



Virtual Council Newsletter

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"Virtual Council Newsletter" is published quarterly by the MOAA Council and Chapters Virtual Council. We are an independent, nonprofit, politically nonpartisan organization, an affiliate of the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA).

COUNCIL MESSAGE

The Council of Virtual Chapters is excited and proud to share several new initiatives and improvements to our existing programs.

It has been 10 years since MOAA took a chance and supported COL(Ret) Jeri Graham, our founder, and I to start the very first virtual chapter – MOAA Army Nurse Advocates Virtual Chapter. With Jerri's foresight and guidance, we have grown to include seven (7) affinity based virtual chapters with close to 1300 members in all 50 states. We will soon be welcoming our eighth virtual chapter. We entered uncharted territory with the virtual chapter concept, and here we are now.

Virtual Chapters have made many substantial contributions to support, advance and grow the overall MOAA Mission. We will continue to Lead the Way now and in the future.

Congratulations to all our members who have been with us on this journey. Many thanks and gratitude for your leadership, support, and commitment to "Never Stop Serving"

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America 250 Celebration



On July 4, 2026, our nation will commemorate and celebrate the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. The journey toward this historic milestone is an opportunity to pause and reflect on our nation's past, honor the contributions of all Americans, and look ahead toward the future we want to create for the next generation and beyond.

MOAA Council of Virtual Chapters invite all members to participate and join in the celebration. We are Proud of being an American and Proud of how and what we have done to support this Great Country.

We will announce and publish various events and articles throughout the year and welcome your support.

Visit our [website](#) and leave a message to share your story about your history and your hopes and dreams for the future of our country. Together, we will tell the American story through our Virtual Chapter members... Never Stop Serving.



Council Developments

OUR PURPOSE

Promote the aims of the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA)

Foster fraternal relationships among retired, active, former officers of the uniformed services and their reserve components, and their surviving spouses

Advocate for the rights and interests of retired, active, and reserve component personnel of the uniformed services and their families and survivors

Provide the assistance and support necessary to member chapters to enable them to effectively serve their members, their communities, and the nation

Provide support for the development of future MOAA Virtual Chapters

Provide single coordination point of contact with MOAA Council and Chapters on issues that affect all Virtual Chapters

Represent Virtual Chapters at MOAA Conferences and Leadership Training Workshops

Provide Virtual Chapter Start Up Tool Kits and Webinars.

Advocacy is Action 2026



MOAA will host its' signature advocacy event 13-16 April 2026 in Washington, DC when they converge on Congress. April is an exciting month for MOAA as nearly 200 dedicated members and staff canvas the halls of Congress, visiting members' offices equipped with data, calls to action, and support for the uniformed services community. MOAA's Advocacy in Action (AiA) event puts constituents front and center to represent and advocate on behalf of our 360,000-member association.

MOAA's Government Relations team works year-round to spotlight important policy and legislative change vital to MOAA's mission. What's more vital to our lawmakers' mission is to hear directly from their constituents — the people who vote.

The Council of Virtual Chapters will be sending Chapter representatives to participate in the event. We will share information on how all members can support MOAA from home. Your work at home not only influences Capitol Hill, but it also inspires us to keep going.

New Virtual Chapter on the Horizon



The Council of Virtual Chapters is excited and pleased to announce that a new Virtual Chapter is expected to be chartered by the MOAA Board of Directors at their meeting this April. The Council has worked closely with MOAA and the founding leaders of the soon to be MOAA Health Care Professionals Virtual Chapter. We look forward to welcoming our new members and are certain that we will share in many joint initiatives with other virtual chapters.

Council Developments continued

Coming Soon

One Powerful Voice



Chapter Specific Legislation Support

The Council of Virtual Chapters currently has seven (7) chapters with a common trait... we are each composed of affinity- like members. As such, each Chapter has specific focused legislative priorities of interest.

Our Council of Virtual Chapters is developing a site on our website to announce, share, and support these Chapter specific pieces of legislation. With close to 1300 members, this will add to the strength and power of reaching out to our representatives. Chapter supporting Chapter, with One Powerful Voice.

