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# FULFILLING OUR PROMISE TO OUR VETERANS IN THE COMMONWEALTH

POLICIES TO SERVE OUR COMMONWEALTH'S VETERANS



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Virginia is home to 27 military bases, including Fort Pickett & Fort Lee in the Central Virginia area. About 1 in 12 Virginians have served in the Armed Forces, including more than 25,000 veterans in Henrico and Hanover County.

**AN ESTIMATED**  
**1 IN 12**  
**VIRGINIANS ARE**  
**VETERANS**

**THERE ARE**  
**25,768**  
**VETERANS IN HENRICO**  
**AND HANOVER COUNTY**

Over the past 8 years, the Commonwealth has created programs to effectively end veterans homelessness and expanded access to job training and placement for veterans. Virginia has taken great strides in providing for our veterans, but we still have so much to do. In the State

Senate, I will fight for our military families & veterans to improve job placement, expand healthcare options, and grow educational opportunities.



Data from VA.gov

# STEPS TO SERVE OUR COMMONWEALTH'S VETERANS

## EXPAND THE V3 PROGRAM

Virginia Values Veterans (V3) Program partners with employers to understand, create, and implement best recruitment, hiring, and retention practices. Over the past 6 years, over 30,000 veterans have been hired through this program. We should continue to grow this successful program by creating a strategic goal to double the amount of veterans hired in the program over the next 4 years.

## SUPPORT VETERANS' HEALTHCARE CENTERS

Our veterans have served our country, so when they come back home, they should not have to worry about receiving quality healthcare. Our Commonwealth needs to continue to expand and develop healthcare options for our veterans. In the State Senate, I will fight for funding to continue to develop and expand our local Veterans Care Center, Sitter and Barfoot, so that more veterans will be able to have quality nursing care facilities.

## IMPROVE THE VIRGINIA MILITARY SURVIVORS & DEPENDENTS EDUCATION PROGRAM

We should remove the requirement that a veteran's disability rating be combat related to qualify for Virginia Military Survivors & Dependents Education Program. Instead, permanent service-connected disability rating of at least 90% plus satisfaction of the other requirements currently in the Code would qualify for the program. This improves quality of life for many of our veterans and their families.

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