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ON THE COVER: Bev Brown gets a picture of LtCol (Ret) Alexander Jefferson as he protects himself from the sun while awaiting the start of the St Clair Shores (MI) memorial Day Parade, riding "Shotgun" in RedTail, the Tuskegee Airmen tribute car from Detroit Redtail, Inc that honors him on the passenger side and LtCol (Ret) Harry T. Stewart, Jr on the driver's side. RedTail will traverse Route 66 in August as it makes it's way to the 47th TAI National Convention. Go to [www.DetroitRedTail.org](http://www.DetroitRedTail.org), Donate and Help Keep RedTail rolling.

# THE PRESIDENTS' PAGE



## THE NEXT TWO CHAPTER MEETINGS

**Thursday, 10 May 2018 & 14 June 2018 @ 1900 hours (7:00 p.m.)**

*Please Arrive between 6:45pm & 7:00pm. **Gates Open at 6:00pm***

*At 1425 East Warren Ave, Detroit, MI 48207*

*Entrance off of Frederick Ave and Russell Street*

**REMEMBER: CHAPTER MEETINGS ARE ALWAYS THE 2ND THURSDAY OF THE MONTH**

## ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS

**Please Wear Tuskegee Airmen Marked Clothing to Meetings to Show Uniformity**

Good day fellow Airmen,

As we ready for our next meeting on the 14th of this month, I thought that I would share with you the following:

> We had three (3) chapter members that passed over the last three (3) weeks; DOTA Jesse Rutledge, member Nat Black and member Robert Vant. We did not get the funeral program materials to our editor/publisher in time for publication. But, will recognize them in image and story in next month's Hawk's Cry II.

> On the 24th of this month Preston Jowers will celebrate his 103rd Birthday. I have been waiting for his son to get back with me for the plan for his celebration. Hopefully that info will be available on the 14th.

## CRUISE CRUISE CRUISE

> All monies should be turned in this Thursday to our Treasurer, Greg Whiting. We shall still have until the 30th to get our sponsors information and adds into our Public Relations Officer, Eric Palmer. To move forward with the design and prepping of the cruise booklet, we need all of the ads and business cards to be camera ready, preferably in a PNG format. But, will accept JPG. Try NOT to accept PDF's. They do not reformat well and will translate blurry. Remember, this is our major fund raiser for the year.

> We do have pone (1) air show scheduled this year, Thunder Over Michigan, on August 25 and 26, 2018 at Willow Run Airport. Burt Lowe is the Point of Contact (POC) for this event. He will need the support of all of us to make this event success full. Our sales TEAM will need to meet for the final plans for this event. I know of no other Air Shows that have been shared with me.

> On June 17, 2018, (Father's Day), we have been invited by The Children's Ministry of Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church (TAB) to share with the young people The Tuskegee Airmen Story and History. We are planning on this with LTC Jefferson leading the way. Hopefully many of you will be there. We shall wear our Dress Blue blazers. One of the Children's Ministry teachers was in attendance when we presented there two months ago and felt the need for the Children to hear about who we are and how we arrived at this point in History.

> We may have a guest that will share with us his restoration processes that would help us catalogue many of our pictures and documents that may be historically significant. Then next month we shall have a presentation that might help us with fundraising.

> Finally, need I remind you that we all have a purpose for why we are a part of The Tuskegee Airmen, Detroit Chapter. Not only are we "The" original chapter, but we are the Best Chapter.

> We have nine (9) DOTA's in our Chapter and six (6) of them are very active. Have you visited a DOTA lately. Be Blessed and I shall see you Thursday at our Monthly meeting.

> If you are questioned, Detroit Chapter's current list of Documented Original Tuskegee Airmen (DOTAs) are as follows:

**Alexander Jefferson**

**Matt Corbin**

**Cornelius Davis (Living in Florida)**

**Harry Stewart, Jr**

**Russell Nalle**

**Frederick Henry**

**Dr. John Cunningham**

**Preston Jowers**

**Fletcher Williams**

Thank you God bless you all,

**Miguel Thornton**

**President**

Detroit Chapter

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# African American Aviation Pioneers Honored At Nut Tree Airport

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<https://www.freedomandflight.org/copy-of-holiday-extravaganza>

VACAVILLE (CBS13) — A group of unsung heroes were honored in Vacaville, Sunday. The historic Tuskegee Airmen, known as the first Black pilots in the U.S. Army-Air Force, were the center of attention at the Nut Tree Airport. The event is the first of its kind on the West Coast, put on by the Tuskegee Airmen Heritage Chapter. The airmen were an inspiration to the Black community during and after World War II.



