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A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Justin G. Jump, TREA National President



The Retired Enlisted Association (TREA) has a primary mission to support military veterans, retirees, active, Guard and Reserve service members. We believe in our country, the values of life and liberty and the defense there of. We vigorously acknowledge the men and women of the military for whom, without their service and sacrifice to our defense would not otherwise afford us an opportunity to live free in one of the greatness nations in the world. Subsequently, managing and properly maintaining our country's defense requires substantial funding to ensure a solid, capable, combat ready and agile force. The current state of the nation's increasing debt has us gravely concerned and it should have you troubled as well.

Unchecked deficits are simply non-sustainable, and it puts future generations – our children, their children, and our great grandchildren at risk. We, at TREA, support a closer look into government expenditures. A comprehensive review that draws attention to unnecessary, albeit questionable spending practices, and a plan to hold public officials and the administrative state accountable for efficient and responsible spending.

There is much speculation and idle talk about the changes that may be coming to the Federal Government and how those changes will affect our military and veteran populations. It is a known statistic that 30% of the federal government workforce is comprised of veterans and their family members. To say that veterans will not or are not being affected by the upcoming changes is not a true statement and this has drawn our attention along with many other veteran organizations. Unfortunately, there are still a lot of unanswered questions, but one thing to be sure of is that changes are already being put in place. TREA promises to be at the forefront, stay alert, be aware and focused on upcoming events to ensure that such are not unfair to or detrimental to the military/veteran community.

TREA stands firm in support of those who have served and those still serving. Working alongside our government officials, in a bipartisan manner, it is our mission to protect and uphold the benefits that were promised to those who served and are serving – along with their family members. We have done this for the past 62 years – we are not stopping now.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Justin G. Jump".

UNITED WE STAND



CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Garry Turks, National 1st Vice & Chaplain



We ask God's wisdom for our leaders, discernment for our lawmakers, and courage for those who defend truth and justice. We pray for peace to overcome division and for love to dissolve hatred. We pray that our country turns away from paths of darkness and seeks the light of Christ. As Paul encourages us in 1 Timothy 2:1, let us "pray for all people," including those in authority, "that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness."

As your National Chaplain, I am here for you - to provide comfort and support, encouragement and counseling. I am here to share in your good times and to help bear the weight in your difficult times. If you are in need of Chaplain services, please reach out to me at: chaplain@trea.org, or TREA Headquarters (treaHQ@trea.org).

HAVE YOU MOVED? CHANGED YOUR PHONE NUMBER? E-MAIL ADDRESS?

TREA is always receiving important, up-to-date information that could possibly affect your hard-earned military benefits. For us to keep you informed, it is important that we have your correct information. The quickest, and most efficient form of communication for us is e-mail. To ensure that you continue to receive important legislative and general TREA information from us, please take a minute to make sure that your e-mail address is correct.

If you do not use e-mail, or do not have access to a computer, it is even more important that we have your correct mailing address. We receive return mail daily from outdated, or incorrect addresses. Aside from being an unnecessary expense for TREA, it prevents you from receiving important information.



You can log into your membership account (www.memberplanet.com) or call Melissa at 303-752-0660 to verify your contact information.



WASHINGTON UPDATE

TREA National President, Justin Jump

As TREA begins to work with the new Administration and the 119th Congress to preserve and expand the healthcare and benefits you've earned, we'd like to share with you several key updates in Washington that have occurred over the past several months.

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

On February 4, 2025, former Congressman Doug Collins was confirmed by a vote of 77–23 as the 12th Secretary of Veterans Affairs, taking office the very next day. Christopher Syerk was named Chief of Staff, along with a lengthy list of political appointees that will help Secretary Collins serve our nation's veterans.

Two weeks later, VA announced it had laid off 2,400 employees, including non-bargaining unit probationary employees who have served less than a year in a competitive service appointment or who have served less than two years in an excepted service appointment. VA claims the personnel moves will save the department more than \$98 million per year, and VA will redirect all of those resources back toward health care, benefits and services for VA beneficiaries.

