

Wisconsin State Veteran's Benefits & Discounts



The state of Wisconsin provides several veteran benefits. This section offers a brief description of each of the following benefits.

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Housing Benefits

Wisconsin Veterans Homes

One of our major responsibilities at the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs is providing 24-hour skilled nursing care to our nation's heroes. The WDVA is proud of the three veterans homes they operate – Chippewa Falls, King and Union Grove - serving nearly 1,000 veterans and their spouses.

The Wisconsin Veterans Homes are among the best in the country, boasting an excellent safety record and the highest quality of care ratings. Their homes are very popular among Wisconsin's veterans, evidenced by the occupancy levels and waiting lists associated with each home, and the staff retention rates that exceed those of comparable facilities across the state. WDVA homes are here to serve those who have served us all. You are encouraged you to visit one of the Wisconsin Veterans Homes to learn more. Go to:

- http://dva.state.wi.us/Documents/veteransHomesDocuments/Admissions/WDVA_4006-WVH-Applicant-Admission-Checklist.pdf for an application checklist

- http://dva.state.wi.us/Documents/veteransHomesDocuments/Admissions/WDVA_4000-Application-for-Admission.pdf for an application form.

To be eligible for admission the veteran must have entered service from the state of Wisconsin, or must have resided in the state of Wisconsin for 12 consecutive months since his/her discharge from military service. The application form must reflect a Wisconsin address for the home address. A spouse of a veteran can also reside at the Wisconsin Veterans Home, provided they are admitted while the veteran is at some type of facility (i.e. assisted living, nursing home, hospital) or if the spouse is a widow/widower.



Wisconsin Veterans Home at Chippewa Falls

2175 East Park Avenue, Chippewa Falls, WI 54729

(715) 720-6775 Fax: 888-966-8821 E-Mail: Veterans.Home-CF@dva.wi.gov

http://dva.state.wi.us/Documents/veteransHomesDocuments/Admissions/WDVA_B6000-WVH-ChippewaFalls.pdf

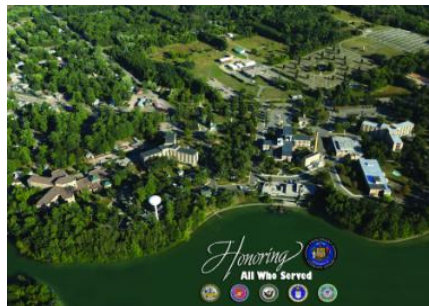


Wisconsin Veterans Home at Union Grove

21425 G Spring Street, Union Grove, WI 53182

Phone: (262) 878-6700 Toll-free (866) NOW-VETS (866-669-8387) E-Mail [veterans.home-](mailto:veterans.home-UG@dva.wisconsin.gov)

[UG@dva.wisconsin.gov](mailto:veterans.home-UG@dva.wisconsin.gov)



Wisconsin Veterans Home at King

N2665 Cty. Rd QQ, King, WI 54946

(715) 258-5586 or 1(888) 458-5586 Fax: (715) 258-3496 E-Mail: Veterans.Home@dva.wisconsin.gov
http://dva.state.wi.us/Documents/veteransHomesDocuments/2016%20King/WDVA_B3401-King-Brochure_8.5x14_May%202016.pdf

Financial Benefits

Wisconsin Veterans and Surviving Spouses Property Tax Credit

The Wisconsin Veterans & Surviving Spouses Property Tax Credit provides eligible veterans and unremarried, surviving spouses a refundable property tax credit for their primary, in-state residence. The Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs verifies the veteran's eligibility for the program. The credit is administered by the Wisconsin Department of Revenue through the state income tax return.

The definitions of an eligible veteran and an eligible unremarried surviving spouse are expanded to include:

- A veteran who had been a Wisconsin resident for a consecutive 5-year period after entering active duty or was a Wisconsin resident when entering active duty.
- The veteran must have either an SCD rating of 100 percent under 38 USC 1114 or 1134 or a 100% disability rating based on individual unemployability. Individual unemployability means a condition under which a veteran has an SCD rating of either 60% under 38 USC 1114 or 1134 or two or more SCD conditions where one condition has at least a 40% scheduler rating and the combined scheduler rating for all conditions is at least 70%, and has an administrative adjustment added to the SCD, due to individual unemployability, such that the VA rates the veteran 100% disabled.
- Effective for taxable years, beginning on or after January 1, 2014. The Wisconsin Property Tax Credit is extended to include the unremarried surviving spouse of an eligible veteran, who following the veteran's death, began to receive and continues to receive Dependency and Indemnity Compensation (DIC) from the Federal VA.

