## **Important Contact Information**

Veterans Evaluation Services (C&P)	1-877-637-8387
Mission United	"211"
Veterans Benefits Admin. (VBA) <u>www.va.gov</u> <u>www.floridavets.org</u>	800-827-1000
Florida Department of Veterans' Affairs VSO's	239-652-1800 Ext. 20081
VA Insurance Center	800-669-8477
VGLI Insurance Center	800-419-1473
CHAMPVA	800-733-8387
TRICARE East (Humana Military)	800-444-5445
Bay Pines VA Healthcare System	888-820-0230
James A. Haley Veterans' Hospital - Tampa	813-972-2000
Lee County VA Healthcare Center 2489 Diplomat Pkwy East Cape Coral, FL 33909	239-652-1800
Douglas T. Jacobson State Veterans Home	941-613-0919
Fort Myers Vet Center	239-652-1861
Single Access Point to all VA Contact Centers (24Hrs.)	1-800-MyVA411 (698-2411)
Veterans Crisis Line	800-273-8255 Ext. 1
White House VA Hotline (24 Hrs.)	855-948-2311
Florida Veterans Support Line	1-844-MyFLVet (693-5838)
Veterans Transportation Program (Lee County VA Healthcare Center to Bay Pines)	239-652-1800 Ext. 20366
Hearts & Homes for Veterans	239-674-1719
Jewish, Family and Children, Services (JFCS)	941-366-2224 Ext. 626
Social Security Administration	800-772-1213
Military Retired Pay (DFAS)	888-332-7411
Lee County Vet. Court	239-567-5528
Home Base Wellness Program Behavioral Health Out Patient Clinic	305-972-9951 239-338-8389



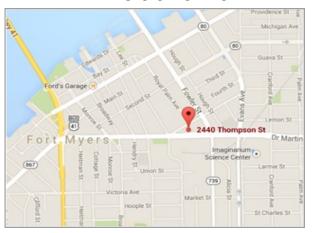








# Directions



**From I-75:** Take Exit 138 - Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Head West toward Downtown Fort Myers, approx. 4.6 miles. Turn right onto Thompson Street.

**From US 41 Business S** - Head South, cross over Edison Bridge, continue on Fowler Street, turn right on Thompson Street.

**From US 41 S -** Head South, cross over Caloosahatchee bridge, take FL-80 exit toward FL-82 Downtown. Continue onto W. First Street. Turn right on Monroe Street. Turn left onto Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Thompson Street will be a slight left turn.

From US 41 N - Head North, make right onto Dr. Martin Luther King Blvd. (Downtown) Thompson Street will be a slight left turn.







2440 Thompson St. Ft. Myers, FL 33901 (239) 533-8381 Fax: (239) 533-7976

Email: veterans@leegov.com

Web: <a href="https://www.leegov.com/dhs/veterans">https://www.leegov.com/dhs/veterans</a>

### County Veteran Service Officers

Rodney Van Ness, Manager Jon Delorenzo Jonathan Ramirez-Rivera Estefania De Los Santos, County VSO Assist.

# Veteran Services

Lee County Veteran Services provides counseling and education to veterans, their dependents and survivors on potential benefits available from the Department of Veterans Affairs and other government agencies. This office prepares all applications for benefits, which include:

- Compensation & Pension Benefits
- Aid & Attendance Benefits
- Appeals Modernization Program
- Survivor & Burial Benefits
- Additional VA Benefits

To schedule an appointment with a Veterans Service Officer, please call 239-533-8381. Appointments can be scheduled Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to noon and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. We can also be reached via email at <a href="mailto:veter-ans@leegov.com">veter-ans@leegov.com</a> to discuss questions, issues or concerns. To find more information about our services, please visit our Website @ <a href="https://www.leegov.com/dhs/veterans">https://www.leegov.com/dhs/veterans</a>

## By Appointments Only!!!

#### **WARTIME PERIODS**

Mexican	05-09-16 to 04-05-17
WWI	04-06-17 to 11-11-18
(Russian Service) (thru 04-01-20)	
WWII	12-07-41 to 12-31-46
Korean Conflict	06-27-50 to 01-31-55
Vietnam War as of	11-01-1955 to 05-07-75
Vietnam Era	08-05-1964 to 05-07-75
Gulf War	08-02-90 to Present

# No Veteran Left Behind

# Compensation Benefits

VA disability compensation is a tax free monetary benefit paid to the veteran with disabilities that are the result of a disease or injury incurred or aggravated during active military service.

Compensation may also be paid for post-service disabilities that are considered related or secondary to disabilities occurring in service & for disabilities presumed to be related to circumstances of military service, even though they may rise after service.

The Claim process in average takes 3 to 6 months

Pension Benefits

Veterans or Surviving spouses who are eligible for VA pension and require the aid & attendance of another person.

- Veterans must have served 90 consecutive days on active duty including one day during a war time period.
- Both veteran and spouse income count; unreimbursed medical expenses for both veteran and spouse are used to reduce countable income.

Assets & Net Worth should not exceed **\$150,538.00** dollars.









