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★ PVA ★

RENO Takeover

**SATURDAY,
SEPTEMBER 13, 2025**

MOVIE & SNACKS

12:00 PM

MOVIE: TBA

LOCATION: CINEMARK CENTURY
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PVA MEMBERSHIP DINNER

6:00 PM

LOCATION: WILD RIVER GRILLE
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**SUNDAY,
SEPTEMBER 14, 2025**

RENO ACES BASEBALL GAME

12:05 PM

LOCATION: GREATER NEVADA FIELD
250 EVANS AVENUE
RENO, NV 89501

**MONDAY,
SEPTEMBER 15, 2025**

**PVA MEMBERSHIP MEETING &
LUNCH /**

**ADAPTIVE RECREATION CLINIC
(BOCCIA BALL & CORNHOLE)**

11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

LOCATION: EVELYN MOUNT
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President Jessica Greene



Hello friends,

Happy summer! I'd like to take some time to introduce myself and share a little about my background. I'm an Army veteran and lifetime member of Paralyzed Veterans of America. I joined the Bay Area and Western Chapter when I moved to San Jose in the early 2000s and became a board member in 2015. Prior to joining the board, I worked full-time in television and web news. I've also worked at the VA Palo Alto Spinal Cord Injury as a clinical research assistant. I love music, nature, and spending time with my family.

My path to becoming a veteran is a bit different, as I was injured while I was a cadet in senior Army ROTC at the University of Tampa, Florida. My dad was a career Infantry officer and encouraged me to look into ROTC as an option. I checked it out and eventually won a scholarship to finish college then serve my country. But as we know, plans don't always work out the way we want or expect.

The future I had imagined for myself changed drastically less than a week after I turned 21. I was in a car crash and broke my neck, sustaining an incomplete C7 spinal cord injury. But I had already taken the oath, signed on the dotted line and promised at least eight years back to the U.S. Army. My injury happened while I was on active duty orders serving in the capacity as a 2LT. So, I received a medical/honorable discharge and had to start living my life in a completely new way.

Like many other veterans, I was hesitant at first to rely solely on the VA system for my healthcare but after only a few visits to the SCI Center, I knew they would be the best option for my needs. There is no better system for the specialized care that comes with this lifelong injury. One of my main goals is to help spread the word that it is absolutely crucial for the VA system of specialized healthcare to remain intact. I recently attended PVA's Legislative Advocacy week in Washington, DC, where I met with lawmakers to share my story and help ensure veterans, their families and caregivers will have the support and benefits they earned. I'm excited about my new role as president of the Bay Area and Western Chapter and looking forward to serving our members.

Executive Director

Kory Amaral

Wow, this year is flying by! We have many events coming up this Summer. We will be visiting Fresno, Reno, and Sacramento. We would love for our members to attend our events when we are in your area. We are still working on some details, but more information will be available soon.



In April 2025, the Paralyzed Veterans of America, Bay Area and Western Chapter (BAWPVA) supported PVA Awareness Month. This year, the Chapter decided to focus on caregivers and women veterans. We know how much caregivers do for our veterans and it was time we showed them our appreciation. The event took place at Topgolf in San Jose, CA on Wednesday, April 30, 2025 at 11:00 AM. We had a great turnout and we are truly grateful for everyone who showed up. Below is a picture from the event.

This month, the Chapter will be sponsoring 16 veterans to the 44th National Veterans Wheelchair Games (NVWG) July 17-22, 2025 in Minneapolis, MN. Each year, over 600 veterans attend the NVWG and compete in 21 plus different adaptive sports. We are excited to announce that we have 6 athlete veterans coming from Hawaii! That is the most we have ever had in BAWPVA history. We look forward to a great event and most importantly always love when we can help change our veterans life for the better. Pictures coming soon. Please see Page 18 for more details

The Paralyzed Veterans of America, Bay Area and Western Chapter will be hosting our Annual Banquet on Saturday, August 16, 2025 at the Sheraton Palo Alto. An invite has already be sent out to invited guests. Please R.S.V.P. by Friday, August 8, 2028. We look forward to a great night honoring our veterans and SCI/D staff.

The office is now open after COVID-19 restrictions have been lifted at VA Palo Alto Health Care System. If you need anything, you can reach the office at (650) 399-5296 or email Executive Director Kory Amaral at amaral@bawpva.org. The office is not open every day, so please first call or email before you plan to visit so we can ensure someone is in the office to meet you.