DOTA FRED HENRY AND LT COL HODGES, B24 Pilot

Their legacy inspired one woman to join the Air Force. "It made me know all things are possible," said Theresa Claiborne. Two decades in the Air Force, Theresa Claiborne credits the historic Tuskegee Airmen for paving her way to becoming the first Black woman pilot. Claiborne was one of seven women in her class. "We obviously pay homage to the Tuskegee Airmen because we were on their shoulders," Claiborne said. 97-year old Jerry Hodges is one of 15 surviving pilots in California, who served during World War II. "I was also a pilot with the 617 bomber squad, we were flying 35 to 40 hours a

week, getting ready for our departure to the Pacific," Hodges said. He says the airmen's resilience helped shape American history and propelled African-Americans to equality. "I thought that I could have joined the Navy and become a Navy pilot, but that wasn't a possibility," Hodges added. That changed in 1939, when the NAACP pressured the U.S. government to allow African-Americans to serve. The movement launched the Tuskegee Airmen Pilot Program. Hodges and his comrades paved the way for Black civil rights, inspiring Dr. Martin Luther King to push his activism in the 1960s.



Capt Theresa Claiborne first Black Female Commercial Airline Pilot (United)

“(The Tuskegee Airmen) were awarded a congressional medal in 2007 by President George W Bush, which is the highest award a civilian can receive,” said Lanelle Roberts-Brent, daughter of the very first Tuskegee Airman, “Spanky” Roberts. Although Hodges was the only airman who could attend, the presence of the first Tuskegee airman, George “Spanky” Roberts, was felt all around. His message is still ringing in Claiborne’s ear. “He told me ‘no matter how bumpy it is down here, when you get above the clouds, it’s clear’, and he’s right,” Claiborne said. Currently, there are just over 100 living Tuskegee airmen in the U.S. “Heritage” was hosted by The Tuskegee Airmen Heritage Chapters of Greater Sacramento and Lee Archer Jr., Unsung Heroes: A Living History Project, and EAA Chapter 1230 Nut Tree Airport.



Fred and Ted Lumpkin significant Autographs

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# Tuskegee Airman honored 73 years after being lynched in Austria

Brandon Patterson, Detroit Free Press Published 6:01 a.m. ET May 27, 2018  
Updated 6:58 a.m. ET May 29, 2018

A Tuskegee Airman was honored in Austria where he was shot down and later lynched, exactly 73 year after the event. **Harry Stewart Jr.** still remembers the last bombing run he flew with his friend, fellow Tuskegee Airman Walter Manning. It was April 1, 1945 — Easter Sunday, the day Christians celebrate Christ's resurrection, and the pair were on an escort mission over Austria. Stewart finished his runs and got out. Manning was shot down. The atrocity that followed is forever seared into Stewart's memory.

