

WE MEET YOU  
WHERE YOU ARE



MDVA's TVSOs are committed to educating and assisting Veterans, no matter where you live.

We are available throughout Minnesota and the Twin Cities metro area, and have the knowledge and experience necessary to serve Veterans on reservations and in rural Minnesota communities.

To schedule a meeting, please call  
**1-888-LinkVet (546-5838)**



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**SERVING NATIVE AMERICAN VETERANS  
THROUGHOUT MINNESOTA**



## BENEFITS OFFERED

There are a wide variety of benefits you have earned but may not be receiving. Your TVSO can educate you about federal and state benefits and help file claims to start receiving them. Benefits include:

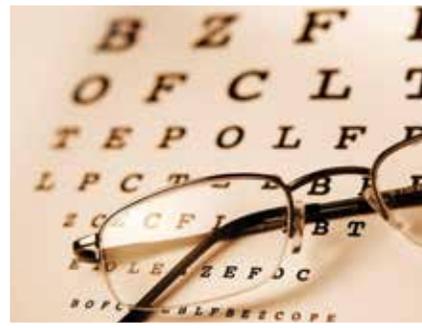
Your military service and dedication to this country have earned you the utmost respect of the nation.

There are benefits you and your family have earned through faithful service. Too often, though, confusion or lack of access stands in the way of receiving those benefits.

**The Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs** Tribal Veteran Services Officers (TVSOs) exist to be your ally and advocate as you navigate the complex system of Veterans benefits, to include coordinating with other advocates to ensure you're receiving complete benefits. TVSOs serve as your liaison to state and federal agencies and walk you through the process of applying for and receiving benefits.

## QUESTIONS?

To locate your TVSO, call MDVA's customer service line at **1-888-LinkVet (546-5838)**.



*This is not a comprehensive list, and benefit terms change frequently. For the most updated information about benefits, programs, and services, call 1-888-LinkVet (546-5838), to connect with one of our advocates.*

### STATE BENEFITS

#### **DENTAL & OPTICAL ASSISTANCE:**

An annual stipend for routine optical and dental care to qualifying Veterans and dependents.

#### **SPECIAL NEEDS GRANT:**

A once-per-lifetime financial grant to assist Veterans and dependents in a time of hardship.

#### **SUBSISTENCE:**

Temporary assistance to qualifying Veterans and dependents with short term disability.

#### **ADVOCACY:**

Our staff provides professional advocacy for navigating the complex VA system.

### FEDERAL BENEFITS

#### **NSC (NON SERVICE CONNECTED) PENSION:**

Helps families cope with financial challenges by providing supplemental income.

#### **SERVICE CONNECTED COMPENSATION:**

Veterans disability compensation pays a monthly benefit for service-connected injuries.

#### **BURIAL BENEFITS:**

Burial in a VA state or national cemetery is available for eligible Veterans and their spouses.

#### **SURVIVOR BENEFITS:**

Available to spouses, children, and parents of Veterans who are deceased or totally and permanently disabled by a service-connected disability.