



**Veterans Advisory Committee**  
**Thursday, March 21, 2024 – 3:30 p.m.**

1. **Call to order/Pledge of Allegiance** – Chair, Jeff Noble
2. **Roll Call** – Staff Liaison, Kendel Blake
3. **Review and approval of January 18, 2024 Minutes/Review of February 15, 2024 Joint Work Session Minutes** – Chair  
*Resolution 03-22 Section 2J, 3A*
  - See attached documentation
4. **Grounds of Remembrance Maintenance** – Parks Crew Supervisor, Tyson Vollrath  
*Resolution 03-22 Section 2B, 2D*
5. **Veteran Appreciation Card Program** – Staff Liaison/Chair  
*Resolution 03-22 Section 2F*
6. **St. Patrick's Day Parade** – Chair  
*Resolution 03-22 Section 2A*
7. **Memorial Day Ceremony** – Chair  
*Resolution 03-22 Section 2A*
8. **Military Round Table** – Chair  
*Resolution 03-22 Section 2G, 2I*
9. **Veterans Affairs** – Staff Liaison  
*Resolution 03-22 Section 2H*
  - See attached documentation
10. **Local Military Appreciation Events** – Vice-Chair, Bonnie Garmay  
*Resolution 03-22 Section 2I*
  - Breakfast 4/1 @ 7:00am @ Dublin Scioto High School
  - Baseball Game 4/2 @ 4:00pm @ Dublin Scioto High School
  - Luncheon 4/19 @ 11:30am @ Dublin Scioto High School
  - Ice Cream Social 4/29 @ 3:00pm @ Dublin Scioto High School
11. **New Business**
12. **Roundtable**
13. **Adjourn**



## **Veterans Committee**

### **Thursday, January 18, 2024 – 3:30 p.m.**

#### **1. Call to order/Pledge of Allegiance**

Chairman Noble called the January 18th, 2024 meeting of the Dublin Veterans Committee to order at 3:33 P.M. in person.

#### **2. Roll Call**

Committee Members Present: Jeff Noble (Chair), Mike Kehoe, Sean Clifton, Mack Parkhill, Steven Dickman, Roger Ansel, Bonnie Gamary and Tim Hansley.

Committee Members Absent: John Reiner and Jan Rozanski

City Staff Present: Kendel Blake, Carrie Ritzler, Jim Loch

Guests Present: Tracy Owens (Resident), Buck Bramlish (Executive Director of the Franklin County Veterans Service Commission)

#### **3. Review and approval of November 16, 2023 Minutes**

Mr. Kehoe motioned to approve the November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023 minutes, with a second from Ms. Gamary, the motion was unanimously approved.

#### **4. Veteran Appreciation Card Update/External Outreach**

Ms. Blake shared a presentation highlighting the current state of the program and the Committee's idea of incorporating Dublin businesses into the program.

Mr. Clifton suggested working with the Dublin Chamber of Commerce to help find businesses and market the card towards them. He also suggested labeling veteran-owned businesses within the commerce catalog.

Ms. Blake agreed, noting that they could reach out to the Chamber and schedule a meeting. She also remarked that the Chamber does not currently maintain a veteran-owned business list, however the Chamber is updating their business contacts and is asking any business if they are veteran-owned so the list should be created soon.

Mr. Clifton said that he did reach out to the Chamber on social media to ask for a veteran's business list and agreed with Ms. Blake that the list does not currently exist. He suggested creating a liaison between the two entities.

Mr. Noble remarked that the Dublin Chamber of Commerce could be invited to the next Veteran's Committee Meeting.



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Mr. Noble suggested that the committee meets next month instead of waiting until March.

Ms. Blake noted that they should check the Chamber's availability for a meeting.

Mr. Parkhill brought up the Memorial Tournament Ticket lottery and asked if it included admittance to the free lunch within the villa.

Ms. Blake explained the program in more detail and how a winner is chosen, and confirmed that this included admittance to the City's villa and free lunch. She also noted that there is a Veteran specific tent within the Memorial Tournament but it is unrelated to the City or the Veteran Appreciation Card program.

