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Supermarket of Veterans Benefits to be held August 21 in King

(MADISON) -- Veterans can apply for an array of state and federal benefits at a **Supermarket of Veterans Benefits** sponsored by the Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs (WDVA). In an ongoing effort to serve more veterans, the WDVA will host a "Supermarket" event on **Saturday, August 21 – from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.**, at the **Wisconsin Veterans Home at King**, in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Marden Center.

"Wisconsin can be proud of its fine tradition of taking care of our state's veterans," said Governor Jim Doyle. "Veterans and their families are able to apply for services and benefits they've earned and deserve, at the Supermarkets of Veterans Benefits and at the Veterans Benefits Information Fairs."

Some of the many services veterans and their family members can receive at the Supermarket:

- Establish eligibility for state veterans benefits (veterans are advised to bring their **DD form 214**).
- Apply for benefits, such as VA health care and prescription drug benefits, disability compensation and pension, personal loans, home mortgage loans, home improvement loans and education or job training grants.
- Obtain information on federal VA health care.
- Receive assistance in obtaining military medals and records.
- Find out about employment opportunities.
- Pre-register for burial in state veterans cemeteries.
- Obtain information about nursing care and aging services.
- Short information briefings throughout the day on State Veterans Benefits, Federal VA Benefits and VA Health care.

"The Supermarket will provide one-stop services and benefits information," said WDVA Secretary John A. Scocos. "This Supermarket will be our tenth one. Many veterans' benefits have no time limits, and new benefits have been established. We can help veterans learn about, and apply for the benefits and services they and their families may be entitled to. Holding this event at the Home at King also provides a golden opportunity for the public to come and see for themselves what a fine Home it truly is. In addition to the event itself, the public and attendees will have a chance to tour the many services the Home provides. There will also be information on hand about nursing employment programs."

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Previous events have been held in Milwaukee, Eau Claire, Racine, Madison, Green Bay, Schofield, and at the Wisconsin Veterans Home at Union Grove. To date nearly 16,500 veterans and family members have participated. These Supermarkets are part of WDVA's overall "I Owe You" Campaign, reaching out to veterans who have not otherwise been served and bringing together the resources and expertise of federal, state, and local governmental agencies, and veterans service organizations.

In addition to the WDVA, other agencies participating in the Madison Supermarket include: the VA Hospital; VA Benefits Administration; the U.S. Department of Labor; the Wisconsin Department of Health & Family Services, the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development; and County Veterans Service Officers from central Wisconsin. By working together, various organizations can serve veterans more effectively.

Admission, parking, and refreshments are free. The Home is located at N2665 County Road QQ, King, Wisconsin. Take Highway 22 to QQ and look for signs to the Veterans Home. Visitors should mention to the parking lot attendant that they are attending the Supermarket. For more information, call 1-800-WIS-VETS (1-800-947-8387) or go to the WDVA web site at <http://dva.state.wi.us/news.asp>.

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