The National Association of County Veterans Service Officers (NACVSO) is a congressionally recognized Veterans Service Organization that provides training, professional accreditation, and advocacy support to municipal, county, state, and tribal veterans' advocates across the country. Since 1989, NACVSO has been providing its members with the tools, knowledge, and national-level support they need to help veterans, their families, and caregivers get access to the government sponsored benefits and community support services they need.

- **36 member states**
- **Over 1,800 accredited service officers**
- **Over 14.4 Million** veterans live in a community served by an NACVSO accredited service officer
- **75-80%** of all VA claims are initiated by an NACVSO accredited service officer
- **Communities served by NACVSO accredited service officers generate a combined** $121 Billion in annual benefits (compensation, healthcare, pensions, education)
- NACVSO’s unique grassroots perspective is one of the most trusted and reliable sources of information for Congress and Department of Veteran Affairs.
- NACVSO is the only congressionally chartered veteran service organization that will travel to geographic areas at request to provide accreditation training.

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County veteran service officers (CVSOs) are the local, community-based resource for veterans of all generations who have served the nation, fighting its wars and keeping its peace. CVSOs are often the first and most frequent point contact for veterans, family members, and caregivers as they navigate the complex intergovernmental chain of veterans services and resources.

CVSOs assist veterans and their families in many ways, including:
- Answering questions, advising, and educating individuals and groups on what benefits are available from federal, state, county, and local resources
- Assisting with preparing and filing claims
- Assisting with gaining access to healthcare, particularly in rural communities
- Representing individuals and presenting claims in VA hearings

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