

# Veterans' Guide to Services

## *Mariposa County*



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<b>Area 12 Agency on Aging</b>	19074 Standard Rd., Sonora, CA. 95370	(209) 532- 6272 www.area12.org Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Closed from Noon - 1 p.m.	Assist older adults and caregivers by providing and linking clients to the critical services and community resources they need. Senior Resource Connection.
<b>CALFRESH Food Stamps</b>	5362 Lemee Lane Mariposa, CA 95338	(209) 966-2000  <a href="https://www.mariposacounty.org/329/Eligibility-Services">https://www. mariposacounty.org/ 329/Eligibility-Services</a>  Hours of Operation: Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	CALFresh Program: Provides eligible households the opportunity to participate and receive monthly CalFresh benefits on an electronic benefit transfer (EBT) card that works like a “debit care”. Benefit amounts are based on the household’s income and other eligibility factors.
<b>Caring Veterans of America, Inc.</b>	Terry Cole	(559) 760-5056	Local Non Profit Veterans Service Organization providing benefit information to Veterans and organizes the Oakhurst Stand Down.  Breakfast at The Hitching Post every 2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 9 a.m. All Veterans are welcome to attend.
<b>Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Stockton (Supportive Services for Veteran Families)</b>	Dan Velasquez 1106 North El Dorado Stockton, CA 95202	209-444-5904 or Email dvelasquez@ ccstockton.org  <a href="http://www.ccstockton.org/Programs/VeteransServices.aspx">http://www.ccstockton. org/Programs/ VeteransServices.aspx</a>  Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Closed from 12 noon - 12:30 p.m.	Prevention Assistance: This assistance is specifically for Veterans who will become homeless without SSVF. Rapid Re-housing: This funding provides financial assistance to help homeless veterans move from the streets or emergency shelter into housing. Case Management: Case management is the most valuable resource for someone who is experiencing homelessness, or who is on the brink of homelessness. Case Managers help to identify barriers to stable housing, provide appropriate referrals to cover needs (i.e.: job placement assistance, child care, SNAP, etc.), and help clients develop a stability plan for housing. All eligible SSVF clients will be assigned a case manager.

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<b>Central California Legal Services (CCLS)</b>	Raul Martinez 1320 E. Shaw Ave., #125 Fresno, CA 93710	<a href="http://www.centralcallegal.org">www.centralcallegal.org</a> (559) 487-5660	Senior Estate Planning, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of every month 2 - 4:30 p.m. Legal advice and preparation of California Statutory Will, Power of Attorney and Advanced Health Care Directive documents for senior Vets (Age 60+). Excludes Trusts and Property Deeds.  Criminal Records Expungement Clinic, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday of every month 2 - 4:30 p.m. Legal information and assistance to request clearance of eligible criminal records, including seeking relief under Propositions 47 and 64 (if applicable). Must have criminal "rap" sheet - call for details.  Appointments are Required
<b>DAV Transportation</b>	Chuck Jones	Home: (559) 641-2802 Cell: (559) 760-7514	Transportation from Awahnee to VA Fresno Hospital for appointments
<b>Disability Resource Agency for Independent Living (DRAIL)</b>	Sonora Office 67 Linoberg Street, Suite A Sonora, CA 95370	(209) 532-0963  (209) 288-3309 TTY  (209) 213-5701 Video Phone Relay Service  <a href="http://www.drail.org/index.html">http://www.drail.org/index.html</a>	DRAIL services are tools that assist people with disabilities to live more independent lives.  Housing Referrals: Provides information and education to consumers and landlords about accessible and low-income housing.  Peer Counseling: Provides resources on issues related to socialization, emotional adjustment, accessing resources and family relations.  Basic Computer training, Dial-a-Ride Certification, Utility assistance.
<b>Fresno Vet Center</b>	Raul Martinez 1320 E. Shaw Ave., #125 Fresno, CA 93710	(559) 487-5660  Monday - Thursday 8 a.m. - 9 p.m.  Friday 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.  Saturday 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.	Offers transitional counseling for Combat Veterans and Veterans suffering from Military Sexual Trauma for entire Central Valley. Fresno Orientations: Every 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the Month from 10 a.m. - 12 noon. Please bring ID & DD214.

