

Veterans Corner

Veterans Identification Cards

The Kings County Veterans Service Office will start issuing I.D. cards to veterans on Monday, 8 October. The cards may be used as proof of honorable service in the United States military. This proof is needed in order to receive veteran's discounts at many of our local businesses. The veteran will no longer need to carry a copy of military discharge papers to provide proof of service.

In order to receive a card, the veteran must come to our office and provide a copy of their discharge papers (DD-214) showing honorable service, and a photo I.D. If the veteran doesn't have a copy of their discharge papers, we can order a copy. If the veteran has visited our office in the past, we may have a copy on file. If you don't have a copy, please call our office at (559) 852-2669 before your visit to see if we have a copy on file.

The veteran will complete a short application form, and briefly discuss veteran's benefits they may be eligible for. Our office staff will assist in completing any application forms for benefits.

Our office will issue cards during our normal walk-in hours – 8:30 am to 3:30 pm. We expect to have numerous requests for cards as we start issuing them. Please be patient and call ahead to (559) 852-2669 to ensure we can issue a card when you are planning on stopping by.

Contact Joe Wright if you would like to receive periodic veteran's information by email. There are many state and federal benefits and programs available to veterans and their dependents. To find out if you are eligible for any of these benefits, visit or call our office. We can and will assist you in completing all required application forms. You can get information on the Web from the Kings County Veterans Service Office website at www.countyofkings.com.

Joe Wright, retired Navy Master Chief Petty Officer, is the Veterans Service Officer for Kings County. Send your questions to the Veterans Service Office, 1400 W. Lacey Blvd, Hanford, CA 93230; call 582-3211, ext. 2669; or e-mail joe.wright@co.kings.ca.us.



Veteran ID Card Application

I understand: This ID card is NOT a Veterans Affairs issued Card. This card is being provided to you by Kings County Veterans Services. This card is NOT a medical card. This card can be used to prove service in the military in lieu of carrying a DD-214. In order to obtain this card, please provide a readable copy of all your DD-214 (Copy 4) issued to you as well as this application. ID card cannot be issued without a DD-214.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Social Security Number: _____

Place of Birth (City, State): _____

Check all that Apply:

- I have a service connected disability rating with the VA.
- I have a service connected disability rating and my disabilities have worsened.
 - I am interested in speaking to a Veterans Services Representative regarding my current disability rating.
- I do not have a service connected disability rating with the VA.
- I am interested in speaking to a Veterans Services Representative about determining my eligibility for:
 - A service connected disability rating.
 - Other available benefits.

Signature