

One of our nation's greatest obligations is to care for the brave men and women who fought to protect our freedoms.

Our office's door is always open to assist veterans with any challenges that they may be facing. We are also here to support and help our military families, whose sacrifice is all too often forgotten.

Veterans have contributed in countless ways to our country and community. It is my honor to now be able to serve them.



Bill works on a benefits issue with a constituent at his Cape & Islands Veterans Fair.

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LOCAL CONTACTS

Vet Facilities

- Brockton Vet Center—(508) 580-2730
- Hyannis Community Based Outpatient Clinic—(508) 771-3190
- Hyannis Vet Center—(508) 778-0124
- Martha's Vineyard Community Based Outpatient Clinic—(508) 693-0410
- Nam Vets Association of the Cape & Islands, Inc.—(508) 778-1590
- Nantucket Community Based Outpatient Clinic—(508) 825-8195
- Nathan Hale Foundation (*transportation only*)—(508) 747-2003
- Providence Vet Center—(401) 739-0167
- Quincy Community Based Outpatient Clinic—(617) 376-2010

Combat Stress & Traumatic Brain Injury

- National Center for PTSD, VA Boston Healthcare System—(857) 364-4145
- HOME Base Program—(617) 724-5202

Supporting Military & Gold Star Families

- Military Friends Foundation—(617) 733-7994
- Mass Military Heroes Fund—(888) 939-4376

Employment Opportunities

- Quincy Career Center—(617) 745-4063
- Plymouth Career Center—(508) 732-5309
- Cape & Islands Workforce Investment Board—(508) 775-5900
- Southeastern MA Veterans Center for Business & Entrepreneurship—(508) 830-1620



CONGRESSMAN BILL KEATING

Proudly Representing the Veterans & Military Families of Massachusetts' 10th Congressional District



Bill recognizes mother & daughter active service personnel at Rockland's Memorial Day Celebration.

**Overview of
Veterans' Benefits**

*Honoring Our Veterans' Service
by Fighting for Them at Home*



RETURNING VETERANS

The New GI Bill

www.gibill.va.gov

The post-9/11 GI Bill is a new education benefit program for service members and veterans who served on active duty on or after September 11, 2001.

Health Care

www.va.gov/health/default.asp

Five years of VA health care for service related issues is available for Veterans who joined the military after September 11, 2001.

Women's Health Care

www.publichealth.va.gov/womanshealth

Health services available to woman include primary and specialty care, mental health care, and reproductive health care.

Readjustment Issues

www.vetcenter.va.gov

Having difficulties making the transition from a combat environment back into civilian life is common among many veterans. The VA offers readjustment counseling through Vet Centers.

VA Housing Loans

www.homeloans.va.gov

VA home Loan Guaranties are issued to help qualified veterans obtain homes, condominiums and refinance loans.

VETERANS OF PAST CONFLICTS

Long Term Health Care Benefits

www.va.gov/health/default.asp

A person who served in the active military, naval or air service and who was discharged or released under conditions other than dishonorable may qualify for VA health care benefits.

Pensions

www.vba.va.gov/bln/21/pension/vetpen.htm

Veterans with low incomes who are either disabled or aged 65 and older may be eligible for monetary support.

Employment Help

www.vba.va.gov/bln/vre

Disabled Veterans are able to receive job training through the Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment VetSuccess Program.



Disability Benefits

<http://www.vba.va.gov/bln/21/compensation/>

Disability compensation is paid to veterans because of injuries or diseases that happened while on active duty. You can apply by filling out VA Form 21-526.

Medal Recovery & Military Records

www.va.gov/vaforms

Medals awarded while in active service are issued by the individual Military services if requested by veterans or their next of kin. Request should be submitted on Standard Form 180.



Bill honors our veterans at Quincy's Vietnam Veterans Day Remembrance Ceremony.

The Role of the Veterans Agent

<http://www.mvsoa.us/>

Every city and town in the Commonwealth has a Veterans' Service Officer who is there to support veterans, advise them of their rights and assist them in applying for and receiving state and federal benefits. These officers are excellent resources for all veterans.

To contact your local veterans' agent, call your city or town hall.



Bill greets returning members of the 102nd Security Forces Squadron at Otis Air National Guard Base.

Serve, Honor & Remember