The Council of Virtual Chapters will ask each Chapter to identify specific legislation of interest and submit the bills or act for inclusion on the website. The specifics of the bill will be posted along with links for members to send/contact their representatives seeking support of the legislation. The legislation will not be a duplicate of legislation currently on the MOAA Active Campaigns listed on the Legislation Action Center site. Further information will be provided soon. We are looking for members to help work on and support this new initiative. If interested contact the CoVC and let us know.

Example of posting

S.607/H.R. 6038 - Improving Veteran Access to Care Act



Summary
This bill requires the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to establish an integrated project team to improve the process for scheduling VA health care appointments. Among other objectives, the team must (1) develop or continue the development of a scheduling system and platform that enables personnel and patients of the VA to view available appointments for VA care, (2) create a process through which patients can telephonically speak with a scheduler who can assist in determining availability and scheduling, and (3) carry out other functions with respect to health care appointments furnished by the VA.

Actual Bill Text
Read the actual bill

House Sponsors **Senate Sponsors**

Check if your Representative is already a co-sponsor
Find your representatives email address below to send them a message or use the MOAA Hotline to call them.

U.S. House **U.S. Senate**

Call using MOAA direct Capital number
866-272-6822



We will also make available notification when MOAA has added or updated items to the MOAA Legislation Action Center active campaigns listings. This will make it easier for all members to know when it is time to "Take Action".

MOAA Lists their Top Tier Priorities for Congress second session

MOAA hosted members of Congress, executive branch officials, Hill staffers, and valued supporters Jan. 14 for a reception marking the start of the second session of the 119th Congress.

MOAA's New Year's Resolutions for Congress

CURRENTLY SERVING:
Shutdown Fairness Act
(S. 3168)

FAMILIES & SURVIVORS:
Improve and Enhance the Work Opportunity Tax Credit
(H.R. 6231 / S. 3265)

VETERANS & RETIREES:
Governing Unaccredited Representatives
Defrauding (GUARD) VA Benefits Act
(H.R. 1732)

MILITARY HEALTH SYSTEM:
Military CARE Act
(H.R. 6796)

VA HEALTH CARE:
Veteran Caregiver Reeducation,
Reemployment, and Retirement Act
(H.R. 2148 / S. 879)



Shutdown Fairness Act (S. 3168)

What it does: Allows the Pentagon and the Department of Homeland Security to continue paying servicemembers during any future funding lapse.

Improve and Enhance the Work Opportunity Tax Credit Act (H.R. 6231 | S. 3265)

What it does: Modernizes the Work Opportunity Tax Credit (WOTC), a nonrefundable tax credit employers can take for hiring target group members during the employee's first year on the job, by increasing the amount of the credit and adding military spouses as a target group.

Governing Unaccredited Representatives Defrauding (GUARD) VA Benefits Act (H.R. 1732)

What it does: Reinstates criminal penalties for unaccredited claim representatives who charge unauthorized fees while assisting veterans with filing a claim for VA disability compensation benefits.

Military CARE Act (H.R. 6796)

What it does: Requires the Pentagon to establish a digital system designed to improve access to care at military treatment facilities (MTFs) by providing beneficiaries with a standardized platform to report barriers to MTF care.

Veteran Caregiver Reeducation, Reemployment, and Retirement Act (H.R. 2148 | S. 879)

What it does: Expands health care coverage and career transition support for caregivers, and would require a study designed to provide caregivers with a path toward financial security in retirement.

State Level Legislative Advocacy



We have had positive feedback, and outcomes, from participating chapter members and States since we launched the collaborative initiative with the MOAA Geographic Councils and Independent Chapters on State level legislation in March. We currently have nine (9) States participating and have reached out to several others. We anticipate that once the word gets out and we have some measurable feedback that other councils and chapters will participate. We have working contacts with CA, FL, MO, NC, NV, OH, PA, TN, and TX. We welcome other States to join us in the collaborative effort.

We will continue to reach out to other State Councils and Independent Chapters for collaboration. Our Chapters have members in all 50 States so let your membership know to share this with any geographic chapters they may belong to. Virtual Chapters will add to their existing voices.

Legislation



MOAA's greatest mission is to improve the lives of those who serve and their families, which is achieved largely through the tireless advocacy efforts taking place in our nation's capital. MOAA's experts in Washington are there to support legislation that benefits the military community and are equally vigilant when fighting to stop legislation that threatens our livelihood. The larger our numbers, the greater our voice.

