwilling to ask in return.

Many transplant centers utilize "Donor Champion" programs and guide family and friends on how to run donor outreach campaigns.

DOVE is taking this successful concept a step further by serving as a Veteran's donor champion and also helping to screen, educate and guide the donors throughout the process.

This level of support keeps donors engaged and more likely to complete evaluation and undergo donation.

### "I am proud to be the first DOVE donor and hope to inspire others to follow."

Jon Taylor (Combat Vet/Medic), donated his kidney at St. David's Medical Center in Austin, Texas. This helped set up a chain of transplants that ultimately led to fellow Veteran, Chief Bennie, pictured at far right with his wife, receiving his kidney transplant at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center in Bethesda, Maryland.

Pictured below, Lindsay Gutierrez, an altruistic kidney donor, who first learned about DOVE in a Military Times advertisement.



if you are a Veteran and would like to register with DOVE, you must:

- Be cleared and actively listed at a transplant center \* We can work with any US Transplant Center
- Be able to confirm your service history (DD214)





Greeting,

2 April 25

I am writing on behalf of Donor Outreach For Veterans Corporation, a 5013c Combined Federal Campaign Charity - #84662. The Charity was founded in 2020, by its CEO, Sharyn Kreitzer, a kidney donor herself. DOVE math prospective altruistic donors to veterans across the country, and have already preserved the lives of many veterans thru their living donations program, to include me.

I am LTC David E. Hardaway, US Army (Ret). After serving for 23 years, I suffered from kidney failure and underwent a kidney transplant on 21 February 2023, with the help of DOVE, only 8 months after my initial contact with Sharyn. I am now an Advocate for DOVE and, "Encouraging people and organizations to give so Veterans can live." Giving by becoming an organ donor for one of the thousands of veterans currently on the transplant list, giving by helping us do outreach and spread the word about DOVE and giving, if someone is so inclined, by making a tax deductible donation to help defray logistics, administrative and transportation costs so DOVE can continue to "Served those who Served." I would be happy to talk more about DOVE – [dhard78030@aol.com](mailto:dhard78030@aol.com). Also learn more at [Info@dovetransplant.org](mailto:Info@dovetransplant.org).

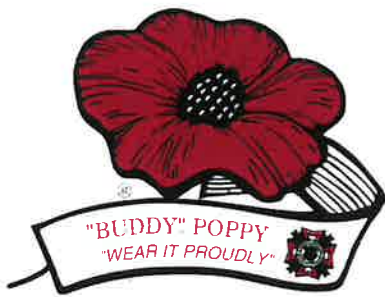
I will conclude with my personal testimony on the impact DOVE and my donor has made in my life, using two sentences below as illustrations:

**FIRST SENTENCE – David went to the store.** Notice that there is a period behind the word store indicating that this is the end of the sentence. That is it, that is all, there is no more, the sentence does not go on.

**SECOND SENTENCE – David went to the store, but he returned home.** Notice that in this sentence that there is a comma behind the word store indicating that there is more the story, that is not the end, the story goes on.

**SO, THANKS TO DOVE, MY LIFE AND THE LIVES OF MANY VETERANS HAVE BEEN PRESERVED – THIS IS NOT THE END - "OUR STORY GOES ON."**

  
**Thank you in advance!!!**



# Traditional Buddy Poppy Order Form

Cost for the Traditional Buddy Poppy has increased significantly.  
Department of Arizona does not receive a commission  
on the new prices from National.

# Needed	Cost	Shipping	Total
500	\$125.00	\$15.95	\$140.95
1000	\$250.00	\$29.95	\$279.95
1500	\$375.00	\$34.95	\$409.95
2000	\$500.00	\$39.95	\$539.95
2500	\$625.00	\$69.95	\$694.95
3000	\$750.00	\$69.95	\$819.95

For quantities higher than  
3000, cost is \$125 per  
500, plus \$69.95 (max)  
for shipping.

Post Number & City \_\_\_\_\_

Date when Poppies are needed\*  
(Order at least 8 weeks prior to function date) \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to "VFW Dept. of AZ"

Mail this order form to:

VFW Dept. of AZ  
6423 S. Ash Ave  
Tempe, AZ 85283

How many Poppies do you Need? \_\_\_\_\_

Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

**Ship Poppies to (No P.O. Boxes):**

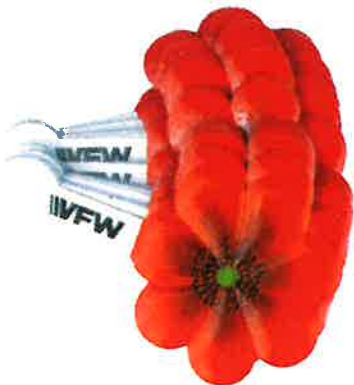
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Name (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_

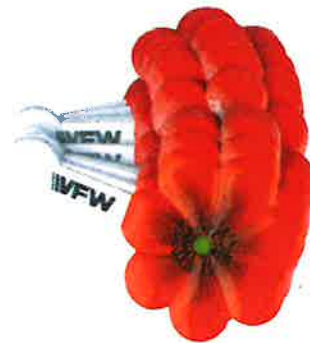
Shipping Address (Poppies cannot be shipped to PO Boxes ) \_\_\_\_\_

City, State Zip \_\_\_\_\_





# Tin Tab Buddy Poppy Order Form



Cost for the Traditional Buddy Poppy has increased significantly.  
Department of Arizona does not take a commission  
on the new prices from National.

