

A STATE OF GRATITUDE: VETERANS DAY ACROSS GEORGIA

Veterans Day is a time to pay tribute to all American veterans, celebrating their unwavering patriotism, deep devotion to our nation, and selfless commitment to serving and sacrificing for the greater good.

We are honored to express our heartfelt gratitude, recognize their achievements, and acknowledge the profound impact of their service at celebrations across the state.



GEORGIA JOINS THE NATION IN CELEBRATING THE 250TH MARINE CORPS BIRTHDAY

November 10, 2025, marked a monumental milestone - 250 years of unwavering honor, courage, and commitment from the United States Marine Corps.

Georgia joined the nation in saluting all who have earned the title "Marine." We pay tribute to those who paved the way, those who serve with distinction today, and those who will carry the torch forward.



FROM FOUNDATION TO FUTURE: A VETERAN’S HOME RESTORED



The Georgia Department of Veterans Service joined community partners to assist a disabled Army veteran living in an unsafe home while raising eight grandchildren following the loss of their parents.

The Home Depot Foundation’s Team Depot program joined the GDVS, WorkSource Georgia Vets, and V2 Fostering Change to improve the property.

The property had foundation issues, a weakened porch, and a front door that no longer closed securely. Volunteers worked together to clear the crawl space, reinforce the brick foundation, and install a new front door.

While there is still work to be done, GDVS and community partners plan to continue supporting the family and connecting them with local resources for help with their remaining needs.

“This could not have been done without our community partnerships,” said GDVS Women and Minority Coordinator Veda Brooks. “This is truly what fostering change looks like in action.”

WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA

On December 13, 2025, Georgia’s veteran memorial cemeteries will join the nation with annual Wreaths Across America remembrance ceremonies.

At the GDVS’s memorial cemeteries in Milledgeville and Glenville, wreaths will be placed on the headstones of our fallen heroes by family members, and volunteers.

The public is invited to join the ceremonies at noon.

GET TO KNOW YOUR VSO: DAVID FLANAGAN

David Flanagan’s favorite thing about working with the GDVS is helping veterans who given up on trying to get help.

He served 20 years in the Air Force and worked as an intelligence analyst and resource advisor.



Flanagan celebrated his first year of working for the GDVS in October. His office also recently relocated from Grovetown to the Augusta Department of Public Health.

When he is not busy assisting veterans, Flanagan enjoys going to the gym, watching fantasy movies, walking, and reading novels.

His advice to new and future VSOs?

“Be patient, many vets are simply frustrated with the system. Just always do what you can, you can only control what you can control.”

GEORGIA MILITARY CONSUMER PROTECTION GUIDE—WHAT’S NEW THIS YEAR

Georgia’s Attorney General’s Consumer Protection Division recently released a new, updated edition of their Military Consumer Protection Guide for military service members, veterans, and their families.

In 2024, Georgia veterans and active service members lost over \$584 million to scams and dishonest business practices.

The Georgia Military Consumer Protection Guide provides tips on how to spot and avoid common scams and what to do if you think your information has been compromised.

The guide is free and available through the [Attorney General’s website](#). Hard copies can be obtained by calling 404-656-3790.