#### A MESSAGE FROM GEORGE P. BUSH

Thank you for your interest in the Texas Veterans Land Board (VLB). As a Veteran of Operation Enduring Freedom and an active Navy reservist, I am especially honored to serve fellow Veterans, military members and their families as Texas Land Commissioner and Chairman of the VLB. I am thankful for

the opportunity to make even more Veterans aware of the

excellent benefits and services we provide.

If we can help with any issue, please call the statewide Veterans Call Service Center at 800-252-VETS (8387). I also encourage you to visit us on Facebook or Twitter and let us know how we can be of service to you.



George P. Bush Chairman, Veterans Land Board Texas Land Commissioner

### ABOUT THE VETERANS LAND BOARD

Since the days of the Republic, Texas has always supported Veterans. Created by the Texas Legislature in 1946, the Texas Veterans Land Board (VLB) was established to make land available to Veterans returning from World War II. Since then, the VLB continues to expand the benefits and services available to Texas Veterans, military members and their families.

Today, the VLB offers three loan programs, eight long-term care facilities, four state cemeteries, the Voices of Veterans program and a benefit counseling service through a statewide Veterans Call Service Center—all exclusively for Texas Veterans. These benefits are available to Veterans and military members who are Texas residents with discharge conditions that are other than dishonorable.

To learn more, visit Texas Veterans.com or call us at 800-252-8387







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### **VLB LOAN PROGRAMS**

#### **VETERANS HOMES & CEMETERIES**

## **VOICES OF VETERANS**



#### **VLB Land Loan Program**

Looking to purchase property? Below-market interest rates for land loans are available to Texas Veterans and military members.

- Loan amount up to \$125,000
- Minimum 5% down payment
- 30-year, fixed-rate loan term
- Minimum one acre

VLB also conducts quarterly, online Veteran-only land sales for land tracts that have been forfeited. Land that is not sold during the quarterly sales is made available for sale to the public. Visit TexasVeterans.com to view properties.

# **VLB Home Improvement Loan Program**

- Up to \$25,000
- Discounted interest rate for disabled Veterans
- No down payment required

Applicants must meet FHA guidelines. Must be primary residence.

# **VLB Home Loan Program**

- Loans up to \$417,000
- Low interest rates on home loans with fixed rate terms for up to 30 years
- Allows for no down payment when used in conjunction with VA Loan Guarantee
- Discounted interest rate for disabled Veterans
- New construction must meet Energy Star guidelines

Visit Texas Veterans.com for a list of participating lenders.

#### **Texas State Veterans Homes**

VLB provides affordable, long-term skilled care for Veterans, their spouses and Gold Star parents. Homes are designed to enhance quality of life with a clean, caring and dignified setting for those who have served our country with honor.

- Approved for VA, Medicare and Medicaid
- Certified and secure Memory Support Unit
- Comfortable, spacious private and semi-private rooms
- Located in Amarillo, Big Spring, Bonham, El Paso, Floresville, McAllen, Temple and Tyler

#### **Texas State Veterans Cemeteries**

Texas State Veterans Cemeteries are an expression of our respect for the men and women who have served in the U.S. Armed Forces. Exclusively for Texas Veterans, military members or their spouses and dependent children, these cemeteries are special resting places, where friends, family and fellow Texans can honor our Veterans.

- Free interment for Veterans; fee for spouses and dependents
- Open to visitors every day, with interments conducted Monday through Friday
- Located in Abilene, Corpus Christi, Killeen and Mission





The VLB Voices of Veterans Oral History Program™ seeks to record the stories of men and women who served our nation to preserve their memories for future generations. Every Veteran has a story to tell, and this program will ensure these stories of courage and service inspire Texans for generations to come.

Interviews can be conducted in person at the VLB office, or by telephone from anywhere in Texas. Each participant receives a commemorative copy of their oral history on CD, along with a letter from the VLB Chairman and a certificate bound in an embossed binder.

Visit VoicesofVeterans.org or call 1-800-252-VETS (8387) to share your story.

#### Statewide Veterans Call Service Center

Through a joint effort with the Texas Veterans Commission (TVC), and the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), the VLB operates a statewide Veterans Call Service Center, available at 800-252-VETS (8387).

- Open 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday
- Benefit counselors return calls within one business day
- Intergovernmental partnerships with VA, TVC and VLB created to serve Veterans