

Connect to the VA



VA.gov is the gateway to access and manage your VA benefits and health care. <https://www.va.gov>



The VA Welcome Kit provides an overview of benefits and services. <https://www.va.gov/welcome-kit/>



With the official **VA: Health & Benefits** app, you can manage your VA health care, benefits, and payments from your mobile phone or tablet. <https://mobile.va.gov/app/va-health-and-benefits>



My HealtheVet is a free online tool to manage your health care. Refill and track prescriptions, access your medical records, and communicate with your health care team. <https://www.myhealth.va.gov>

Veterans Crisis Line



Contact the **Veterans Crisis Line**. Available 24/7 via phone, text, and online chat.

Receive crisis support

The Veterans Crisis Line provides confidential crisis support for Veterans and their loved ones. You don't have to be enrolled in VA benefits or health care to connect.

Crisis Hotline Dial 988 (then press 1)

Text Hotline Text at 838255

<https://www.veteranscrisisline.net/get-help-now/chat/>

Hilltowns V.E.T. Coalition Members

ASHFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT

412 Main Street
Ashfield, MA 01330
413.625.8200

GOSHEN POLICE DEPARTMENT

40 Main Street
Goshen, MA 01032
413.268.3116

PLAINFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT

315 Main Street
Plainfield, MA 01070
413.634.0139

VA CENTRAL WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS

421 North Main Street
Leeds, MA 01053
413.584.4040

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Hilltowns

VETERAN

ENGAGEMENT TEAM

*Fostering meaningful
connections between
Veterans, Service Members,
their families, and first
responders.*



The Mission

Our mission is to decrease isolation, increase access to resources, and cultivate positive relationships within the veteran community.

Through proactive outreach and engagement initiatives, V.E.T. seeks to bridge the gap between Veterans and first responders, fostering mutual understanding, respect, and collaboration.

Local Resources

Veteran Services Agent

Ashfield & Plainfield:

Greenfield District Office

Phone: 413-772-1571

Ashfield Office Hours

Second Thursday of each month,

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Town Hall, 412 Main Street

Goshen:

Central Hampshire Veterans' Services

Phone: 413-587-1299

By Appointment Only

www.massvetsadvisor.org

Greenfield VA Clinic

143 Munson Street

Greenfield, MA 01301

413.773.8428

Housing/Homeless Services VA Homeless Outreach Team

413.584.4040 x2122

Soldier On Transitional Living Program Intake

413.207.7605

VA Central Western MA Mental Health Walk In Clinic

413.584.4040 x1052

Veteran Justice Outreach

413.584.4040 x2022

W. Springfield Vet Center

413.737.5167

“Have you or a loved one served in the military?”

During any contact with a police officer, fire fighter, EMT or emergency dispatcher, you may be asked this question. If **Yes**, a member of the team may reach out to you to check in.

The Program

By offering support and connection, we aim to empower Veterans and Service Members to thrive and access the resources they need to lead fulfilling lives beyond their service.