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Monthly Chat with your National Service Officer (NSO)

**Who: PVA Members &
SCI/D Veterans**

**When: Second Tuesday of the
Month
11:30am**

(Will only stay on the call for 15 mins if no one calls in)

Where: Virtual (Zoom)

Meeting ID: 867 9150 1025

Passcode: 370759

+1 669 900 9128 US (San Jose)

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86791501025?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86791501025?pwd=OHJ1KzNoVi9XR0FoSHNvVHRkcFRUZz09)

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and to ask questions**



Bay Area & Western Chapter



Paralyzed Veterans of America

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Bay Area & Western Chapter



Advocacy Legislative Seminar 2025

Last month, the Paralyzed Veterans of America, Bay Area and Western Chapter attended the Advocacy Legislative Seminar in Washington, D. C. We met with 28 representatives in 3 days. The Chapter wants to ensure that our veterans receive the best health care in the nation and we know the VA best serves our veterans. Below are the priorities we focused on.

PVA Policy Priorities

- Protect VA's Specialized Health Care Services
- Increase Access to Long-Term Services and Supports for Veterans with SCI/D
- Improve Veterans' Financial Security
- Enhance Access to Health Care Services for Veterans with SCI/D
- Defend the Freedoms of Veterans with Disabilities

PVA Priority Legislation

- Veterans Accessibility Advisory Committee Act (H.R. 1147/S. 1383)
- Automotive Support Services to Improve Safe Transportation (ASSIST) Act (H.R. 1364)
- Autonomy for Disabled Veterans Act/Autonomy for All Disabled Veterans Act (H.R. 2245/S. 1644/H.R. 3309)
- Driver Reimbursement Increase for Veterans Equity (DRIVE) Act (H.R. 1288/S. 599)
- Justice for ALS Veterans Act (H.R. 1685/S. 749)
- Caring for Survivors Act (H.R. 2055/S. 611)
- Credit for Caring Act (H.R. 2036/S. 925)
- Servicemembers and Veterans Empowerment and Support Act (H.R. 2576/S. 1245)
- Veterans Infertility Treatment Act (H.R. 220)
- Improve and Enhance the Work Opportunity Tax Credit Act (H.R. 1177/S. 492)

Time has proven that the VA is the best provider of care for Veterans with SCI/D. It is essential that leaders in Washington, DC know this, so they can ensure the VA's SCI/D system of care is protected. It takes less than one minute to sign your name to ensure Congress and the Administration know that its SCI/D system of care is necessary for the health of paralyzed Veterans and is an essential part of the VA system. <https://www.votervoice.net/PVA/Petitions/5455/Respond>



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National Service Officer Report

Lacie McElvana, Administrative Assistant



My name is Lacie McElvana and I am an administrative assistant for the Paralyzed Veteran's of America. I moved to Las Vegas in 2022 from the Oklahoma City metro area but spent my childhood in Faulker county Arkansas. Moving from the country, to the city, to an even bigger city has been quite an adventure but I lucky enough to have had my now husband experience it with me. We have both been loving the mountain scenery and the never ending supply of things to do here!

In my free time I enjoy reading, drawing, video games, hiking, and playing tabletop games. Whether it's the feeling of getting lost in a good book or strategizing how my friends and I are going to escape from a sinking ship in Dungeons and Dragons, I find a lot of joy in creative activities. I also have a very close relationship with my family and living in a tourist area has been nice because they have a million reasons to visit me often. Even when we can't spend time together physically, things like video games or our own family book club have kept us all close.

I am a University of Oklahoma alumna with my B.A. in communications as well as an associate's in visual arts. When I was younger, I had fully intended on pursuing a career in art but I found myself more interested in volunteer work and the nonprofit sector after becoming really active in volunteering. I have volunteered with CASA, the Red Cross, my local Lion's Club chapter, Cavett Kids, and my old art school. While these organizations were very different from PVA, they emphasized community and support, which is something I decided I wanted to promote through my career. I am excited to become a member of the PVA team and help with all the wonderful work they do.



THE PARALYZED VETERANS OF AMERICA, BAY AREA AND WESTERN CHAPTER
AND
VA PALO ALTO HEALTH CARE SYSTEM SCI/D CENTER'S RECREATION THERAPY
PRESENTS

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RECREATION CLINIC



LIVE CLINIC

**2ND
THURSDAY
OF THE
MONTH**

3:00PM

**AIR RIFLE, BOCCIA BALL, DISC
GOLF, LEATHER WORK, DRUMMING,
SHUFFLEBOARD, TABLE TENNIS,
AND MORE**

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Washington Update

Check out the [PVAction Force](#) page to view alerts and a list of key legislation.

