

The VFW Military Assistance Program (MAP) is the outstretched hand between the VFW and the local military, offering support to you, your unit and its loved ones during all phases of deployment.

Through local VFW channels, MAP sponsors morale-boosting events such as homecoming celebrations, send-offs and other special events. MAP provides the support you and your unit deserve.

IS YOUR UNIT INTERESTED IN BEING ADOPTED?

VFW and its Ladies Auxiliary adopt hundreds of military units around the world. We develop supportive, ongoing relationships with your unit and your family to help deliver the vast network of resources VFW has available for the military community. Let us know if your unit is interested in learning more by contacting us today!



VETERANS &
MILITARY
SUPPORT
PROGRAMS





Financial Assistance unmetneeds@vfw.org



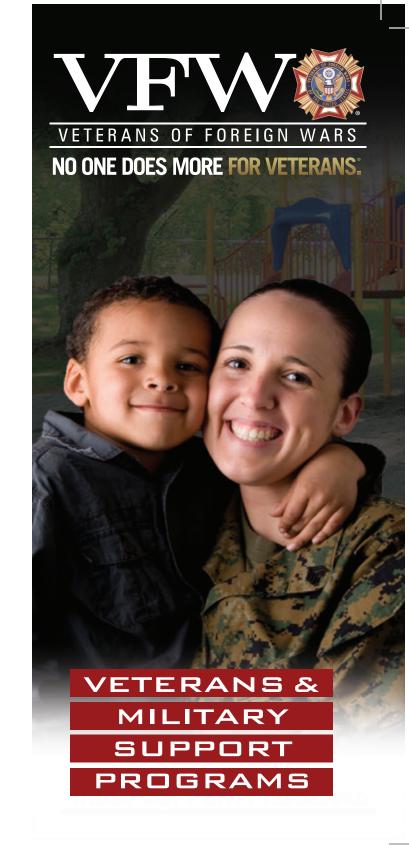
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NO ONE DOES MORE FOR VETERANS.

WHAT IS THE VFW?

The Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) is the nation's largest organization of combat veterans. Since 1899, we have been dedicated to helping our veterans, service members and their families through programs designed by veterans, for veterans. **No One Does More For Veterans.**

HOW CAN VFW HELP YOU?

All too often, deployments mean incredible financial and emotional hardships for you and your family. The VFW's Veterans & Military Support Programs are here to offer the support and assistance military families need to endure these hardships.

WHAT DO THE VFW'S VETERANS & MILITARY SUPPORT PROGRAMS OFFER?

Assistance aimed to support you and your family during all phases of deployment. The programs are:

- **★ Unmet Needs**
- **★** Operation Uplink™
- ★ VFW's "Sport Clips Help A Hero Scholarship"
- **★ Military Assistance Program**





The *VFW Unmet Needs* program provides up to \$5,000 in financial assistance to service members and military families who face unexpected financial difficulties as a result of military service. The program assists with the costs associated with basic life needs and does not require repayment. Qualified applicants must have served on active duty within the past 72 months.

WHAT CAN GRANTS BE USED TOWARD?

- ★ Mortgage and rent
- ★ Home and auto repairs
- ★ Insurance
- ★ Utilities, food and clothing

INELIGIBLE EXPENSES INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:

- ★ Credit cards—personal, military or store
- ★ Loans—personal, student or payday
- Bank fees
- ★ Legal or educational expenses
- ★ Cable, Internet or secondary phone
- IRS or military debt, or debt owed to a friend/family member
- Bills due to excessive use or mismanagement

Unmet Needs also stands ready to assist military families who are victims of **natural disasters** with grants totaling \$300-\$500.



VFW Operation Uplink ™ connects you with your loved ones, **free of charge.** If you're hospitalized or stationed overseas, contact us for more details.





The VFW's "Sport Clips Help A Hero Scholarship" program provides service members and veterans with the financial assistance they need to complete their educational goals without incurring excessive student loan debt. Scholarships of up to \$5,000 will be awarded to eligible applicants. Applications are accepted January 1 - April 30 for fall semester and August 1 - November 15 for spring semester.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS MUST BE:

- ★ Retired or honorably discharged, active duty or a member of the National Guard/ Reserves.
- ★ Separated with or currently hold a military rank of E-5 or below.
- ★ Demonstrating a need for financial assistance.
- ★ Participating in, accepted to or currently enrolled in a VA approved program or school at an accredited post-secondary institution.