



# UTAH DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS & MILITARY AFFAIRS

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## MISSION

WE SERVE VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES  
by opening doors to benefits, education, and jobs, while advocating for Utah's military bases and service members

## VISION

UTAH WILL BE THE BEST PLACE in the nation to perform military missions and be recognized as a premier location for Military, Veterans, Reservists and their families to live and succeed.

## VETS IN UTAH



7,030

WWII Veterans



14,253

Korean Veterans



46,268

Vietnam Veterans



33,102

Cold War/Peacetime Veterans



56,814

Current Conflict Veterans

Total Veterans in Utah FY 2014

151,719

\*Veterans Counted multiple times if served in more than one grouping\*

9% female



91% male

## EMPLOYMENT

Unemployment rate for Veterans:  
2016

Oct - 3.2%

Nov - 2.6%

Dec - 2.3%



Utah Patriot Partners:

Nov

FY2015 - 1,514

FY2016 - 1,802

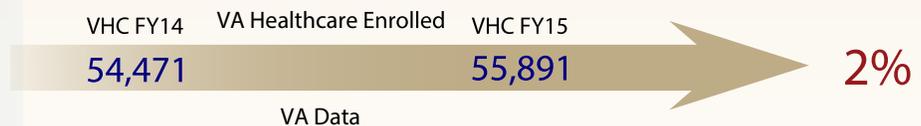
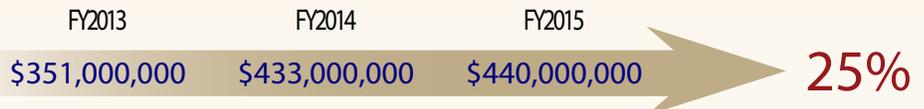
Veterans on Unemployment:

Nov

FY2015 - 688

FY2016 - 669

## VETERANS AFFAIRS VA compensation and pension increase State of Utah



## UTAH VETERANS ECONOMIC IMPACT:

\$1.9 billion

• 24,000 supported jobs

## MILITARY INSTALLATIONS - Total Annual Economic Impact 2015

\$4.6 billion

- Hill Air Force Base
- 20,000 personnel
- 48,000 supported jobs

\$225 million

- Dugway Proving Ground
- 1,500 personnel
- 2,500 supported jobs

\$114 million

- Tooele Army Depot
- 550 personnel
- 1,100 supported jobs

# Opening doors to benefits, education, and jobs for veterans

## OBJECTIVES

- Ensure the delivery of responsive, well-planned and effective services to veterans, military and their families through coordination with government agencies, academia, private partners and non-profit organizations.
- Coordinate efforts to develop and expand workload on Utah's military installations
- Improve the quality of life for Utah's veterans, military and their families by increasing awareness and access to appropriate federal, state and local resources
- Promote and coordinate events throughout the state which develop and build respect for those who have served
- Compete for national recognition as the leading innovator in the delivery of services to veterans military and their families
- Build a strong network of partners, stakeholders and champions with federal, state and local organizations.

### EDUCATION - April 2016

7,916

# of Vets

95

# of Institutions



540

# of Family Members Utilizing

3,638

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### VETERANS' INFORMATION SYSTEM DATABASE

1,263 - New files weekly

276,585 - Registered Veterans



### OUTREACH / CONNECTIONS TO VETERANS

OUTREACH 2016

#### CONTACTS

July - December 2016

8,611

July - December 2015

7,513

July - December 2014

4,195

#### CLAIMS

July - December 2016

1,064

July - December 2015

592

July - December 2014

297

#### AWARDS

July - December 2016

RETROACTIVE

\$1.5 Million

ON - GOING

\$380 K

### VETERANS HOME RESIDENTS

Occupancy - 98%

★ 5 Star Rated

Veterans - 363

851 in CY 2016

Family - 45

Employees - 800

Total Residents - 408  
(Dec 2016)

Payroll - \$20 mm

### CEMETERY INTERMENTS

FY2015 - 467

Casket to Cremains - 50:50

FY2016 - 471

FY2017 - 210 to Date

Veterans to Spouses - 80:20