On the heels of a leaked memo on March 5th, VA announced its plan to cut an additional 83,000 jobs from the Department with an objective to cut enough employees to return to 2019 staffing levels of just under 400,000. That would require terminating tens of thousands of employees after the VA expanded during the Biden administration, as well as to cover veterans impacted by burn pits under the 2022 PACT Act. TREA will continue to monitor VA's decisions and assess whether it will have any impact on healthcare and benefits administration moving forward.

119th Congress

On February 25 and 26, the Senate Veterans' Affairs Committee and House Committee on Veterans' Affairs hosted joint hearings to learn from the VSO/MSO community on which priorities to consider in the 119th Congress, where DAV, AMVETS, VV, MOPH, BVA, VES, GSW, ROA, TAL, MVA, JWV, NACVSO, MOAA, NASDVA, IVMF, and WWP shared their priorities.

The following Tuesday, March 4, VFW, PVA, IAVA, SVA, TAPS, EDF, and NCHV were able to share theirs. TREA was proud to back our VSO/MSO partners and looks forward to working with our community organizations in the 119th Congress.

On March 13th and 14th, Lawmakers in both the Senate and House reintroduced the TREA backed Major Richard Star Act, a bill which would provide combat-injured retirees with their full earned benefits. The legislation (S. 1032 | H.R. 2102) addresses a long-standing and unjust offset by authorizing concurrent receipt of DoD retired pay and VA disability for those injured in a combat zone and forced to medically retire.



Under current law, servicemembers who are medically retired due to combat-related injuries before reaching 20 years of service are prevented from collecting both their service earned retirement pay and VA disability compensation. These two benefits, established by Congress for entirely different reasons, are nonetheless subject to a statutory offset. The Major Richard Star Act will authorize concurrent receipt of DoD retired pay, for years of service, and VA disability compensation for injuries incurred in service. Once passed, this legislation will be another small step in correcting a larger concurrent receipt issue.

The Star Act enjoys bipartisan support, with over 200 cosponsors in the House and 43 in the Senate as of March 25th. TREA and our veterans service community partners are working diligently to increase this support. It is imperative that we obtain as much engagement as possible so that this critical piece of legislation can cross the finish line.

In addition to the Major Richard Star Act, several critical pieces of legislation were introduced over the past several weeks, including:

- The Service Dogs Assisting Veterans Act (SAVES)
- The Standardizing Treatment and Referral Times Act
- The No Wrong Door for Veterans Act
- The Providing Veterans Essential Medications Act
- The Veterans Supporting Prosthetics Opportunities and Recreational Therapy Act
- The CHIP IN for Veterans Act
- The Protecting Veteran Access to Telemedicine Services Act
- The Veterans National Traumatic Brain Injury Treatment Act
- The Copay Fairness for Veterans Act
- The Saving Our Veterans Lives Act
- The Women Veterans Cancer Care Coordination Act

As the Congress begins to move legislation, TREA will continue to fight for your hard-earned benefits in the 119th Congress. We look forward to working with the White House, VA, DoD, Congress, and our veteran and military service organization partners to accomplish these goals.

Communications

TREA has several social media platforms we use in order to keep in touch with our members and highlight our legislative and programmatic efforts, including our VoterVoice platform, Facebook, LinkedIn, and Twitter. Please make sure you are following each account to stay up to date on critical updates!



MEET DOTTIE

TREA GIVES' Newest Service Dog



Named after Dottie Holmes, TREA's first female National President, 'Dottie' is currently in training with K9s for Warriors and will soon be matched with her veteran. Dottie will provide a constant and safe presence to her veteran to help reduce PTSD symptoms, such as: Panic Attacks, Insomnia, Depression, Isolation, and feelings of hopelessness. Dottie and her veteran will go through 3 weeks of live-in training at the K9s for Warriors training facility in Florida. A mid-June graduation is planned. TREA GIVES representatives will attend this life-changing event and meet Dottie and her veteran.

