Montgomery County, MD - Veterans Network Directory

Minority Veterans

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American Minority Veterans Research Project

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Student interns, volunteers and Advisory Board provide service, support, and research data for all veterans, especially minority veterans. Provide referral service to the National Archives, the Library of Congress, and the Military Personnel Records in Missouri along with other state and federal agencies for veterans, surviving spouses and their dependents to ensure quicker access to personnel records unfolding the awards, decorations, citations and/or ribbon to include the presumptive benefits to which they are entitled. Not part of the Department of Veteran Affairs nor any of our fine Service Organizations; help veterans to navigate the DVA system to obtain essential and inherit privileges. American Minority Veterans Research Pilot Project's student interns and volunteers seek to work closely with various veterans' organizations, the Department of Veterans Affairs as well as the Montgomery County Office of Human Rights to seek additional community wide support.

Center for Minority Veterans - U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

810 Vermont Avenue Washington, DC 20420 www.va.gov/centerforminorityveterans 202-461-6191 (V)

The Center Director serves as principal advisor to the Secretary on the adoption and implementation of policies and programs affecting minority Veterans. The Center serves as an advocate for minority Veterans by conducting outreach activities to promote the awareness and use of VA benefits and services. The Center only acts as a mediator and facilitator, and as such does not process claims, handle equal employment complaints, or employee relation problems. Offer information, specific programs, statistics and more for African American / Black Veterans / Servicemembers; American Indian and Alaskan Native Veterans / Servicemembers; Asian American and Pacific Islander Veterans / Servicemembers; and Hispanic Veterans/Servicemembers.

Minority Veterans of America

E-mail: minorityvets@gmail.com https://minorityvets.org

Non-profit organization designed to change the narrative of the American military Veteran. Work to build community around the unique identities that Veterans hold, outside of their identity as a military servicemember. The primary underrepresented groups that MVA serves are: Veterans of color, women, LGBTQ, and religious and non-religious minorities. Provide advocacy, allyship and education.

Native American Veterans Association

E-mail: info@navavets.com www.navavets.com

1-888-412-5997 (Toll Free)

Non-profit Native American based organization that advocates for tribal and non-tribal Veterans and their families. Services include assisting Veterans and dependents when applying for Federal, State, and County benefits and all other rights to which they are entitled in the most expedient manner possible. Offer traditional healing ceremonies at no cost to the Veteran. Hold annual summits and annual two-day Veterans appreciation and cultural gatherings.

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National Association for Black Veterans

https://nabvets.weebly.com/

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Provide strategic advocacy on behalf of its membership with Congress and the federal administration; state administrations; county and city legislators; and other agencies and oragnizations. Mission is to serve all Veterans, but especially low-income Veterans. **Claims Service:** File and process VA claims, discharge upgrade assistance, advocacy and supportive services, and power of attorney.