PVA PRESENTS ON TRANSPORTATION AND HOTEL ACCESSIBILITY AT THE NATIONAL ADA SYMPOSIUM

On July 17-18, Chief Policy Officer Heather Ansley and Advocacy Attorney Anthonya James presented on transportation and hotel accessibility at the [National ADA Symposium](#) in Atlanta, Georgia. The National ADA Symposium is a comprehensive conference on the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). The Symposium is an initiative of the [ADA National Network](#) and coordinated by the [Great Plains ADA Center](#). Over 80 sessions covering a wide variety of ADA topics, including [accessible parks and recreation](#), venue accessibility, web accessibility, and accessible housing, were presented during the event.

Ms. Ansley and Ms. James presented two sessions at the Symposium. The first presentation, “Travel Barriers for Wheelchair Users – Hotels: The ADA, Best Practices and Advocacy,” discussed the accessibility barriers wheelchair users often encounter at hotels, as well as ADA requirements for accommodations, and how hotels can go above and beyond the minimum legal requirements. The other presentation, “The Future of Transportation: The Impact of Disability Accessibility and Equity,” discussed evolutions in transportation, new technology, revisions to old technology, and the effect of recent changes in Washington, DC, as well as the need to shift advocacy strategies. The [National ADA Network](#) and the [Great Plains ADA Center](#)’s websites offer ADA webinars, resources on ADA topics, and technical assistance for answers to ADA questions.

PVA Member Advocacy Toolkit Now Available

PVA recently released an advocacy toolkit designed to empower individuals, regardless of experience level, with resources and guidance to effectively advocate. By sharing personal stories and engaging in meaningful conversations, PVA member advocates can drive meaningful change, locally and nationally, while shaping a better future. To view the toolkit, click [here](#).

Veterans’ Committee Activities

Please visit the [House](#) and [Senate](#) Veterans’ Affairs Committee webpages for information on previous and upcoming hearings and markups.

Prepare for VA's sign-in changes

We're moving to a more modern online sign-in experience — to simplify your options and continue to protect your identity and benefits.



Here's what's changing for VA websites and mobile apps:

- After March 4, 2025, we'll remove the option to sign in with a My HealtheVet user ID and password.
- After September 30, 2025, we'll remove the option to sign in with a DS Logon username and password.
- You'll then have two sign-in account options: **Login.gov** or **ID.me**.

Note: Your My HealtheVet portal isn't going away. We're just changing the way you sign in.

Create your account now

Learn why we're making these changes — and how to create your Login.gov or ID.me account.



www.va.gov/sign-in-changes

VA



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THE MONTH**

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SCI/D Dining Room



SCI/D
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Need More Information:

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Board of Director's Meeting



If you are interested in participating in the Paralyzed Veterans of America, Bay Area and Western Chapter's Board of Director's Meetings via Zoom, please see below for the information:

Tuesday, July 8, 2025 at 1:00 PM
Tuesday, August 12, 2025 at 1:00 PM
Tuesday, September 9, 2025 at 1:00 PM

Join Zoom Meeting
[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83701668667?
pwd=R09NV1duRXIheHZGOGV3ckNDUUNRUT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83701668667?pwd=R09NV1duRXIheHZGOGV3ckNDUUNRUT09)

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Meeting ID: 837 0166 8667

Passcode: 971921

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THE WOMEN VETERANS PROGRAM (WVP) SOCIAL WORK COORDINATOR POSITION PROVIDES:

- Trauma-informed Gender-specific validation for Women Veterans with empathy, education, and normalization during their journey of access to VHA services or navigate the VBA claims process. WVP SW Coordinator provides collaboration and assist to develop a plan and assist with coping strategies to manage stressful aspects of the process.
- Information regarding available services at VAPAHCS to Women-identifying Veterans.
- Assessments for Women Veterans' personal safety, current difficulties, support, or implications of care. WVP SW Coordinator will address immediate safety concerns, normalize the impact of MST or other Gender-specific issues, coping strategies.
- An emotionally-safe space for Women Veterans to discuss feelings around service linkage, claims process, via a trauma-informed approach and collaboration with WH PACT Teams.

For consideration please contact: H. Yamel Medina, LCSW

Women Veterans Program - Social Work Coordinator

PSU - Patient Scheduling Unit: 855-632-8262

email: hilda.medina1@va.gov

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Membership Meeting

TUESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2025

MEMBERSHIP

MEETING & LUNCH

12:00 PM TO 3:00 PM

**LOCATION: FLEMING'S PRIME
STEAKHOUSE**

**639 EAST SHAW AVENUE SUITE 149
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BOWEL AND BLADDER
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To best serve our Veterans in our SCI Outpatient Clinic –

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- they are not in a patient room;
- they are not within six feet of a Veteran in a congregate area (e.g., shared meals in SCI); or
- they are not within six feet of a patient in an open treatment area/room.

Please check in AND check out with the scheduler, or video (V-Tel) scheduler if appropriate, especially after your Annual Exam. Make sure you get an appointment on your way out as appointments are not made automatically. Thank you!