Advocacy



Legislation advocacy is at the core of what our chapters are all about. The MOAA Legislation Action Center (LAC) is the primary platform we use to send, tract, and measure our effectiveness and support. It is imperative that we encourage all members to register in the LAC and include the chapter affiliations on the dropdown list. The video below provides a step-by-step instruction on how to do this. Provide this information on your website, newsletters, and welcome letters for new members.

Legislative Action Center

While MOAA's Legislative Action Center is a powerful tool, its power stems from the dedication of MOAA's members and their continued engagement with lawmakers on the issues impacting the uniformed services and veteran communities. ***As much as MOAA fights for you, MOAA needs you to fight alongside us, as well; check out the Legislative Action Center now.***



All members should be registered. Find out how from this video and share with your Chapter members.

Quarterly Action Center Data Report

MOAA's Government Relations Department and Affiliated Councils and Chapters Department are excited to introduce a new quarterly report comprised of data from the Legislative Action Center. You will now be able to see how many people in your Council and/or Chapter have registered for the Legislative Action Center and how many letters they are sending to their Members of Congress.

Access the report [HERE](#)

House and Senate Committees



Key legislative attention, at times, requires contacting and knowing just which representatives are on a specific committee. Below you will find some 'key' committees and members listed for the 119th Congress.

[House Armed Services Committee](#)

[Senate Armed Services Committee](#)

[House Defense Appropriations Committee](#)

[Senate Appropriations Committee](#)

[House Veterans Affairs Committee](#)

[Senate Veterans Affairs Committee](#)

Additional legislative information on specific bills, committees, and activities can be found [HERE](#). We urge you to keep your membership informed, involved and to Never Stop Serving!

Legislative Aide Department for Virtual Council and Chapters

There are so many bills and legislative issues on Capitol Hill, of importance to our virtual council and chapters, that we thought a legislative aide would help to track and stay informed on the issues. We have added a section on our website with links to various sites to assist in your legislative efforts.

MOAA is a leading member of the Military Coalition comprised of numerous Veteran Service Organizations working to support our Uniformed Service members and all beneficiaries. You will find links to many of these sites, as well as government sites, to check on issues and legislation. We will continue adding to our listings to further assist our members in our legislative efforts. Visit our Legislation Resource Center [HERE](#)



We will soon be adding two new features to our Legislation Resource Center.

First, we will post all new, and updated, MOAA Active Campaigns from their website for easier notification and tracking on actions taken. Chapters will be able to share the link with their members and not have to duplicate them for individual chapters reference. Our aim is to increase action and support through the Legislation Action Center.

Second, as mentioned on page two (2), we will add a listing of legislation of specific interest and emphasis from affiliated chapters. These legislative items may not be on the MOAA Legislation Action Center active campaign menu but will be supported legislation from Veteran Service Organizations and/or the Military Coalition.

Membership

Benefits of Virtual Chapters

A virtual chapter is bound together by a shared affinity and/or mission. They include a highly dispersed membership, such as those living in remote or overseas locations, may not otherwise have the ability to connect with peers on a regular basis and may enjoy the camaraderie and inclusion.

Members participate in advocacy efforts to further the legislative and other objectives of MOAA. We are focused on legislation that affects all ranks of all services, to include currently serving, Reserve and National Guard and their families and survivors.

We provide easy access to current research, share experiences and expand our reach by sharing with other service corps associations and other team members.

In this time of major transformation of the military and the VA system, members strive to keep engaged and provide input to key leaders through the MOAA Government Relations team.

Members share community involvement experiences and are encouraged to also participate in local MOAA chapters.

If you move, change duty stations, or even deploy, your membership follows.



Recruiting and Outreach

As you look at your chapter growing, don't overlook other social media avenues. Consider starting an account and advertise your presence on various sites. You can find other affinity groups with interest in joining your chapter.

Using your website to attract and gain members is extremely useful and beneficial. Remember to keep your website up to date and informative. Social media sites should also be current and maintained to attract new members.