Income Tax

All military retirement pay is tax free.

Employment Benefits

Transition Assistance for Veterans Leaving Active Duty

Veterans transitioning from active duty can contact the WDVA Transition & Employment Section for state-wide employment information. The office provides employment assistance and labor market information to veterans in transition from active duty to civilian life and the civilian job market in Wisconsin.

Veterans Preference

Civil Service Preferences (State) --- Eligible veterans are entitled to an extra 10 points added to a passing score on a state civil service examination. Veterans with a VA approved SCD of less than 30 percent are

entitled to 15 points and those with a rating of 30 percent or more are entitled to 20 points added to their passing score. Spouses of certain disabled or deceased eligible veterans may also have points added to a passing score. (Preference points are available only when you initially apply for permanent state employment.)

Veterans with a 30 percent or greater SCD may be hired for a permanent, entry-level position with the State of Wisconsin on a noncompetitive basis. Check with the hiring agency for more information.

Veterans Retraining Grants

Recently unemployed or underemployed veterans may receive up to \$3,000 per year, for a maximum of two years, if they have a financial need while being retrained for employment. The amount of the grant is determined by the applicant's financial need as calculated by the WDVA. Other education or retraining grants will be included when determining the veteran's financial need for this program and should be included on the application. Visit the WDVA Veterans Retraining Grant webpage for more information.

Local Veterans Employment Representatives

The Department of Labor's Veterans' Employment and Training Service (VETS) program makes employment assistance available to all Wisconsin veterans in local one-stop job centers. The Disabled Veterans' Outreach Program (DVOP) and Local Veterans Employment Representatives (LVER) are the two primary programs providing employment and training services to eligible veterans.

Veterans Representatives (DVOPs or LVERs) provide the latest information on local labor markets. They offer workshops and guidance on resume writing, job interviewing skills, and job seeking skills. They also identify training and education needs. They can help veterans make career choices by assessing aptitudes, interests, and abilities through the use of aptitude tests and career counseling.

Locate a Veterans Employment Representative at your local Wisconsin Job Center by calling toll-free 888-258-9966, view the online staff directory at <http://dwd.wisconsin.gov/veterans/vetreprs.htm>, or register online at <http://wiscjobsforvets.wi.gov/public/index.asp>

Veterans as Apprentices

In Wisconsin, the Department of Workforce Development Bureau of Apprentice Standards reviews and approves registered apprenticeship and formal on-the-job training programs for veterans. To determine if you are eligible to get employment through apprentice or on-the-job training programs which could lead to professional certification and/or licensing:

- Review <http://dwd.wisconsin.gov/dwd/publications/dws/apprenticeship/apprenticebooklet.pdf>
- Go to <http://dwd.wisconsin.gov/apprenticeship/contacts.htm> to contact an Apprenticeship Standards field representative in your area.
- Check out the [DWD Apprenticeship Webpage](http://dwd.wisconsin.gov/apprenticeship) at <http://dwd.wisconsin.gov/apprenticeship>

Veterans Preference

Civil Service Preference (Federal) – Veterans who are disabled or who served on active duty during certain periods or campaigns are entitled to preference over non-veterans both in federal hiring and in retention during reductions in force. Candidates who pass an examination are ranked by their scores. Those eligible for preference are entitled to have 5 to 10 extra points added to a passing grade of 70% or higher. Qualified veterans with a VA-approved service-connected disability (SCD) rating of 10% or more are placed at the top of most civil service exam lists.

Civil Service Preference (State) – Veterans who are disabled or who served on active duty during certain periods or campaigns are, for their first position within the classified service, entitled to competitive preference over non-veterans. Any positions open for competition that requires a civil service examination is eligible for the application of veteran's preference points. These are points added to passing scores of civil service exams and lead to the creation of a competitive employment register. Eligible veterans are entitled to an extra 10 points added to a passing score on a state civil service examination. Veterans with a VA-approved service-connected disability (SCD) rating are entitled to points added to their passing score, depending upon their level of disability. Spouses of certain disabled or deceased eligible veterans may also have points added to a passing score.