# Needed	Cost	Shipping	Total
500	\$60.00	\$10.95	\$70.95
1000	\$120.00	\$15.95	\$135.95
1500	\$180.00	\$15.95	\$195.95
2000	\$240.00	\$29.95	\$269.95
2500	\$300.00	\$29.95	\$329.95
3000	\$360.00	\$34.95	\$394.95

For quantities higher than 3000, cost  
is \$60 per 500, plus shipping.  
\$300.01 to \$400.00 ..... \$34.95  
\$400.01 to \$500.00 ..... \$39.95  
\$500.01 & Over ..... \$69.95

Post Number & City \_\_\_\_\_

Date when Poppies are needed\*  
(Order at least 8 weeks prior to function date) \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to "VFW Dept. of AZ"

Mail this order form to:

VFW Dept. of AZ  
6423 S. Ash Ave  
Tempe, AZ 85283

How many Poppies do you Need? \_\_\_\_\_

Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

**Ship Poppies to (No P.O. Boxes):**

Membership # of Person Requesting Poppies (Required by National) \_\_\_\_\_

Name (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Shipping Address (Poppies cannot be shipped to PO Boxes) \_\_\_\_\_

City, State Zip \_\_\_\_\_



# MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Today's Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name (First MI Last) \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

Address (Street) \_\_\_\_\_

Apt. / Lot # \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_

MALE

FEMALE

DECLINE

Dates Of Service (mm / yyy) \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Location of Foreign Service \_\_\_\_\_

Date Of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

MILITARY SERVICE

ACTIVE DUTY

VETERAN

NAT. GUARD/RESERVE

BRANCH OF SERVICE

ARMY

NAVY

AIR FORCE

MARINES

COAST GUARD

SPACE FORCE

QUALIFYING FOREIGN SERVICE:

WW II

OCCUPATIONAL SERVICE

KOREAN SERVICE (1950-1954)

KOREA DUTY (1955 - present)

VIETNAM SERVICE

DESERT SHIELD/STORM

BOSNIA/KOSOVO

GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM EXPEDITIONARY

AFGHANISTAN (2001 - present)

IRAQ (2003 -2011)

SSBN DETERRENT PATROL INSIGNIA

EXPEDITIONARY OPERATIONS

INHERENT RESOLVE (2014 - present)

HOSTILE FIRE/IMMINENT DANGER PAY

Location \_\_\_\_\_

Dates \_\_\_\_\_

**Payment Authorization** - You may pay by check or credit card. For payments by check, you will receive a yearly statement by mail. For credit card payments, please complete the following:

**ANNUAL MEMBER (1 Year)**

**ANNUAL MEMBER (2 Years)**

I authorize the VFW to automatically charge my account \$ \_\_\_\_\_ on a yearly basis to pay my Annual membership dues.

I authorize the VFW to charge my account a one-time payment of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

**LIFE MEMBER**

I authorize the VFW to charge my account a one-time payment of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

**LIFE MEMBER INSTALLMENT PLAN**

By entering into the Installment Plan, I authorize the VFW to automatically charge my account \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to be paid in 11 monthly installment payments after my initial payment of \$45.00. Information about scheduling payments can be found by calling the VFW Member Service Center at 1-833-VFW-VETS. Automatic Payment Plan and Installment options require credit/debit card for processing. By signing this application you acknowledge and agree to the terms and conditions of the Automatic Payment Plan and Installment options, if selected.

Credit Card # \_\_\_\_\_

(Mastercard Visa Discover or Amex only)

EXP. DATE \_\_\_\_\_

AMOUNT \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

## Life Member Options

AGE as of DECEMBER 31 <sup>st</sup>	One-Time Payment	\$45 - 11 Payments of
18-30 Years Old	\$425.00	\$38.64
31-40 Years Old	\$410.00	\$37.27
41-50 Years Old	\$375.00	\$34.09
51-60 Years Old	\$335.00	\$30.45
61-70 Years Old	\$290.00	\$26.36
71-80 Years Old	\$225.00	\$20.45
81 Years & Over	\$170.00	\$15.45

NEW Post # \_\_\_\_\_

FORMER MEMBER # \_\_\_\_\_

TRANSFER from Post # \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ to Post # \_\_\_\_\_

RECRUITER \_\_\_\_\_

(Please print)

ID# \_\_\_\_\_

QUARTERMASTER (Signature) \_\_\_\_\_

**Automatic Payment Plan Terms and Conditions:** You authorize the VFW to initiate electronic debit entries or affect a charge by any other commercially accepted practice to your account set forth above for the payment of dues reflected on this application. You understand such charges may be made within 2-3 business days of payment due date. For installment payments, charges will be made on or around the 1st or the 15th day of the month. This authorization will remain in full force until VFW has received notification from you of its termination or upon completion of the installment payments. Annual dues are subject to change. By completing this authorization, you acknowledge that you will only receive notice when the payment would differ by more than \$10.00 from the most recent payment. Contact VFW Member Services at 1-833-VFW-VETS (1-833-839-8387) or write VFW Member Services, 406 W. 34th St., Suite 316, Kansas City, MO 64111 to inquire about or cancel a payment, or to report problems such as bank closures, lost or stolen account numbers, closed accounts, or unauthorized transactions. Cancellation requests must be received no later than 11:59 p.m. Central Time ten business days prior to the scheduled payment date. If you are unaware of the charge date for your account, please contact VFW. If a payment is returned by your financial institution (e.g., due to insufficient funds, incorrect account information, closed account, etc.) the VFW will contact you at the address we have on file, explain why the payment could not be processed, and provide alternate payment options. The privilege of making payments under this agreement may be revoked by VFW if any item is not paid upon presentation. You may have additional rights and responsibilities under the Electronic Funds Transfer Act.

**Life Membership Installment Plan Terms and Conditions:** The VFW life membership installment plan allows any VFW member/applicant to purchase a life membership by making an initial payment of \$45.00 and (11) monthly payments. The member will be issued an annual membership card at the time of enrollment. A permanent life membership card will be issued upon the completion of payments. The life membership fee is determined from the schedule using the applicant's age on December 31 of the year in which the application is submitted. Delinquencies of 31-120 days can be corrected through make up payment(s) or plan end date pushed forward. Member will be dropped from the installment plan after 120 days delinquent and all monthly payments made to date will be applied to future years annual dues.

**VFW POST MEMBER TRANSFER DECLARATION** (used for transfers in accordance with Sec. 107 of the Manual of Procedure). I hereby certify by signature on this application that it is my desire to transfer my membership as indicated above. I further certify that I am not indebted to my former Post, be it through oral or written commitment or otherwise, and that to the best of my knowledge no written charges have been preferred against me by my former Post, and I understand that any such indebtedness or charge which may be disclosed at any time hereafter will render this transfer null and void.

