

# Veteran Services

## VETERAN SERVICES ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Assisted more than 1,700 veterans and dependents in-person and more than 15,000 by phone or mail.
- Facilitated claim actions resulting in Leon County veterans receiving more than \$7.1 million in retroactive payments and new awards this year.
- Distributed Military Grant Funding to 55 applicants. The total amount of money expended was more than \$40,000.
- Increased visibility and participation with veteran service organizations, fostering improved relations with the veteran community.
- Organized and executed the Annual Leon County Veterans Day Parade.
- Spearheaded the team that displays photographs of Leon County servicemen and women. The display of individual photographs are at the LeRoy Collins Leon County Main Library called "Honoring Leon County's Men and Women in Uniform - The War on Terrorism." Photographs may also be viewed on the County website.
- Provided veteran benefits presentations for deploying and returning Reserve and Guard units.
- Chaired the committee to raise funds and build a Veterans Memorial in Cascades Park by 2010.



### Did You Know

The Veterans Administration distributed almost \$37 million in Leon County in FY 2008/2009.



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The Veteran Services Division counsels and assists veterans and their dependents with processing benefit claims entitled to them through the United States Department of Veterans Affairs and other agencies.

