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Meeting Notice and Agenda of the
COUNCIL ON VETERANS PROGRAMS

Date &
Time: **Thursday, December 18, 2025 at 10:30am**

Location: Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs
2135 Rimrock Road, Madison, WI 53713

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MS <https://msteams.link/BH8P>
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Phone: Meeting ID: 663 786 686 #

Please take notice that the Council on Veterans Programs will conduct a council meeting and may hear briefings, hold discussion, or act on any item on this agenda. The public is invited to participate.

Agenda

1. Welcome & Call to Order (*Please mute phones.*)
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Introduction of Other Attendees
5. Action: Approval of Meeting Minutes – September 18, 2025
6. GUARD and PLUS Act Update – Travis J. West, Founding Partner, West & Dunn
7. Administrative Update – *Dawn LaFond*
8. Legislative Update – *Joey Hoey*
9. COVP Member Reports
10. Public Comments
11. Future Agenda Items
12. Future Quarterly Meeting Dates
 - a. March 26, 2026 – Wisconsin Veterans Museum
13. Adjournment