

Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs

Serving those who have served the Commonwealth and our great Nation



SENATE VMAPP

**Commissioner
Whitney P. Allen, Jr.
LTC, US Army (Retired)
January 18, 2024**

KDVA MISSION/ VISION



"Ensuring that Kentucky's veterans receive all the benefits and services they have earned."



"Serving Kentucky's Veterans Since 1998."

- Serve as a reputable bridge/liaison with:
 - National/regional federal VA agencies and initiatives.
 - State government agencies and services available to veterans.
 - State boards/commissions such as Governor Advisory Board, Governor Challenge, Kentucky Commission on Military Affairs, etc.

- Provide unique outreach events, forums and training to:
 - Understand new VA benefits/entitlements laws and policies.
 - Discuss challenges and issues veterans face.
 - Annual executive-level professional development training for newly elected state VSO commanders/service officers and veterans-board appointed members.

- Attend/participate in traditional veteran events as attendees, speakers and KDVA outreach representatives.

- KDVA's veterans centers and cemeteries have served as:
 - Volunteer opportunities for VSO members and organizations.
 - Locations for special events such as Veterans Day, Memorial Day, Wreaths Cross America ceremonies.
 - VSO provides over 1,000 military honors in FY24 to date.
 - Considered integral part of the community.

EXAMPLES OF KDVA INVOLVEMENT WITH KY VSOs



Memorial Day Ceremony at KDVA's Cemetery



Veteran Program Trust Fund Check Presentation VFW State Conference



Veteran Leaders at KET Forum



Senator's Paul Veteran Outreach Event



Military Honors Ceremony for WWII Veteran



New KDVA Office Grand Opening Ceremony Pulaski County Government Building

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Veteran Program Trust Fund Board Meeting



VSO Check Presentation to the veterans of Thomson Hood Veterans Center



Lest We Forget Concert

KDVA Virtual Suicide Prevention Summit

Hear from Federal and State Leaders, VA and Mental Health Professionals and More...

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Sept. 29
9 AM to 3 PM

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KDVA Suicide Prevention Virtual Event

HERE.IS.BETTER.

MOVIE SHOWING & PTSD AND SUICIDE AWARENESS TOPIC DISCUSSION

HOSTED BY
DAV CHAPTER 003
IN PARTNERSHIP WITH
KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

*Pritchard Community Center
404 S Mulberry St, Elizabethtown, KY 42701*

DATE: **WEDNESDAY
MARCH 20, 2024**

TIME: **5:30 PM**

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC



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KEEPING OUR PROMISE TO AMERICA'S VETERANS
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HOPE MADE THE MISSION POSSIBLE



Joint DAV-KDVA Event



Conference Attendees Listen Panelists Discuss Latest Veterans Issues and Topics



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Panel Session with National, State and Local Veterans Community and Service Organizations



Veteran Leaders Hear From VISION 9 Healthcare Leadership



Veterans of Foreign Wars National Director of Services



Lt. Gov Coleman Presents KDVA Ambassador Award to David Best, President, Governor's Advisory Board

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