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## **Veteran Benefits**

Eligibility for most federal and state benefits is based on discharge from active military service under other than dishonorable conditions. Active service means full-time service as a member of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, or as a commissioned officer of the public health service, the Environmental Services Administration, or the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. Current and former members of the Selected Reserve may be eligible for certain benefits, such as home loan guaranties and education, if they meet time-in-service and other criteria. Men and women veterans with similar service are entitled to the same federal and state veterans benefits.

The eligibility policy is set by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. To determine potential eligibility for such benefits click [here](#).

The **Virginia Department of Veterans Services advocates for Virginia veterans** and connects them to earned benefits and services they have earned. Information on current federal, state and local veterans' programs, entitlements and referral services is available in Virginia through a network of 26 benefit service offices. All services are provided free of charge. To view the DVS benefits brochure click [here](#).

To find the office nearest to you, search on [VeteransNavigator](#) and type **Benefits** and your City, County or Zip in the search.

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