

Capitol Hill Briefing: Strengthening Veterans Services through County Partnerships

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Briefing Description: *County Veteran Service Officers (CVSOs) are often the first point of contact for veteran services, including VA health care, housing and transition assistance programs. CVSOs in 36 states and two Native American tribes process more than \$22 billion annually in claims for direct compensation and pension benefits for veterans. But because these offices are almost entirely funded by counties, they often face resource challenges—particularly in areas with high demand or in counties serving veterans in rural areas. Join county leaders, County Veteran Service Officers and Members of Congress for a discussion of key legislation that would strengthen critical services for veterans.*

Speakers

- **Hon. Heather Post**, Chair, Veterans & Military Services Standing Committee, National Association of Counties (NACo); Council Member, Volusia County, Fla.
- **Hon. Mike Levin (D-Calif.)**, U.S. House of Representatives
- **Hon. Matt Rosendale (R-Mont.)**, U.S. House of Representatives
- **Hon. Joseph Wood**, Chair, Community, Economic & Workforce Development Committee, NACo; County Judge, Washington County, Arkansas
- **Michael McLaughlin**, Legislative Director, National Association of County Veterans Service Officers (NACVSO)

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