



JUNE 2026

UPCOMING EVENTS



Independence Day Events

- **About:** The Fourth of July honors the bravery and sacrifice of those who have served to protect our nation's freedom. Celebrate with parades, barbecues, and time with family and friends!
- **When:** July 4, 2026
- **Find an Independence Day event near you:** bit.ly/OCJuly4Events

Orange County Summer Events Calendar

- **About:** Looking for even more ways to enjoy summer? Explore a roundup of concerts, movies, and other community events taking place throughout Orange County.
- **When:** Ongoing throughout Summer 2026 (dates vary by event)
- **More information:** [View Orange County Summer Events](#)

Veterans Coffee Talk & Veterans Resource Fair

Saturday, July 11th



Veterans Coffee Talk:
9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

- Agency speakers sharing resources and services
- Mental health and wellness support
- Breakfast, coffee, and refreshments provided

Veterans Resource Fair:
11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

- Meet directly with over 20 participating agencies
- Housing resources
- Legal assistance
- VA healthcare information
- Veteran support services

Hope to see you there. We need each other! Attendees are limited to Veterans Only

NEWPORT HARBOR POST 291 OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

215 15th Street, Newport Beach, California, 92663

(949) 673-5070 | www.al291.com

Veterans Coffee Talk and Veterans Resource Fair

- **About:** This event is for Veterans only. Veterans are invited to connect with local agencies and learn about available services and support, including mental health and wellness, housing and legal assistance, VA health care, and other Veteran resources.
- **When:** July 11, 2026, from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- **Where:** Newport Harbor Post 291 of the American Legion
215 15th St., Newport Beach, CA 92663
- **More information:** (949) 673-5070

Hire a Veteran Day

Join us for a Hiring Event in recognition of "National Hire a Veteran Day," honoring the service and sacrifices of our nation's veterans. While this event celebrates those who have served, all job seekers are welcome to attend.

Take the next step in your career. Meet with hiring managers, explore career opportunities across a variety of industries, and gain valuable insight into today's job market. Whether you're a veteran, transitioning service member, military spouse, or community job seeker, this event offers an opportunity to network with employers that are actively hiring.

Friday, July 24, 2026

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

OC Workforce Solutions

675 Placentia Avenue, Suite 330

Brea, CA 92821

Scan QR code to Register

Open to All Job Seekers

For additional information, contact:

Joshua Noonan
1-714-936-5117
joshua.noonan@edd.ca.gov

- Dress for success and bring your resume.
- Find out about job opportunities.
- Meet and interview with employers.
- Community resources available.
- Veterans Benefits and Services.
- Veteran-Friendly Employers

In partnership with the Employment Development Department and OC Workforce Solutions

The EDD is an equal opportunity employer for this information. If you need help or services because of a disability, call us at 1-816-639-3238. If you use a TTY, call the California Relay Service at 711.

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Hire A Veteran Hiring Event*

- About:** Join the County of Orange and the California Employment Development Department for the Hire A Veteran Hiring Event. Free registration, participation, and parking!
- When:** July 24, 2026, from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
- Where:** OC Workforce Solutions Center – North
675 Placentia Ave., Third Floor, Brea, CA 92821
- More information:** [Hire a Veteran Hiring Event - July 24, 2026 | Workforce Solutions](#)

*Participating employers are subject to change.



"Tuesday Tour" Patriots and Paws HQ

- About:** Tour the Patriots and Paws headquarters to learn how the organization supports Veterans and their families with essential home furnishings and other resources.
- When:** July 28, 2026, from 1-2 p.m.
- Where:** 1825 Via Burton, Anaheim, CA 92806
- Register:** ["Tuesday Tour" Patriots & Paws HQ](#)

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NEWS



**FREE RAY-BAN
META AI GLASSES**
For blind and
low-vision Veterans

Blinded Veterans Association (BVA) members who are blind or have low vision may be eligible to receive a free pair of Ray-Ban Meta AI Glasses!

Know a blind or low-vision Veteran?
Refer them to membership@bva.org to sign up for BVA membership and their free Ray-Bans.

See if you qualify: bva.org/glasses

Free Smart Glasses Available for Eligible Blinded Veterans

Eligible blinded Veterans may now receive a free pair of Ray-Ban Meta AI glasses through a partnership between Meta and the Blinded Veterans Association (BVA). The program provides assistive technology designed to help Veterans with everyday tasks, such as reading printed text, identifying objects, and navigating their surroundings using voice commands and artificial intelligence.

In addition to the glasses, participants receive training resources, including webinars, guides, and hands-on support to help them get the most from the technology.

[Learn about eligibility and how to apply on the BVA website.](#)



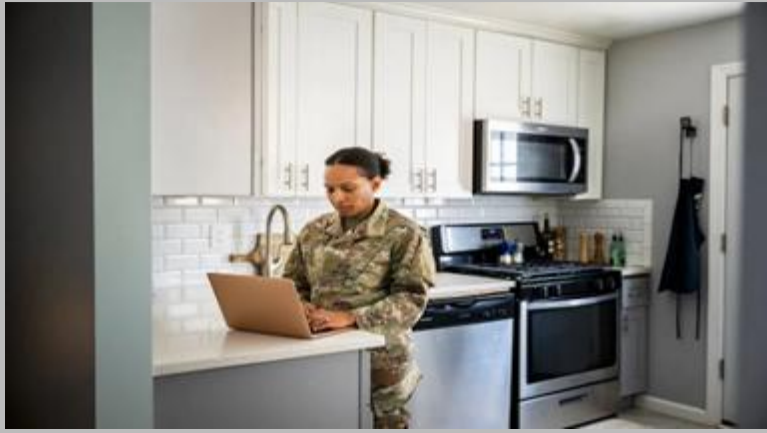
Fraud Alert: Beware the “Veterans Savings Program” Postcard Scam

A new scam is targeting Veterans with fraudulent postcards claiming you or your spouse qualify for “Extra VA Benefits.” The postcards urge recipients to call an unverified number, where scammers may try to steal personal information, including Social Security numbers or bank account details.

The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) urges Veterans to stay vigilant. Do not respond to unsolicited mail or calls requesting personal information, avoid calling unfamiliar phone numbers, and hang up on unexpected callers claiming to represent the VA.

[Read more on the VA website to learn how to recognize this scam and protect yourself.](#)

DID YOU KNOW



Veterans have the right to access their VA health records. You can download many records through My HealthVet or request copies through the VA Release of Information (ROI) process. Third-party requesters must use the ROI process. Following the correct steps can help prevent delays and protect your personal health information.

[Learn more in the VA's step-by-step guide.](#)

BY THE NUMBERS MONTHLY

Numbers are based on May 2026 service data.



Veterans Served (includes emails, calls, and appointments):
2,463



Benefits Granted by Veterans Administration:
\$1,169,914



Claims Filed:
1,144

College Tuition Savings:
\$1,168,310

For more information, contact the VSO at (714) 480-6555 or ocvso@occr.ocgov.com.

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