# **FACT SHEET**

## Who we are...

DAV is a leading nonprofit that provides a lifetime of support for veterans of all generations and their families. **Every year, we help more than 1 million veterans in positive, life-changing ways** by helping them access benefits they earned such as health care, education and disability—and connecting them to meaningful employment opportunities. DAV is the nation's most resourceful veterans service organization, keeping the promise to support those who served.

## What we do...

- > We help veterans of all generations access the health care, education and disability benefits they earned.
- We helped veterans and family members obtain more than \$4.3 billion in new and retroactive benefits in 2017.
- With nearly 1,300 chapters, DAV provides a national network of local support for veterans and their families.
- Disabling injuries are often part of military service and can impact a veteran at any stage of life, so we are there with support for veterans whenever they need it.
- We hosted 140 career fairs in 2017.

Learn More: dav.org/veterans





# How we support all veterans and their families...

#### **Provide resources**

- Each year, we assist with more than 250,000 claims for veterans to receive the VA benefits they've earned and stay with them through every step of the process.
- We distributed nearly \$1.4 million in emergency financial assistance to veterans impacted by <u>natural disasters</u> in 2017.

- Our benefit experts, who are veterans themselves, know how to navigate the VA system, help veterans obtain benefits and connect them to the support they need.
- Our transition advocates, on military bases across the <u>country</u>, provide face-to-face support to help those leaving active duty access their benefits and successfully transition back to civilian life.

#### **Create employment opportunities**

- ▶ We sponsor <u>career fairs</u> across the country and online that connect veterans with employers.
- Our tools, <u>resources</u> and opportunities help thousands of veterans and their spouses get jobs every year.

#### **Mobilize volunteers**

- Our volunteers are often located onsite at VA medical centers where they provide nearly 1.5 million hours per year, visiting veterans and assisting families in need.
- Each year, our volunteers provide nearly 615,000 rides to help veterans get to and from medical appointments at <u>no cost</u> to the veteran.



#### Advocate for veterans

- We fight for the rights of all veterans, informing the public and lawmakers of the challenges veterans face and rallying Americans to join the <u>cause</u>.
- We advocate for productive solutions with the Department of Veterans Affairs and fight for causes like veterans <u>health care reform</u> and benefits for <u>women veterans</u>.
- With more than <u>1 million</u> members, our powerful voice ensures veterans are heard at the local, state and federal levels.

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