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New Mexico State Veteran's Benefits

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

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New Mexico Veteran Housing Programs

Homeless and At Risk Veteran Services

Through the New Mexico Veterans Integration Center (NMVIC) in Albuquerque, DVS provides transition services for homeless and at risk NM veterans.

The NMVIC facility at 13032 Central Ave SE provides housing, meal service and a continuum of support services designed to assist homeless veterans to self-sufficiency.

Contact them at:

Office (505)265-0512

Residential: (505)275-8200 Ext.118

Email: info@nmvic.org

New Mexico Financial Assistance Benefits

Veterans' Tax Exemption

Any veteran who was honorably discharged from the U.S. Armed Forces and served 90 or more days of active duty and has established legal residency in New Mexico, qualifies for the New Mexico Veterans' Tax Exemption.

Disabled Veteran Tax Exemption

Any veteran who has been approved for 100 percent service-connected disability compensation benefits by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is eligible for a complete property tax waiver on their primary residence.

New Mexico Education Benefits

Children of Deceased Veterans

Children between the ages of 16-26 whose veteran parent was killed in action or died as a result of their wounds incurred in battle, qualify for a full tuition waiver at any state funded post-secondary school. A \$150 stipend, per semester, will be issued to help with books or fees.

Vietnam Veteran Scholarship

Veterans who have been residents of New Mexico for a minimum of 10 years, served in Vietnam, and were issued the Vietnam Campaign or Service Medal are eligible. The Vietnam Veteran Scholarship will pay full tuition and books at any state funded post-secondary school.

World War II and Korean Veterans High School Diploma

Any WWII or Korean War veteran who joined the Armed Forces while attending a New Mexico high school prior to graduation is eligible for a high school diploma.

Wartime Veteran Scholarship Fund

Can be used by any veteran who has served in combat since 1990 and who has exhausted all available federal G.I. Education Benefits options. An eligible combat veteran who has served since 1990 will thus no longer have to worry about utilizing their GI Education Benefit bill under a deadline which may not fit their timeframe.

Other New Mexico State Veteran Benefits

Disabled Veterans Hunting and Fishing License

Any veteran rated 100% service-connected disabled, qualifies for a free lifetime small game hunting and fishing license in the State of New Mexico.

Hunting Fee Discount for Non-Resident Disabled Veterans Undergoing Rehabilitation

Hunting licenses for deer, antelope, elk, javelina and turkey may be sold to non-resident disabled U.S. military members or veterans at resident license-fee rates if the applicant is undergoing a rehabilitation program utilizing hunting activities supported by the U.S. Department of Veterans' Affairs (VA) or an authorized nonprofit organization.

Temporary Hunting and Fishing License for Active-Duty Military Personnel

Any active duty military personnel, National Guard or Reserve member who is a legally domiciled resident of New Mexico can apply for a temporary active duty fishing or small game hunting license. Applicants must show proof of residency and not claim residency elsewhere. Applicants may also apply if they are on active duty outside the state but are currently on leave in New Mexico for not more than 30 days.

Veterans' License Plates

Any veteran who was honorably discharged from the Armed Forces of the U.S. is eligible for a New Mexico license plate. A fee and registration is required for some plates.

- Armed Forces Plate
- Woman Veteran Plate
- Purple Heart
- 50%+ Disabled Veteran
- Pearl Harbor Survivor
- Ex-POW
- Medal of Honor
- Gold Star Family

Visit the [New Mexico Department of Veterans Services](#) website for more information on any of these programs.