



Veteran benefits fair at Kalamazoo Valley Community College scheduled for May 10

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KALAMAZOO, MI – Veteran education, training, health care and legal benefits will be the focus of a **Kalamazoo Valley Community College** 'Mobile Vet Center' fair on May 10.



Kalamazoo Valley Community College's Texas Township Campus.

KVCC, the State of Michigan's Department of Military and Veterans Affairs and the Workforce Development Agency are collaborating to offer former service men and women an opportunity to brush up on the benefits for which they qualify from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Student Commons Forum at KVCC's Texas Township Campus.

Veterans of all ages and branches of service will be able to meet one-on-one with state, local and college representatives to ask questions related to Veterans Administration about their benefits and other service-related matters.

The Mobile Vet Center is the Department of Veterans Affairs' latest effort to reach the under-served veteran populations. Michigan ranks 11th in the nation for the number of residents who are veterans, but ranks last for veterans who use their educational and vocational training benefits, according to the department.

Last month, the department announced it was placing a VetSuccess on Campus program in West Michigan to serve KVCC, Western Michigan University and Kellogg Community College.

Area residents are the first in the state to have access to the program that brings a liaison to campuses to help coordinate transition services, educational benefits, vocational rehabilitation, disability compensation, life insurance, home loan guaranty, job placement and electing health-care benefits through the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

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