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<b>Manna House</b>	Laurie Kinslow 5127 Charles St., Mariposa, CA 95338	(209) 742-7985  <a href="https://mariposachamber.org/directory/manna-house">https://mariposachamber.org/directory/manna-house</a>  Monday - Friday 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.	Manna House was established in September 1984. Provides emergency food to all in need. Located at 5127 Charles Street, just above the Happy Burger.
<b>Mariposa County Community Services</b>	Terri Peresan 5246 Spriggs Lane Mariposa, CA 95338	(209) 966-5315  <a href="http://www.mariposacounty.org">www.mariposacounty.org</a>  Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Mariposa Community Services provides: Senior services information, activities and programs, outreach to seniors, education seminars, home-delivered meal program, public transportation and medical transportation, firewood for seniors and disabled Veterans.
<b>Mariposa County Library</b>	4978 10th Street Mariposa, CA 95338	(209) 966-2140  <a href="http://www.mariposalibrary.org">www.mariposalibrary.org</a>  Mondays & Saturdays 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. Tuesday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.	The Mariposa County Library System is committed to supporting lifelong learning and knowledge through self-education for all the residents and visitors of Mariposa County. The Library strives to enrich the lives of all users by meeting their information, service, and program needs in a welcoming environment. The Mariposa County Library System provides free access to ideas and information to all citizens regardless of age, ethnic background, educational and socioeconomic level.  Free WiFi and Internet
<b>Mariposa County VSO</b>	Bob Johns 5085 Bullion Street Mariposa, CA 95338	(209) 966-3696  Tuesdays and Wednesdays 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Mariposa Veterans Services Office (CVSO) has been established in Mariposa County to assist Veterans, their dependents, survivors and the general public obtaining benefits from Federal, State and local agencies administering programs for Veterans. Services Provided: Claim preparation and submission, claim follow-up, Comprehensive Benefit Counseling. Assistance Provided: Compensation, Indemnity, Pension, Death Benefits, Request for Military Records, Discharge upgrades, Burial Benefits, Vocational Rehabilitation.

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<b>Mariposa Heritage House</b>	Kathaleen Hefner 5200 California N. 49 Mariposa, CA 95388	(209)966-7770 www. mariposaheritagehouse. org Open every day 8 a.m. - 7 p.m.	Services that are provided:  Peer Support, Community Referrals, Drug Court Support and Advocacy, Employment and Educational Support, Life Skills Training, Basic Needs (food, clothing, school supplies), Medical Transport and Housing Assistance.
<b>Mariposa Human Services Employment</b>	5362 Lemee Lane Mariposa, CA 95338	(209) 966-2000  <a href="http://www.mariposacounty.org/330/Employment-Services">http://www.mariposacounty.org/330/Employment-Services</a>  Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Employment service programs provide individuals with support, knowledge and the means to embrace the changes in their lives that will lead to self-sufficiency with the following programs: Family Reunification, General Assistance Advocacy Program (GAAP), Mariposa Works, and Welfare to Work (WTW).
<b>Mariposa Human Services Housing</b>	Katie Cotter, Social Worker Supervisor I 5362 Lemee Lane Mariposa, CA 95338	(209) 966-2000  <a href="http://www.mariposacounty.org/1788/Housing-Services-and-Support">http://www.mariposacounty.org/1788/Housing-Services-and-Support</a>	Housing Services and Support (HSS) seeks to identify and assist those individuals and families residing within the county who are currently, or are in imminent danger of, becoming homeless to provide housing opportunities and/or support services for such persons. They seek to serve those residing in both unsheltered as well as substandard sheltered living environments. They also assist in sustaining long term housing placement through linkage and referral to various available support services including individual case management. HSS also works closely with other community partners in seeking the best possible housing outcomes available.
<b>Mariposa Safe Families (MSF)</b>	5065 CA-140, Mariposa, CA 95338	(209)966-2211  Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	The goal of Mariposa Safe Families, Inc. (MSF) is to promote safe and healthy families by collaborating with service providers to provide and advocate for quality services, activities and opportunities empower, strengthen and preserve families and prevent child abuse in Mariposa County.

