

SANGAMON COUNTY INFORMATION & REFERRAL

Veterans Assistance Commission of Sangamon County

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Springfield, IL 62701
(217)753-6680
Fax 535-3280

Illinois Dept. of Veteran's Affairs
Springfield, IL 62794
(217)782-6641

Springfield Vet Center
Springfield, IL 62703
2980 Baker Dr
(217)492-4955

AMVETS
Springfield, IL 62702
200 S. Sixth St
(217)528-4713

Quincy Veteran Home
Quincy, IL 62301
1707 N. 12th St.
(217) 222-8641

Springfield VA Outpatient Clinic
Springfield, IL 62702
5850 S. 6th
(217)529-5046

Peoria VA Outpatient Clinic
Peoria, IL 61605
7717 N. Orange Prairie Rd.
1-800-764-8262

Danville VA Medical Center
Danville, IL
1900 Main St.
1-800-320-8387

Camp Butler National Cemetery
Springfield, IL 62707
5063 Camp Butler Rd.
(217) 492-4070

Quincy Veteran Home
Quincy, IL 62301
1707 N. 12th St.
(217)222-8641

VA Regional Office
Chicago, IL 60605
2122 West Taylor St.
1-800-827-1000

**Sangamon County Veteran Population
(2015)
16,990**

Sangamon Co. Local Posts

American Legion

#32 Springfield

#274 Rochester

#508 Illiopolis

#759 Chatham

#278 Divernon

#586 Pawnee

#509 Pleasant Plains

#277 Auburn

VFW

#8157 Auburn

#4763 Chatham

Catholic War Veterans #1916

Marine Corp League

Italian American War Veterans

Military Order of Purple Heart

AMVETS

#256 Springfield

#94 Springfield

#61 Springfield

#257 Springfield

#10 Springfield

#809 Springfield

#10302 Springfield

#755 Springfield

NAVY Club



“As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them.”

- John F. Kennedy

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RULES AND ELIGIBILITY STANDARDS

- The Veterans Assistance Program is designed to provide needed services to eligible Sangamon County veterans and families according to written standards adopted and applied consistently by the Veterans Assistance Commission of Sangamon county
- SERVICES provided are basic living expenses and advocacy services.
- ELIGIBILITY: Advocacy services are provided to all Sangamon County Veterans. The financial assistance program is provided exclusively "to Sangamon County Military Veterans who served in the Armed forces of the United States and whose last discharge from the service was under Honorable Conditions."
- The veteran MUST provide proof of their military discharge (DD214). *Reserves or National Guard training is non-qualifying unless activated until Title 10.*
- Applicants receiving financial aid from other governmental agencies, whether County, State, Federal or Township programs, are usually not eligible for financial assistance. **The financial assistance program is not designed to be an ongoing financial supportive program.**
- APPLICATION: Every Veteran has the right and is encouraged to receive and submit a written application for financial assistance.
- Prior to receiving financial assistance, a food stamp appointment letter or proof of Public Aid Benefits must be obtained, except in emergencies.

- Current Illinois Department of Employment Security job service card and/or proof of unemployment benefits, photo ID and Social Security card.

FINANCIAL SUPPORTIVE PROGRAM

- FOOD VOUCHERS
- RENTAL ASSISTANCE
- UTILITY PAYMENTS
- TRANSPORTATION TO PEORIA VA OUTPATIENT CLINIC & DANVILLE VAMC (St Louis as needed)
- VA BENEFITS
- BUS TOKENS (when available)

The Sangamon County V.A.C. Van leaves the County Building to the VA Clinics and Hospitals at the following times:

Peoria Out Patient Clinic 8:00 a.m.
Danville VA Medical Center 6:30 a.m.

The V.A.C. van meets on the Adams street side of the county building in front of the sheriff's entrance.



THE VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION

- The Veterans Assistance Commission is a separate County Governmental Agency that is operated by and for veterans. The Commission provides needed services to military veterans and their families who reside in Sangamon County.
- Local veterans' organizations are responsible for forming a VAC as is allowed under The Military Veterans Assistance Act, 330 ILCS 45.
- The VAC of Sangamon County provides emergency financial assistance paid exclusively to Honorably Discharged Military Veterans and their families.
- The VAC of Sangamon County provides emergency financial assistance for basic living expenses.
- The VAC of Sangamon County provides advocacy service to veterans and their families in applying to the proper local state or Federal agencies to procure benefits.
- The VAC of Sangamon County works closely with ALL Veterans Organizations, utility companies, landlords, local, state and Federal agencies to insure the rights and benefits to which each veteran is entitled has been granted.
- The VAC of Sangamon County provides assistance with filing claims to the United States Department of Veterans Affairs.