

# Additional Information

The *Vets Get Pets* application is available as a fillable PDF, and digital signatures are accepted if organizations require a photo ID to adopt a pet.

The preauthorization request can be submitted electronically to the Nebraska Department of Veterans' Affairs via Secure Upload.



For more information, to access the application, or to submit any materials, please visit [veterans.nebraska.gov/vetsgetpets](http://veterans.nebraska.gov/vetsgetpets)

For any additional questions about the *Vets Get Pets* program, please contact the Nebraska Department of Veterans' Affairs by phone at

**(402) 471-2458**

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# Vets Get Pets

A pet adoption program for veterans through the Nebraska Department of Veterans' Affairs



# Program Overview

**Vets Get Pets** is a program offered through the Nebraska Department of Veterans' Affairs that covers an eligible veteran's pet adoption fees.

Allowances are dependent on the funds available from the sale of *Vets Get Pets* license plates



**Veteran Eligibility:** for the purpose of this program, veteran is defined as one who served on active duty other than for training and was discharged with a characterization of honorable or general (under honorable conditions)



# How To Apply

## 1. Veteran must be on the Nebraska Veteran's Registry

- In the event the veteran is unable to submit an application for the Veteran Registry, a copy of the veteran's DD-214 showing characterization of discharge should be submitted.
- ***If the veteran's name is different than what is listed*** on the DD-214, proof of name change is required (i.e. marriage certificate, legal name change documents, etc.)

## 2. Submit preauthorization request to NDVA

- Application for *Vets Get Pets*
- Estimate from the organization itemizing adoption costs

## 3. If eligible, NDVA will notify veteran and shelter/rescue organization of two-week preauthorization period

- Complete the adoption
- Submit an itemized final billing statement to NDVA so payment can be made directly to the shelter/rescue organization

4. (Optional) Email a photo of the veteran and their new pet adopted through the *Vets Get Pets* program to the Nebraska Department of Veterans' Affairs at [ndva@nebraska.gov](mailto:ndva@nebraska.gov) or share your own photo to social media using the hashtag #VetsGetPets!



# Program Limits

If funds for the *Vets Get Pets* program are not currently available, the Nebraska Department of Veterans' Affairs' website will show that the program is "Paused" at that time and applications for the program will not be accepted.

The *Vets Get Pets* program will cover up to a maximum of \$350 in pet adoption fees.

There is a limit of one adoption through the *Vets Get Pets* Program per veteran.

# Payment Information

Shelter/rescue organizations must submit a completed W-9 to the Nebraska Department of Veterans' Affairs before payment can be issued.

Enrollment in Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) payments is highly encouraged for shelters and rescue organizations to receive payments.