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<b>Meals on Wheels</b> <b>Mariposa County Community Services</b>	5246 Spriggs Lane Mariposa, CA 95338	(209) 966-5315  <a href="http://www.mariposacounty.org/421/Services">http://www.mariposacounty.org/421/Services</a>  Hours of Operation: Monday through Friday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Provides nutritionally balanced meals to clients' homes.  Offers a hot meal to eligible clients within a 3-mile radius of site. Frozen meals are established to outlying areas. Older adult ages 60 or older and their spouse of any age. Must be a Mariposa County resident living in the area of service. Must be "home bound" and unable to shop for their own groceries or prepare meals in their own home and have limited support from friends, family, or other community-based services.
<b>Merced College VRC</b>	Teresa Davis 3600 M Street Merced, CA 95348 Student Union Building 1 <sup>st</sup> Lt. Peter J. Gallo Veterans Resource Center	(209) 384-6161 Monday - Thursday 7:45 a.m. - 5:15 p.m.  Office Hours: Friday 7:45 a.m. - 3 p.m. Veterans Counselor Availability Monday - Thursday 8 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. and Friday 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.	Services include: Veterans Certifying Official, Computers and Printing Services, Lending Library, Veterans Education Counselors, Veteran Peer Guides (English & Math), Networking Opportunities.
<b>Merced Food Bank</b>	Jerry Johnson, Mariposa County Park	(209) 770-2438  <a href="http://www.mmcfb.org">www.mmcfb.org</a>  3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at the Mariposa County Park  9 - 11 a.m.	Hand out food to Mariposa County Residents
<b>Motherlode Job Training</b>	Odie/Stephanie 5362 Leme Lane Mariposa, CA 95338	(209) 966-2000 (209) 966-6700  <a href="http://www.mljt.org">www.mljt.org</a>  Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Closed Holidays	Career interests, job placement, job search, scholarships, work experience and internships, On the Job training and labor market information

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<b>Mountain Crisis Services</b>	Kristen Fiester 5079 Highway 140 Mariposa, CA 95338	(209) 742-5865  24 Hour Hotline: (888) 966-2350  www. mountaincrisiservices. org  Monday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Specializing in cases involving domestic violence and sexual assault, Mountain Crisis Services provide Legal Advocacy, individual counseling and group therapy, emergency shelter, transitional housing and a 24-hour hotline.
<b>San Joaquin Valley Veterans – Westcare</b>	399 George Drive Merced, CA 95341	(209) 323-5798 Ext. 20801	San Joaquin Valley Veterans, a project of Westcare (SJVV) goal is to provide critical and quality services to assist Veterans and Veterans with families to quickly regain stability in permanent housing after experiencing a housing crisis or homelessness. With the Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) we will make it our commitment to help with the ending of homelessness. Give us a call today if you are a Veteran and needs assistance with housing needs.
<b>Small Business Administration (SBA)</b>	Pete Estrada 801 R Street, Suite 201 Fresno, CA 93271	(559)487-5791, Ext. 2703  <a href="https://www.sba.gov/ca/fresno">https://www.sba.gov/ca/fresno</a>  Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.	Outreach services for Veterans wanting to open a small business. Provides guidance on how to do so, also offers low income loans.
<b>State of California Employment Development Department (EDD)</b>	Justin Henry 197 Mono Way, B Sonoma, CA 95370	(209) 536-2971 <a href="http://www.edd.ca.gov">www.edd.ca.gov</a> Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	EDD has specially-trained staff to ensure Veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces receive maximum employment and training opportunities. Services can include counseling, labor market information, job referrals, job search workshops and job development with potential employers. Provide intensive one-on-one employment assistance to eligible and willing Veterans. Special assistance is available for Veterans with service connected disabilities. EDD is one of several state and local partners combining resources to ensure Veterans receive the assistance and support they need to successfully enter the civilian workforce.