Mr. Parkhill clarified that he was specifically referencing the fact that this inclusion of villa access is not noted on the website.

Ms. Blake said that this value is built into the ticket but noted that staff could add it to the website for clarification.

Guest, Buck Bramlish suggested using concrete garden stones to recognize veterans within housing subdivisions. He remarked that this could be a strong draw to the card and could encourage people to sign up.

Ms. Blake noted that although the idea of having a stone to recognize veterans would be a nice designation there would be budgetary implications which would require a recommendation back to Council.

Mr. Noble suggested that working with the Chamber could help the effort in finding businesses who want to support Dublin veterans.

Ms. Blake explained the Economic Development business district map and density of retail businesses in certain areas.

Mr. Clifton asked if the map shown is consistent with what the Chamber has.

Ms. Blake noted that this map is from the City's Economic Development Department and is focused on commercial business districts as determined by the City's Economic Development team. It is likely different than what the Chamber of Commerce uses.

Mr. Noble said that the Chamber probably has good information regarding retail business contacts.



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Mr. Clifton asked if the discount offered by businesses could also be listed on the website or email.

Ms. Blake said that businesses would best fit on the website and their logo in an email.

Mr. Clifton asked if there could be an opportunity to have some sort of marker for businesses to put on their doors or windows.

Ms. Gamary agreed that this was a good idea and would allow veterans to see a business's support.

Ms. Blake noted that while these are good ideas, they also have budget implications and said that she would work with Dublin staff to figure out feasibility.

Ms. Gamary said that there will likely be businesses that are not on the Chamber's directory and will require direct communication.

Ms. Blake said that she has the information she needs and will proceed with the Committee's recommendation to speak with the Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Bramlish returned to the idea of the garden stones and suggested that the City could work with Oakland Nursery.

Ms. Blake noted that due to a conflict of interest, the City is unable to purchase from Oakland Nursery.

#### **5. St. Patrick's Day Parade**

Mr. Noble announced the St. Patrick's Day Parade would be on March 9<sup>th</sup> and highlighted that the color guard is going to lead the parade. He asked about overhead wires on the parade route.

Ms. Blake noted that she was unsure of the project's completion date.

Mr. Noble noted that he would enjoy having a trolley for older veterans to participate in the parade.

#### **6. Military Round Table**

Mr. Noble spoke about the upcoming Military Roundtable Schedule for the year.

Mr. Clifton asked if Mr. Noble need assistance in talking to Frank LaRose.



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Mr. Noble said that he was in contact with his scheduler but if time passes and there is no movement he could use his help. He noted that there was some built in flexibility to the schedule.

#### **7. Veterans Affairs**

Ms. Blake went over the legislation spreadsheet and current status of the bills in the federal government.

Mr. Noble asked Mr. Bramlish about H.B. 69 and its status.

Mr. Bramlish noted that he is in the loop and nothing has changed. He then explained what changes are trying to be made to the Franklin County Veterans Service Commission. He remarked that he has been going to the hearings regarding this bill and that the feeling is that it would likely not be passed.

Mr. Bramlish said that anyone is welcome and encouraged to attend the Commission's meetings. He also gave some information regarding the work that the Commission has done over the past year.

#### **8. New Business**

Ms. Ritzler spoke about the Hero Hut at the Dublin Irish Festival (DIF) and shared that the City event staff would be moving on from the Hero Hut Organization's involvement in the Festival. The current plan is to partner with local students to rename the tent. Additionally, Ms. Ritzler noted that staff wants to focus the tent on Dublin and prioritize the businesses and organizations that support the tent.

Mr. Clifton (member of the DIF veterans committee) remarked that the City taking full ownership of the tent will provide increased efficiency. Ms. Ritzler reiterated that there is no hard feelings but there was a good opportunity for community involvement in bringing the tent back under City control.

Mr. Dickman added that the partnership between schools and students is extremely valuable and adds a lot to the community.

Mr. Clifton shared that Dublin Coffman High School will have a Veterans Appreciation Basketball Night on January 26<sup>th</sup>. This event will be free for veterans and current service members and will include a recognition event.

