

**Department of Veterans Services'
Commissioner James Hendon's Statement in
Observance of Veterans and Military Families
Month**



For generations, millions have answered America's call—taking the sacred oath to support and defend the Constitution of the United States of America. These proud men and women represent the best of this country. During Veterans and Military Families Month, we honor our Veterans and their families for their incredible service and sacrifice to protect our nation and preserve our ideals of liberty and democracy.

We celebrate our nation's Veterans and their families, who have given so much to protect our freedoms and the freedom of others around the globe. Veterans—who commit themselves to the to the ideals of integrity,

excellence, and service before self—remind us that we are a nation always aspiring to better. While we can never fully repay the debt we owe our heroes, the [NYC Department of Veterans' Services \(DVS\)](#) honors their military service and the sacrifices they have made for America's freedom by connecting Veterans to the care and support they have earned and deserve. We also salute and show gratitude to our military families who keep things running at home.

I encourage all Americans to recognize the strengths and sacrifices of our Veterans and their families. I call on all Americans, including civic and fraternal organizations, houses of worship, schools, and communities, to honor the brave and noble today and every day.

We are forever grateful for what you have done to maintain America's freedom. Happy Veterans and Military Families Month!

MORE THAN 500 FREE VETERANS MONTH/VETERANS DAY 2022 EVENTS!



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FREE **VETERANS MONTH EVENTS**
CEREMONIES, PARADES,
CONCERTS, MEALS AND MORE!

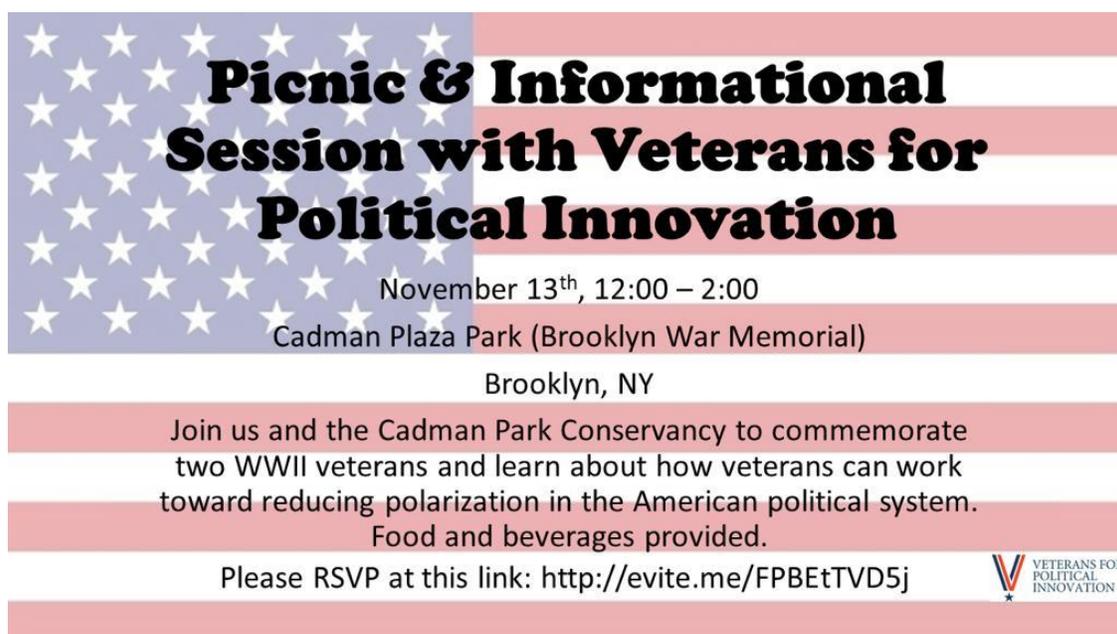


SEE THE LIST AT: [NEWS.VA.GOV](https://www.news.va.gov)
SEARCH "VETERANS DAY EVENTS"



November marks National Veteran and Military Families Month, highlighted by [Veterans Day](#) on Friday, November 11. This vast [list of Veterans Day and Veterans Month events 2022](#) is organized by state and will continue to be updated as we learn of more events. Please verify details with the event organizers.

Veterans for Political Innovation



**Picnic & Informational
Session with Veterans for
Political Innovation**

November 13th, 12:00 – 2:00
Cadman Plaza Park (Brooklyn War Memorial)
Brooklyn, NY

Join us and the Cadman Park Conservancy to commemorate two WWII veterans and learn about how veterans can work toward reducing polarization in the American political system. Food and beverages provided.

