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## Washington County, Wisconsin Vets Center History

### Vet Centers (Readjustment Counseling)

Vet Centers are community-based counseling centers that provide a wide range of social and psychological services, including professional readjustment counseling to eligible Veterans, active duty service members, including National Guard and Reserve components, and their families. Readjustment counseling is offered to make a successful transition from military to civilian life or after a traumatic event experienced in the military. Individual, group, marriage and family counseling is offered in addition to referral and connection to other VA or community benefits and services. Vet Center counselors and outreach staff, many of whom are Veterans themselves, are experienced and prepared to discuss the tragedies of war, loss, grief and transition after trauma

Knowing the large number of military veterans in Washington County and need and their healthcare needs, Mike Orban Contacted the Milwaukee VA Vets Center. Together they agreed on the need for a Veterans Counseling Center in Washington County.

In 2007 with State Assembly Representative Pat Strachota present the first Vets Center was opened in Washington County in Our Saviors Lutheran Church on Silverbrook Dr.

Today the Vets Center is serving Veterans and Military Families at The Washington County Public Agency Center at 333 E. Washington Street West Bend.

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