In addition to service dogs, TREA GIVES is deeply involved in the food insecurity issue facing our country and our military and veteran population. "Halt the Hunger" is a program created by TREA GIVES to draw attention to this national crisis and to help individuals and communities combat it by:

- Providing food cards to those who are having trouble with the purchase of adequate nutritional food.
- Participating in and assisting in the organization of food distribution events across the country.
- Attending Veteran Resource Fairs/Events, providing packets of non-perishable food items and resources for those in need.

TREA GIVES can also provide emergency assistance to veterans (and their families) to help them through an unexpected financial crisis.

TREA GIVES works closely with VA centers across the country providing necessary funds to help veterans get off the street and into safe, permanent housing.

TREA GIVES is active and doing a lot – but there is always more to do. Your support is needed and greatly appreciated. All donations are tax-deductible and go directly to help the veteran/military member and their families.



Send donations to: TREA GIVES – 12200 E. Briarwood Ave, #170 – Centennial – CO 80112



AUXILIARY



A MESSAGE FROM THE AUXILIARY PRESIDENT

Audrey McCray

Spring is here, and I hope each of you will take the time for renewal and reflect on how we can improve our Auxiliary with the goal of growing our membership. The Mid-term meeting will be held on May 7th & 8th, 2025 at Chapter #3, 1599 Dayton Aurora, Colorado 80010. Let's also remember that the TREA National Auxiliary Scholarship deadline is approaching as of June 1st, 2025. If you have any questions, please contact Director Rose Milon at 720-448-1675.

AUXILIARY NOMINATING COMMITTEE

It's time to start thinking about which National Auxiliary Board position you would like to run for. The Nominating Committee encourages every Chapter President to motivate chapter members to consider running for a position on the National Board of Directors. Available positions include President, Vice President, Treasurer, and 2-Year Director. Additionally, all Members at Large (MAL) are eligible to run for positions on the National Board of Directors. Let's work together to ensure strong leadership and continued success!

To run for a National Auxiliary office, complete TREA Auxiliary Form 100-3A, Resume of Candidate for Elective Office. You can get this form by calling TREA Headquarters at 303-752-0660, or by emailing them at: treaHQ@trea.org. Mail or email the completed form to: PNP Renee Keener - 3077 Abilene St. - Aurora, CO 80011, Email: Renee1635@gmail.com

NEED HELP? We're here to help

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If you are a member in good standing and want to apply for assistance, Please Call 303-921-2548.

"No matter what happens, or how bad it seems today, life does go on, and it will get better."
~ Maya Angelou~

UNITED WE STAND
Audrey H. McCray



The Senior Citizens League (TSCL) is an affiliate of TREA: The Enlisted Association (TREA), governed by TREA members and consists of hundreds of thousands of active senior citizens concerned about the protection of their Social Security and Medicare benefits.

Ed Cates,
TSCL Chairman

The Social Security Expansion Act

The Social Security Expansion Act is a proposed piece of legislation intended to significantly change the current Social Security program. The bill addresses increasing benefits, expanding eligibility, and strengthening the program's financial foundation. The Act aims to improve the well-being of beneficiaries, particularly the most vulnerable while ensuring that the system remains solvent for future generations.

Key provisions of the bill include:

- 1. Increasing Social Security Benefits**
- 2. Raising the Cap on Taxable Income**
- 3. Improving Benefits for Low-Income Workers**
- 4. Enhancing Survivor and Disability Benefits**
- 5. Strengthening Social Security's Solvency**

Why is the Social Security Expansion Act Necessary?

The Social Security program is a lifeline for millions of Americans, providing income to more than 66 million beneficiaries in 2023, including retirees, people with disabilities, solvency.

