



# VETERANS SERVICES OFFICE

INDIAN RIVER COUNTY VETERAN SERVICE OFFICE

ARMY, MARINES, NAVY, AIRFORCE, COAST GUARD

# Our MISSION

- To advise and assist veterans, their dependents and survivors, in the preparation and filing of claims for service connected disability compensation, death pension and accrued benefits, veteran's life insurance and other claims for benefits which they may be entitled to under federal or state statutes.
- To strive to enhance the quality of life of Indian River County veterans through the procurement of available health care from the West Palm Beach VA Medical Center as well as the VA Outpatient Clinics in Fort Pierce, Vero Beach, and Viera, Florida. To assist veterans in obtaining copies of military discharge documents, service medical records and VA claim files.
- To assist veterans, their dependents and survivors of Indian River County in any way possible and to preserve and improve the quality of their lives by assisting them in the obtaining of all the available benefits.
- To assist veterans in obtaining transportation to the VA medical Center in West Palm Beach through the use of the Veterans Council of Indian River County medical transportation service.

# Our Services

- Aid and attendance/housebound claims
- Burial allowance
- Domiciliary care
- Headstone requests
- Homestead tax exemption
- Non-service connected disability compensation claims
- VA Medical Center enrollment
- Vocational rehabilitation
- Widow's/Widower's benefits

The Veterans Council of Indian River County provides free transportation for eligible veterans to and from the VA Medical Center in West Palm Beach, Florida. The bus makes one trip per day. Stops are from Sebastian through Vero Beach

To see the current schedule, visit [VeteransCouncilIRC.org](http://VeteransCouncilIRC.org) to reserve a seat, call: **772-226-1695**. Spouses/caretakers are entitled to ride with their veteran, providing that room is available. The buses are wheelchair accessible.

# Your Benefits

## **All Veterans are entitled to:**

- Veteran's Preference
- Burial in National Cemetery w/ Spouse
- Headstone
- Presidential Memorial Certificate

## **Service Connected Medical Disability Benefits:**

- 10% or more service connected disability veterans are entitled to \$5,000 homestead exemption
- 30% or more service connected disabled veterans receive VA healthcare travel pay
- 30% or more service connected disabled veterans receive free VA healthcare

## **100% Permanent and Totally Disabled Service Connected Medical Benefits**

- Disabled license plate
- Fishing license
- Homestead exemption
- Dependent's education
- Dependent's healthcare

**DEPARTMENT OF  
VETERAN AFFAIRS**

**1-800-827-1000**

**VA.gov**

**MEDICAL SERVICES**

**Veterans Affairs Medical Center**

**West Palm Beach**

**7305 North Military Trail**

**West Palm Beach, FL 33410**

**1-800-972-8262**

**VETERANS AFFAIRS  
OUTPATIENT CLINIC  
VERO BEACH**

**372 17th Street**

**Vero Beach, FL 32960**

**772-299-4623**

**VETERANS AFFAIRS  
OUTPATIENT CLINIC  
VIERA**

**2900 Veterans Way**

**Viera, FL 32940**

**1-887-878-8387**

# IRC Veteran Services

## Office Hours

8:30 AM - 12 PM and 1 – 5 PM

MONDAY THRU FRIDAY

## **MAIN OFFICE – VERO BEACH**

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John Birhanzi

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## **SEBASTIAN FIELD OFFICE**

Robert Gonzalez

1921 US Highway 1

Sebastian, FL 32958

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When you come into the County Veteran Service Office, there is a trained professional with a compassionate understanding of the problems that confront veteran’s widows, widowers, and children