



Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs

Joint Executive Council for Veterans Organizations

1 August 2018

Presented by
BG Benjamin F. Adams, III
Commissioner

Agenda



- Cemeteries
- Nursing Facilities
- Veterans Benefits Branch
- Women Veterans Program
- KYVETS
- Events & News



Kentucky Veterans Cemeteries

As of June 30, 2018

Kentucky Veterans Cemetery West



Opened March 1, 2004

Interments:

Veterans	2,951
Dependents	<u>1,087</u>
Total	4,038

Cremated	1,118
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Kentucky Veterans Cemetery Central



Opened June 1, 2007

Interments:

Veterans	4,694
Dependents	<u>1,118</u>
Total	5,812

Cremated	1,720
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Kentucky Veterans Cemetery North



Opened August 22, 2008

Interments:

Veterans	1,305
Dependents	<u>287</u>
Total	1,592

Cremated	610
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Kentucky Veterans Cemetery Northeast



Opened October 1, 2010

Interments:

Veterans	759
Dependents	<u>159</u>
Total	918

Cremated	269
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Kentucky Veterans Cemetery Southeast



Opened May 1, 2018

Interments:

Veterans	9
Dependents	<u>2</u>
Total	11

Cremated	4
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Total : 12,371

Kentucky State Veterans Homes



Thomson-Hood Veterans Center, Wilmore, KY
285 Beds



Western Kentucky Veterans Center,
Hanson, KY
156 Beds



Radcliff Veterans Center, Radcliff KY
120 Beds



Eastern Kentucky Veterans Center,
Hazard KY
120 Beds



Veterans Benefits Services

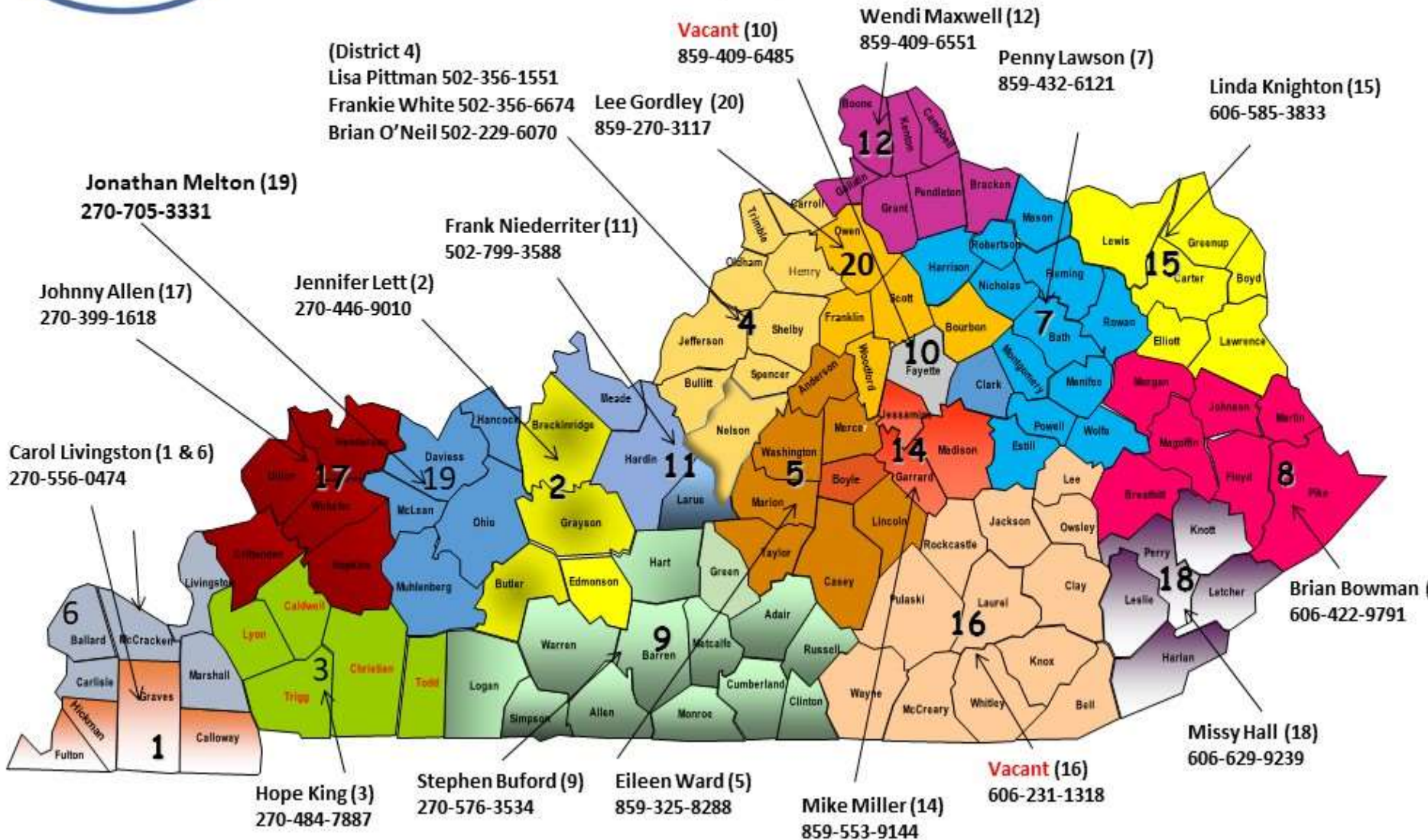
KDVA Administers a variety of assistance with benefits and services for veterans, their dependents and survivors.

