

## 1-minute narrative

The Houghton County Veterans Affairs and the UP Together with Veterans team are coordinating an outreach event, **Wednesday, June 5th, from 1 – 5pm** at the MTU SDC.

The event is open to the public, and geared towards anyone who has ever served, anywhere, at any time, their families, and anyone providing care for a veteran.

Less than 50% of veterans are connected to the benefits they've earned, and we know that connection to benefits saves lives and improves quality of life.

We hope to build Veteran participation in healthcare and wellbeing activities by promoting connectedness and help seeking.

Representatives from organizations supporting the well-being of veterans, their families and their caregivers will be on hand, as well as the Houghton County Veteran Service Officers, who can assist veterans with claims and other inquiries.

A brief program with Raffle Prizes and information from the Veterans Administration & Veteran Service Office will be held at 3PM, followed by music by Tom Katalin & the Highway-41 Band.

Iron Mountain VA representatives will offer \*PACT Act and \*S.A.V.E. information.

The Mobile Vet Center from Escanaba will be on hand.

Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency representatives will offer information on several topics.

\$20 fuel card for each Veteran household that attends!

FREE Meal for Veterans and Family Members!

Please bring proof of service\*.

If you are unable to attend and want to get connected with your earned benefits, contact the Houghton County Veteran Service Officer, or dial 1-800-MICH-VET.

Join us **Wednesday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, anytime from 1 – 5pm** at the MTU SDC.

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\*The PACT Act is a new law, and the most significant expansion and extension of Veteran benefits, eligibility, and care in more than 30 years.

\*VA S.A.V.E. You can support a Veteran through a crisis. Learn about tips to keep in mind when talking with a Veteran who may be at risk for suicide.

\*Proof of military service (ex. VA ID Card, DD-214, County Vet ID, other military/Veteran documentation.)

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