

LINN COUNTY VETERAN AFFAIRS

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Our accredited County Veterans Service Officers can assist you in obtaining benefits for eligible Veterans and their eligible surviving family members. Our Service Officers will need the items listed below in order to ensure that your claim will be processed completely and efficiently.

Information needed to apply for VA Pension & Survivors Pension:

- Military Discharge - DD-214
- Marriage Information - Name, Date, Place - Start & End
- Death Certificate (if applicable)
- Spouse Date of Birth
- Spouse Social Security Number
- Previous Marriage Information- Names, Dates, Places (Started & Ended, Date, City & State)
- Birth Dates & Social Security Numbers for dependents under 18 or permanently disabled prior to age 18
- Proof of income for all income sources (Wages, Social Security, Retirement, etc.)
- Current statements for assets - including all accounts - savings, checking, stocks, bonds, CD's, IRA's, annuities, mutual funds, retirement accounts, 401K, etc.
- Direct Deposit Information - Account Number & Routing Number
- Out of Pocket Medical Expenses for one year prior to date of application - **If cost of nursing home, assisted living, or in-home care do not exceed total income**

*Includes: Medical Bills, Medical Insurance Plans, Medicare, Ongoing Prescriptions, Doctor Visit Co-Pays, Mileage to and from Dr. Appointments/Hospital, Health and Comfort items - Bed Pads, Depends, Dr. Recommended items such as Skin Lotions, Ointments, Special Diet needs such as Vitamins, Ensure, etc.

Additional forms required include:

- VA Form 21-2680 - Examination for Housebound Status or Permanent need for Aid & Attendance - **Must be signed by primary Doctor, Certified Nurse Practitioners, Physician's Assistant or Clinical Nurse Specialist.**
- VA Form 21-0779 - Request for Nursing Home Information in Connection with Claim for A&A - **Signature required by nursing home administrator**
- Worksheet for an Assisted Living, Adult Day Care, or a Similar Facility (assisted living or nursing home)
- Worksheet for In-Home Attendant Expenses (only for in-home care)
- Attendant Affidavit (only for in home care)
- Aid and Attendance Worksheet

Remember, you should never have to pay a fee in order to obtain Veterans benefits. Please contact us with any questions. 319.892-5160