## Manning, 24, of Philadelphia was lynched.

An angry mob of partisan German and Austrian soldiers known as the "Werewolf" broke into the jailhouse. Manning was beaten and hung from a light pole outside, with a wooden tablet around his neck that read "We help ourselves! The Werewolf," according to information gathered by the Austrian government. Manning, who served his country with courage and dignity, should have been afforded the benefits of the League of Nations as a prisoner of war. Instead, his service ended at the end of a rope. The last memory of him, as far as living memory, was when we went on the bombing escort mission to Austria," said Stewart. "We flew rather frequent missions and I was flying along with him and at times maybe flying his wing." Last month (April) on Easter Sunday, Stewart was on hand as a guest of the Austrian government to commemorate Manning, exactly 73 years after his capture. "For Easter Sunday 2018, they decided they'd give a memorial event for Walter Manning and have a national parade. A very high-level demonstration with the highest dignitaries of the government represented." Stewart said. "As far as the Austrian government is concerned, it shows contrition on their part in recognizing the terrible thing that was done to Walter. I also have to credit them in saying it shows moral courage for them to stand up and say 'Yeah, we did it. We're sorry.' " The atrocity that took more than 60 years to come to light: the lynching of one of their own is not well-known. And Stewart, 93, is on a mission to make sure his friend's story is told. "My whole feeling is that this is something that the American people know nothing about," Stewart said. "Even more so, the African-American community knows nothing about this. And not only that, what's left of the Tuskegee Airmen knows nothing about this. What I did was I brought this information back to the United States with me ... and I said, 'I don't think this is something that should just stay in Austria.' " Stewart brought back a collection of information and wants the American people to know about it as well, especially the African-American community. "It is the only documented history of an atrocity taking place against a black airman," Stewart said.

"It's a part of our history." "The Austrian Government, had rumors of what had happened, not only as far as Manning is concerned here but some other American pilots who were, at times, captured in their missions over Austria," Stewart said. "They wanted to make some documentation or at least an investigation as to how many pilots had been lynched or terrorized by mobs. ... Manning being one and about the most documented case that they have." The formation of the elite Tuskegee Airmen came about because of the pressure civil rights organizations and the black news media put on the United States to desegregate the military. That lead to the birth of an all African-American Army Air Corps pursuit squadron based in Tuskegee, Alabama, in 1941. Manning was born in Maryland but moved to Philadelphia. He attended Tuskegee University in Tuskegee, Alabama, where he was described as easygoing, athletic, and friendly. Stewart

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Tuskegee Airman Walter Manning, center, with several other pilots looking over model P51 Mustangs in Alabama before fighting in World War II. Manning was shot down in Austria during the war and later lynched by a mob. He was honored in Austria on Easter Sunday of this year. (Photo: Harry Stewart)

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Tuskegee Airman Harry Stewart with a model of the P51 Mustang that he flew in World War II, in his Bloomfield Township home on Thursday, May 3, 2018. (Photo: Eric Seals, Detroit Free Press)



Walter Manning, pictured in the upper right-hand corner, dancing with girlfriend (Dicey) Thomas, who is in an all-white dress. Circa 1944. (Photo: Tuskegee University)



*Tuskegee Airman Harry Stewart salutes at a memorial of his friend and fellow pilot Walter Manning on Sunday, April 1, 2018, at the US Embassy in Vienna, Austria. Stewart attended the event to honor Manning who was shot down in Austria and later lynched by a mob during World War II. (Photo: US Embassy Vienna)*

also remembers their time training together at Tuskegee University. "I remember he was a good swimmer," Stewart said. "I remember we were taking a swimming lifeguard training course together and I remember how well he swam. He passed the course with flying colors. ... I remember a dance that we had. It was a cadet dance. I remember Walter and his girlfriend at the dance." Manning graduated from Tuskegee in 1944 and was deployed to Italy, where he was assigned to the 301st fighter Squadron, 332nd Fighter Group. Soon, he was flying combat missions, escorting the 15th Air Force bombers. He rose to the rank of 2nd Lieutenant. On April 1, 1945, Manning was flying combat over Italy with the Tuskegee Airmen, during World War II, when he and his squadron were given an assignment to protect the bombers on a run in St. Polten, Austria. Manning was one of a seven-

