

# Veterans Benefit Aid and Attendance Information Guide Plymouth Park Apartments

Many veterans are unaware of the VA Aid and Attendance benefit for veterans and surviving spouses. The benefit applies to veterans and surviving spouses who require regular attendance of another person to assist in bathing, dressing, meal preparation, medication monitoring, or other various activities of daily living. This benefit is available to individuals who reside in assisted living communities, personal care homes, skilled nursing facilities, and those receiving personal in home care.

## ***How can these benefits help someone?***

Aid and Attendance can help pay for care in the home, skilled nursing facility, personal care home or assisted living community. A veteran may be eligible for up to \$1519 per month, while the surviving spouse of a veteran may be eligible for up to \$976 per month. A married couple may be eligible for up to \$1801.

## ***Who is eligible?***

Any War Veteran with 90 days of active duty with at least one day during active War time is eligible for this benefit. A surviving spouse of a War veteran may be eligible if married at the time of death. The individual must qualify both medically and financially. Assets cannot exceed \$80,000 however, many things, including their home, vehicle, annuities, and pre-paid funeral expenses are not included in this number. For additional information concerning financial qualifications consider speaking with an attorney.

## ***Eligibility Dates:***

4/21/1898 - 7/15/1903  
5/9/1916 - 11/11/1918  
12/07/1941 - 12/31/1946  
6/27/1950 - 1/31/1955  
8/5/1964 - 5/7/1975  
8/20/1990 - present

## ***How do I apply for this benefit?***

Contact your Regional Veteran's Administration Office. Visit the website <http://www1.va.gov/directory/guide/home.asp?isFlash+1> to locate your closest regional office. You may also call Sean Sturgeon, at the Veterans of Foreign Wars service organization. His number is 313-964-6510.

## ***How quickly would I receive the benefit?***

The time frame is determined by the accuracy of the initial application. The average process takes between 4-6 months. However, the VA does pay retroactively from the date of application. The resident is paid directly from the VA. This program financially assists the resident with paying their monthly rent, care and services.

## ***How can we help at Plymouth Park Apartments?***

**At Plymouth Park Apartments we offer unique programs to assist veterans while waiting for the VA benefit Aid and Attendance to be approved. Please contact Kathie Gardner at 734-459-3891 to see if you might qualify!**

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