Chapter Recruiting Trifold

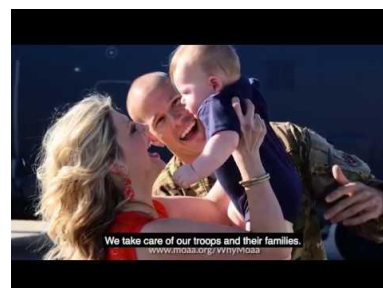


The Council has developed a trifold brochure to aid in Chapter recruiting efforts. The brochure can be used at any event, gathering, or for individual recruiting opportunities. **Download Trifold from our website (click photo).**

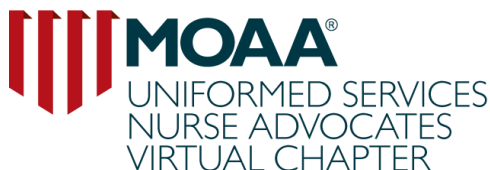
There is a QRS code and link to take prospective members to our 'Join Us' webpage where they will find information on each of our seven (7) virtual chapters and an application to join any Chapter. Once the application is received it will be forwarded to the correct Chapters' email address.

Why Join MOAA

The Military Officers Association of America (MOAA)



Chapter News



Web site: musnavc.org

Join us: [HERE](#)

Email: musnavc@gmail.com

President: LTC Joe Gollasch, USA (Ret)



Virtual Chapters are independent MOAA affiliates with representation on the Virtual Council.

We will be implementing some new and innovative ways to attract new members and to increase membership, while we celebrate and reflect on the 250 years of our great country!

In January we reported an update on our year in review of our year ahead focusing on looking at our different teams: where we've been and where we plan to go. The We Care team, which supports our members specifically during trying times, but also available throughout the year when needed, is already reaching out to members in need. We have updated our 'We Care' procedures and intend to engage our membership for whatever needs they have and whatever we can do for them.

Our legislation early push team looks forward to collaborating with the Council of Virtual Chapter and provide specific healthcare legislation important to our Chapters' advocacy efforts.

The Wreaths Across America team had a successful December event laying more than 90 wreaths in five different national cemeteries across the country and involving over 50 of our members, and their sisters and brothers, in the Uniformed Nurse Corps, as we honored and remembered those who went before us.

The membership committee, headed by Kat Clark, is proud to announce that our membership has grown to 534 members in all 50 states with an outreach in 220 congressional districts. Kat is motivated to increase our numbers by 10% or more by the end of 2026 and we will certainly support her and work hard to meet that goal.

Overall, MUSNAVC had a busy and successful 2025 and is energetically planning a growth in 2026 in membership, state-level legislative engagement, health care-related initiatives, and positive impacts through advocacy across our teams!

We are proud and thankful to our leadership team and all members who made a commitment as Nurses with a Mission to Never Stop Serving!

MOAA® SURVIVING SPOUSE VIRTUAL CHAPTER

Website: moaasurvivingspousevirtualchapter.org

Email: mssvc02@gmail.com

President: Pat Green, Surviving Spouse Advisory Council



The first 2026 meeting of the Surviving Spouse Virtual Chapter was held on January 20. All members were presented with a copy of the bylaws that had been updated and reviewed and approved in October 2025, except for one three sentence section. That amended section was reviewed discussed and approved. There was a final vote for approval which passed. The Bylaws will now state there will be a review every 3 years by the Bylaws Committee who will report to the Board any recommendations for change. The biggest change to the Bylaws was the addition of a class of Associate Membership available to spouses of current MOAA members.

Our January guest speaker was Tom Reminick, a Lockheed Martin retiree. His program was "The Beginnings and Future of Artificial Intelligence". This meeting had the largest attendance to date. By the end of the program we had lost only 3 members, who texted to me "must go to.... wish I could stay". I don't think the Bylaws topic was the audience draw.

