



# UTAH DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS & MILITARY AFFAIRS

## Legislative Update 2020

### MISSION

We serve veterans, military service members and their families by opening doors to benefits, education and jobs, while also advocating for Utah's military bases.

### VISION

Utah will be the best place in the nation to perform military missions and be recognized as a premier location for veterans, service members and their families to live and succeed.

Executive Director:  
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Homes & Facilities:  
JEFF HANSON

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## VETS IN UTAH



**5,853**

WWII Veterans



**11,474**

Korea Veterans



**44,957**

Vietnam Veterans



**24,449**

Cold War/Peacetime  
Veterans



**53,512**

Current Conflict  
Veterans

**135,988**

Total Veterans in UT

*(Source: National Center for Veterans Analysis and Statistics FY2016)*

**9%**

Female

**91%**

Male

## EMPLOYMENT

*(Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services)*

### VETERAN UNEMPLOYMENT

Dec 18 **4.6%**

Dec 19 **1.9%**



### UTAH PATRIOT PARTNERS

FY2019 **2,384**



### ACCELERATED CREDENTIALING TO EMPLOYMENT (ACE) PROGRAM

**412**

Events

**273**

Received Licenses or Certificates

**400**

Attended

**307**

Employed

## VETERANS AFFAIRS FY18

*(Source: National Center for Veterans Analysis and Statistics)*

### VA COMPENSATION & PENSION

**\$506 million**

Compensation and Benefits

**29,100**

Veterans w/ Service-Connected Disability



### HEALTHCARE

**59,000**

Veterans Enrolled

**36,000**

Patients



## ECONOMIC IMPACT FY15

### TOTAL DEFENSE IMPACT

**\$9.2 billion**

**109,000**

Supported Jobs



### VETERANS ECONOMIC IMPACT

**\$1.9 billion**

**24,000**

Supported Jobs



### MILITARY INSTALLATIONS ECONOMIC IMPACT

**\$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

*(Source: The Kem C. Gardner Policy Institute at the University of Utah)*

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

### VETERANS OUTREACH & SERVICES

	CONTACTS	CLAIMS	FDC CLAIMS
FY17 Monthly Average	482	192	113
FY18 Monthly Average	573	238	133
FY19 Monthly Average	699	364	174

  

CENTRAL UTAH OUTREACH		CURRENT CONFLICT OUTREACH	
11 County Area	25,526 Veterans	Gulf War, Iraq, Afghanistan	
4,643 Contacts	769 Claims	1,374 Contacts	122 Claims



#### VETERAN BUSINESS RESOURCE CENTER

**248** Veterans Mentored  
**15** Business Startups  
**17** Events



#### VETERAN FIRST TIME HOME BUYER

**\$530K** Funding  
**212** Grants Awarded



#### VETERAN PRO BONO LEGAL SUPPORT

**285** Veterans Inquired  
**221** Supported by Program  
**59** Attorneys in Program

(Data from July 1, 2018 - Dec. 31, 2019)

### EDUCATION (Using GI Bill)

**4,624**  
# of Students

**72**  
Enrolled in USTC

**135**  
# of Institutions (CY18)

**2,754**  
Enrolled in USHE



### VET STUDENT SUPPORT CENTERS

USU, WSU, U of U, SLCC, UVU, SUU, DSU, WMU

**4,600** Veterans

Orientation, Counseling and Other Services

### VETERANS HOME RESIDENTS

Occupancy **97%** ★ 5 Star Rated  
 Veterans **383**  
 Family **23** Employees **777**  
 Total Residents **406** Payroll **\$25.4 mil**

Ogden | Salt Lake | Payson | Ivins

### CEMETERY INTERMENTS

FY2017 **493** Casket to Cremains **60:40**  
 FY2018 **458** Veterans to Spouses **80:20**  
 FY2019 **499**