Mr. Parkhill suggested that this could be a good event to market the Veteran's Appreciation Card.



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Mr. Clifton added that there could be a table for the Veteran's Committee at the game.

Mr. Dickman noted that he would be there and is willing to help.

Mr. Hansley added that Dublin Scioto is sponsoring a basketball game and dinner of February 9<sup>th</sup>.

Ms. Gamarly went over additional details regarding the meal time and events during the game such as veteran recognition. The event is for veterans and their

families. She added that if people wanted to attend to please RSVP by the February 1<sup>st</sup>.

Ms. Blake agreed that a table would be nice and noted that she could potentially help set up the table and attend.

Mr. Bramlish spoke about the veteran's homes in Sandusky and Georgetown and the lack of participation from Central Ohio veterans. He noted that out of six states, Ohio ranks last in number of nursing beds per capita of veterans. Currently, there are plans to modernize these homes with the help of the federal government. He promoted the idea of campaigning for a new home in Ohio and laid out some ideas for how to do so.

Mr. Clifton asked about the staffing and jobs related to the veterans homes.

Mr. Bramlish detailed some of the current hiring and staffing practices and highlighted some difficulties that the two homes have. He suggested that Central Ohio would be easier to staff. He added that Northeast Ohio is also likely looking to build a new home.

#### **9. Roundtable**

Ms. Gamarly spoke about the next generation and how they help organize things within the community and how their involvement should be promoted.

Ms. Blake introduced Jim Loch, Events Administrator who is in charge of sponsorships for City Events.

Mr. Loch spoke about the process of securing sponsorships for the Veteran's area of the Dublin Irish Festival and would help any way he could as he is already connected with many businesses.



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Mr. Noble asked about the former Hero Hut and future sponsorship.

Mr. Loch noted that he was in communication with several businesses, primarily OSU Wexner Outpatient Center.

Mr. Noble asked who was in charge of the alcohol tents next to the Hero Hut at the Irish Festival.

Ms. Blake remarked that it changes but that overall the tent did well compared to previous years.

Mr. Noble motioned to adjourn.

Mr. Parkhill seconded

The meeting was adjourned at 4:34 PM.

**10. Adjourn**

Respectfully Submitted,

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Kendel Blake, Assistant to the City Manager

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Jeff Noble, Chair

**JOINT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE  
COMMUNITY SERVICES ADVISORY COMMISSION,  
COMMUNITY INCLUSION ADVISORY COMMITTEE,  
CHIEF'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE, AND VETERANS COMMITTEE**

**February 15, 2024**

**Minutes**

Rex Pryor called the Thursday, February 15, 2024 joint Community Services Advisory Commission (CSAC), Community Inclusion Advisory Committee (CIAC), Chief's Advisory Committee (CAC) and Veterans Committee work session to order in the Development Building Large Conference Room at 5:39 p.m.

**Attendance**

CSAC Members Present: Jessica Tobias, Elizabeth McClain, Hong Qiu, Rex Pryor  
Members absent: Vivek Arunachalam, Steve Dritz, Vicki von Sandovsky

CIAC Members present: Peggy Kilty, Niki Lombardo, Michael Haynes, Katawi Cato, Imran Malik (a quorum was not present)  
Members absent: Isao Shoji, Max Xu, Kristine Aldemir, Noor Amara, Vineet Goel, Ming Yu

CAC Members present: Susan Ortega, Dwayne Maynard, Emmet Apolinario, Gaurav Goel, Rama Billakanty, Yanling Yin  
Members absent: Alex O'Ryan, Kimberly Hollie, Zhen Xing,

Veterans Committee Members present: Jan Rozanski, Jeff Noble (a quorum was not present)  
Members absent: Roger Ansel, Sean Clifton, Tim Hansley, Stephen Dickman, Bonnie Gamary, Michael Kehoe, Mack Parkhill, John Reiner

Staff Members: Ms. Rauch, Ms. Noble, Mr. Will, Ms. Wawszkiewicz, Dept. Chief Tabernick, Chief Paez, Ms. Goliver, Ms. Blake, Ms. Nardecchia

Mr. Pryor explained that the format for this evening's meeting will begin with a staff report on the Envision Dublin Community Plan by Ms. Rauch followed by a facilitated discussion led by senior planners Ms. Noble and Mr. Will.