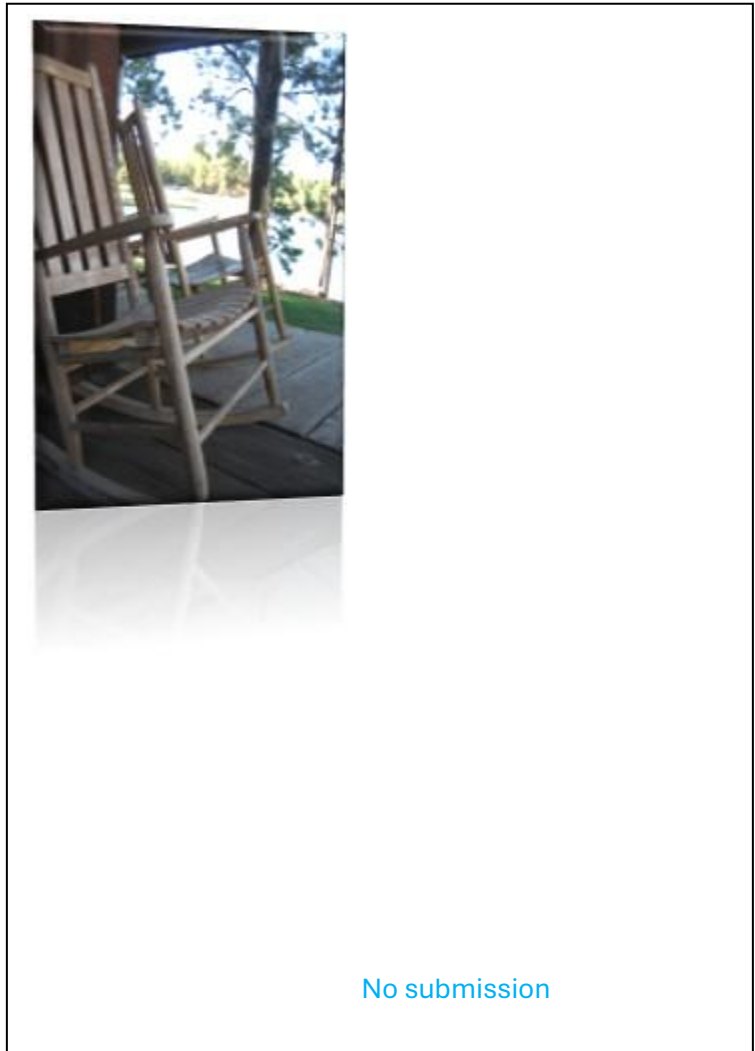
The SSVC Book Club is devoting the selection this year to the USA Colonial period. Our first selection was THE PURSUIT OF LIBERTY by Jeffrey Rosen. In February we will discuss FOLLOW THE RIVER by James Alexander Thom. It is a fictionalized story of the historical pregnant colonial woman, Mary Ingles, who was captured by an Indian raiding party and taken from Virginia to Indiana in 1755. Courageously she walked 1000 miles through wilderness and found her way back home.

On February 17, we will discuss Ai, future programs and the upcoming AiA at our evening meeting.

The March meeting is devoted to preparing for AiA. Our guest speaker is LtGen April Vogel who will discuss the legislation that MOAA will be focused on in this Legislative Session. The Book Selection for March is the non-fiction, HABITS OF SQUIRRELS by Brian Livingston. It is a meditation of life's journeys experienced while hiking the Appalachian Trail.



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President: Maj Lamar Reece, USAF

Greetings MOAA Virtual,

The chapter has been plagued with technical issues preventing online meetings. The issues have been resolved, and the chapter will hold the next meeting in February. On going communications have been relayed through our newsletters and email.

We have a new email address for contacting our chapter: admin@moavirtualchaplains.com

We invite you to visit our new website <https://www.moavirtualchaplains.com/>

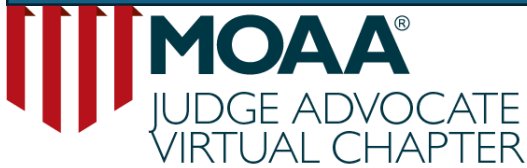
May we continue to be faithful in our calling to serve both our diverse faith communities and those who serve our nation.

Many Blessings,

Larmar

New Beginnings Prayer

"Eternal God, source of all wisdom and strength, as we begin this new year, we thank You for the opportunity to serve alongside those who defend our nation. Grant us fresh vision for ministry, renewed strength for service, and deepened compassion for those we serve. Guide our steps, guard our words, and use us as instruments of Your peace in the lives of service members and their families. In this season of new beginnings, help us to be faithful stewards of the trust placed in us. Amen."