LTE (limited term employee) and project positions are included in the classified service. Because the selection of an LTE or a project appointment does not include an examination and creation of a competitive employment register, there is no mechanism for the application of preference points. Check with the hiring agency for more information on LTE and project appointments.

Additionally, the noncompetitive appointment process for certain qualified disabled veterans allows for a veteran with at least 30% service disability to be appointed to any position in the State of Wisconsin classified service without competition (i.e., no civil service examination).

Employment Assistance Opportunities

- [Act2Teach](#) – A program to initial licensure as a secondary mathematics or science teacher.
- [Entrepreneurship](#) – Resources for Wisconsin veterans in business or interested in starting a new business.
- [Hire a Hero](#) – An online social network to help the military community connect with caring volunteers, local events, and Military-friendly employers to better the chances for obtaining a dream job. Hire a Hero provides the platform for the general public to do more than just put a yellow ribbon on their car – a chance to actively say "thank you for your service" – while helping a hero network transition into a meaningful civilian career.
- [Troops to Teachers](#) – A U.S. Department of Education & U.S. Department of Defense sponsored program established to assist veterans and eligible members of the Selected Reserve gain teacher licensure in order to obtain employment as public school teachers. WDVA is supported by the State of Montana's office for the program.
- [Unemployment Compensation](#) for Ex-Servicemembers (UCX) – Members of the military leaving active duty discharged under honorable conditions unable to find employment may be eligible for UCX. Application for Unemployment Insurance, including UCX, is made by telephone. To file a new claim application call Madison: (608) 232-0678 or Milwaukee: (414) 438-7700 Toll-free: 800-822-5246. Have the following available: (1) Form DD-214, (2) Social Security number, and (3) Wisconsin Driver's License number (if you have one).
- [Vocational Rehabilitation](#) – The federal VA provides Vocational Rehabilitation to eligible disabled veterans through the Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (VRE) program. Additionally, the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation offers a state Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) program.
- [Veterans In Piping](#) – The United Association of Plumbers, Pipefitters and Sprinklerfitters (UA) has partnered with the U.S. military to create the UA Veterans In Piping (VIP) Program, which provides returning vets with 16 weeks of accelerated welding training.

- [Wisconsin Women's Business Initiative](#) – Learn about an economic development corporation that provides quality business education, technical assistance and access to capital for small businesses throughout Wisconsin.
- [Employment Links](#) – Employment assistance is available through many websites. Here you will find Wisconsin, military, veteran, and federal job boards as well as job search and entrepreneurial resources.

Veteran Education Benefits

Wisconsin G.I. Bill

The Wisconsin GI Bill remits (forgives) full tuition and segregated fees for eligible veterans and their dependents for up to eight full-time semesters or 128 credits, whichever is greater, at any University of Wisconsin System or Wisconsin Technical College System school. The Wisconsin GI Bill is a state program that is entirely separate from the Federal GI Bill. For additional information, eligibility criteria and instructions on how to apply for the Wisconsin GI Bill program, see the [WDVA B0105 http://dva.state.wi.us/Documents/newsMediaDocuments/WDVA%20Toolkit/Brochures/WDVA_B0105_Wisconsin_Tuition_Programs_WI_GI_Bill_Color.pdf](http://dva.state.wi.us/Documents/newsMediaDocuments/WDVA%20Toolkit/Brochures/WDVA_B0105_Wisconsin_Tuition_Programs_WI_GI_Bill_Color.pdf) information and application booklet.

The Wisconsin GI Bill waiver of tuition and fees is administered by the participating University of Wisconsin System institutions and the Wisconsin Technical Colleges. For more information about your Wisconsin GI benefits, visit University of Wisconsin System Veterans <http://veterans.wisconsin.edu> or Wisconsin Technical College System Veteran Services <http://www.wtcsystem.edu/initiatives/veteran-services>

Eligibility determination is a two part process. The Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs certifies the veteran's eligibility. The post-secondary educational institution determines if the student meets the statutory requirements for eligibility. If the eligible student is a spouse or child they must also meet the "Residency for tuition purposes" criteria.

