

MEET THE IRC VSO TEAM

Vero Beach Office

PHONE: 772-226-1395 FAX: 772-770-5038
HOURS: MON, TUES, THURS, FRI BY APPOINTMENT ONLY. WALK-IN-WEDNESDAYS WITH FOR CONCERNS THAT TAKE 30 MINUTES OR LESS.

2525 ST LUCIE AVE, VERO BEACH, FL 32960

Sebastian Office

PHONE: 772-226-1145 FAX: 772-581-4988
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1235 MAIN STREET, SEBASTIAN, FL 32958

All Wait Times are Currently Under 30 Days!!!



Melissa Arndt

Background: Melissa is a service-connected, disabled veteran that retired from the US Army as a Master Sergeant after 20 years of service. 25% of her 20-year career was spent participating in numerous combat operations in Iraq and Afghanistan. Melissa's highest military award is the Bronze Star Medal with two oak leaf clusters. Melissa is a member of various veteran's organizations within the county and sits as a voting board member for the Veterans Memorial Island Sanctuary Committee.



John Birhanzl

Background John C. Birhanzl, a service-connected disabled veteran, continues his service to his country and his sisters and brothers in arms and their families. John served in the United States Air Force for 34 years retiring at the rank of Senior Master Sergeant. John participated in numerous combat and support operations including serving in theatre for Operation Desert Storm / Desert Shield, Hurricane Katrina relief efforts, Operation Iraqi Freedom, and Operation Enduring Freedom.



Carri Henry

Background: Born and raised in South Florida Carri joined the United States Air Force in 1989 where she was a K-9 officer in Law Enforcement. Carri had a break in service where she worked for several local citrus companies. She then re-enlisted in the Army after 9/11 and served an additional 19 years. Carri retired as a Platoon Sergeant. "I am so blessed to have been given the opportunity to serve Veterans in my community."



Michelle Auton

Background: Michelle is a four-year Veteran of the U.S. Army as a Nuclear Weapons Specialist and a Combat Medic, having served both in Germany and Ft. Stewart, Ga. Michelle has been in the healthcare field serving as a Healthcare Administrator, Assisted Living Administrator, Dementia Practitioner, and a Montessori Dementia Care Professional.



Mike Deakyne

Background: Mike is a service-connected disabled veteran that retired from the Coast Guard as a Chief Petty Officer after 20 years of service. Mike is a proud father of two children and spends his time with them exploring the beaches and parks of beautiful Florida.

ALL Indian River County Veteran Service Officers are ACCREDITED by the: American Legion, Florida Department of Veterans Affairs and Disabled American Veterans



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IRC VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE UPDATES

WALK- IN-APPOINTMENTS NOW AVAILABLE!

Walk-in-Wednesdays are now available in Vero Beach
Walk-in-Thursdays are now available in the NEW Sebastian
Office, located at 1235 Main Street Sebastian, FL 32958
Hours: 9:00 am- 12 pm, 1:00 pm-4:00 pm

INCREASED SUPPORT AND OUTREACH

- 53% increased in calls and support from Quarter 1 last year to current year.
- Hired and Trained 3 NEW accredited Veteran Service Officers.
- Expanded support with NEW Sebastian Office.
- Increased number of Veteran Office Visits by 8.4% in Quarter 1.
- Outreach for direct support at Piper Aircraft and Career Source.
- Increased awareness through Senior Expo, Community Resource Fair, and Health Fair participation in Indian River County.
- Helped coordinate Jackie Robinson Training Center donations to support over 40 local Veteran's with furniture donations.

Indian River Property Appraiser Tax Exemptions for Veterans and Spouses of Veterans

- Homestead
- Widow/Widower
- Low Income Senior
- 100% Total and Permanent Disability Exemption
- Disabled Veteran's Exemption

Please go to the
<https://www.ircpa.org/>
to learn more about
these exemptions and
needed documentation



Where May I file for a Veterans Exemption?

A Florida drivers license is required.

Vero Office:
1800 27th Street, Building B
Vero Beach, FL 32960
Tel: (772) 226-1469
FAX: (772) 770-5087
Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00 - 5:00

Sebastian Office:
1921 U.S. Highway 1
Sebastian, FL 32958
Tel: (772) 226-1133
Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00 - 5:00

And be sure to "Tell em, Wesley sent me"



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