

# WASHINGTON STATE VET CORPS

## VET CORPS MISSION: EMPOWER AND SUPPORT THOSE WHO SERVED, THEIR FAMILIES, AND OUR COMMUNITIES.

The WDVA Vet Corps is funded through an AmeriCorps grant.

Through training and peer-to-peer support, Vet Corps members support student Veterans, Veterans in the community, and military families by building on shared experiences and creating supportive relationships. This invaluable assistance, in turn, provides Veterans with information about services available or assists Veterans with navigating processes that can be overwhelming to navigate on their own.



FIND OUT IF YOUR SCHOOL OR ORGANIZATION HAS A VET CORPS MEMBER OR WHETHER YOUR SITE MAY BE ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE A VET CORPS MEMBER:

[WWW.DVA.WA.GOV/VETCORPS](http://WWW.DVA.WA.GOV/VETCORPS)

CONTACT VET CORPS AT:  
[VETCORPS@DVA.WA.GOV](mailto:VETCORPS@DVA.WA.GOV)



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The Washington State Department of Veteran Affairs (WDVA) Vet Corps program is funded by AmeriCorps. Started in 2005, the program stations individuals, referred as Vet Corps members (VCMs), at colleges, universities, and community organizations throughout Washington state. The program is specifically designed to help Veterans and their family members navigate their journey as they transition from military to civilian/collegiate life. As part of the program, a Vet Corps member, typically a Veteran or a military-connected family member, provides a peer connection for Veterans to help answer specific questions or concerns they may have as they transition, and connects them to federal, state, and local Veteran benefits. Additionally, Vet Corps provides training and support to faculty, staff, administration, and community members to increase awareness of Veterans' needs.



## BECOMING A VET CORPS MEMBER:

### VETERANS, SPOUSES AND DEPENDENTS ARE ELIGIBLE

- High School diploma required
- Ten-month positions start in September and end in June
- Alumni and current students encouraged to apply
- Full time (with flexibility) 1,700 hours of service required for Full-time status
- Monthly stipend and education award at program completion
- Applications open April – July visit: [my.americorps.gov](http://my.americorps.gov) and search Vet Corps in WA State

## VET CORPS MEMBERS:

- Provide a peer connection for Veterans new to higher education.
- Help the campus meet the needs of student Veterans by connecting them to federal, state, and local benefits.
- Connect with other Veterans on campuses and through community organizations.
- Collaborate to create a Veteran community and increase services to Veterans.
- Connect Veterans recovering from Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI), Post Traumatic Stress (PTS) and PTS as a result Military Sexual Trauma to services, support groups, and the larger Veteran community, while educating campus leaders and communities on Veteran issues.

**Vet Corps members make a positive difference in their communities and improve the quality of life for fellow Veterans and their families**

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