

# *Mercer County* **Veterans Service Office**

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## Financial Assistance Application Procedure

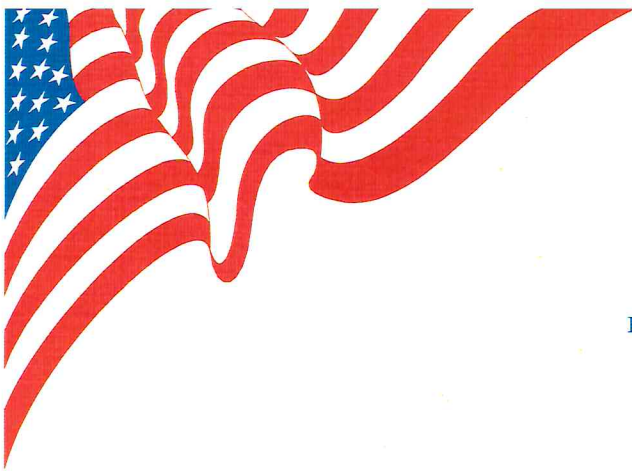
Dear Financial Assistance Applicant,

To proceed through the financial assistance application interview process, these items will need to be satisfied to complete the process. You will first need to call the office and speak with one of the staff members to schedule an appointment. You must meet the following:

- Veteran: A Person Who Served in The United States Armed Forces on Active Military Duty and Was Discharged Under Honorable Conditions and Who Either Served On Active Duty For Reasons Other Than Training Or, While Serving On Active Duty For Training, Incurred A Disability Recognized By The Department Of Veterans Affairs Or Department Of Defense As Service-Connected.
- Active Duty Member of The Armed Forces of The United States.
- Current National Guard and Reserve Soldiers Are Eligible to Apply with A Military Discharge From “Active Duty for Training.”
- Spouse, Surviving Spouse, Dependent Parent, Minor Child, Or Ward (All of A Veteran or Active Duty Member of The Armed Forces of The United States).
- A Child Between Age 18 And 23 Will Be Considered A Dependent If Attending High School or College. (Proof Required)
- All Must Be a Bona Fide residents of Mercer County For At Least Three Months Before Making the Application.

Each Applicant for Financial Assistance Is Required to Complete an Application Form Provided by The Commission.

**Anyone Knowingly Falsifying Information When Applying For ASSISTANCE MAY BE PROSECUTED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE.**



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**Applicant Is Responsible for Providing the Necessary Documents:** DD214, Marriage Certificate, Birth Certificates, Proof of Earnings, Proof of Expenses, Proof of Residency.

Any Income and Expenses Stated on The Application **Must Be Verifiable for A (30) Day Period** Preceding the Application for Assistance by A Bank Statement, Pay Stubs, And Award Letters If the Income Is for Disability or From A Social Service Agency.

All information gathered will be input into a State of Ohio form and generated into totals. Initial screening will reveal continued eligibility throughout the process, and if the applicant remains eligible, their application will be presented to the Mercer County Veterans Commission Board.

If you have any questions or concerns, please give us a call at 419-586-3542.