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Napa County veterans eligible for special driver's licenses beginning Nov. 12

(NAPA, California) The 11,000 veterans in Napa County are now eligible to receive a driver's license identifying their service in the United States Armed Forces through a new statewide program. Beginning Nov. 12, the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) will be issuing driver's licenses with the word "veteran."

Local veterans can visit the Napa County Veterans Service Office (CVSO), which is located at 650 Imperial Way in downtown Napa, and complete the DMV application. Veterans will need a certified copy of their discharge papers (DD-214) showing they received anything other than a dishonorable discharge or that they served in a Guard or Reserve component and were mobilized for federal active duty.

The new driver's license means veterans will no longer need to carry their discharge papers to show proof of military service.

The CVSO will verify the documents and approve the application, which can then be submitted to the DMV. There is a \$5 fee to have the veteran designation placed on a driver's license. This is in addition to the normal renewal fees. Veterans who are not due for renewal can obtain a new license for a \$35 replacement fee.

The CVSO can order copies of discharge papers. Veterans who visit the office can also discuss their eligibility for federal, state and local benefits.

For more information, please call the CVSO at 707-253-4558.

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