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## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

### **VLB to host Texas Veterans Benefits Fair in Tyler on March 19th**

State and federal officials join forces to help with veterans' benefits questions

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AUSTIN — A free “come and go” benefits fair for Texas veterans will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, March 19, at the Armed Forces Reserve Center. The fair, targeting all area veterans, is one of many planned throughout the state in 2016.

Officials from the Texas Veterans Land Board will be on hand to provide information on state programs including land, housing and home improvement loans as well as Texas state veterans' cemeteries and nursing homes for veterans. As an intergovernmental partnership event between the Texas VLB, the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and the Texas Veterans Commission, the benefits fair will provide Veterans and military members with access to representatives who can discuss pending claims, health care needs, education benefits and employment in addition to low-interest land, home and home improvement loan benefits.

Veterans wishing to discuss pending claims with VA officials should bring pertinent case information, including claim numbers if available. Veterans are encouraged to drop in to learn more about their benefits any time between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. and are not required to stay for the duration of the event.

For more information on the benefits fair, please call Jim Mickler at 1-800-252-VETS (8387). For more information on benefits available only to Texas veterans, such as veterans' cemeteries, nursing homes and low-interest land and home loans, call 1-800-252-8387 or visit [www.texasveterans.com](http://www.texasveterans.com).

**WHO:** Texas veterans, military members and their dependents

**WHAT:** Free benefits fair for Texas veterans

**WHEN:** March 19, 2016 - 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

**WHERE:** Armed Forces Reserve Center, 13592 State Hwy 31 West, Tyler TX 73592

**WHY:** To help Texas veterans learn about improved state and federal benefits.

You can also follow the VLB on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/TXVLB](http://www.facebook.com/TXVLB), or Twitter <http://twitter.com/TexasVLB>, or YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/TexasVLB>.

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