combat-plane squadron that remained in Austria after "targets of opportunity." Their operation ran along the Danube River. However, they ran into a horde of enemy planes and a fight ensued. Approximately 10 to 12 of the enemy airplanes were shot down, Stewart said. Two of the Tuskegee Airmen fighter planes were shot down — one was Manning. Manning bailed out of his plane but was captured by German pilots and placed in a local jailhouse. He was lynched two days later. Decades after the war, when rumors of war crimes reached the Austrian government, officials sought documentation and to make amends as part of a project called the "Downed Allied Air Crew Database Austria." The aim of the project was to retrace the fate of more than 9,000 American and British pilots downed during World War II over the Central European Alpine Region. The investigation into Manning's fate was launched in 2012, according to an Austrian pamphlet dedicated to him. The April memorial took place at Linz-Hörsching Airbase, where Manning's body was recovered after the war. Manning is buried in an American military cemetery in Saint-Avold, France. Dr. Brian Smith, president of the Tuskegee Museum board in Detroit, said that rumors circulated for decades not only about Manning's death, but the deaths of other U.S. pilots. "I've been talking to Tuskegee Airmen for more than 30 years and you hear stories like that," Smith said. "So-and-so was shot down, captured and they lynched him. It not only happened to black pilots but it happened to white pilots also. The citizens were just angry ... so that's a consequence of war." Nonetheless, Smith credits the Austrian government for recognizing Manning. "That was very magnanimous of them to acknowledge the wrong that was done," Smith said. "It also brought recognition to the Tuskegee Airmen for what they did for the United States during World War II. They were a major part in helping to win the war, especially in the air ... and it was done under duress. They were considered inferior, less intelligent, unable to manipulate the controls of an airplane — that's what the army thought of the Tuskegee Airmen at the beginning of the war. They fought bravely, for a country that didn't treat them as equals." Stewart feels that Manning should be memorialized in World War II museums across the country and especially in Philadelphia, where he grew up. "They've got Rocky Balboa sitting up there at city hall, who, I guess, was part of a movie ... but you have a son of Philadelphia, who certainly has left a great legacy," Stewart said. "If they follow on the tale of the memorial and they had a permanent memorial in downtown Philadelphia that our kids can see and they look at and say 'we were part of this.' " Contact Brandon Patterson: BPatterson2@freepress.com. Follow him on Twitter: @iAmBrandonPatt



# St Clair Shores Memorial Day Parade



On May 27, 2018, several member of the Detroit Chapter of Tuskegee Airmen participated in the St Clair Shores Memorial Day Parade. LtCol (Ret) Alexander Jefferson had an opportunity to ride "shotgun" in RedTail, the Tuskegee Airmen tribute vehicle with his name, actually, on it. Although it was a very hot day, he said he "Had a Ball." During the morning we all had a chance meeting with Senator Debbie Stabenow. Select the links below to view additional photos of the day.

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# Michigan State Senate Tuskegee Airmen Recognition

On Tuesday, 22 May 2018, Michigan State Senator Coleman A. Young II, son of Tuskegee Airman and former City of Detroit Mayor, Coleman A. Young, honored the DOTAs of the Detroit Chapter in the rotunda of the state capital.

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# Sterling Heights Memorial Day Parade 2018



On Monday, 28 May 2018, **Red-Tail** participated in the Sterling Heights Memorial Day Parade. Roughly 1,000 people were in attendance. View additional images and the video of the event below.

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## The universal appeal – and potential – of the Tuskegee Airmen's inspirational legacy

By Bill Sheppard

As a supporter and volunteer of both the Tuskegee Airmen, Inc. and the CAF Red Tail Squadron, a lot of my mindshare is consumed with the positive impact of the Tuskegee Airmen, working on new and exciting ways to engage youth with the history and legacy of the Tuskegee Airmen. We appreciate that their story resonates with so many, regardless of background or creed, and can use that as a springboard to carry their

message as far as possible.

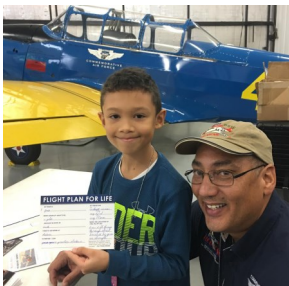
In our work we come across people of all walks of life that are eager and interested to learn about the Tuskegee Airmen and their life lessons. I speak to countless groups of students *and* adults that are motivated by some facet of their story that they find exciting or relatable. This universal appeal

gives us a huge opportunity to honor the Airmen and help people strive to achieve their own goals by understanding this important piece of history.

With fellow volunteers at the CAF, we facilitate goal setting exercises, hands-on artifact learning, discussions with veterans, a dome theater experience and other interactive educational programs that brings the history out of the history books (or lack of thereof) and into an experiential learning environment that makes a

lasting impact. The potential to teach important life lessons through the lens of the Tuskegee experience is huge, and is attractive to both kids and adults.