As the population ages, the number of Social Security beneficiaries is increasing, while the number of workers paying into the system is shrinking due to lower birth rates and a declining workforce participation rate. The Social Security Trust Fund, which pays benefits when tax revenues fall short, is projected to face a shortfall as early as 2034 if no changes are made. Without adjustments, Social Security will only be able to pay about 78% of benefits after that time.

The Social Security Expansion Act responds to these issues by increasing benefits, ensuring that Social Security remains financially viable, and addressing systemic inequalities that affect the most vulnerable beneficiaries.

What Are the Benefits of the Social Security Expansion Act?

1. Improved Financial Security for Retirees: The increased benefits and cost-of-living adjustments would provide retirees with more financial security. This would be especially beneficial to older Americans who depend heavily on Social Security as their primary source of income.

2. Reduced Poverty Among Retirees: The Social Security Expansion Act could significantly reduce poverty among the elderly by raising the minimum benefit and increasing benefits for low-income workers. Many retirees currently live on fixed incomes and struggle to make ends meet. The Act addresses this by ensuring that Social Security benefits align with the actual cost of living.



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Ed Cates,
TSLC Chairman

3. Long-Term Solvency of Social Security: The changes to the taxable income cap and the payroll tax rate would help ensure that Social Security remains solvent for future generations.

4. Equity and Fairness: income workers and increasing payouts for survivors and disabled individuals would help make Social Security a more equitable system. It aims to address the current disparities in benefit distribution, which have left many of the most vulnerable groups underfunded.

5. Stronger Social Safety Net: The Social Security Expansion Act is part of a broader effort to strengthen the social safety net in the U.S. By making Social Security more robust, the bill would ensure that retirees, people with disabilities, and survivors have a stronger foundation upon which they can rely.

Challenges and Controversies

While the Social Security Expansion Act has many supporters, it also faces opposition, particularly from those concerned about the financial implications of expanding the program. Some critics argue that raising the payroll tax rate or removing the cap on taxable income would place an undue burden on high-income earners and could result in reduced economic growth. Others fear the increased benefits may lead to higher deficits and further strain the federal budget.

Moreover, some lawmakers may resist changes to Social Security due to ideological differences or concerns about the long-term impact on the economy. As with any major policy proposal, the Social Security Expansion Act will face significant debate and potential modifications before passing legislation.

Conclusion

The Social Security Expansion Act is a bold proposal to strengthen and expand the Social Security program to ensure its solvency and fairness in the future. By increasing benefits, addressing inequality, and ensuring the program's long-term viability, the Act could profoundly impact millions of Americans who rely on Social Security for financial security.

As lawmakers discuss the future of Social Security, reforms will be essential to ensure the program can continue supporting retirees and other beneficiaries for future generations. As various proposals are considered, the Senior Citizens League will stay actively involved and keep its supporters informed.



OPEN BOARD POSITION

Director – remainder of 2-year term (term expires September 2026)

If you want to make a difference and help move TREA into the future, consider submitting your name to fill this vacant position. Requirements are:

- Be a TREA member in good standing
- Have been a TREA member for at least 1 year
- Have the ability to send & receive emails from TREA's email platform, including the ability to access multiple attachments
- Understand how to use and maneuver through virtual meeting platforms (ZOOM, TEAMS, etc.)
- Have a basic understanding of business and financial processes and policies. (Profit & Loss, Balance Sheet, ROI, etc.)

If you are interested, please send a completed TREA Form 100-3 to TREA Headquarters at 12200 E. Briarwood Ave, #170 – Centennial, CO 80112.

You can download the required form [HERE](#), or call the TREA Headquarters office at 303-752-0660 to have it emailed to you.

Deadline for resumes is June 1st, 2025

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It matters where you shop. In the past ten years, the Exchange has provided more than \$15B in value to our military community. Thank you for all you do to protect, preserve and strengthen critical military Quality-of-Life support. We look forward to seeing you at your Exchange.
Veteran For Life!

Tom

(Tom Shull, a former infantry company commander, served as Military Assistant to Robert C. McFarlane, National Security Advisor to President Reagan. Currently, he is the Army & Air Force Exchange Service's Director/CEO and has served as CEO for retail and consumer packaged goods companies.)



GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY
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VETERAN SUICIDE – An Updated Report from the George- town University Medical Center

Suicide among veterans is a persistent and disheartening problem with about twenty veterans dying each day by their own hand. Veterans commit suicide at

higher rates than others and the rates are increasing, a tragedy that is brought home by the numerous veteran suicides in waiting rooms and parking lots of VA campuses.

These stats are despite considerable efforts by the VA, veterans' organizations, and the private sector to prevent veterans' suicide and despite our considerable knowledge about veteran suicide. For example, we know the risk factors, the personal characteristics, the variations with time and other factors but we still face this substantial burden of veterans' suicide.

Of risk factors for veteran suicide the most prominent are pain and insomnia. Homelessness is important as an underlying factor but is also an outcome of many of the same risk factors as for suicide notably including substance misuse. The first but not the later years of the COVID epidemic had a higher veteran suicide rate. And the high and increasing suicide rates in young male veterans (Figure 5) is a particularly troubling statistic.

Improving the Strategies to Prevent Veterans Suicide

Despite the substantial efforts to prevent veterans' suicide and the general goodwill in society and its institutions toward veterans, its rate continues to climb and we have scant objective evidence for effectiveness of programs meant to address the problem. Predictive medicine, delivery of proven effective approaches, a focus on the early phase post military discharge and mental health programs to deal with chronic suicidality (suicidal thoughts) and imminent suicidal threats are important vehicles to prevent suicide in veterans.

Predictive medicine identifies veterans at risk for suicide. Approximately 6,000 veterans commit suicide every year amidst the 6.5 million US veterans and the 200,000 annual military discharges. Predictions via Artificial Intelligence and one of its components, Natural Language Processing (scientific examination of words used) have been applied to garner the veterans' suicide population. Proven predictive factors in algorithms have included a mixture of sociodemography, career characteristics, and mental health. The REACH VET algorithm, a scientifically demonstrated preventive approach to diminish veteran suicide, takes advantage of predictive medicine. As this science becomes more refined and precise so will our success in preventing veteran suicide. We also need to evaluate the various suicide prevention programs in place and ways to improve them. This rising tide of veteran suicide speaks to effectiveness gaps. To best utilize the substantial goodwill throughout government and in the private sector we must continuously evaluate and improve programs and spend our resources wisely. As we feed improved, evidence-based programs into the extensive public and private apparatus to help veterans in danger of suicide, we will finally be able to make a dent in this appalling problem. The complete report is available at: <https://www.w3now.com/admin/Clients/682/Site/pdfFiles/Veterans-Suicide-Veterans-Data-Briefing-4---2025-March-docx.pdf>



~ CALLING ALL VETERANS ~
A Hollywood movie about kinship, PTSD, and loss
within the veteran community
“MY DEAD FRIEND ZOE”

“Using sly humor to explore a serious issue, “My Dead Friend Zoe” has the potential to reach a broad audience on the topic of veterans’ mental health.” “This is a persuasive piece of advocacy filmmaking, tucked inside a playful and profound comedy about female friendship. You’ll laugh. You’ll cry.”
 - Roger Ebert. Com


Now one of the top 3 rated films in the country and loved by critics and audiences alike, MY DEAD FRIEND ZOE (trailer) is a dark comedy drama about a friendship, a family, and the modern day veteran experience. Written/directed by a U.S. Army veteran and winner of the SXSW Audience Award, the autobiographical film stars Ed Harris, Morgan Freeman, Sonequa Martin-Green, Natalie Morales, and a 90% real veteran cast.

The writer/director of the film, Kyle Hausmann-Stokes (Iraq combat vet, Bronze Star), is asking for help from his fellow vets, VSOs, and the community of family members and supporters: To help share this film and its messages (mental health, post traumatic GROWTH, power of community) with all Americans. As an indie film with a fraction of the marketing budget of studio films, the film depends on word-of-mouth and grassroots, small actions from individuals.

