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# Thank you!

Special thanks to our President, Line Officers, PDPs, District Presidents,  
Program Chairmen and  
Every Auxiliary Brother and Sister in the great Department of New York  
for all you service to and for our Veterans and Their Families!

## National Service Officers

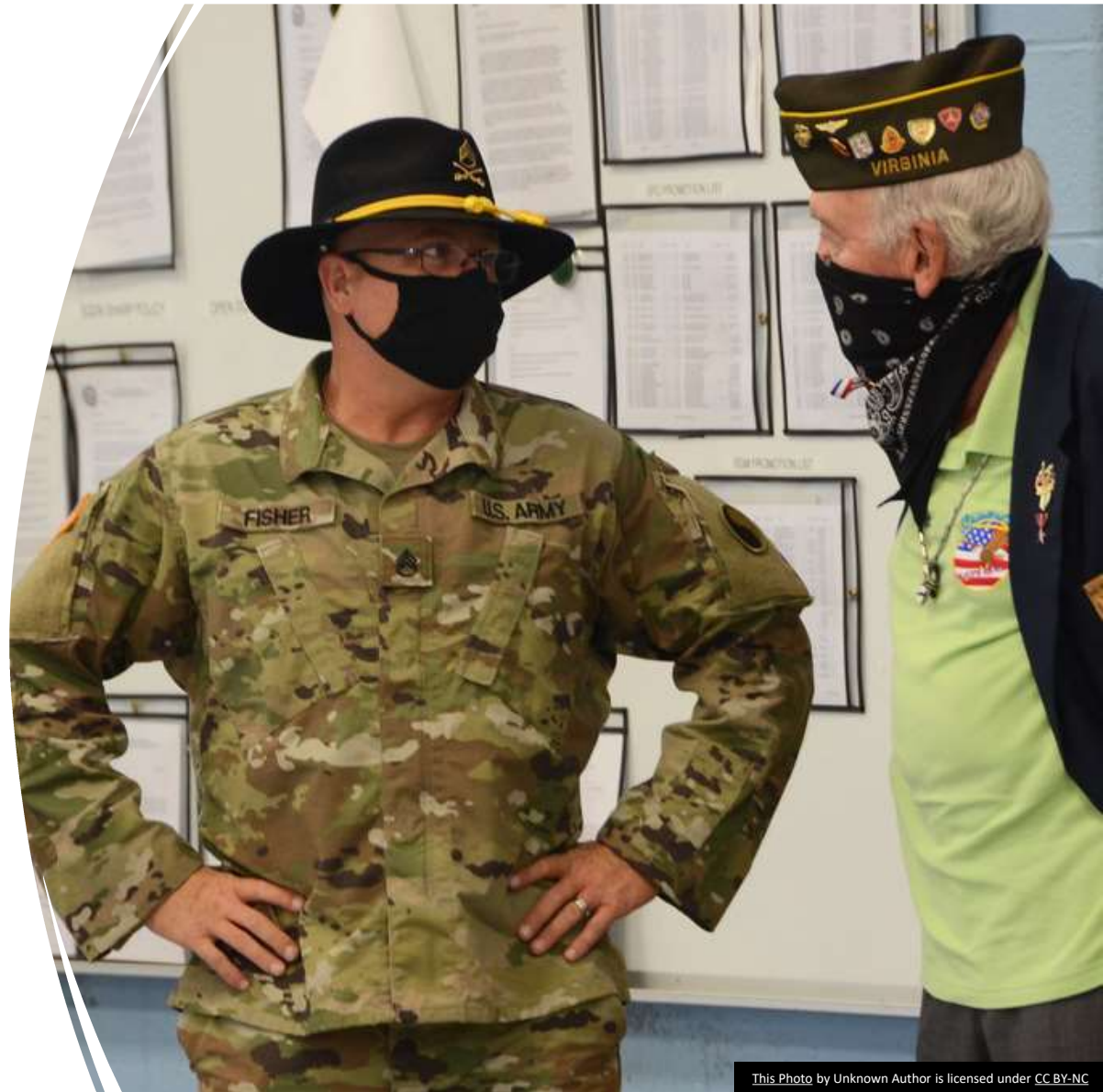


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# National Veterans Service (NVS)

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- Nationwide network of 300 VFW Service Officers
- Free service
- Help navigating the Veterans Affairs system.
- Highly trained professionals



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# Supporting Veteran Caregivers

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- Full-time caregivers may be entitled to assistance from Veterans Affairs (VA).



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# Homeless Veterans

**Special Project of President  
Lisa**

**Donations**

**Stand Downs**

**Hold an event to provide  
food, clothing, health  
screenings, etc.**



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# Suicide Prevention and Mental Health Awareness

Change the stigma

Suicide is on the rise in our Veterans



# Stop 22

Suicide Prevention and Mental Health Awareness



Veterans Crisis  
Line

**988**

**Press 1**

**24/7, 365  
days/yr.**



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# Mental Wellness Support and Resources

- VFW Mental Wellness Campaign
- Campaign to Change Direction
- Give an Hour
- Patients Like Me
- One Mind
- The Elizabeth Dole Foundation
- Help Heal Veterans
- Veterans Voices Writing Project





## Support Families of Veteran suicide

- Be mindful of Veterans in Crisis
- Support families who have lost a veteran family member
- Offer support
- Hold fundraiser to help with bills.

# VFW Veterans and Military Support Programs

- *Military Assistance Program- (MAP)-funds to posts to forge bonds with military units*
- *Unmet Needs-grants for eligible Veterans in need*
- *“Sports Clips Help a Hero Scholarship” –up to \$5,000 to help qualifying veterans to help meet educational goals*

Rain? Snow? Sleet?

The Auxiliary work goes on!

Keep up your great work!

We have “Hands that Serve, Hearts that Care” as we are “Winning the Race for our Veterans and Their Families”

Loyally,

D. Ippolito, Veterans and Family  
Support Chairman 2022-2023



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