

# *my*VA Communities

Putting Veterans First

**MyVA Communities** bring together local resources and capabilities to improve outcomes for Veterans, transitioning Service members, and those who support them. **MyVA Communities** enable Veterans to easily identify and reach resources available to them, voice their opinions, and provide valuable input.

## **MyVA Communities are:**

### **Inclusive**

- Open to all Veterans, stakeholders, resources, advocates and existing community engagements/efforts
- Establish a collaborative network within the community and provide the opportunity to connect with other **MyVA Communities**

### **Accessible**

- Conduct public forums to provide open lines of communication and opportunities to collaborate
- Public forums will be held in geographically diverse locations to encourage broad participation

### **Community-driven**

- Focused on local issues identified by the community
- Guided by a community veteran engagement board that understand the issues and is actively engaged in them

### **Flexible**

- Chartered by communities to reflect their unique characteristics and populations
- Allow for customization to meet local needs

### **Integrated**

- Connecting and leveraging local resources and capabilities to maximize impact and improve Veteran outcomes
- VA provides an integrated presence with representation from all three administrations

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