Website: moajavc.org

Join us [HERE](#)

Email:

President: MAJ Brooks Rose, USAFR

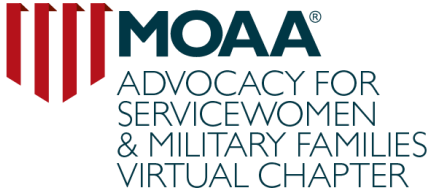


We welcomed COL(s) Jerrod Fussnecker to our 27 January meeting. COL(s) Fussnecker is an Army Reserve JAG, attorney with Collins & Lacy in South Carolina, and the host of the Military Veterans in Law podcast which profiles military retirees and veterans who have moved into the legal field after their military careers.

On Tuesday 24 February at 8pm Eastern/ 7pm Central, we will welcome Lt Col Brad Huestis (Army JAG Ret.) as the speaker for our February chapter meeting. Lt Col Huestis is the the author of the recently published novel The Big Bad, a legal thriller set in 2006 Iraq Sunni Triangle. His book is garnering great reviews and recognition and this should be a great talk.

MOAAJAVC is also in the preliminary stages of developing a **Judicial Advocacy capability**. Our team is working in concert with the MOAA General Counsel's office to train and develop a team of volunteer attorneys to assist MOAA's national organization on opportunities to weigh in and advocate within the judicial branch. One of the initial opportunities we are focusing on are amicus curiae briefs (Latin for "friend of the court") on cases MOAA HQ identifies that would be beneficial to our members and the larger military, veteran, and family community. These briefs provide courts with valuable information, expertise, or insights beyond what the parties may offer, they bring broader public interest or policy implications of a case to the court's attention, and they may also support one side's arguments or offer a neutral viewpoint on matters of law depending on the facts of the case. Once we are up and running this will allow MOAA to have a strong and consistent presence advocating for our members and the larger military community in all three branches of government. If anyone in the larger Virtual Council has an interest in legal research, we invite future teammates to reach out at MOAAJAVC@gmail.com. We are happy to put you to work!

Finally, we welcomed two new shipmates on the chapter leadership team. CDR Zoe Kugeares is our Treasurer replacing John Kalis who moved to be our Chapter Webmaster/Designer. Zoe is a Navy Reservist Judge Advocate and Afghanistan Veteran. We are very thankful to have her onboard with us! Amber Sax is our Surviving Spouse Liaison. Amber is a Marine Corps Gold Star Spouse and a veteran of great advocacy work on Capitol Hill fighting for military families and survivors. We are very thankful to have her onboard with us.



Website: women-family-virtual-chapter Join us [HERE](#)
Email:
President: Col Rojan Robotham, USAF (Ret)



No submission



Seeking Applicants for MOAA's Board of Directors

This year, MOAA will elect a new class of the board of directors — 12 new directors who will succeed the 12 who will complete their service in October. MOAA directors serve one six-year term and must be MOAA members. Like the military services and veterans' communities it represents, MOAA draws its strength from the diversity of its members. Our membership base consists of both men and women of all racial and ethnic backgrounds. It is important that MOAA's board of directors be representative of that diversity. To achieve that objective, MOAA strongly encourages its minority members to apply for positions on the board of directors.

Those interested must submit their applications and letters of recommendation by March 31. Find eligibility requirements and additional details in the January issue of *Military Officer* or at www.moaa.org/boardapplication.



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President: CDR Lincoln Smith, USN (Ret)



**MOAA Council and
Chapter Public Affairs
and Communications
Guide**

[Click to download Guide](#)

The MOAA Public Affairs and Communication Professional Virtual Chapter has made a significant contribution to the MOAA organization through the recent publication of its MOAA Council and Chapter Public Affairs and Communication Guide.

The guide helps those of MOAA's councils or chapters who volunteered to lead its public affairs and communications efforts. Whether their title is Public Affairs Officer, Communications Chair, or Newsletter Editor, their role is vital to the success and visibility of their specific organization. In today's digital and fast-paced environment, clear, effective communications and a visible public presence are essential. The guide provides updated best practices, tools, and resources to help communicate effectively in the modern media landscape.

