Disability Compensation

What is Disability Compensation Benefits?

Disability compensation is a tax-free benefit paid to Veterans because of injuries or disease that happened during active duty. In some cases, an existing disease or injury was worsened due to active military service. This benefit is also paid to certain Veterans disabled from VA health care.

Who is eligible?

You may be eligible for disability compensation if:

- You have a service-related disability or illness.
- Your discharge was not dishonorable.

How much does VA pay?

The amount of basic benefit pay ranges from $142.29 to $3,106.04 per month depending on level of disability. You may be paid additional amounts, in certain instances, if:

- You have very severe disability (ies) or loss of limb(s).
- You have a spouse, child (ren) or dependent parent(s).
- You have a seriously disabled spouse.

How can you apply?

You can apply at the SAN FRANCISCO COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE. Your VETERANS SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE will help complete the necessary forms.

The following supporting evidence and/or documents should be submitted with your application:

- **Discharge or separation papers** - DD214 or equivalent (Copy 4 – Member Copy). Applicants who have a copy of their DD214 are encourage to provide a copy with their application to expedite processing. Otherwise, we will help you to obtain your service records from the service department.
- **Medical evidence** (Service Treatment Records, military medical records, and other medical records to substantiate all treatment by private doctor or hospital reports and records)
- **Dependency records** (marriage certificate and children’s birth certificates and copies of divorce/death/annulment record terminating all of your prior marriages and those of your spouse)

For assistance and other details, please call (415) 934-4200 or email SFCVSO@sfgov.org

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