**WITNESS** that I am a veteran of, or am currently serving in, the US Armed Forces, that my Campaign Service was honorable, that I have never subsequently been discharged from military service under dishonorable conditions. I also certify that (1) I am entitled to a campaign ribbon or medal authorized by the U.S. Government based on my overseas service or; (2) I have served overseas in Korea or; (3) I have received Imminent Danger or Hostile Fire Pay. I further give authority to the Veterans of Foreign Wars to verify honorable overseas service entitling me to membership.

The review committee has performed its duties and recommends approval, rejection.

Applicant's Signature & Date \_\_\_\_\_

\$1.98 of your membership dues goes towards your VFW magazine subscription.

Committee Member \_\_\_\_\_

Committee Member \_\_\_\_\_

Committee Member \_\_\_\_\_

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VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS.





# DON'T FEED THE SHARKS



[DontFeedTheSharks.org](http://DontFeedTheSharks.org)

## What we think a "Claim Shark" is:

- A Claim Shark is an individual or company that charges hefty fees to "assist" or "consult" veterans with filing their VA benefit claims – this practice is illegal!
- Claim Sharks are not VA accredited, meaning they aren't required to adhere to the well-established professional and ethical standards of VA accreditation, so their advice can often be misleading or even fraudulent.
- Like a "Loan Shark," once you're in, you can't get out, and may be subject to new and hidden fees whenever you get a new rating, no matter who does the work.

## Some of their predatory practices are:

- Promising or guaranteeing an increased disability rating or percentage increase.
- Advertising expedited VA claims decisions.
- Requesting login credentials to access a veteran's personal information through secure VA websites like eBenefits or VA.gov.
- Using confusing tactics or ambiguous language to mislead claimants or coerce them into signing a contract.
- Telling veterans to forego VA exams and offering health consultations within their own network of doctors.

## Who we think the Claim Sharks are:

- |                          |                            |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| ➤ Trajector Medical      | ➤ Veteran Care Services    |
| ➤ Veteran Benefits Guide | ➤ REE Medical              |
| ➤ Veterans Guardian      | ➤ VA Claims Academy        |
| ➤ VA Claims Insider      | ➤ Vet Assist               |
| ➤ Telemedica             | ➤ Just4Veterans            |
| ➤ Patriot Angels         | ➤ Veterans Disability Help |

## Veterans can protect themselves by:

- Always working with VA accredited representatives.
- Attending all exams ordered by VA.
- Not signing contracts.
- Not agreeing to fees or payments from future benefits.
- Not agreeing to pay for medical consultations or opinions.
- Not providing access to Protected Health Information or Personal Identifiable Information.

## Who is NOT a Claim Shark?

- VA accredited veterans service organization representatives, like the VFW
- VA accredited claims agents
- VA accredited attorneys
- Attorneys assisting with Camp LeJeune lawsuits who do not charge excessive fees

**VFW**  
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

## Arizona VFW and the VFW Auxiliary License Plates

The Arizona VFW and the VFW Auxiliary License Plates are live on <https://azdot.gov/> and available at your local DMV office.

The monies received from the VFW plate will be used exclusively to fund the State Service Officer Program.

Monies received from the Auxiliary plate are dedicated to the fraternal, patriotic, historical, charitable, and educational support to veterans and military members and their families and our communities.

For Questions about the Licences Plates please call your local DMV office.

Get your Arizona VFW and the VFW Auxiliary License Plates Today!!



The image displays two Arizona specialty license plates against a background of a winding road through a forest. The top plate is for the "Veterans of Foreign Wars" (VFW) and features the word "ARIZONA" at the top, a VFW emblem on the left, the number "000000" in the center, and "VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS" at the bottom. A small "YEAR" box is in the top right corner. The bottom plate is for the "VFW Auxiliary" and features the word "ARIZONA" at the top, a VFW Auxiliary emblem on the left, the number "000000" in the center, and "VFW AUXILIARY" at the bottom. A small "YEAR" box is in the top right corner. Below the plates, the text "Veterans of Foreign Wars" and "Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary" are displayed. At the bottom, the ADOT logo and the "MVD NOW" logo are shown, followed by the text "ORDER SPECIALTY PLATES AT AZMVDNOW.GOV".

**ARIZONA** YEAR  
000000  
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS

Veterans of Foreign Wars

**ARIZONA** YEAR  
000000  
VFW AUXILIARY

Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary

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## HONORING WORLD WAR II KOREAN WAR & VIETNAM WAR VETERANS

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**PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING TO HONOR FLIGHT  
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BENEFICIARY DESIGNATION GIFT**

**LIFE INSURANCE POLICY BENEFICIARY GIFT  
OR BY OTHER OPTIONS ON OUR WEBSITE DONATE PAGE:**

**[WWW.HONORFLIGHTAZ.ORG](http://WWW.HONORFLIGHTAZ.ORG)**

**HONOR FLIGHT ARIZONA  
8711 PINNACLE PEAK RD. PMB 198  
SCOTTSDALE, AZ 85255-3517**

**THANK  
YOU!**



**You, a loved one, or a friend has recently experienced an Honor Flight Arizona 3-day journey to Washington, D.C. These are the journeys of thanks and remembrance that are so often described by our returning Veterans as "One of the greatest experiences of my entire life."**

**Please consider helping Honor Flight Arizona and its all-volunteer staff in sending more Arizona Veterans to visit their memorials in Washington, D.C. THANK YOU!**





# **JOSH PHILIPPS**

## **Candidate for DEPARTMENT SURGEON 2025**

As our organization continues to face challenges both externally and internally it is my hope if elected that I am able to bring to the table the attitude of "Working the problems" and integrating our efforts with other resources so we can complete our mission of taking care of ALL Veterans and their families

I WILL honor the legacy and traditions of the past 125 years while pushing the boundaries and getting outside the box to keep our organization and strengthen our position as the premier Veteran Service Organization.