Another development by the MPACOMVC is a resource for chapters and councils to have a dynamic speaker for their meetings. A YouTube channel has been established featuring a library of pre-recorded talks from subject matter experts. These presentations cover a wide range of topics to include veterans' benefits, legislative advocacy, leadership, communications and current issues of national security. The videos are designed for flexibility. Chapters and Councils can stream them during in-person gatherings or in virtual meetings. The video link is available on the MPACOMVC website.

MOAA's inaugural Total Force + conference was held in October 2025. The focus areas of the conference were benefits, health care and military recruiting, optimizing leadership development and performance, advancing quality of life and amplifying the veteran and retiree experience. MPACOMVC members CDR Linc Smith, USNR (Ret); LCDR Rich Higgins, USN (Ret) and COL Pete Kloeber, USAF (Ret) attended the event.

MPACOMVC President Linc Smith and Vice President Keith Beebe will be among MOAA's overall Virtual Chapter members participating in the Advocacy in Action event legislative meetings with U.S. Congress senators and representatives in April 2026.

LCDR Rich Higgins has added another role to his busy schedule by joining the MOAA State Legislation Forum leadership team.



Currently Serving

Leaving active duty and looking at your options? Seeking new civilian opportunities alongside your Guard and Reserve service? You've come to the right place.

[Click Here](#)

Military Spouses

Looking to reenter the workforce, or seeking a career that can keep up with PCS moves? You'll find plenty of choices.

[Click Here](#)

Veterans and Retirees

Whether you've been out of uniform for a few weeks, a few years, or longer, you'll find options to fit your career path.

[Click Here](#)

Other Service-Connected Job Seekers

Military dependent? Caregiver? Whatever your connection, we can help you take your next professional step.

[Click Here](#)



MOAA's Military State Report Card and Tax Guide

MOAA has consolidated the annual State Report Card and State Tax Guide. Consult state authorities for additional/more current information. See the report card and Defense State Liaison Office (DSLO) issues

[HERE.](#)



Military Officers Association of America

The Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) is the country's leading organization protecting the rights of uniformed servicemembers and their families. MOAA is the nation's largest and most influential association of uniformed service officers and their surviving spouses. We are an independent, nonprofit, politically nonpartisan organization. MOAA's constituents proudly hail from every branch of the uniformed services. To them, we have made the same promise that they have made to their country: **Never Stop Serving.**

MOAA RESOURCES

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MOAA produces regular updates on MOAA's advocacy and legislative efforts from MOAA's government relations staff weekly. These short YouTube videos are easily linked to your newsletters and/or websites. We highly recommend that you explore and use them. Members enjoy viewing them. (Click photo to see listing.)

MOAA Councils and Chapters hold monthly **Virtual Roundtable** discussions, usually on the last Thursday of the month. These discussions are open to all Chapter and Council leaders and cover issues which are important and pertinent for success and health of the Chapters. It is useful to hear what other chapter leaders are doing for best practice initiatives. The sessions are recorded, and you may view them using the webinar and video archive link [HERE](#).

Council and Chapter Leaders Workshops –

Whether you are a new or experienced chapter leader, the MOAA Leaders workshop is a valuable source to learn what is going on with MOAA and to provide information and resources for your chapter. We urge you to attend an in-person workshop when available, but you may view the latest virtual workshop from the link [HERE](#). If you have any questions or would like to discuss any topic presented, let us know.

Coming soon from MOAA

MOAA, in collaboration with the Virtual Council, is producing a new video to promote Virtual Chapters. Video will be available and posted soon.



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2025 STAKEHOLDER'S REPORT

In 2025, MOAA's resolve to support and advocate for its 350,000 members and the entire uniformed services community was stronger than ever. By championing critical legislative priorities and expanding vital resources for servicemembers, veterans, their families, and surviving spouses, MOAA continued to create meaningful change and live out its enduring commitment to Never Stop Serving.

Awarded a record 1,811 students with
\$18+ million
in loans and grants via MOAA Charities.



70% of MOAA chapters participate in impactful community service.

Informed 20,000 military members, veterans, and family members with **42 webinars** covering career support, benefits education, financial guidance, and more.



Introduced **BenefitHub**, a service that provides members with discounts on travel, entertainment, health services, apparel, and more.



Launched a new job board with Oplign, matching high quality candidates with military-friendly, veteran-ready employers.



