

Resources for Veterans

FOOD ASSISTANCE

Free Meals for All New Yorkers

- Three free meals are available for every New Yorker. <https://www.schools.nyc.gov/school-life/food/free-meals> | Text "NYC FOOD" or "NYC COMIDA" to **877-877** to find a Meal Hub near you.

Food Assistance Resource Guide

- <https://www1.nyc.gov/assets/dsny/contact/services/COVID-19FoodAssistance.shtml>

EMERGENCY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Financial Assistance for Veterans

- The VFW is offering emergency cash assistance to qualifying veterans, military members, and families. <https://www.vfw.org/> | **(833) 839-8387**
- NYC Human Resources Administration's NYC Cash Assistance program offers cash for families in need. <https://access.nyc.gov/programs/cash-assistance/> | **(718) 557-1399**
- The PENFED Foundation is providing emergency financial assistance for veterans impacted by COVID-19. Visit <https://penfedfoundation.org/> | **(800) 558-9224**
- Operation Homefront offers veterans and servicemember financial assistance for critical family needs. Due to COVID-19, will accept and process immediate requests for assistance outside the normal monthly application cycle. <https://www.operationhomefront.org/custompage?Id=6364> | **(800) 558-9224**
- The NYC Human Resource Administration's (HRA) One Shot Deal allows NYC residents to apply for a one-time emergency grant that can be used for assistance with rent, utility bills, and disaster expenses. Visit <https://portal.311.nyc.gov/article/?kanumber=KA-01104> | **(718) 557-1399**

COVID-19 TESTING

New York City

- New Yorkers with symptoms or questions about COVID-19 can call 1-844-NYC-4NYC to connect to a medical provider free of charge 9am – 9pm.
- To find a testing site visit <http://nyc.gov/covidtest>.
- Diagnostic testing is available at all CityMDs. CityMD will cover the cost if you do not have insurance. <https://www.citymd.com/all-locations>

New York State

- Free to all eligible New Yorkers as ordered by health care provider or calling NYS hotline. **1-888-364-3065**.

VA HEALTHCARE NEEDS

- Veterans with needs related to the VA should call **1-877-222-VETS (8387)**. Eligible Veterans can apply for VA healthcare by calling or visiting <https://www.va.gov/health-care/apply/application/introduction>

CRISIS SUPPORT

IF THE VETERAN IS A DANGER TO THEMSELVES OR OTHERS, CALL 911

NYC Well

- New York City's free, confidential support, crisis intervention, and information and referral service is available 24/7. <https://nycwell.cityofnewyork.us/en/> | **(888) 692-9355**

Veteran Crisis Line

- A free, confidential resource that's available to anyone, even if you're not registered with VA or enrolled in VA health care. <https://www.veteranscrisisline.net/> | **(800) 273-8255**