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### **VFW Eligibility**

OIF 2003, 2006, 2007  
USMC Combat Action Ribbon

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### **Community Involvement**

Parker Fire District Board Chairman  
Community Center Board Chairman  
Little League Coach  
La Paz Veteran Court Mentor  
Together with Veteran Coalition

### **VFW Positions Held**

Natl Asst Inspector General	Dist 1 Sr Vice Commander
Natl Bylaws Committee	Dist 1 Inspector
Dept Sergeant at Arms	All State District Commander
Dept Convention Committee	All American Post Commander
Dist 8 Commander	All State Post Commander
Dist 8 Quartermaster	Post Service Officer
Dist 1 Commander	



# Department of Arizona

## *Past Commander's Club Dinner*



**6 JUNE 2025**

**SOCIAL HOUR STARTS AT 4PM, DINNER AT 5PM**

*Classic Garden Salad with Ranch, Roasted Chicken with Lemon  
Demi, Roasted potatoes, Seasonal Vegetable, and a roll,  
Cheesecake with Whipped Cream and Chocolate Sauce*

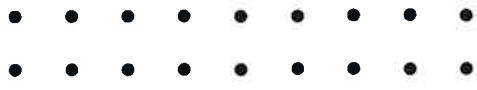
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## FINDING PURPOSE AFTER THE MILITARY

A Qualitative Descriptive  
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Invitation Only



✓ You are invited to participate in a research study conducted by **Brian Minzey**, a doctoral student at Grand Canyon University, pursuing a PhD in Psychology with an emphasis in Industrial-Organizational Psychology.

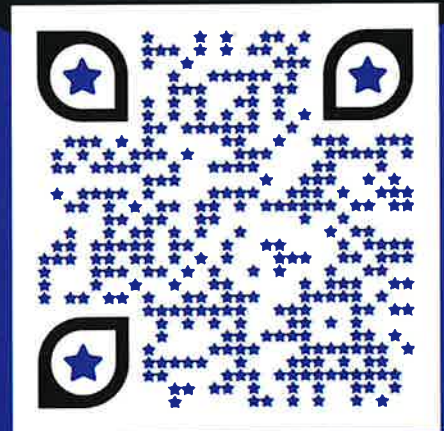
✓ This study explores how veterans describe finding purpose after transitioning from military to civilian life.

- ✓
- You may be eligible if you are:
  - An honorably discharged veteran
  - Aged 21 or older
  - Fluent in English
  - Have transitioned from military to civilian life
  - Currently living independently
  - Residing in the Southwestern United States

✓ Participation involves a one-on-one interview lasting approximately 60–90 minutes in person or via Zoom.

✓ Participants will not receive financial compensation but are greatly appreciated for their contribution to the veteran community and academic research.

### Scan to Register



- Researcher: Brian Minzey, Doctoral Student, Grand Canyon University
- Phone: 480-433-6809
- Email: [brian@brianminzey.com](mailto:brian@brianminzey.com)

IRB Approved Study | Interviews approximately 60–90 minutes

All information shared will remain confidential





POST 2364

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# FLAG DAY

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**VFW POST 2364  
PINETOP-LAKESIDE**

will conduct a  
**Flag Day Ceremony**  
**June 14, 2025**

**11:00 AM**

**Veterans Memorial Park**

Pinetop-Lakeside Town Hall  
325 W. White Mountain Blvd.  
Lakeside, AZ





———— Honor 9/11 with service ————

# **NATIONAL DAY OF SERVICE AND REMEMBRANCE**

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VFW POST 2364 PINETOP-LAKESIDE  
will conduct a

Flag Ceremony  
September 11, 2025  
11:00 AM

Veterans Memorial Park

Pinetop-Lakeside Town Hall  
325 W. White Mountain Blvd.  
Lakeside, AZ 85929



VFW Post 2364 Pinetop/Lakeside



VFW POST 2364 PINETOP-LAKESIDE  
will conduct a

Prisoner of War / Missing in Action  
National Remembrance Day

September 19, 2025

11:00 AM

Veterans Memorial Park

Pinetop-Lakeside Town Hall  
325 W. White Mountain Blvd.  
Lakeside, AZ 85929



VFW Post 2364 Pinetop/Lakeside





# **VETERANS DAY**

## **REMEMBRANCE CELEBRATION**

**VFW POST 2364 PINETOP-LAKESIDE**

will conduct a

**Veterans Day Remembrance Ceremony**

**Nov 11, 2025**

**11:00 AM**

**Veterans Memorial Park**

**Pinetop-Lakeside Town Hall**

**325 W. White Mountain Blvd. Lakeside, AZ 85929**

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PEARL HARBOR

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*Remembrance Day*  
7 December

VFW POST 2364  
PINETOP-LAKESIDE  
will conduct a  
**Remembrance Ceremony**  
**December 7, 2025**  
**11:00 AM**  
at the  
**Veterans Memorial Park**  
Pinetop-Lakeside Town Hall  
325 W. White Mountain Blvd.  
Lakeside, AZ 85929



## MEMSTATS as of 6/2/2025

Post	Dst	Annual Nt	Annual Cc	Annual R	Life Nt	Life Con	Life Re	Life Upg	Current	Prior	%	Div	City
769	1	10	21	2	5	227	2	7	267	253	105.53%	4	QUARTZSITE
1763	1	5	31	1	1	204	0	4	242	250	96.80%	4	YUMA
2357	1	2	14	0	3	113	1	4	133	137	97.08%	7	BOUSE
3708	1	2	2	0	1	40	0	3	45	44	102.27%	11	SALOME
6790	1	3	24	1	2	201	1	5	232	230	100.86%	5	WELLTON
8242	1	4	38	2	6	418	3	12	471	466	101.07%	3	YUMA (Y.P.G.)
0	1	26	130	6	18	1203	7	35	1390	1380	100.72%	5	
541	2	5	36	2	4	308	1	9	356	356	100.00%	3	PRESCOTT
1709	2	1	26	2	0	164	0	2	193	193	100.00%	5	FLAGSTAFF
6739	2	9	34	3	3	105	0	6	154	146	105.47%	6	CAMP VERDE
7400	2	3	48	0	2	170	0	5	223	222	100.45%	5	COTTONWOOD
9632	2	1	4	0	0	62	0	0	67	66	101.51%	10	PAGE
10227	2	6	45	1	16	363	0	23	431	406	106.15%	3	PRESCOTT VALLEY
12128	2	2	5	0	0	34	0	0	41	37	110.81%	11	WILLIAMS
0	2	27	198	8	25	1206	1	45	1465	1426	102.73%	5	
40	3	20	24	5	1	95	0	3	145	131	110.68%	7	AVONDALE
285	3	16	13	0	4	94	0	9	127	114	111.40%	7	SURPRISE
1433	3	41	97	64	13	610	2	26	827	805	102.73%	2	GLENDALE
2135	3	10	89	1	0	200	0	1	300	291	103.09%	4	PEORIA
6310	3	19	64	2	2	310	1	4	398	371	107.27%	3	TOLLESON
12098	3	5	7	2	0	83	0	0	97	92	105.43%	8	BUCKEYE
0	3	111	294	74	20	1392	3	43	1894	1804	104.98%	4	



