

Dear Neighbor, Are you a veteran living in Massachusetts or the surviving spouse or child of a Massachusetts veteran? Is your child a veteran living in Massachusetts and are you dependent on them for financial support?

If so, you could be eligible for:

Help with medical expenses: Is your income lower than, or close to, \$2,265 a month as an individual or \$3,052 as a couple? Do you have less than \$8,400 in the bank or \$16,600 in bank accounts as a couple? You *may* be eligible for assistance for your medical insurance and expenses.

Cash assistance: Are you unemployed or underemployed? Is your income lower than \$1,670 a month as an individual or \$1,953 as a married couple and your assets are lower than \$8,400 as an individual or \$16,600 as a married couple? You may be eligible for cash assistance.

Are you over the age of 65 or disabled and on a fixed income? If your income is less than \$1,953 as an individual or \$2,561 as a married couple and your assets are below \$8,400 or \$16,600 respectively, you could be eligible for cash assistance, as well as assistance for most all medical insurance and expenses.

This program is administered by Central Hampshire Veteran Service Office, if you qualify, you would receive a monthly benefit check from the City/Town you reside. Please see page 2 for a list of documentation required to apply. For more information or to apply please reach out to the Veterans' Service Office. Please call 413.587.1299 for an appointment, or stop by our main office at Memorial Hall during normal business hours for a visit.

CH115 REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION*

o Veterans DD214/separation document
o Marriage Certificate, if necessary (married couple/surviving spouse)
o Death Certificate of veteran if a surviving spouse, disabled child, or parent
o Social Security, SSD, and SSI Award Letter(s) if on these benefits
o Last 3 months checking/savings account statements
o Paystubs/1099 for all sources of income if employed.
o All 401K, annuity, retirement, investment, money market, CDs, statements/documentation
o Rental Agreement if renting/Homeowners documentation and mortgage statement/no remaining mortgage provide Water, Sewer, Taxes
o Medical Insurance Policy information
o Life Insurance Policy documentation
o Driver's license/MA ID
o Vehicle registration

- o Car loan/lease documentation
- o DOR Child Support letter if applicable

Photocopies of all documentation can be made at the veteran's office.

*not all documentation may pertain to you, other documentation may be required

Who is a veteran in Massachusetts? <u>https://www.mass.gov/service-details/definition-of-a-veteran</u> For more information and calculator you can go to: <u>https://massvetben.org/</u>