

### **Attention to Veterans and Eligible Family Members.**

Veterans affected by the recent flooding may qualify for [Nebraska Veterans Aid \(NVA\)](#) for **food**, **clothing**, and **emergency housing** (i.e. hotel accommodations). As flooding continues to impact the state, Veterans and family members can apply for assistance to meet immediate need through the Nebraska Veterans Aid.

The County Service Office is designated as the point of contact for flood-related NVAs. If you have questions, please contact Ken Stenka at 402-336-1200 or [vetserv@holtcountyne.org](mailto:vetserv@holtcountyne.org)

Applications will be considered on a case-by-case basis to determine the amount of assistance a veteran and/or their eligible dependents would be able to receive. In some cases, payments may be made to individuals by paper check, so there is a wait time.

#### **Documentation required for flood assistance:**

1. The NVA application & US Citizenship Attestation Form.
2. The **veteran's DD-214** showing the Character of Service.
3. A copy of a certified marriage certificate, when applicable.
  - *(In this circumstance, we may be able to process the app without this document if it was lost in the flood and getting a copy from a County Clerk's Office would take an extended amount of time.)*
4. A copy of a certified death certificate, when applicable.
  - *(In this circumstance, we may be able to process the app without this document if it was lost in the flood and getting a copy from Vital Statistics would take an extended amount of time.)*
5. **For emergency housing, NVA would need a statement/estimate from a hotel/motel detailing the cost.**
  - *(NVA currently allows up to 2 weeks of lodging; that could be increased if the need is shown. If temporary housing will be in an apartment or rental home, an agreement signed by the tenant and landlord would be required.)*
6. For food and/or clothing assistance, the applicant is asked to provide a reasonable sum for food and clothing; NVA will make the final decision on how much financial assistance will be provided for these items.

**ELIGIBILITY:** To be eligible, you must be a veteran with honorable service and active duty service other than for training, or the dependent of a veteran. This information can be found on an appropriate discharge document such as a **DD214**. If in doubt, you may contact your County Veteran Service Officer for assistance. Additionally, you must demonstrate that you are experiencing a current financial hardship that was caused by a temporary and unforeseen emergency that generally was no fault of your own, such as a medical episode or random life event.

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