Please RSVP at this link: <http://evite.me/FPBEtVTD5j>



[Veterans for Political Innovation \(VPI\)](#), a non-partisan group supporting electoral reform by way of final five voting (open primaries + ranked choice voting), is holding a Veterans Day event in [Cadman Park](#) on Sunday, November 13th, 12 PM - 2 PM. Our aim is to get as many Veterans in the NYC area as possible to join us for more information and to become actively involved as VPI leaders within New York. We hope you will join us and help get the word out!

We'll have burgers, hot dogs and some refreshments - and we invite Veterans to join us for our first in-person gathering and for more information.

Please [RSVP](#) by clicking here or using the [Evite link](#).

For more information on VPI:

veteransforpoliticalinnovation.org.

Join Our Team! Be Part of the Mission!



Being part of our team is a great way to continue to serve. The [NYC Department of Veterans' Services \(DVS\)](#) empowers communities with Veteran talent, skills, and preparedness. Join us in serving again - your community.

See below for current job openings at DVS:

Current DVS Job Openings

[Visit NYC.gov/jobs](https://www.nyc.gov/jobs) and select “Veterans’ Services” from the agency menu to learn more about and apply to any of the jobs below.

Community Outreach Coordinator

Procurement Analyst

Director of Housing & Support Services

Director of Mental Health & Care Coordination Unit

Director of Veteran Benefit Claims Unit

Veteran Benefits Coordinator – Bronx

Veteran Benefits Coordinator – Brooklyn

Veteran Benefits Coordinator - Staten Island

Burials Care Coordinator

NYC Civil Service Job Openings and Exams



You served your country. Now serve your city!

Do your part to keep the city running! The [NYC Department of Citywide Administrative Services \(DCAS\)](#) makes City government work for all New Yorkers.

There are many diverse career opportunities with NYC DCAS.

Veterans are no longer required to pay application fees for NYC Civil Service examinations.

See below for open competitive NYC Civil Service exam highlights:

Open Competitive Exams

Architect

Are you dedicated to architectural planning and design? Applications for the Architect will be processed until November 22. Click [here](#) to register for the exam.

Economist

Do you have a passion for finance? Applications for the Economist are being considered until November 22. Click [here](#) to register for the exam.

Electrician's Helper

Do you have technical ability and strong interpersonal skills? Applications for the Electrician's Helper are being evaluated until November 22. Click [here](#) to register for the exam.

VetConnectPro: A First-in-the-Nation Employment Tool

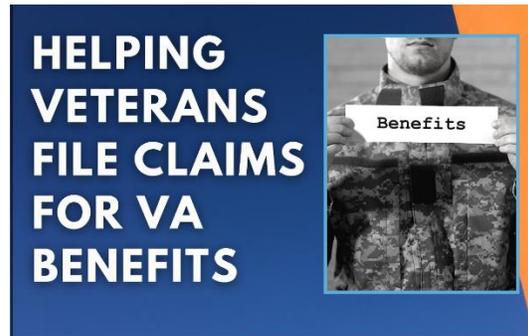


[VetConnectPro](#), is a new employment tool designed to help Veterans find employment within NYC government. The platform features a military skills translator that can match your service experience and Military Occupational Specialty (MOS) to City jobs and civil service exams. Upload your resume and get started today: nyc.gov/vetconnectpro.

Programs and Initiatives

Are You Getting the Benefits You Deserve?

The [NYC Department of Veterans' Services \(DVS\)](#) represents NYC Veterans in claims for benefits from the [U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs](#). During a time of economic crisis and high unemployment, we want to ensure that all Veterans get the financial benefits they earned and deserve. To file a claim, fill out the [VetConnectNYC.org](#) form and select **Benefits Navigation** as your preferred service.



To request claims support, visit [VetConnectNYC.org](#).



Our Fight to End Veteran Homelessness



Over the past five years, our [Housing Support Services \(HSS\)](#) team has found homes for over 1,000 formerly unhoused Veterans. Click [here](#) to learn more about DVS's efforts to end chronic homelessness among Veterans in New York City.

VetBizNYC: Supporting Veteran Entrepreneurship

DVS has launched [VetBizNYC](#), an interactive map that identifies Veteran-owned businesses across the five boroughs. New Yorkers can use our interactive map to find and support Veteran-owned businesses in their community.



Veterans Voices Project: Changing the Narrative of Veterans



Administered by the [NYC Department of Veterans' Services](#), the [Veteran Voices Project \(VVP\)](#) is an oral history initiative designed to preserve the stories of New York City's Veterans across all military branches and service areas. For more information, visit nyc.gov/vetvoices.

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- [Message the Commissioner](#)
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