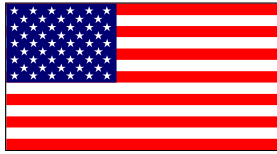


SOLDIERS', SAILORS' AND MARINES' FUND – Provides

temporary assistance to war-time veterans or dependents that need assistance with basic needs. Call 860-566-2677 for more information.



Thank You To All Of Our Veterans!!!

SURVIVING SPOUSES AND DEPENDENTS OF VETERANS MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS –

Contact the Veterans' Service Officer at the CT Department of Veterans' Affairs at 860-616-3686 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

DISCOUNTS ON FAIRVIEW CEMETERY PLOTS – As a West

Hartford veteran who has served during wartime you may receive a 10% discount on cemetery plots at Fairview Cemetery. Contact 860-521-5270 for more information.

BURIAL BENEFITS – Veterans or spouses who predecease a veteran may be eligible for free marble headstones, delivered to the cemetery. Any reputable funeral home will have this information or you may make an appointment with the Veterans' Service Representative at 860-721-5893.

AS A RESIDENT OF WEST HARTFORD YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR...

- Energy Assistance
- Dial-A-Ride
- Homeowner's Tax Relief
- West Hartford Senior Centers
- Renter's Rebate
- ADA Transportation
- Elmwood Community Center
- Volunteer Services
- And many more...

Please contact the Department of Human and Leisure Services at 860-561-7561 for more information.

The office is open Monday – Friday from 8:30am until 4:30pm.



WEST HARTFORD VETERANS

Did you know you may be eligible for...

- ★ **TAX RELIEF**
- ★ **BEST WAYS TO ACCESS YOUR MEDICAL BENEFITS**
- ★ **WAIVER OF CONNECTICUT DRIVER'S LICENSE FEES**
- ★ **REDUCED FEES FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION CLASSES**
- ★ **WEST HARTFORD VETERANS SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE**
- ★ **REEMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE FOR OEF/OIF VETERANS**
- ★ **EMPLOYMENT SERVICES FOR VETERANS**
- ★ **COUNSELING**
- ★ **VETERANS TUITION WAIVER PROGRAM**
- ★ **DISCOUNTS ON FAIRVIEW CEMETERY PLOTS**
- ★ **BURIAL BENEFITS**

TAX RELIEF – Veterans, disabled Veterans, surviving spouses and low-income veterans may be eligible for property tax breaks. Contact the Tax Assessor at 860-561-7414.

BEST WAY TO ACCESS MEDICAL BENEFITS – Apply **in person** at the information desk at the VA Medical Center in Newington at 555 Willard Avenue (phone number is 860-666-6951). Bring discharge papers/DD214 and a photocopy of your latest tax return. Be prepared to spend some time with a benefits counselor.

WAIVER OF CT DRIVER'S LICENSE FEES – Any person in active service for one licensing period within two years of separation is eligible. Contact the Wethersfield DMV at 860-263-5700 or toll free at 1-800-842-8222 or on the web at www.dmvct.org.

WEST HARTFORD VETERANS AFFAIRS COMMISSION – Meetings are held 3rd Wednesdays of every month at 7pm at Town Hall in Room 312. Contact Jack Opinski at 561-7447 for more information.

WEST HARTFORD VETERANS SERVICE AND ADVOCACY REPRESENTATIVE – If you need assistance or have any questions about applying for your benefits, a Department of Veterans Affairs Officer is available. Contact the State of Connecticut Department of Veteran Affairs at 860-616-3686.

REEMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE FOR OEF/OIF VETERANS –

- **Employer Support for the Guard and Reserve (ESGR)** – Protects reemployment rights of veterans or reservists regarding their civilian jobs. Educates, promotes and awards employers. Contact ESGR at 860-721-5901.
- **VETS** – Organization that handles more formal reemployment complaints of veterans, reservists and National Guard members. Contact VETS at 860-263-6490.

EMPLOYMENT SERVICES FOR VETERANS AT CT DEPT. OF LABOR – Employment assistance, veterans preference, training, job fairs, career coaching, resume preparation and unemployment insurance. Contact 860-263-6000 or www.ctdol.state.ct.us/veterans for more information.

COUNSELING/HARTFORD VETERANS CENTER BENEFITS – Any combat veterans, spouses and families can contact the Hartford Veteran's Center on 30 Jordan Lane, Wethersfield, CT at 860-563-2320 for individual/family counseling, benefits assistance/referrals, job referrals and bereavement counseling. They also act as a liaison with other VA facilities.

MILITARY SUPPORT PROGRAM – Provides counseling assistance to citizens, soldiers and families affected by deployment in OEF/OIF. Call toll free 1-866-251-5913 for 24 hour live assistance.

VETERANS TUITION WAIVER PROGRAM – Certain veterans and children of MIA/POW may be eligible to attend state or technical colleges tuition free. Call the Education & Employment Center at 1-800-842-0229 or contact any public college or university for more information.

CONTINUING EDUCATION – West Hartford veterans receive a \$10.00 discount on Continuing Education classes. Contact 860-561-6900 for more information.