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Arkansas State Veteran's Benefits

The state of Arkansas provides several veteran benefits. This section offers a brief description of each of the following benefits.

- Arkansas Veterans Home
- Financial Assistance Benefits
- Education Benefits
- Other State Veteran Benefits

Arkansas Veteran Housing Programs

Arkansas Veterans Home

Founded in Little Rock in 1980, as a domiciliary, the Arkansas Veterans Home now provides 55 domiciliary and 61 intermediate care nursing beds. The home provides a meaningful living environment for honorably discharged veterans. Residents also have full access to the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and Central Arkansas Veterans Healthcare System. With twenty-four hour nursing service and a staff physician, medical needs are fully met. With licensed social workers and an activities director, each resident has the support and encouragement he or she might need to promote a healthy active lifestyle.

Visit the [Arkansas Department of Veterans Affairs](#) website for contact information and benefits assistance.

Arkansas Financial Assistance Benefits and Personal Property Tax Exemption

Arkansas Veterans who have been rated, by the VA, as 100% service connected (Permanent and Total) or awarded Special Monthly Compensation for loss or loss of use of one or more limbs total blindness in one or both eyes are entitled to exemption of Homestead and Personal Property Tax. Widows, so long as they do not remarry, dependent children, during their minority, continue this entitlement. Widows, so long as they do not remarry, dependent children, during their minority, are also eligible for this entitlement if the veteran was killed or died in the scope of his military duties, is missing in action, or died from service connected causes as certified by the Veterans Administration.

Gross Receipt of Tax Exemption

or gross proceeds derived from the sale of motor vehicles and adaptive equipment to disabled veterans who have purchased the vehicles or equipment with the financial assistance of the Veterans Administration as provided under 38 U.S.C. 1901-1905 (AR Code 26-52-401 (7) et. seq.) Gross receipts or proceeds derived from the sale of a new automobile to a veteran who is blind as a result of a service-connected injury. Registration will require an entitlement letter from the VA and will be limited to one new vehicle every two (2) years. This exemption defines automobile as a passenger vehicle or pick up truck but does not include trucks with a maximum gross load in excess of three-quarter (3/4) ton and does not include any trailer.

Income Tax Exemption

Provides an exemption of the first \$6,000.00 of service pay or retired pay for members of the Armed Forces to include Reserve Components or for retired members who are residents of the State of Arkansas.

Homestead

Arkansas Education Benefits

Educational Benefits

Arkansas Department of Higher Education (ADHE) has the authority to provide free tuition and fees at any state supported college, university, technical school, or vocational school; to the wife and children of any Arkansan who has been declared to be Prisoner of War or placed in a missing-in-action status since January 1, 1960. The same provisions apply to the surviving spouse and children of any Arkansas resident killed in action since 1960.

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Other Arkansas State Veteran Benefits

Arkansas Department of Parks and Tourism

Arkansas resident veterans permanently service connected at a 100% disability rate may camp for half price in Arkansas State Parks. Proof of 100% status is required.

Arkansas Game and Fish Commission

Resident 3- year Disability Fishing License- RDC (\$10.50) entitles all 100% totally and permanently disabled persons privileges of the Resident Sportsman's License (hunting) and the Resident Fisheries Conservation License (fishing). HIP registration is required to hunt game birds. To hunt waterfowl, state and federal waterfowl stamps are required in addition to HIP. A Trout permit must also be purchased to fish in certain waters. Certification will be accepted from Social Security, Veteran's Affairs or Railroad Retirement. Proof of one year's Arkansas residency is required to apply for this license. Valid for three years from date of purchase, recertification is required for renewal. These two licenses are only available from the Commission's Little Rock office. If you wish to purchase a license, bring proof of one year Arkansas residency, such as driver's licenses, state ID, property assessments, Arkansas state income tax forms and acceptable proof of disability.

License Plates

The Revenue Division will provide (upon receipt of proper certification letters) a number of special privileges and benefits for Arkansas residents, including special license plates for Congressional Medal of Honor recipients, Purple Heart recipients, Ex-Prisoners of War, Disabled Veterans, Pearl Harbor Survivors, Armed Forces Retired, and Military Reserve.

Arkansas State Veterans Cemetery

Dedicated in 2001, our cemetery is dedicated to providing an honorable place of rest for the veterans of the State of Arkansas. Our mission is to preserve the dignity, beauty and serenity of this cemetery to honor all who sacrificed to make possible the freedom that we are able to enjoy today.

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