



Central Washington Veterans Update



Dear Friends,

I have the great honor of serving the many veterans in Washington's 4th Congressional District. This newsletter is an update on the work I've been doing this Congress on behalf of the brave men and women in Central Washington who served in our Armed Forces.

It is the responsibility of the federal government to provide our veterans with the respect and highest level of care they deserve, to ensure that their sacrifices were not in vain, the legacy they entrusted to us remains intact, and the flame of liberty never falters.

Thank you, Central Washington veterans, for your service and please feel free to reach out to my office for any assistance.

God Bless,

Dan Newhouse



Since January 2023:

Veteran-Related
Bills Co-Sponsored

8



Votes Supporting
Veterans

7



Veteran-Related
Letters Sent

3



Central WA
Veterans Helped

59



VETERANS SERVICE RESOURCES

WA STATE DEPT. OF VA
1102 Quince St. SE
Olympia, WA 98504
1-800-562-2308

YAKIMA VALLEY VET CENTER
2119 West Lincoln Ave
Yakima, WA 98902
(509) 457-2736

RICHLAND VA CLINIC
825 Jadwin Ave., Suite 250
Richland, WA 99352
(509) 946-1020

OKANOGAN COUNTY VETS
1 Tonasket Shop Road
Tonasket, WA 98855
(509) 486-2121

Taking Action for Our Veterans

KEY LEGISLATION

H.R. 592 - VA Electronic Health Record Modernization Improvement Act

Fix the VA's handling of the Oracle Cerner electronic health record system and ultimately ensure that VA Medical Centers are well-equipped to implement and use the new system.

H.J. Res. 33 - Honoring the Sacrifices Vietnam Veterans Made

Honoring the courage and sacrifice of Vietnam War veterans and offering an apology on behalf of the U.S. government for the mistreatment they received abroad and upon returning home.

Gold Star Families Remembrance Week

Designates September 17 - September 23 as Gold Star Remembrance Week and recognizes the sacrifices made by veterans' families and the families of members of the Armed Forces who made the ultimate sacrifice to defend freedom.

H.R. 1147 - Veterans Right to Expediency Act

Ensures that veterans are informed in a timely manner of the outcome of their Department of VA disability claim.

H.R. 705 - Veterans 2nd Amendment Protection Act

Prohibits the VA from transmitting certain information to the National Instant Criminal Background System utilized by licensed importers or dealers of firearms.

H.R. 41 - VA Same-Day Scheduling Act

Requires the Department of VA to report on the average time it took to provide a veteran with a service guide dog, and legislative recommendations to reduce wait time.

LETTERS

To: Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority

A letter concerning leadership decisions made at Ronald Reagan Washington Airport that negatively impacts veterans visiting our nation's capital to visit the memorials and monuments erected in their honor.

To: U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

A letter expressing continued concern over the final Department of VA rule relating to "Changes in Rates VA Pays for Special Modes of Transportation" and the need for a legislative fix for air and ground 911 ambulance transports.

To: U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

A letter calling on the VA Deputy Secretary to provide additional resources to help local medical centers manage the additional workload created by the failed implementation of the new electronic health record system.

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