720	4	53	38	15	0	302	2	3	410	383	107.04%	3	PHOENIX
1760	4	14	41	10	1	213	2	2	281	271	103.69%	4	MESA
1796	4	3	25	0	1	96	0	2	125	120	104.16%	7	BLACK CANYON CITY
3513	4	56	36	9	7	321	2	10	431	374	115.24%	3	SCOTTSDALE
3632	4	0	29	0	1	202	0	7	232	244	95.08%	5	TEMPE
7507	4	0	29	0	2	156	0	3	187	181	103.31%	6	FOUNTAIN HILLS
9400	4	37	70	144	4	650	0	13	905	879	102.95%	2	SUNNYSLOPE
12210	4	0	27	1	1	21	0	1	50	48	104.16%	11	GLENDALE
0	4	163	295	179	17	1961	6	41	2621	2500	104.84%	3	
549	5	52	130	10	14	1292	6	37	1504	1461	102.94%	1	TUCSON
2767	5	1	14	0	0	32	0	0	47	49	95.91%	11	MAMMOTH
4903	5	7	47	6	4	286	0	6	350	342	102.33%	4	TUCSON
5990	5	3	30	1	3	208	1	6	246	248	99.19%	4	MARANA
10015	5	5	4	0	3	50	0	5	62	58	106.89%	10	TUCSON
10254	5	0	8	0	1	105	0	4	114	131	87.02%	7	THREE POINTS
12222	5	4	6	1	3	29	1	7	44	32	137.50%	11	ORO VALLEY
0	5	72	239	18	28	2002	8	65	2367	2321	101.98%	3	
1704	6	1	10	1	0	70	0	1	82	91	90.10%	8	GLOBE
2364	6	0	26	0	0	36	0	0	62	63	98.41%	10	PINETOP-LAKESIDE
6789	6	1	6	0	0	14	0	0	21	22	95.45%	11	WINDOW ROCK
8807	6	0	14	1	0	121	0	0	136	144	94.44%	6	TONTO BASIN
8987	6	2	5	5	4	88	0	6	104	93	111.82%	8	EAGAR
9907	6	7	44	4	2	304	0	9	361	370	97.56%	3	SHOW LOW
0	6	11	105	11	6	633	0	16	766	783	97.82%	6	
836	7	3	57	36	0	92	0	3	188	183	102.73%	6	BISBEE
2066	7	2	7	1	1	110	0	2	121	155	78.06%	6	NOGALES
6271	7	5	22	3	5	169	1	7	205	200	102.50%	5	BENSON
9972	7	206	110	119	30	1991	13	55	2469	2422	101.94%	1	SIERRA VISTA
9977	7	0	9	0	0	96	0	2	105	103	101.94%	8	ARIZONA SUNSITES
10385	7	8	12	5	1	50	0	3	76	72	105.55%	9	THATCHER
0	7	224	217	164	37	2508	14	72	3164	3135	100.92%	3	



CHAPLAIN REPORT ARREARS as of 24 May 2025

POST	DIST	June	July	August	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May
40	3	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	
285	3	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	
404	8	4	4	4	4	4	4	4		4	4		
541	2	4	4	4	4	2							
549	5	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	2	4	4	4	
720	4												
769	1	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	3	4	4	
836	7	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	7	
1433	3	4	4	4	4	4		4					
1677	10	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	
1704	6	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	
1709	2				4	4	4	4	4	4	4		
1760	4						4	2	2	4	4	4	
1763	1					4		4	2	3	4	4	
1796	4	4	1	4	2	4	4	4	4		4	4	
2066	7			4	4	4	4						
2135	3	4	4	4		4			1	2			
2190	9	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	
2357	1												
2364	6	4	4	4	4	4							
2555	9	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	
2767	5												
3513	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	
3516	9	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4		
3584	10	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	
3632	4	4	4	4	4	4					4		
3708	1		4	4	2	4	4	4			4	4	
3713	10												
4903	5	2	4	4	4	2	2	2	4	2	3		
5990	5	2	2	4	2	2	2	4	2	4	2	4	
6271	7		4	4		4	4	2	4	3	4	4	
6306	8		2	2	4								
6310	3	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4		4	
6739	2	4	4	4		4	4		3		2		
6789	6												
6790	1												

POST	DIST	June	July	August	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	May
7061	1	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4		4
7400	2	4	4	4	4	4							
7401	10	4	4	4	4	4	2	4					
7507	4	4			4	4	2	4		3		4	
7968	10	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
8242	1												
8807	6	2		4	4	2	2	4					
8987	6	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	4	4	
9399	10	4	4	4	4	4	2	4	4	4	4		
9400	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4		
9401	8	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	
9632	2												
9833	9	4	4	4		2	2	2	2	2	4	4	
9907	6	4		4	4								
9972	7	4	4	4	2	4	4	4	4	4	2	4	
9977	7												
10005	5	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4		4	8	
10015	5	4			4	4	4	4			4	4	
10227	2	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	3	4	4	
10254	5												
10385	7				2								
10386	9												
10726	8	4		4									
11014	8	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	
12031	4	2	4	4		2	2	4	4	4			
12043	8			4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	
12098	3	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	
12128	2	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	4	4	
12210	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	2	4	4	4	
12222	5	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	3	4	