- Service Connected Compensation
- Non-Service Connected Pension
- Survivors Benefits
- Educational Benefits



KDVA Field Operations

20 Field Representatives in 19 Districts



KDVA Field Operations


Headquarters for the KDVA Field Benefits Office is located with the US Department of Veterans Affairs Regional Office in Louisville.

- Leadership and Staff consist of the following:
 - Ray Harris, Benefits Branch Manager
 - 5 Regional Administrators
 - Monica Acob, Ed Day, Matt LaPierre, Allen James & Ron Hudson
 - 20 Field Benefits Representatives
 - 19 districts across Kentucky
 - Donna Scrivener Appeals Management
 - 2 Administrative Specialists



KY Women Veterans Program

2018 Events and Highlights

- Lunch and Learns
 - Women Veterans Monthly E-newsletter
 - Women Veterans License Plate
 - Continue to partner with external organizations to provide outreach
 - Operation Victory 2017 – Homeless Female Veteran identified and placed in home in Louisville
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Kentucky Veterans Employment, Training, and Support Program

KY Vets Employer services:

- ▶ education on why hiring veterans is good business
- ▶ matching veterans skills to their employment needs
- ▶ free advertisement of positions
- ▶ top talent referrals

Three Key Areas:

- Education
- Training
- Retention





Events & News

- 1 May 18: Re-interment of Medal of Honor recipient Willie Sandlin – KY Veteran Cemetery Southeast, Hyden, KY
- 27 Jun 18: President Trump presented Medal of Honor to Garlin M. Conner of Clinton County, KY
- 29 Jun 18: Veterans Coalition Meeting with Rep. Andy Barr – Lexington, KY
- 5 Jul 18: High School Diploma Presentation to WWII Veteran Sam K. Long, Jr (age 94) – Henderson, KY
- 6 Jul 18: Purple Heart presentation to former WWII POW Dudley Riley (age 94) – Henderson, KY
- 19 Jul 18: Governor's Advisory Board Meeting – Frankfort, KY
- 19 Jul 18: Barbasol PGA Tournament – Nicholasville, KY



Events & News (Cont)

- 28 Jul 18: Operations Victory first Volunteer Day, Louisville, KY
- 28 Jul 18: USA Cares Gala, Louisville, KY
- 7 Aug 18: KY Hall of Fame New Class Ceremony, Rotunda
- 9 Aug 18: Renaming of Lexington VA Centers, Lexington, KY
- 11-16 Aug 18: NASDVA, Boston, MA
- 16-26 Aug 18: Kentucky State Fair WWI Display, Louisville, KY
- 11 Nov 18: Trust Fund sponsorship of America's oldest living person, Mr. Richard Overton (age 112) and America's oldest verified surviving U.S. war veteran, to serve as Grand Marshall for this year's Veterans Day parade in Lexington, KY.



Questions?