If you are also eligible for and plan to use the Federal VA Post-9/11 GI Bill (Chapter 33), Montgomery GI Bill (Chapter 30), or any other Federal VA educational benefits, please contact the school's Veteran Certifying Official in order to financially plan your education and better understand the complex relationship between these Federal benefits and the Wisconsin GI Bill. Contact information for the Veteran Certifying Officials within the University of Wisconsin System may be found on this webpage: <http://www.uwhelp.wisconsin.edu/paying/veterans.aspx>. Contact information for the Veteran Certifying Officials within the Wisconsin Technical College System may be found on this webpage:

Veterans Education (VetEd) Reimbursement Grant

The Veterans Education (VetEd) grant program provides a reimbursement grant based on a credit-bank system that is based on length of active duty military service to eligible veterans who have not yet been awarded a bachelor's degree for the reimbursement of tuition and fees following successful course completion at an eligible UW, technical college, or approved private institution of higher learning. Veterans may concurrently receive Chapter 30 Montgomery G.I. Bill (VA) benefits and VetEd for the same semester. However, individuals eligible for Wisconsin G.I. Bill benefits must apply for, and use those benefits in order to be eligible for VetEd reimbursement. VetEd reimbursement will be reduced to

the extent that tuition and fees have already been paid by other grants, scholarships, and remissions provided for the payment of tuition and fees. For additional information refer to <http://dva.state.wi.us/Pages/educationEmployment/Vet-Ed-Reimbursement-Grant.aspx>

Troops to Teachers (TTT)

Wisconsin Troops to Teachers (TTT) is a joint program of the U.S. Departments of Defense and Education that assists departing active duty military personnel, veterans and certain members/retirees who are associated with the reserve components, to transition to new careers as public school teachers. Wisconsin Troops to Teachers is part of the Lewis & Clark Regional Troops to Teachers which includes Idaho, Minnesota, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin, and Wyoming. The program provides information, referral and financial assistance to eligible individuals who are interested in gaining certification and employment as teachers. These services are provided through a network of state offices across the country and a national office in Pensacola, Florida. For more information refer to <http://dva.state.wi.us/Pages/educationEmployment/Troops-to-Teachers.aspx>

Veterans Upward Bound

Veterans Upward Bound (VUB) is a federally funded TRIO Program (U.S. Department of Education) designed to help qualified military veterans become college-ready and enroll in a postsecondary school (university, community college, and vocational/technical programs). VUB provides basic skills instruction and educational and career advising to enable veterans to achieve their academic goals. Those veterans without a high school diploma can take the basic skills classes to prepare to take the GED exam. Refer to <https://uwm.edu/trio/adult-programs/veterans-upward-bound> for more information on this program.

High School diplomas

Local School Boards in the state of Wisconsin, under the authority of Wisconsin Statutes section 120.13 (37), may award a high school diploma to veterans who left high school before receiving a high school diploma to join the U.S. armed forces during a statutorily designated war period. to learn more on his program refer to <http://dva.state.wi.us/Pages/educationEmployment/High-School-Diplomas.aspx>.

Academic Credit for Military Experience (ACME)

Service members, reservists, and veterans pursuing a college education may be able to obtain academic credit for military courses they have completed through the military. Prior to enrollment, individuals should discuss possible credit with the Veterans' Coordinator at the college or university they plan to attend; credit received may reduce attendance time and cost. They may obtain information regarding transcripts and potential credit for military experience from the links contained in the website <http://dva.state.wi.us/Pages/educationEmployment/Academic-Credit-for-Military-Experience.aspx>

Veteran Recreation Benefits

Disabled Veterans Fishing License

Wisconsin disabled Veterans with a combined service-connected disability rating by the VA of 70% or greater; or are receiving service-connected disability benefits as individually unemployable are eligible for a disabled Veteran reduced-fee fishing license.

Bear License for Purple Heart Recipients

Residents and nonresident Purple Heart medal recipients who exhibit proof they received a Purple Heart medal are eligible to receive a one-time transfer of a Class A Bear license.

Conservation Patron License for Purple Heart Recipients

Any resident Purple Heart recipient who exhibits proof at a Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Service Center of having received a Purple Heart medal is eligible to purchase a Conservation Patron license for \$10. Nonresident Purple Heart recipients may purchase the license for \$161.

Free Hunting or Fishing License for Returning Veterans

Recently returning Wisconsin resident veterans may receive a one-time free small game, archery, gun deer or annual fishing license.