Blank: No Report

1: Late w/oData

2: Late w/Data

3: On Time w/o Data

4:On Time w/Data



# Arizona State Hospital Reports Year 2024-2025

Posts	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	Posts	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M
40	X	X	L	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	9399	X	X	X	X	X	L	X	X	X	X	X	X
285	X	X	X	X	L	X	X	X	X	L			9400	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
404	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	9401	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
541													9632												
549	L	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			9833	X	X			L	L	L	L	X	X	X	X
720													9907	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X		X	X
769	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		9972	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
836	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		9977												
1433	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	X		10005	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
1677	X	X	X	X	L	X	X	X	L				10015												
1704													10227	X	X				X	X	X	X	X	X	X
1709													10254												
1760													10385				L								X
1763													10386												
1796	O	L	O	L	O	L	O	L	O	L	O	X	10726	X	L	X									
2066	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	11014	O	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	O	X
2135	X	X	X	X	L	X	X	L	X	X			12031	L	X	X			L	L	X				
2190	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	12043												
2357													12098	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
2364	X	X	X	X	L	L	L	L	X	L			12128	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
2555	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	12210	X											
2767	X	L	L	L									12222		X	X	X	X	L	X	X	X	X	X	X

X means report received on time

Blank Column means No report submitted

L means the report was received late for that month

O means old form used

## VETERANS AND MILITARY SUPPORT 2024-2025

Post	District	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
769	1	X	X	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	L
1763	1												
2357	1												
3708	1			X		X	O	X	X			L	X
6790	1												
8242	1		X	X	X	X					X	X	X

541	2												
1709	2					X	X	X	X	X	L		
6739	2		X	X	X	X	X	X		X		L	
7400	2		X	X	X	X							
9632	2												
10227	2		X		X	X	L	X	X	X	X	X	X
12128	2	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

40	3		L	L	L	X	L	L	L	L	L	X	L
285	3	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	L	L	X	X	X
1433	3		L										
2135	3	X	X	X	X	X	L	X	L	L	X	X	X
6310	3	L	L	X	X	X	L	X	X	X	X	X	X
12098	3	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

720	4												
1760	4		L	L	L	L	L						
1796	4	X	X	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	X	X	
3513	4	L	X	X	X	X	X	X	L	L	X	X	
3632	4		X	X	X	X	O						
7507	4	X	X										
9400	4	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
12031	4			X	X		L		X	L			
12210	4												

549	5	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
2767	5		X	L			L						
4903	5	X		X					L	X	L	L	
5990	5		X	X	X	X		O	O	O	O	O	O
10015	5												
10254	5												
12222	5		X	X	X	X	X	L	X	X	X		X

Post	District	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
1704	6					X	X	L		L	L	L	L
2364	6				X	X	L						
6789	6												
8807	6	X	X		X	X	O	L	X				
8987	6	X	X	X	X	X	O	O	X	X	X	X	X
9907	6	X		X	O	O	O	X		X	X	X	X

836	7	X	X	X	X	X	X	O	O	O	X	X	X
2066	7												
6271	7												
9972	7	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
9977	7		X										
10385	7	X	X										

404	8	L	X	X	X	X	L	X	X		X	X	
6306	8		X							L			X
7061	8			X				X	X	X	X	X	X
9401	8	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
10005	8	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
10726	8		X										

2190	9	X		O	O	X	O	O	O	O	X	X	
2555	9		X	L	X	X	L	X	X	X	X	X	
3516	9	X	X	X	X	L	X	X	X	X	X	X	
9833	9	X	X	X	X	X	L	L	L	L	X	X	
10386	9												
11014	9		X			X	X	X	X	X		X	X

1677	10			X		X							
3584	10	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
3713	10												
7401	10		X	X	X	X	X	L	X				
7968	10	X	X	X	X	X	O	X	X	X	X	X	X
9399	10		X	X	X	X	X	L		X	X	X	X
12043	10												

## NOTE:

1. Block Empty = No Report
2. Block has 0 = Wrong Form/No Info/or No Activity BUT Report is Accepted
3. Block has X = Report is Accepted
4. Block has L = Report is after the 10th Not Accepted



	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z	AA	AB	AC	
1	Service Officer Reports 2024-2025 X= on time L= accepted, but late																													
2	POST	DIST	May	June	July	August	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April		POST	DIST	May	June	July	August	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April	
3	769	1	L	X	X	X	L			X	X	X		X		1704	6				X		X	X		X	X	X		
4	1763	1												X		2364	6		X	X	X	X	L	L	L	L	L	X	L	
5	2357	1	L	X	X											6789	6													
6	3708	1	L			X	L	X	X	X				X		8807	6	X			X	L	L	L	X					
7	6790	1	L													8987	6	X	L	L	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
8	8242	1	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			X	X	X		9907	6	L	L	X										
9																														
10																836	7	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
11	541	2				L	X	L								2066	7	X												
12	1709	2					X	X	X	X	X	X	X			6271	7	X	X	X	X	L	X	L	L		X	X	X	
13	6739	2	X	X	X	X	X		X		X					9972	7	X	X	X	X	X	X	L	L	X	X			
14	7400	2	X	X	X	X	X									9977	7													
15	9632	2														10385	7	L	X		L									
16	10227	2	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X															
17	12128	2	X	X												404	8	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			X	X		
18																6306	8	X	X	L	L	X	X	X		X	X	X		
19	40	3	X	X	X	X	X		L	X	L	L	X	X		7061	8	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	L	
20	285	3	L	X	X	X	X	L	X	X		X	X	X		9401	8	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
21	1433	3	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	10005	8	X	X	X	X	X	X	L	X	X			X	
22	2135	3	L	X	X	X	X	L	X	X	L	X	X	X		10726	8		X	L	X									
23	6310	3	L	L	L	X	X	X	X	X	X	L	X	X																
24	12098	3	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	2190	9	X	L	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
25																2555	9		L	L	X	X	L	X	X	L	L	L	L	
26	720	4														3516	9	X	X	X		L	X	X	X		X	X		
27	1760	4	L	L	L	L	L	L	L	X	X					9833	9	X	X	X	X		L	L	L	L	X	X		
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30	3632	4	L	L	L	X	L	L	L	L																				
31	7507	4	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	L	X	X	X		1677	10	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
32	9400	4	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	L	X	X				3584	10	X	X	X	X	L	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
33	12031	4	L	L	X	X		L	L	X	L					3713	10	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X		
34	12210	4			L	L	L	L	L	L	X	L	X			7401	10	X	X	X	X	X	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	
35																7968	10	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	L	
36	549	5	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X			9399	10	X		X	X	X	X	L	L	X	X	X	X	
37	2767	5	X	L	L	L	L	L	L	X						12043	10	X	L	X	X	X	L	X	X	X	L	X	L	
38	4903	5	X	L	X		X			L	X	L	L																	
39	5990	5	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X																
40	10015	5	X	X	X	X																								
41	10254	5		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X															
42	12222	5						L	X	X	X	X		X																
43																														