How you can help -

- a. Rent/Buy the film on Amazon or Apple (\$19.99 rental)
- b. Rate/review the film on Amazon
- c. Choose 1 post to share on your social media from our: Instagram / Facebook / X / TikTok
- d. Tell friends and family to check out the film.

Thank you for helping us show Hollywood that America does want stories and films about veterans.



The tradition of wearing red poppies on Memorial Day stems from the poem "In Flanders Fields" by Canadian Lt. Col. John McCrae, which was inspired by the red poppies that grew on the battlefields of World War I.

The red poppy is a symbolic flower that represents the sacrifice of those who have died in service to their country.



MEMORIAL DAY - WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO YOU?

Memorial Day means different things to different people. For some, it means a day off from work, or maybe it means the end of the school year. For many, it marks the beginning of summer. For the families of 1.2 million service members, it means remembering, honoring and paying respects to their beloved family member who died serving their country.

Originally created to honor military personnel who died in the Civil War (1861 – 1865), it was called Decoration Day. One of the first Decoration Days was held in Columbus, Mississippi, on April 25, 1866 by women who decorated graves of Confederate soldiers who perished in the Battle of Shiloh with flowers. On May 5, 1868, three years after the end of the Civil War, the tradition of placing flowers on veterans' graves was continued by the establishment of Decoration Day by an organization of Union veterans, the Grand Army of the Republic.

Today, Memorial Day honors all the men and women who have died in ANY war, while serving in the United States Armed Forces and it was declared a national holiday by Congress in 1971, according to the U.S. Department of Veterans' Affairs.

While both Memorial Day and Veterans Day both honor the sacrifices made by U.S. Veterans, they serve different purposes. Veterans Day, recognized at eleven o'clock, of the eleventh day of the eleventh month, and originally named "Armistice Day", was established in 1927 as a way to commemorate all those who have served in the U.S. Armed Forces, originally during World War I and later to include all service, regardless of war or conflict. It honors military service members. Memorial Day, a more somber and reverent honoring, recognizes those military members who have died while serving in U.S. forces. A federal holiday, Memorial Day, held the last Monday in May is the nation's foremost annual day to mourn and honor its deceased service men and women.

These men & women served with honor and dignity; they did not serve to be martyrs, to have days held in their honor. They served so that we could enjoy the freedom to celebrate the day in a manner that is right for us, each of us, in our own way. So, as you enjoy that picnic with family & friends, watch the local parade, or spend it quietly at home, take a moment to remember those who are not here because of their service to our country, and hold dear their family & friends, for they too felt, and continue to feel the loss of their loved ones.



'Freedom is not free, it's paid for by the blood, sweat and sacrifice of those who fought for it.' ~

Col. Walter Hitchcock, Ret. USAF



MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

- **Membership:** Any honorably discharged enlisted person – retired, active duty, National Guard or Reserve, shall be eligible for membership. Spouses/widows/widowers of an honorably discharged enlisted person - retired, active duty, National Guard or Reserve who were married during active duty time are also eligible for membership. Membership entitles the person to all privileges of membership including attending business meetings, making motions and holding office. Spouse members are not eligible to hold National positions.

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I am : Retired a Veteran Active Duty a spouse/widow/widower, married during active duty time

By submitting payment, I acknowledge that I am an Enlisted U.S. Armed Forces Veteran and as such qualify to be a member of TREA: The Enlisted Association (if joining as a veteran spouse/widow/widower, your payment acknowledges the veteran status of your spouse and that you were married during active military time). ***Proof of eligibility falls on the applicant and not TREA.***

I agree to abide by the TREA National Bylaws & Standing Rules as written. X

Membership Dues (Does not include Chapter dues, if applicable)

- One Year - \$30
 Two Years - \$55
 Three Years - \$75

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Credit Card Number: _____

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Please return your completed application to:

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