Military Free Fishing and Small Game Hunting License

Any active duty Wisconsin resident who presents their military I. D. and leave papers is eligible for a free small game license, turkey permit, and fishing license. They may also purchase one bonus antlerless deer carcass tag for any ONE unit with a quota; even if the unit is sold out, a sturgeon spearing license after the October 31 deadline, through the end of the open season for spearing sturgeon; and are eligible to receive a one-time transfer of a Class A Bear license. All other hunting, trapping or fishing licenses can be purchased at resident rates.

Active Duty Hunting, Trapping, and Fishing Licenses

Non-Resident military members stationed in Wisconsin may receive licenses at the resident rate.

State Parks

Disabled veterans with 70% or greater disability may receive waivers of vehicle admission and trail pass fees to Wisconsin state parks..

Other Wisconsin State Veteran Benefits

Military Funeral Honors Program

The Military Funeral Honors Program (MFHP) in Wisconsin provides a final tribute to the men and women who served our state and nation honorably as members of the U.S. armed forces.

Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemeteries

Upon meeting eligibility standards, veterans are provided a burial at no cost, spouses and dependent children will incur a burial fee at one of 3 state Veterans Memorial Cemeteries. go to http://dva.state.wi.us/Documents/memorialsBurialsDocuments/WDVA_B0145-Wis-Veterans-Memorial-Cemeteries-forWeb.pdf for a cemetery brochure that covers burial eligibility requirements, burial options, burial fees, pre-registration, donations, military funeral honors, and floral policies



Central Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemetery
N2665 Highway QQ, King, Waupaca County, Wisconsin 54946
Tel: (715) 256-3513 | Email: cwvmc@dva.wisconsin.gov



Northern Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemetery
N4063 Veterans Way, Spooner, Washburn County, Wisconsin 54801
Tel: (715) 635-5360 | Email: nwvmc@dva.wisconsin.gov



Southern Wisconsin Veterans Memorial Cemetery
21731 Spring St., Union Grove, Racine County, Wisconsin 53182
Tel: (262) 878-5660 | Email: swvmc@dva.wisconsin.gov

Transportation to VA Medical Appointments

Wisconsin veterans may use one of two programs that assist veterans who need help getting to VA medical appointments. The Wisconsin Department of the Disabled American Veterans operates several

vans around the state that normally stop at predetermined locations and then transport to the various medical centers. For veterans who live in locations not served by the DAV most counties provide some type of assistance.

Veterans & Military License Plates

Special license plates are available to veterans, retired military service members, medal recipients, and members of the active or reserve military. Some 51 different service and/or medal designations are currently available



The below military seals go on the left side of the license plate. The corresponding words go at bottom of the plate - see example above

New issuance plates



U.S. Air Force
 Air Force Veteran
 Air Force Reserve
 Air Force Retired
 Air Force Academy

U.S. Army
 Army Veteran
 Army Reserve
 Army Retired
 Military Academy



U.S. Coast Guard
Coast Guard Veteran
Coast Guard Reserve
Coast Guard Retired
Coast Guard Academy



