

Dear Tribal Veterans,

My name is Ronald Peterson I have been appointed the Lac Du Flambeau Tribal Veterans Service Officer (TVSO). The Tribal Veterans Service Office is intended to help Tribal Veterans access and use VA benefits and services to better their health and life. A State Grant and Tribal Grant fund the Lac Du Flambeau Veteran Service Office. I am available 40 per week at the Lac Du Flambeau Veterans Building. The mission is to advocate within the Community for Veterans, their dependents, and survivors. To help them find services to obtain healthcare, education, employment, financial help, and many other services from state and federal resources.

What do you need to be eligible for TVSO assistance?

1. [Military Service \(Character; Type; Duration\)](#)
2. [Wisconsin State Residency](#)

To be eligible for Wisconsin state veterans' benefits, programs, and services, a veteran's service, as characterized on the military discharge certificate (i.e., DD Form 214) must have been honorable, under honorable conditions, or general under honorable conditions. Veterans with characterizations of uncharacterized, bad conduct, other than honorable or dishonorable can seek to have their discharge upgraded through the military appeals process. Veterans may request a hearing to have the VA decide their case. Most veterans who follow this process and become eligible for general federal VA benefits will also be granted eligibility for Wisconsin state benefits.

Mental Health Offered at the Veterans Service Office

The Lac Du Flambeau Family Resource Center will be providing Mental Health Services at the Lac Du Flambeau Veteran Building. The mental Health Counselor will be at the Veterans building once a week to provide mental health services to Veterans. Contact the Lac Du Flambeau Family Resource Center for appointment time and date.

What is 988?

The Veterans Crisis Line's new number—**988 then Press 1**—helps make it easier to remember and share the number to access help in times of need. Signed into law in 2020, the National Suicide Hotline Designation Act authorized 988 as the new three-digit number for the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline. As part of the law, all telephone service providers in the U.S. had to activate the number no later than July 16, 2022. Veterans can use this new option by dialing 988 and pressing 1 to contact the Veterans Crisis Line. Veterans may still reach the Veterans Crisis Line with the previous phone number—[1-800-273-8255](tel:1-800-273-8255) and [Press 1](tel:1-800-273-8255)—by text ([838255](tel:838255)), and through chat (VeteransCrisisLine.net/Chat).

[Wisconsin Veteran Business Owners Directory of Business/Veteran's Resources](#)

To contact me for help or to set up time to meet and see what we can locate for you, please call my office at [715-588-4171](tel:715-588-4171).

Veterans Apprenticeship Program

Veterans in Piping and Helmets to Hardhats. Includes classroom instruction and On-the-Job Training.

For more information please visit:

WisconsinApprenticeship.org or <https://dwd.wisconsin.gov/va-benefits.htm> [apprenticeship](https://dwd.wisconsin.gov/va-benefits.htm)

Other Informational Links

- [Virtual Homeless Veteran Outreach Symposium: Understanding the Unique Needs of Homeless Veterans](#)

- [Native American veterans celebrate congressional charter National American for Indian Veterans](#)
- [UW-Madison to cover full cost of undergraduate degree for students from WI Indian Tribes](#)
- [Senator Tammy Baldwin Letter - Commitment to Veteran Support and Outreach Act](#)
- [Tribal Leader Letter](#)
- [Registered Apprenticeship: Earn While You Learn](#)
- [More than 600 veterans at Tomah VA will have their disability claims reexamined](#)
- [All WWII Veterans are now eligible for no-cost VA health care and nursing home services2023/11/all-wwii-veterans-are-now-eligible-for-no-cost-va-health-care-and-nursing-home-services.pdf](#)
- [National American Indian and Alaska Native Heritage Month](#)
- [Wis-MAC Program - Veterans in Healthcare](#)
- [Agent Orange Newsletter](#)
- [VA Reasonable Doubt Regulation](#)
- [Veteran Suicide Prevention Project Resources](#)
- [Free career guidance for Veterans from America's top companies](#)
- [PACT ACT VA Healthcare enrollment deadline](#)
- [First Tribal Veteran Service Officer to serve as the President of the Tribal County Veterans Service Officers Association of Wisconsin.](#)
- [VA Resources - Suicide Prevention Month](#)
- [Next PACT Act deadline: Health care enrollment for Veterans deployed to combat zones](#)
- [Rally Point and the Power of Military Friendships - VA News](#)
- [VA Tec Update - Education Funding](#)
- [More survivors of Veterans eligible for PACT Act benefits](#)
- [VA Voice - Spring 2023](#)
- [AAW Friends and Family Brochure](#)
- [PACT ACT Airborne Hazards and Burn Pit Exposures](#)
- [PACT ACT Camp Lejeune Water Contamination Health Issues](#)
- [PACT ACT Gulf War Veterans' Medically Unexplained Illnesses](#)
- [PACT ACT Infectious Diseases and Gulf War Veterans](#)
- [PACT ACT Veterans' Diseases Associated with Agent orange](#)
- [PACT-Act Compensation and Pension Exam Toxic Exposure Screening and Registry Exams](#)

- [PACT-Act Environmental Health Registry Evaluations for Veterans](#)
- [Expanded presumptive disability benefits for Vietnam Veterans - 3-31-23](#)
- [WDVA Behavioral Health Listening Session](#)
- [The PACT Act expands VA health care and benefits for Veterans exposed to toxic substances](#)
- [Women Veterans News February 2023](#)
- [How to apply for VA health care](#)
- [Veterans in acute suicidal crisis will be able to go to any VA or non-VA health care facility for emergency health care at no cost](#)
- [All Things PACT Act 101 Overview](#)
- [Camp Lejeune Water Contamination - Know Your Options](#)
- [Agent Orange Newsletter - Information for Vietnam-Era Veterans and their Families](#)
- [Spread the word about PACT Act Health Care Eligibility](#)
- [Veteran Retraining Program](#)
- [WDVA Blue Ribbon Commission Report](#)
- [The PACT Act and Your VA Benefits](#)
- [Understanding PTSD and PTSD Treatment](#)
- [Pension Poaching Prevention: Spot a Scam, Stop a Scam! Be Prepared, Be Educated, Be Vigilant](#)
- [9 Presumptive added to Gulf War List 4-26-22](#)
- [Added Rare Respiratory Cancers to Presumptive Gulf War Era](#)
- [Exposure to hazardous chemicals and materials](#)
- [R.A.C.E. Suicide Prevention Brochure](#)
- [Veterans Suicide Prevention Training R.A.C.E.](#)
- [Homefront Support Group](#)
- [Veterans Support Group](#)
- [VA Extends presumptive period for Persian Gulf War Veterans](#)
- [Cancer Screenings](#)
- [R&R House Mental Health America of Wisconsin](#)
- [Persian Gulf War \(GW\) Particulate Matter Exposure Interim Claims Processing](#)
- [VA Plans Expansion of Benefits for Disability Claims for Conditions Related to Certain Toxic Exposures](#)