Commission/Committee Members introduced themselves and the body they represent.

Mr. Pryor invited Ms. Rauch to provide an update on the Envision Dublin Community Plan.

**ENVISION DUBLIN COMMUNITY PLAN UPDATE**

Ms. Rauch introduced the Envision Dublin Community Plan (Plan) update process. She shared that the project involves a team of consultants and noted that the City's investment in such a large team shows the importance of the Plan update. She explained that the Community Plan is Dublin's vision for the future, a decision-making guide, and basis for policy and zoning. The Plan update will receive all levels of review. The Community Plan is not a zoning ordinance; that is a separate, much more technical tool. There is a very robust community engagement component to help guide the process. The Plan helps ensure the fiscal health and sustainability of the City. Dublin has many community



partners, and the Plan helps coordinate regional initiatives. There is Citywide coordination using other plans like the Dublin Area Housing Study, Parks and Recreation Master Plan, Economic Development Strategic Plan, Sustainability Framework, and Metro Center Implementation Plan. There is consultant coordination between the Mobility and Thoroughfare Plan, Utility Modeling and Fiscal Modeling. Ms. Rauch shared the timeline for completing the update. This process began at the end of 2022 and the goal for adoption is 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter 2024.

Ms. Rauch explained the Envision Dublin steering committee's role. Council recommended a Steering Committee be created consisting of 20 members representing City Council, area schools, commercial property owners, committee members, business partners and residents. They have been meeting monthly to discuss the evolving update.

Ms. Rauch stated that the Envision Dublin process has included robust public engagement. Staff has provided public awareness at community events like the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade and several farmers markets. Planning staff has worked with other City divisions that were holding public events. The public engagement involved a traditional community-wide survey, an online mapping tool, public meetings, open house events and input sessions.

Ms. Rauch explained that the Community Plan is a well-rounded plan that contemplates every aspect of the community from character to utilities.

Ms. Rauch explained that the Land Use Plan creates a framework to guide development decisions. The map delineates different land uses and ensures that when a development proposal is made, it is consistent with City policy and Council's vision for the community.

Ms. Rauch reviewed the Key Focus Areas of the Envision Dublin Community Plan Process.

*Land Use and Development:*

- Regional growth pressure;
- Infill, redevelopment and reinvestment;
- Character of established neighborhoods;
- Walkable places; and
- Distinct community character.

*Housing and Neighborhoods:*

- Changing demographics and housing needs;
- Housing attainability; and
- Strong neighborhoods.

*Fiscal Health:*

- Fiscal sustainability;
- Changing economic trends;
- Future of work; and
- Regional economy.

*Community Facilities and Services:*

- Parks and green space as core community identity;
- Historic District; and

- School capacity.

*Natural Resources and Environment:*

- Environmental stewardship; and
- Importance of sustainability.

Ms. Rauch stated that Special Area Plans provide an illustrative framework to guide development. Each plan is distinctive and provides detailed analysis and recommendations. There are six special areas in the City.

The Thoroughfare Plan is a key component of the Envision Dublin Community Plan. It addresses how people get places with multi-modal means of transportation. Through the Thoroughfare Plan, goals and objectives for the City's transportation network are crafted. Steering committee key focus areas for transportation and mobility include additional mobility options, walkability, transportation network growing pains, and streetscape aesthetics.

The Mobility Plan is the first of its kind to be included in a Community Plan. It has been determined that the focus should be on alternative modes of transportation.

In terms of utilities and infrastructure, Dublin must provide safe and efficient services for residents and businesses that are fiscally responsible. Stormwater management is a key component.

Ms. Rauch shared the Next Steps as follows:  
February 2024 – Steering Committee Meeting;  
March 2024 – Steering Committee Meeting;  
April-June 2024 – Draft and Final Versions of the Community Plan;  
End of Quarter 2 - Begin Adoption Process.