Defended student-veterans and their families from renewed predatory lending practices by opposing repeal of the "90/10 rule" that limits federal funding for for-profit schools.

Trained 2,250 volunteer council and chapter system leaders through in-person and virtual events.



Named a **"Top Lobbyist"** by *The Hill* for the 19th consecutive year.



MOAA launched a presence on TikTok.



Recognized 130 volunteer council and chapter officers for excellence in leadership.



Provided **\$300,000** in crisis relief grants to servicemembers in need through MOAA Charities.

Trained 300+ attendees on how to incorporate AI technology into their job search.

Received an **A+** rating on our 2024 audit.

Tracked **100,000+** messages from MOAA supporters to their elected officials.

MOAA Charities awarded **\$130,000** in community grants to MOAA chapters and councils.

Won a POLIO Award for best cover design for Military Officer.

Supported legislation to make the Veterans Experience Office a permanent part of the VA.

Helped secure **\$1.3B** for unaccompanied housing through the 2025 reconciliation bill.

Partnership with Veterans Healthcare to offer veterans-focused Medicare Advantage programs.

41% of MOAA members are LIFE members.

Enrolled 1,000 new members from military academy alumni associations, ROTC programs.

Logged 1,200+ hours of face-to-face federal advocacy.

Secured 67% of new cosponsorships for the Military Spouse Hiring Act.

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TOTAL FORCE+
ADVANCING SOLUTIONS FOR THE MILITARY & VETERAN COMMUNITY

MOAA delivered the inaugural TotalForce+ experience – bringing together senior leaders, industry partners, nonprofits, and members of the uniformed services community to focus on the people side of national defense. The event exceeded expectations – earning strong reviews from attendees and exhibitors, establishing new partnerships, and reinforcing MOAA's commitment to advancing solutions for the military and veteran community and our belief that "People Outrank Everything."

+ 2,732 registrants

+ 110 speakers

+ 87 exhibitors

+ 53 sessions

+ 46 sponsors

+ 300 new MOAA members

+ 67 new financial relationships

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Up Coming Training and Events

FEBRUARY 2026

- FEB. 26:** MONTHLY CHAPTER LEADER VIRTUAL ROUNDTABLE, 7 P.M. EASTERN: COMMITTEE MODULE/NRT. [JOIN HERE](#) AT THE TIME OF THE MEETING. (MEETING ID: 947 1594 8385)

MARCH 2026

- MARCH TBD:** VIRTUAL LEADER TRAINING WORKSHOP (NEW LEADERS)
- MARCH 26:** MONTHLY CHAPTER LEADER VIRTUAL ROUNDTABLE, 7 P.M. EASTERN: ADVOCACY IN ACTION LOGISTICS. [JOIN HERE](#) AT THE TIME OF THE MEETING. (MEETING ID: 928 7877 4936)

APRIL 2026

- APRIL 13-16:** BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AND ADVOCACY IN ACTION (AIA) CAMPAIGN
- APRIL 23:** MONTHLY CHAPTER LEADER VIRTUAL ROUNDTABLE, 7 P.M. EASTERN: CHAPTER DUES PAY PORTAL. [JOIN HERE](#) AT THE TIME OF THE MEETING. (MEETING ID: 923 4344 7025)

Community Involvement

Our Virtual Community spans all 50 States. We encourage all to be involved with local community activities and support the MOAA community outreach. Here are a few of the Community programs to consider getting involved with.



Serving Veterans By Bringing New Friends to Veterans in Hospice.



The Military Order of the World Wars (MOWW) is a patriotic, nonpartisan, Veterans Service Organization (VSO) dedicated to promoting patriotism, civic responsibility, public service, and leadership in our nation's communities.



Honoring and supporting our nation's newest and youngest service members



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Honor Flight

For their service, sacrifice, and selflessness. Join us as we proudly celebrate America's Veterans with a day of honor in our nation's capital.

Check with your local geographic MOAA chapter on events and activities for additional information and get involved.

The Military Officers Association of America is the Nation's largest and most influential association of military officers. It is an independent, nonprofit, politically nonpartisan organization.

The MOAA Council of Virtual Chapters is an affiliate of MOAA and is dedicated to the goals of MOAA. It serves as a virtual advocate on issues throughout the United States.