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<b>State of California Department of Veterans Affairs (CAL VET)</b>	Annette Wholaver Local Interagency Network Coordinator 1320 E. Shaw Ave. #105 Fresno, CA. 93710	(559) 600-5436 <a href="http://www.calvet.ca.gov/">http://www.calvet.ca.gov/</a> (800) 952-5626 Sacramento Site	Connecting California Veterans to all their earned benefits to include VA claims for compensation and pension, Calvet Home loans to Veterans, Assisted Living for Veterans in one of eight Veterans Homes throughout the State <a href="http://www.calvet.ca.gov">www.calvet.ca.gov</a> Headquarters: 1227 O St., Sacramento, CA 95814
<b>US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)</b>	One Sansome Street, Suite 1200 San Francisco, CA 94104	(415) 489-6400  Monday - Friday 8:15 a.m. - 4:45 p.m.	HUD offers, subsidized apartments for Veterans. Administers FHA loans at low interest. Jurisdiction: Stanislaus, Madera, Merced, Mariposa, Fresno, Kings, Tulare and Kern Counties in California's Central Valley.
<b>Veterans Affairs (VA) Central California Health Care System</b>	VA Hospital 2615 E. Clinton Avenue Fresno, CA 93703	Scheduling (559) 225-6100, Ext. 6913 Medication Renewal (559) 228-5333 Telephone Care Nurse (559) 228-6933 Mental Health Scheduling (559) 225-6100, Ext. 5468 Veterans Crisis Line (800) 273-8255	The VA Central California Health Care System is a General Medicine & Surgery teaching hospital, providing a full range of patient care services, with state-of-the-art technology as well as education and research. Special services offered include: AIDS/HIV services, ambulatory surgery, audiology, speech pathology, comprehensive cancer care, dementia care, electroconvulsive therapy, gastroenterology, geriatrics, Persian Gulf War Syndrom Treatment Program, homeless Veterans program, home based primary care, interventional radiology, laparoscopic surgery, mental health, amputation care/treatment, pulmonary function, respite care, visual impairment & women's health clinic.
<b>Veterans Affairs (VA) Oakhurst Community Based Outpatient Clinic</b>	Tom - Transportation for Appointments 40597 Westlake Dr., Oakhurst, CA. 93644	(559) 683-5300 Main Front Desk <a href="http://www.fresno.va.gov/locations/oakhurst">www.fresno.va.gov/locations/oakhurst</a> Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.	Outpatient clinic for the Oakhurst area. Assigned primary care physicians. Walk-ins are welcome. Call first. Veterans should complete VA form 10-10EZ.

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<b>Veterans Affairs (VA) Veterans Justice Outreach</b>	Brenda Blum & Susan Basmajian Bldg. 27 2615 E. Clinton Avenue Fresno, CA, 93703	Walk-In Hours: Tuesdays 2 - 3 p.m.  <a href="https://www.va.gov/homeless/vjo.asp">https://www.va.gov/homeless/vjo.asp</a>	The aim of the Veterans Justice Outreach (VJO) program is to avoid unnecessary criminalization of mental illness and extended incarceration among Veterans by ensuring that eligible, justice-involved Veterans have timely access to Veterans Health Administration (VHA) services, as clinically indicated. VJO specialists provide direct outreach, assessment and case management for justice-involved Veterans in local courts and jails and liaison with local justice system partners.
<b>Veterans Affairs (VA) Homeless Program</b>	Jeanne Packey & Teresa Davis Bldg. 27 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor 2615 E. Clinton Avenue Fresno, CA 93703	(559)225-6100, Ext. 5764  Walk-In Hours: Monday - Friday 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.  After hours please contact the National Hotline: (877) 424-3838 Available 24/7  <a href="https://www.va.gov/HOMELESS/for_homeless_veterans.asp">https://www.va.gov/HOMELESS/for_homeless_veterans.asp</a>	VA's specialized programs for homeless Veterans serve hundreds of thousands of homeless and at-risk Veterans each year. Independently and in collaboration with federal and community partners, VA programs provide Veterans with housing solutions, employment opportunities, health care, justice- and reentry-related services, and more.
<b>Victory Village Veterans Center</b>	Nichole Mulford and Michele Siefer, MSW 12408 Kennedy Flat, Jackson, CA	(209) 223-2286  <a href="http://www.victoryvillageamador.org">www.victoryvillageamador.org</a>  Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Victory Villages offers the following services: Housing (transitional/Permanent/CalVet Homes Applications), employment, life skills, physical/mental wellness, support for families, VA navigation/advocacy, education/training, treatment court, spiritual wellness, case management, senior services, SSI/SSDI benefits assistance (SOAR Certified), referral to legal and other services, recreation, community events, direct outreach, VA health onsite, VA readjustment counseling onsite.



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