

## Introducing Your Washington Department of Veterans Affairs (WDVA)



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### Washington Department of Veterans Affairs Women Veterans Advisory Committee (WVAC)

*The mission of the WDVA Women Veterans Advisory Committee shall be to ensure that Washington's women veterans have equitable access to federal and state veterans' services and benefits.*

1. Connect women to their identity as veterans
2. Change the public perception of what veterans look like
3. Connect women veterans to benefits
4. Connect women veterans to community

#### Call us and let us connect you.

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## Other Women Veteran Related Information

### Are You Connected to Your Earned Benefits?

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### Do you know a Veteran Service Officer (VSO)?

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