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DVS Scheduled to Make the Following August Veterans Benefits and Property Tax Exemption/Waiver Service Day Visits

The New Mexico Department of Veterans Services (DVS) has scheduled the following in-office veterans benefits outreaches in August at the locations listed below. Veterans or their eligible dependents can drop by to get information about or help with filing VA claims, applying for state veterans benefits, or assistance with any other issues a veteran needs help with.

<u>Date</u>	<u>City/Venue</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Time</u>
Aug. 3	Edgewood /Community Library	171B NM 344	10am-2pm
Aug. 4	Capitan /Public Library	101 East 2nd St.	10am-3pm
Aug. 11	Albuquerque /South Valley Multipurpose Sr.Ctr.	2008 Larrazolo Rd.SW	11am-2pm
Aug. 15	Bernalillo /Sandoval County Administrative Bldg.	1500 Idalia Rd.	10am-2pm
Aug. 16	Albuquerque /Highland Senior Center	131 Monroe St. NE	10am-2pm
Aug. 17	Albuquerque /Los Volcanes Senior Center	6500 LosVolcanes Rd. NW	10am-2pm
Aug. 18	Wingate /Wingate High School	1731 Shush Dr.	10am-4pm
Aug. 19	Sandia Park /Vista Grande Community Center	15 La Madera Rd.	10am-2pm
Aug. 22	Albuquerque /North Domingo Baca Multigenerational Center	7521 Carmel Ave. NE	10am-2pm
Aug. 26	Rio Rancho /Loma Colorado Main Library	755 Loma Colorado Blvd. NE	10am-2pm
Aug. 29	Albuquerque /North Valley Senior Center	3825 4th Street NW	noon-4pm
Aug. 30	Albuquerque /VA Hospital Lobby	1501 San Pedro Dr. SE	10am-2pm
Aug. 31	Belen /Belen Senior Center	715 South Main St.	10am-2pm

DVS has also scheduled the following Veterans Property Tax Exemption/Waiver outreach below.

Aug. 10	Los Lunas /Valencia County Assessor's Office	444 Luna Ave.	10am-2pm
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DVS and Valencia County assessor's staff will help veterans or unmarried widows of veterans file for the veterans property tax exemption—which is a \$4,000 reduction off the taxable value of a primary residence. Veterans rated by the VA as 100% permanent-and-total, service-connected disabled can file for the *veterans property tax*

waiver, which eliminates the entire property tax bill. Unmarried widows of veterans can also apply for this waiver.

Proof veteran status and NM residency required

Proof of veteran status must be provided when filing for the veterans property tax exemption—and can be done by bringing either a copy of a veteran’s DD-214 separation form, a National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Form 56-16, or a U.S. Public Health Service (PHS) Form 1867.

If filing for the property tax waiver, please bring a copy of the letter from VA declaring a 100% permanent-and-total, service-connected disability rating.

Proof of residency must also be provided, and can be one by bringing either a valid New Mexico driver’s license, voter registration card, or your latest state income tax return.

For further questions, please contact DVS Event Planner Joseph Dorn at josephM.dorn@state.nm.us or (505) 861-9117.

As a reminder, veterans from anywhere in the state can also contact any DVS veterans service officer with in-person office assistance...or through remote assistance by phone or email. For a list of all DVS field offices, please go to: <https://www.nmdvs.org/new-mexico-offices/>

The New Mexico Department of Veterans Services

The New Mexico Department of Veterans Services (DVS) provides support and services to New Mexico’s 151,000 veterans and their families. DVS treats every veteran, regardless of their rank achieved during military service, with the respect and gratitude befitting someone who has served our country. We strive every day to live up to our agency’s official motto: *Serving Those Who Served*

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