U.S. Marine Corps
Marine Corps Veteran
Marine Corps Reserve
Marine Corps Retired



U.S. Navy
Navy Veteran
Navy Reserve
Navy Retired
Naval Academy



U.S. Merchant
Marine Academy



Pearl Harbor
Survivor

War Veterans



World War II Veteran



Korean War Veteran



Vietnam War Veteran



Persian Gulf War Veteran



Iraq War Veteran



Somalia War Veteran



Afghanistan War Veteran



Medals and Honors



Distinguished Service Cross Medal



Air Force Cross Medal



Air Force Distinguished Service Medal



Distinguished Service Medal



Coast Guard Distinguished Service Medal



Navy Distinguished Service Medal Silver Star Medal



Legion of Merit Medal



Distinguished Flying Cross Medal



Soldier's Medal



Navy and Marine Corps Medal



Airman's Medal

Coast Guard Medal



Bronze Star Medal



Purple Heart

Combat Wounded Veteran

Things you should know

- **No special parking privileges are provided with military plates.** See [Disabled Veteran license plates](#) or [Disabled parking identification cards](#) for information about special parking privileges for persons with disabilities that impair the ability to walk.
- Some 51 different service and/or medal designations are available (see form [MV2653](#) for detailed listing.) [Pictures of decals.](#)
- Plates are transferable to surviving spouse.
- For information about special license plates for [ex-prisoners of war](#), [Medal of Honor](#) or [Wisconsin National Guard](#) members, contact the [Special Plates Unit](#).
- Military license plates can feature regular numbers or a personalized message.
- A \$15 issuance fee is required when **non-personalized** Military plates are issued. WisDOT will transfer funds to the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs, Veterans Trust Fund. This fee may be tax deductible for certain tax filers; consult your tax advisor.
- A \$15 fee is required **EACH** year in addition to the regular annual registration fee for **personalized** plates.
- Plates may transfer from an auto to a truck or vice versa upon payment of the full registration fee unless vehicle is converted from an auto to a truck or vice versa. The real registration must be changed to reflect the current plate type.
- If the vehicle receiving military license plates is already titled/registered in your name, complete the vehicle section on form [MV2653](#).
- If the vehicle is not titled in your name, complete the title application - form [MV1](#) and form [MV2653](#), then send them with all the required fees to the address on form MV2653.

How to apply:

Military license plates are not available at local DMV service centers.

If the vehicle is titled in your name, send:

1. Completed the Military License Plates Application form, [MV2653](#) with signed Proof of Eligibility or photocopy of eligibility documentation (see page 1 of the form);
2. Issuance fee, if requesting non-personalized plates;
3. Personalized plate fee, if requesting personalized plates;
4. Annual registration fee if you do not have plates or if your current plates expire within the next three months;
5. Check or money order made payable to: Registration Fee Trust;
6. Mail with payment to: Wisconsin Department of Transportation, Special Plates Unit, P.O. Box 7911, Madison WI 53707-7911

If the vehicle has not been titled in Wisconsin or if you are purchasing the vehicle send:

- Wisconsin title OR out-of-state title.
- A completed form [MV1](#) with signed proof of eligibility signed.
- Completed form [MV2653](#).
- Regular registration fee (See [DMV fees](#))
- [Title fee](#).
- \$15 original issuance fee or \$15 if ordering personalized license plates.
- Appropriate sales tax or claim valid exemption.
- A check or money order payable to: Registration Fee Trust. Mail to: Wisconsin Department of Transportation, Special Plates Unit, P.O. Box 7911, Madison, WI 53707-7911

Personalized license plates

- Personalizing your military license plates is optional.
- A \$15 personalized plate fee is required each year in addition to the regular annual registration fee.
- Visit Personalized Plate Lookup at <https://trust.dot.state.wi.us/ppup/searchPlate.do> to find out if your choice for a personalized license plate is available.
- No refund or adjustment will be made for a change of choice or spacing after the plates are ordered, or if the application is unclear or incorrectly completed.
- WisDOT may refuse to issue, or may recall after issuance, a request that may be offensive to good taste or decency, misleading or conflicts with any other license plate.
- After you receive the Certificate of Registration, allow 4-6 weeks for the manufacturing and mailing process before the plates arrive.

Driver Licensing, & Vehicle Registration

When the U.S. is involved in a military conflict, anyone who is a member of the military and stationed outside of Wisconsin is considered to be on "active duty" for the purposes of eligibility for modified procedures for the following driver licensing and registration measures: Driver license renewal; duplicate driver license; insurance information; suspended or revoked license reinstatement; medical report; vehicle registration renewal; dealer and salesperson licenses; motor carrier fees and reports; and special license plates.

Visit Wisconsin Dept. of Veterans Affairs website <http://dva.state.wi.us> for contact information and benefits assistance.