Ms. Kilty referenced transportation and mobility and asked how the plan contemplates development with a possible Amtrak station coming to Dublin. Ms. Rauch stated that staff is very mindful of that as this process progresses. Ms. Wawzkiewicz stated that staff has heard from Council that they want to leave some options open not knowing how the west area will develop. Rail is not something that will be here tomorrow so staff is considering how to prepare for future access to the area.

Mr. Malik asked about existing land and infrastructure like Metro Center. He is concerned with how the school district would keep up with changes. Ms. Rauch stated that the steering committee includes a representative from Hilliard City Schools and Dublin City Schools for this reason. She noted that the schools also do their own planning process.

Ms. Kilty asked about developer contribution (impact fees). Ms. Rauch stated that is not something that has historically happened but can be part of the larger conversation.

Ms. Yin asked what kind of information on demographics goes into planning. Ms. Rauch stated that the planning process looks at the demographic breakdown. That leads to determining what types of uses are needed (senior housing, single-family, etc.). Ms. Rauch stated that they have used a variety of ways to gather information, such as surveys, meeting with schools, residents, businesses, etc. Ms. Yin stated that historically, the Asian population may not be active in participating in surveys.

She asked how to ensure all populations are represented. Ms. Rauch stated that staff is always happy to hear suggestions for opportunities to gather that information.

Mr. Maynard thanked staff for the invitation to participate this evening. He asked where public safety fits into the larger plan. Ms. Rauch stated that like sustainability, public safety is woven throughout the whole plan.

Ms. Qiu stated that the Plan is very comprehensive. She asked if neighboring entities are aware or interested in collaboration on the process. Ms. Rauch stated that there have been stakeholder interviews with those entities to make sure we are aligned and to see what they are planning. It is all part of a regional conversation. There is much development occurring to our west. It is a critical time to undertake a comprehensive planning process. Ms. Qiu stated that culture is not included. What kind of culture do we want to promote? Ms. Rauch stated that ties back to City Council's strategic framework and their goals of a sustainable, connected City representing all the needs of our community.

Mr. Rozanski referenced transportation and asked about MORPC's Rapid Bus Transportation. Ms. Rauch stated that LinkUS is part of the transportation conversation. A 161 corridor study is underway. Ms. Wawszkiewicz stated that staff is excited about that initiative and how it will flow into and through Dublin.

Mr. Malik stated that the way population growth is happening, feedback has been that there is not enough park space. The need for cricket/pickleball courts is becoming significant. He asked if our timelines are realistic. Ms. Rauch stated that the Parks and Recreation Master Plan addresses this and it will be integrated into the Community Plan.

Mr. Earman stated that staff has heard the questions about all sports and the capacity issue with fields. One of complications with cricket is that it is regional instead of local. The idea of expanding artificial turf fields/multipurpose fields to accommodate multiple sports is being considered. Certain things are in the capital budget for 2025. More study is necessary to understand current needs.

Mr. Pryor stated that he would like to hear more about alternatives to single passenger vehicles and housing. Ms. Rauch stated that Dublin conducted its own housing study to determine our needs and what would be necessary to support the region. Housing is a topic the steering committee is discussing. In the Community Plan, there is a whole chapter on housing and neighborhoods. It will be a key component. Regarding transportation, this planning process involves looking at all modes with the intent to reduce the volume of vehicle traffic by changing the paradigm. Unless using vehicles becomes somewhat uncomfortable, people will not make a different choice.

Mr. Haynes asked if there has been conversation concerning climate change. Ms. Rauch stated that there is the sustainability component of the Plan. Staff will continue to do research.

Mr. Goel asked about commercial real estate and large office building occupancy. Ms. Rauch stated that there are definitely changes occurring. People are returning to the office. From the City's economic standpoint, we have stayed steady. It is a challenge from a development perspective. There are requests for work space options other than traditional office space. However, that may not be what a developer can get financed now. Mr. Goel asked specifically about the future of existing large office spaces. Ms. Rauch stated that Metro Center is a perfect example of an area

comprised of large-scale office buildings, and the revitalization of that area has been discussed for the past 10-12 years.