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## Western Conference

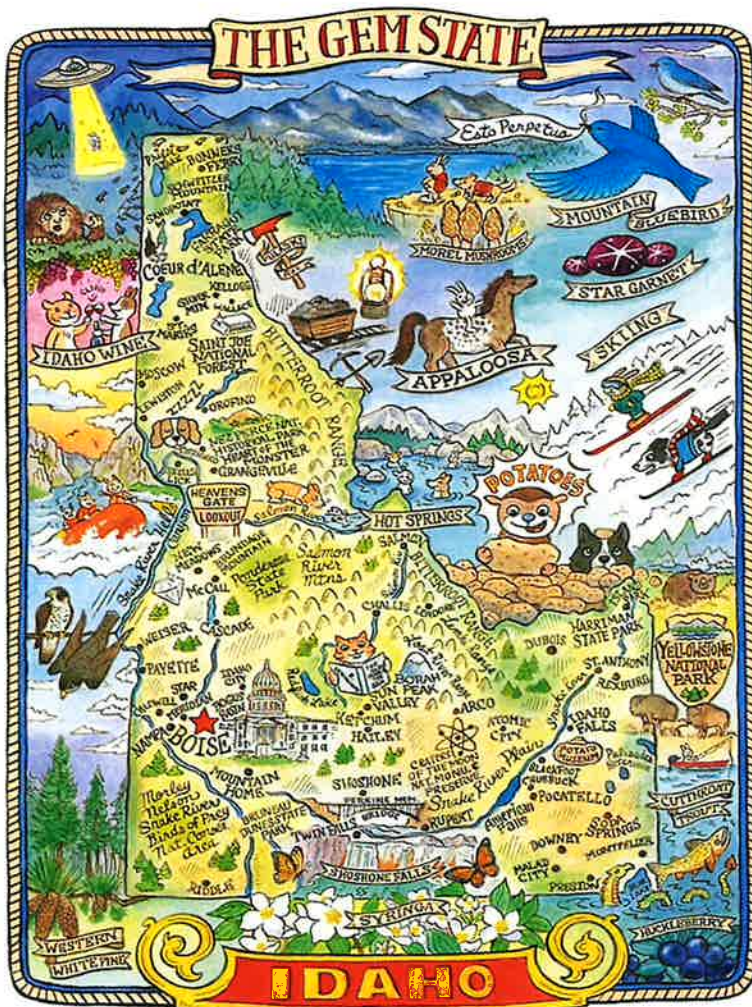


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**REGISTRATION**  
NOVEMBER 7-9, 2025

Department: \_\_\_\_\_ Post#: \_\_\_\_\_ Auxiliary#: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Department: \_\_\_\_\_ Post#: \_\_\_\_\_ Auxiliary#: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday Dinner Choices (please indicate the number of each meal requested):

\_\_\_\_\_ Chicken Parmesan \_\_\_\_\_ Pork Loin \_\_\_\_\_ Vegetarian

***Dietary Restrictions:***

***Fees Summary:***

Registration Fee \$170 each X \_\_\_\_\_ = Total Payment \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration includes:**

- Conference Bag
  - Saturday Continental Breakfast
  - Break Snacks/Beverages
  - Saturday Lunch
  - Banquet
  - Hospitality Room on evenings of Thursday, Friday and Saturday
- o Registration must be received by:**  
**October 20<sup>th</sup>**  
o See separate page for payment information

**Traveler Information:** Nearest Airport is Boise, Idaho (BOI)

Approximate Arrival Date/Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Driving ☐

Departure Date/Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Flying ☐ Airline/Flight Number: \_\_\_\_\_



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## ADVERTISEMENT BOOK FORM NOVEMBER 7-9, 2025

All ads and payments must be received by September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Prices for ads: Full Page - \$150.00 \_\_\_\_\_ Half Page - \$100.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
Inside Front and Rear Cover - \$300.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Only full-page and half-page ads accepted to accommodate the format and graphics of the Western Conference Book.

Sponsor of ad information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Graphics provided for ad: Yes ☐  
No ☐

(Attach electronically is  
best, mail in is optional)

Please email ads to Troy Junier at [idahovfw@gmail.com](mailto:idahovfw@gmail.com)

Make checks payable to: VFW Department of Idaho

In memo write: Western Conference Book

Send payment and printed copy to: VFW Department of Idaho  
1425 South Roosevelt Street.  
Boise, Idaho 83705-2025





**PAYMENT INFORMATION**  
NOVEMBER 7-9, 2025

**Payment Instructions:** Make check payable to: **Department of Idaho VFW**

Print and mail Registration & Payment to:

**VFW Department of Idaho**  
Attn: Dept Quartermaster  
1425 S Roosevelt Street  
Boise ID 83705-2025

Pay by Credit Card: Visa ☐ Mastercard ☐ Discover ☐ AMEX ☐

Name (as it appears on the card): \_\_\_\_\_

Billing address for the card: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Card #: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Security Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Email complete Registration and Payment pages to:

