

Lycoming County Veterans Court

Mentoring Program Application Instructions and Checklist

Thank you for your interest in becoming a volunteer veteran mentor for the Lycoming County Veterans Court program.

The volunteer veteran mentoring program establishes supportive relationships between veterans and Veterans Court program participants.

As advocates and allies, volunteer mentors coach, guide, and act as role models for veterans. Volunteer mentors may help with readjustment issues, including anger management, impulse control, conflict resolution skills and other issues that create a difficult reentry into civilian life.

Volunteer mentors may assist the veteran to navigate through treatment, the Veterans Court, the Lycoming County Veterans Affairs office, and the U.S. Department of Veteran's Affairs system, but *they do not assume the role of attorneys or treatment providers.*

Instructions and Checklist for Completing a Mentor Application

- Complete the Mentor Application Found at <http://www.lyco.org/Veterans-Court>.
- Visit the Volunteer Veteran Mentor Training Program at <http://paveteranmentor.rmu.edu/> and complete the training program. At the conclusion of the program print out a copy of the training certificate and submit it along with your application.
- Submit a copy of your DD-214 verifying your military service and your honorable discharge.
- Apply for a Volunteer Criminal Background Check through the Pennsylvania State Police at <https://www.psp.pa.gov/pages/request-a-criminal-history-record.aspx> and submit it along with your application. This check is free.
- Complete the Lycoming County Veterans Court Policy on Confidentiality found at <http://www.lyco.org/Veterans-Court> and submit it along with your application.
- Be available for an in-person interview.
- Be available to attend an in-person volunteer veteran mentoring program training and observe Veterans Court.
- If you wish to bring your cell phone into the Lycoming County Courthouse, you can find the application for a cell phone pass at <http://www.lyco.org/Courts/Court-Administration>.
- Send all required documentation to Mike McMunn, 2310 Newberry Street, Williamsport, PA 17701 or send via email to covan2@verizon.net.

Once the documentation has been submitted you will be contacted to arrange an interview and in-person training. In-person volunteer veteran mentoring program trainings and court observation are held at the Lycoming County Courthouse once a month. Please see the attached schedule.

If you have questions about the Veteran Mentoring Program, please contact Mike McMunn, Veteran Mentoring Program Coordinator, at 570-220-8156 or email at covan2@verizon.net.

2019 In-Person Veteran Mentoring Program Training Dates:

January 28th

February 25th

March 25th

April 22nd

May 20th

June 17th

July 29th

August 26th

September 9th (If needed)

October 21st

November 18th

December 2nd

**Training will take place about an hour and half prior to the start of Veterans Court. You will receive more information once your application is submitted and reviewed.