In 2014, a group of veterans from the Roaring Fork and Colorado River valleys began efforts to create an organization to increase coordination and resources in support of those with military experience. From the work of a committed group of volunteers, the WSVC was born.

WSVC is a nonprofit 501(c)(3).

Donations may be made online at www.westernslopeveterans.org/#donation

Veterans Crisis Line (800) 273-8255 PRESS 1 Text: 838255 Confidential chat at VeteransCrisisLine.net

> Eagle County VSO (970) 328-9674

Garfield County VSO (970) 989-0084

Pitkin County VSO (970) 429-6115

**VOLUNTEERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME.** 



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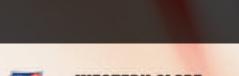
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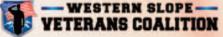


VETERANS RESOURCE CENTER

# **PROVIDING OUTREACH**

to all military service persons including Veterans and their families by CONNECTING Veterans to LOCAL & NATIONAL AGENCIES and VA RESOURCES





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Western Slope Veterans Coalition (WSVC) provides a hub for the information, action, programs and activities that support, honor and connect veterans in the Roaring Fork and Eagle valleys.

The Coalition is an organization supported by-and open to-all citizens, organizations and businesses that support veterans. The WSVC holds quarterly meetings and events, provides a forum for information sharing, best practices and the coordination of resources for veterans.

Among the new local resources listed below, WSVC has entered into an agreement of understanding with Colorado Mountain College (CMC) to offer veterans residing in Western Colorado viable non-credit courses, enrollment support and counseling, and career workshops at WSVC offices or at CMC campus sites. For details on these programs and other local programs, call the WSVC.

# Local resources include:

- ★ ARCHERY, RAFTING AND SKIING (SEASONAL)
- ★ IRON MOUNTAIN HOT SPRINGS POOL
- ★ GLENWOOD SPRINGS ADVENTURE PARK
- ★ COLORADO MOUNTAIN COLLEGE
- ★ GLENWOOD ADVENTURE COMPANY

# Additional resources include:

- ★ SUICIDE & CRISIS INTERVENTION
- ★ BENEFITS
- ★ EDUCATION
- ★ HEALTHCARE
- ★ PHYSICAL & EMOTIONAL HEALTH
- ★ HOUSING
- ★ EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE
- ★ LEGAL
- ★ EMPLOYMENT
- ★ WOMEN VETERANS
- ★ RECREATION & SOCIALIZATION

Making the change from active duty to veteran status can be challenging. Family and friends may have a difficult time understanding that the person they once knew is not the same person anymore. It's important to find people you can talk to, someone who you can identify with. It doesn't necessarily have to be a veteran, but that can make it easier.

#### **ACCESS TO INFORMATION**

Access to vital information and services requires your Discharge Certificate. If you need help obtaining a copy of your DD214, visit our website for contact information to connect you to the Veteran Service Officer in your county.

# JESSE BECKIUS/CASEY OWENS VETERANS RESOURCE CENTER

WSVC is headquartered in the Jesse Beckius/Casey Owens Veterans Resource Center, located at 803 Colorado Ave. in Glenwood Springs. The resource center opened in November of 2017 and provides a place for volunteers, WSVC staff, veterans and their families to gather for programs, services and private consultations. The resource center was made possible by a gift from Garfield County. The county donated office space to WSVC out of respect for veterans and their families and those who are volunteering their time to enhance the quality of life of those who have sacrificed selflessly for our freedom.

WSVC named the center after Jesse Beckius and Casey Owens to personalize the facility and remind the community that the scars of war are not always obvious. It is our obligation to help and support the 0.7 percent of the population who make the sacrifice to ensure that our country maintains the freedoms that we treasure and enjoy.

#### MEETINGS

Coffee and donuts meetings are held weekly (except on a holiday) in Eagle, Garfield and Pitkin counties. For each county's location and time information, please visit our website at www.westernslopeveterans.org/#about.

### VOLUNTEER

WSVC is always reaching out to the community to solicit new volunteers, who are needed to support our programs and services. If you are interested in volunteering, please call us at (970) 233-8735. The kindness of sharing your time is a gift that will touch many lives and warm many hearts.

#### **VETERANS RESOURCES**

Visit our office or website to access key websites and phone numbers for veterans, including the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs; Military One Source; Colorado Division of Veterans Affairs; National Homeless Veteran Call Center; and the Grand Junction Vet Center.