- 1) [Idahovfw@gmail.com](mailto:Idahovfw@gmail.com) – Attn Department Quartermaster
- 2) [badgerxray@gmail.com](mailto:badgerxray@gmail.com) – Attn Tom Black, Western Conference Chairman, Dept of ID

If Paying by Venmo with your cell phone:

1. Scan the QR Code with your phone Or
2. Open Venmo on your phone
3. Tap Pay/Request at the bottom of the screen
4. Search IDVFW
  - a. Under Businesses selects @IDVFW
5. Enter the total from above and add a memo note "2025 Western Conference"
6. Tap Pay, follow the prompts to get a confirmation screen



**Note:** Print a copy of this form for your records.



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## HOTEL INFORMATION

NOVEMBER 7-9, 2025

### CONFERENCE HOTEL: "VFW Western Conference"

Single Room Rate: \$167.00 (does not include local & city taxes-approx. 13%)

Check in: 4:00 PM MST

Check out: 11:00AM MST

(downtown near Boise, Idaho)

Website: [www.riversideboise.com](http://www.riversideboise.com)

The Riverside Hotel  
2900 W Chinden Blvd  
Garden City, ID 83714  
Contact: 208-343-1871



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- Indoor Splash Pad
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- Fitness Center
- BAR365 Lobby Bar
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- Guest Laundry
- On-site Restaurants Dry
- Sauna
- Sapphire Room Concert Venue
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- Bicycle Rental
- Sandstone Terrace & Fire Pit
- Business Center
- Greenbelt Access
- Airport Shuttle
- Electric Vehicle Chargers
- Signature Breakfast Buffet
- Marketplace



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## TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

NOVEMBER 7-9, 2025

**Preferred Airport:** Boise Idaho (BOI)

**website:** [www.iflyboise.com](http://www.iflyboise.com)

Five (5) miles from the airport to the Riverside Hotel (approx. 10 minutes driving time)

To arrange a ride from the airport to the hotel, **call Riverside Hotel Shuttle at 208-343-1871.**  
Pickup at the **green curb.**

### **Other Ground Transportation:**

Most ground transportation services for Boise Airport are located on the lower-level roadway outside of the baggage claim area, except for Rideshare services. On the lower level, cross to the median and look for the color-coded curbs. Curbside Valet Parking: Upper curb, east end Rideshare (Lyft & Uber): Upper curb, east end

Taxis: Black curb

Courtesy Shuttles: Green curb

Paid Shuttles: Blue curb

Buses: Purple curb

### **Rideshare - Lyft and Uber**

Rideshare operators, Lyft and Uber, have a designated pick-up and drop-off locations at the Boise Airport.

Pick-up Location - Upper Curb, East End

Passengers who have requested rides through an app should follow rideshare wayfinding signage to the second-floor rotunda exit door and follow the curb to the right to meet their driver at one of the shelters labeled "Rideshare Pick-Up Area."

Drop-Off Location - Upper Curb

Passengers arriving at the airport via a rideshare service will be dropped off at their specified airline location on the upper curb.



### **Helpful Tips**

- Wait to request your ride until after you've claimed your luggage at baggage claim or have arrived at the pick-up location.
- Rideshare drivers are not allowed to solicit customers, and payment is made in the mobile app.
- Rides may only be requested through the mobile apps.
- Before you get into a rideshare vehicle, make sure the license plate, car make and model, and driver name match what is in the app.





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## VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS AND AUXILIARY Western Conference

hosted by

*DEPARTMENT OF IDAHO*

NOVEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup> to NOVEMBER 9<sup>TH</sup> 2025  
RIVERSIDE HOTEL BOISE, IDAHO

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Conference Notes -----Tours Available -- See Travel Desk During Registration

Friday, November 7 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 AM - 4:00 PM 7:30 AM - 4:00 PM 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM 5:30 AM - 9:30 PM	Conference Registration Free Time - Excursions Joint Opening Ceremony Dinner on your own, possible event at local Post. Hospitality Room Open
Saturday, November 8 <sup>th</sup>	8 AM - 12 NOON 9AM - 12 NOON  12:00 -1:30 PM 1:30 PM - 5 PM  5:30 PM - 6:30 PM 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM	Conference Registration VFW Business Session Auxiliary Business Session Luncheon VFW Business Session Auxiliary Business Session No Host Cocktails --- Banquet Room Conference Banquet Hospitality Room {after banquet concludes)
Sunday, November 9 <sup>th</sup>	Travel Home	HAVE A SAFE TRIP HOME

Respectfully,  
Tom Black  
VFW Western Conference,  
Convention Chairman



# AFW & AUXILIARY WESTERN CONFERENCE

November 7-9, 2025



## Local Things to Do

### Military/Museums:

Warhawk Air Museum <https://warhawkairmuseum.org/>

Gowen Field Military History Museum <https://museum.mil.idaho.gov/>

Sports Humanitarian Hall of Fame, 404 S 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Boise (208-343-7224)

Boise State University <https://www.boisestate.edu/>

Idaho State Museum <https://history.idaho.gov/museum/>

Basque Museum & Cultural Center <https://basquemuseum.eus/>

Boise Art Museum <https://boiseartmuseum.org/>

Museum of Mining & Geology <https://www.idahomuseum.org/>

Discovery Center of Idaho <https://dcidaho.org/>

### Boise Visitors Guide:

<https://visitboise.com/visitor-guide/#pdfflip-PDFF/1/>

Arts Culture & Parks: <https://downtownboise.org/events/arts-culture-parks>

Sports <https://downtownboise.org/events/sports>

Map of Downtown Boise <https://downtownboise.org/explore/map-of-downtown-boise>

Bike Friendly <https://downtownboise.org/explore/transportation-parking/boise-bike-town>

Top Golf <https://topgolf.com/us/boise/>

Shopping <https://www.boisetownesquare.com/en/>

<https://www.thevillageatmeridian.com/>

The Peregrine Fund's World Center For Birds of Prey <https://peregrinefund.org/plan-your-visit>

Wahooz Family Fun Zone <https://www.wahoozfunzone.com/>

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### Visit Boise:

<https://visitboise.com/play/>

### Garden City Guide:

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