Ms. Lombardo asked about housing attainability options for early career workers and the possibility of converting these larger office buildings for that purpose. Ms. Rauch stated that there have been many discussions about housing options. Conversion would depend on the building and could be quite technical. That is also a step toward sustainability.

Ms. Qiu stated asked if there has been any discussion about providing relief to the senior population such as discounted property tax to help them stay in the community. Ms. Rauch stated that aging in place is part of the conversation.

Mr. Will and Ms. Noble facilitated a joint workshop exercise in which meeting attendees identified the primary strengths/assets of Dublin as well as issues/concerns facing the City.

1. Identification of the primary strengths and assets of Dublin
  - a. High quality schools
  - b. Well-designed where needs of all are met
  - c. Amenity-rich community
  - d. Health benefits of pedestrian bike path system and alternative transportation
  - e. Inclusive approach to students of all abilities
  - f. Greenspace
  - g. Public Safety
  - h. Police Department
  - i. Diversity
  - j. Recreational opportunities
  - k. 60/40 tax base ratio
  - l. Location
  - m. Well-planned and well-managed City
  - n. Attracting visitors
  - o. Thoughtful Land Use
  - p. Access to healthcare
  - q. Business leader residents
  - r. Global City
  - s. Distinctive sense of place
  - t. Engaged citizenry
  - u. Art appreciation
  - v. Appeal to all demographics
  - w. Philanthropy and volunteerism
  - x. Future-oriented
  - y. Sense of community
  - z. Transparent government
  - aa. Respect of the past
  - bb. Health-focused
  - cc. Form of government
  - dd. Professional Staff
  - ee. Dublin Link
  - ff. Accountability of government

2. Identification of the issues or concerns confronting the Dublin community.
  - a. Housing attainability
  - b. Rising property taxes
  - c. Growth management
  - d. Different standards for infill development;
  - e. Reliance on single passenger transportation
  - f. School taxes
  - g. Affordability
  - h. Disparity in accessibility
  - i. Workforce shortage
  - j. Developers' respect
  - k. Exclusivity
  - l. Lack of diversity
  - m. Socio-economic disparity in schools
  - n. Diversity of leadership
  - o. Lack of large indoor arenas
  - p. Workers unable to live in Dublin
  - q. Leveraging regional development
  - r. Misuse of tax incentives
  - s. School funding model
  - t. Opportunities for cultural engagement
  - u. Resource retention
  
3. List, in order of importance, the three most important (by vote)
  - a. Housing attainability (10)
  - b. Rising property taxes (6) and Workers unable to live in Dublin (6)
  - c. Diversity of leadership (5) and Socioeconomic disparity in schools (5)

Ms. Noble stated that staff would be happy to come to any group and talk about the Community Plan.

Ms. Kilty asked if there is a commonality in issues. Mr. Will stated affordability and housing attainability are common concerns facing the community.

Mr. Will thanked the members for attending.

Ms. Nardecchia suggested that Committees with a representative on the Envision Dublin Steering Committee report out to keep other boards informed.

Mr. Will reiterated that in the midst of land use planning, large sections of the community will not change.

The joint work session was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

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Chair, Community Services Advisory Commission

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Chair, Chief's Advisory Committee