[Source: <http://www.military.com/benefits/veteran-state-benefits/wisconsin-state-veterans-benefits.html>
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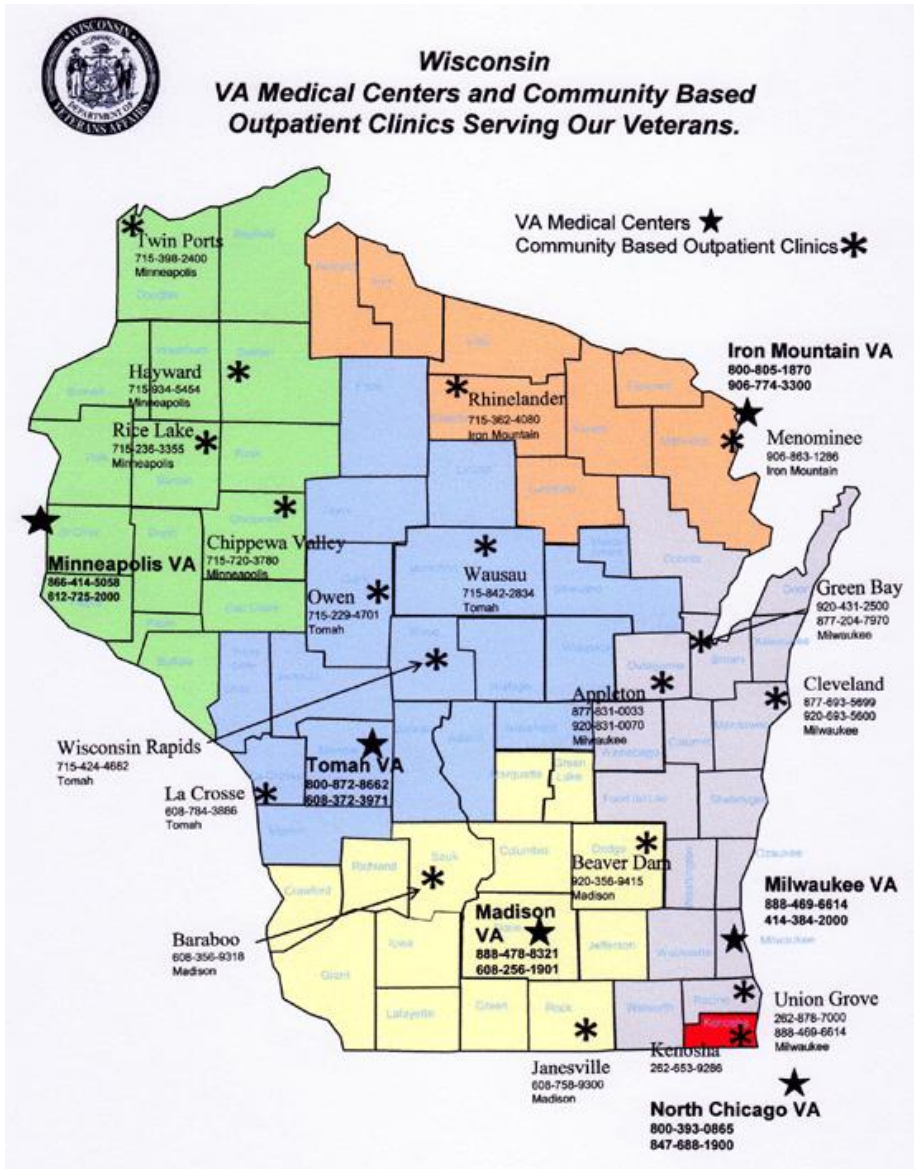
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WWW.WISVETSMUSEUM.COM/EVENTS

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Military Discounts in Wisconsin

1. Wisconsin has the highest ratio of civilian stores with military discounts per thousand military personnel and veterans in the country. In addition to businesses providing discounts, the state of Wisconsin also provides discounts for those that have served. To find business discounts, enter your zipcode and category in the search box above

<http://militaryandveteransdiscounts.com/location/wisconsin.html>

2. **Veterans Designation on drivers license:** Yes

3. **Discounted Fees and Taxes -**

- Reduced fishing license fee for 70% or more disabled veterans.
- Free hunting and fishing license for certain eligible armed forces residents

4. **Property tax and Financial Benefits -**

- Individual income tax exemption for pay received from federal government while on active duty.
- State tax exemption for military retired pay (with certain restrictions).
- Property tax exemption for totally disabled veterans and certain un-remarried surviving spouses.
- Home Improvement Loan Program (HILP) for veterans, and certain National Guard and Reservists

5. **Education Discounts -**

- 100% of tuition and fees at any UW or Wisconsin Tech College for eligible veterans (including qualified National Guard members) and of spouses and children of service members who die in the line of duty or have an eligible partial disability.
- 100% Tuition reimbursement for eligible National Guard members attending in-state public institution.
- Lifetime in-state tuition for eligible veterans.
- Veterans Education Reimbursement Grant.

6. **State Ranking for military discounts:** No. 2

[Source: <http://militaryandveteransdiscounts.com/location/wisconsin.html> May 2017 ++]