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GURNEY TRANSFER APPOINTMENTS

For appointments where you need to be transferred from wheelchair to gurney by nursing staff (CT, MRI etc.) – please call and schedule an RN-TRANSFER appointment to assure enough staff are on hand to support your appointment needs. **Scheduling x65871**

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SCI/D PEER SUPPORT PROGRAM - EDUCATION & LUNCH

Please join us the **LAST THURSDAY** of the month starting **February 27, 2025 in Building 7, Room F-108 (Dayroom) at 12:00 PM** for education and a peer support activity. This is a monthly program designed for SCI/D Veterans to gather together and connect in a social and relaxed environment, socially distanced of course!



If you cannot attend in person, or if group is at capacity, you can call into ZOOM from your room or home.

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<p style="text-align: center;">August</p>	<p>Armando Madrid Augusto Cepeda Barbara Healy Brandon Handel Carl Collins Cecil Ethington Charlie Collins Chester Burton Christina Phillips David Monis David Bilbo Dennis Knight Donald Hovater</p>	<p>Elmer Williams Eric McManus Franz Wall Genevieve Luna- Lajeunesse George Bullock Henry Parker James Verzosa Jeff Deleon Jeffrey Pindell Jerry Crowell John Strock Jose Chavez</p>	<p>Keith Simmons Kieran Woll Kraig Dern Lori Wunder-Deets Michael Seshier Michael Cash Mike Nishimoto Rebekah Simmers Richard Perlenfein Robert Vigil Robert Huff Ronald Mangacat Rory Moore</p>	<p>Sandy Roberts Scott Gallos Sonia Alvarado Taisha Nelson Tommy Parker Warren Dastrup William Golson</p>
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<p style="text-align: center;">September</p>	<p>Benjamin Brownell Cal Linnell Chet Miller Chris Broderson Conrad Bascon Craig Michals Dale Parris Daniel Cruz Daniel Coates Danny Everhart David Oliver DeAnn Wright Deanna Engleman Esau Fortunat</p>	<p>Gunda Vormwald Harry McCurdy Jaime Carrillo James Sigl Jerome Faasu John Jaramillo Jon Little Jose Lopez Larry Barnes Leah Montoya Michael Steele Michael Smith Michael Simmons Michael Hernandez</p>	<p>Michael Gordan Nils Pultz Patrick Butcher Paul Williams Peter Jacoway Phillip Reyes Ralph Hodge Randy Wight Raymond Herrick Robert Ivie Robert Dalri Ronnie Quillen Saite Moliga Stephen Fallon</p>	<p>Terrence Shenks Wayne Blevins William Brown Yurik Resetnikov</p>
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July 2025

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- 3 to 4 - **4th of July (Office Closed)**
Bldg. 7 Rm. E-118
- 8 - **NSO Chat (Virtual)**
11:30am, Bldg. 7 Rm. E-101
- 8 - **BOD Meeting**
1pm, Bldg. 7 Rm. E-118
- 10 - **Table Tennis & Pickle Ball Clinic**
12 pm, Bldg. 530
- 16 to 23 - **NVWG (Office Closed)**
Minneapolis, MN
- 17 - **Bingo & Pizza Night**
3pm, Bldg. 7 Dining Room
- 31 - **SCI Peer Mentoring Program**
12pm, Bldg. 7 Rm. F-108

August 2025

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- 12 - **NSO Chat (Virtual)**
11:30am, Bldg. 7 Rm. E-101
- 12 - **BOD Meeting (Virtual)**
1pm, Bldg. 7 Rm. E-118
- 14 - **Adaptive Recreation Clinic**
TBA
- 16 - **Annual Banquet**
5pm, Palo Alto, CA
- 19 - **Fresno Membership Meeting**
12pm, Fresno, CA
- 21 - **Bingo & Pizza Night**
3pm, Bldg. 7 Dining Room
- 28 - **SCI Peer Mentoring Program**
12pm, Bldg. 7 Rm. F-108
- **Sacramento Membership Meeting**
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September 2025

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- 1 - **Labor Day (Office Closed)**
Bldg. 7 Rm. E-118
- 9 - **NSO Chat (Virtual)**
11:30am, Bldg. 7 Rm. E-101
- 9 - **BOD Meeting**
1pm, Bldg. 7 Rm. E-118
- 11 - **Bingo & Pizza Night**
3pm, Bldg. 7 Dining Room
- 12 to 16 - **PVA Reno Takeover**
Reno, NV
- 18 - **VetBoats Event**
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- 25 - **SCI Peer Mentoring Program**
12pm, Bldg. 7 Rm. F-108

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