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Deputy Clerk of Council

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Level of Government	Bill #	Bill	Legislator(s)	Status
State (all legislation)	<a href="#">HB 18</a>	Allow military license plate applicant present county veterans ID - To amend section 4503.29 of the Revised Code to allow an applicant for a military license plate to present a county-issued veterans identification card as evidence of an honorable discharge.	Galonski, T.	3/7/23 Armed Services and Veterans Affairs (First Hearing)
	<a href="#">HB 53</a>	Authorize refundable tax credits for hiring certain veterans - To amend sections 5725.98, 5726.98, 5729.98, 5747.98, and 5751.98 and to enact sections 5725.38, 5726.60, 5727.242, 5727.301, 5729.21, 5736.51, 5747.85, and 5751.55 of the Revised Code to authorize refundable tax credits for hiring certain veterans, service members, and their spouses.	Schmidt J., Miller A.	6/13/23 Ways and Means (Second Hearing)
	<a href="#">HB69</a>	Revise Membership of County Veterans Service Commissions - To amend sections 5901.02 and 5901.03 of the Revised Code to require county veterans service commissions to include two members who served in the military after September 11, 2001, and to require one member of the commission to be appointed by the board of county commissioners.	Stewart B., Willis B.	12/5/23 Armed Services and Veterans Affairs (Second Hearing)
	<a href="#">HB 90</a>	To amend sections 323.152 and 4503.065 of the Revised Code to authorize a total property tax exemption for the homesteads of totally disabled veterans and their surviving spouses.	Patton, T.	9/12/23 Ways and Means (Third Hearing)
	<a href="#">HB 90</a>	Permit homestead exemption-surviving spouses of service members - To amend sections 323.151, 323.152, 323.153, 4503.064, 4503.065, and 4503.066 of the Revised Code to authorize a full homestead exemption for surviving spouses of members of the uniformed services killed in the line of duty.	Lorenz B., Santucci N.	2/6/24 Referred to Ways and Means
	<a href="#">SB 12</a>	Regards veteran-owned business enterprise certification program - To amend sections 122.87, 122.925, 125.08, 125.081, and 4503.03 and to enact section 122.926 of the Revised Code to establish a veteran-owned business enterprise certification program and to allow duly certified veteran-owned business enterprises to compete for purchases set aside by state agencies.	Hoagland, F.	5/9/23 Small Business and Economic Opportunity (Third Hearing)
	<a href="#">SB 15</a>	Authorize Military License Plate Program permanent registration - To amend sections 4503.10, 4503.11, 4503.191, and 4503.29 of the Revised Code to authorize a permanent motor vehicle registration option with a waiver of specified fees and taxes for retired military veterans under the Military License Plate Program.	Hoagland, F.	2/28/23 Transportation (First Hearing)
	<a href="#">SB 143</a>	Modifies homestead property tax exemption for disabled veterans - To amend sections 323.151, 323.152, 323.153, 4503.065, 4503.066, and 5901.07 of the Revised Code to extend the homestead property tax exemption to certain disabled veterans.	Hoagland, F.	9/20/23 Ways and Means (First Hearing)
	<a href="#">SB 154</a>	Include Space Force in armed forces, armed and uniformed service - To amend sections 122.925, 124.23, 145.30, 742.52, 742.521, 2151.4210, 3307.75, 3309.02, 3313.471, 3319.085, 3511.01, 4731.36, 4743.041, 5505.16, 5747.01, 5903.01, 5903.02, 5907.01, 5907.04, and 5910.01 of the Revised Code to include Space Force in the definition of the armed forces, armed services, and uniformed services of the United States.	Roegner, K.	3/4/24 Introduced in the House, Passed Senate 2/28/24
Federal (only legislation that became law)	<a href="#">HR 1226</a>	Wounded Warrior Access Act - This act requires the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to establish and maintain a secure online tool or website to enable a claimant or their representative to make records requests related to VA claims and benefits. Requests for records must specify in which format the copy is desired. The VA must notify a requester within 10 days that their request has been received and must fulfill the request within 120 days. The act also requires the VA to ensure that each time a claimant logs in to a website or online tool of the VA, the website or online tool displays in plain language (1) a warning regarding violations of laws related to agents and attorneys, (2) a link to an online tool to report violations, (3) a link to an online tool to search for a VA-recognized agent or attorney, and (4) a link to a website or online tool providing final decisions on discipline of agents and attorneys for violations.	Aguillar, P.	11/13/23 Became Public Law 118-21
	<a href="#">HR 366</a>	Korean American VALOR Act - This act expands eligibility for specified Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) benefits (e.g., medical and dental care) to certain veterans of the armed forces of South Korea who served in Vietnam between January 9, 1962, and May 7, 1975, or during a time period determined by the VA. The act authorizes the VA to furnish such benefits under an existing law, which requires (1) a request by South Korea, and (2) a reciprocity agreement that provides for reimbursement of expenses incurred by the VA for the provision of care.	Takano, M.	11/13/23 Became Public Law 118-20

\*Up-to-date as of March 14, 2024