I wonder if the Airmen, 70 plus years ago, had any idea that their service to our country would ultimately inspire future generations to work a little harder and aim a little higher. They were heroic figures in the making, although at the time they were treated no better than second-class citizens. I'm proud to be a part of two groups that work hard to honor their experience. Capitalizing on their growing appeal will have the two-fold benefit of maintaining their legacy for generations to come and inspiring others to learn and benefit from these American heroes.



# Out and About & Social Media

**Beverly Kindle-Walker** is 🌐 traveling to Detroit City Airport from ☑ Coleman A. Young International Airport with Keith Hines and 5 others.

Yesterday at 10:33am · Detroit, MI · 🌐

The Black Pilots of America Pancake Breakfast Fly-In and FAA Safety Seminar was outstanding! Praise God! 06/09/18 Beverly Kindle-Walker

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Larry Sargent, DOTA Fred Henry and Bill Welborn at 11th Precinct recognition



LtCol (Ret) Alexander Jefferson spends some time talking education at last months visit to WSU



Wayne Lusardi and the chapter members that attended his presentation at WSU in May.

**Tuskegee Airmen Hawk's Cry II** shared a video — with Eric L Palmer and 4 others.

Yesterday at 5:49pm · 🌐

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HE WAS SHOT DOWN OVER THE SKIES OF AUSTRIA WHERE HE WAS TAKEN AS A PRISONER OF WAR AND EVENTUALLY LYNCHED

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**Aviano Air Base** April 9 · 🌐

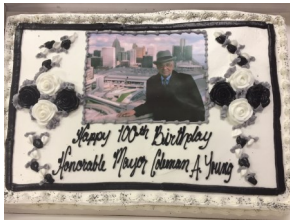
WWII Tuskegee Airman remembers his fellow pilot who was shot down and lynched 73 years ago in Nazi occupied Linz-Hörsching, Austria.

Thanks to the Austrian government for memorializing 2nd Lt. Walter Manning and hosting Lt. Col. Harry Stewart (ret) who was flying with Lt. Manning on that fateful April day in 1945. Thank you U.S. Embassy Vienna and the VFW Organization for ensuring Lt. Col. Stewart's presence at the memorial unveiling in Austria.

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Coleman A Young 100th Birthday Recognition



**Detroit RedTail** shared Tuscarora State Forest's video — with Palmer L Eric and 2 others.

June 4 at 8:47pm · 🌐

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**Tuscarora State Forest** added a new video: Red Mustang Registry Road Trip-Perry County. June 2 at 10:10am · 🌐

34 Ford Mustangs stop briefly at the district office for a pit stop. They are in town for the Ford Nationals at Carlisle.

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**Tuskegee Airmen Hawk's Cry II** shared a photo.

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Fred Henry



Mike Hazlip Custom Images is at The Center For Freedom and Flight. June 7 at 2:57pm · Vacaville, CA · 🌐

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**William Welborn** June 6 at 5:22pm · 48

In the of 757 cockpit American Airlines, great.



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**E Love Sr** is attending Burger Bash Detroit 2018 - Burgers & Brews! at Royal Oak Farmers Market. Yesterday at 6:58pm · Royal Oak · 🌐

Hanging with Colonel J



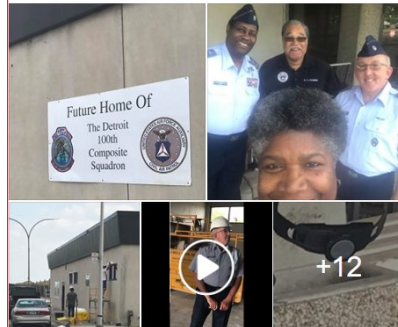
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June 2 at 10:45pm · Detroit, MI · 🌐

The Detroit 100th Composite Squadron - Civil Air Patrol was happy to have our Michigan Wing Civil Air Patrol Commander Col Curtis Boehmer to come down to see the progress on our CAP building at the airport. We thank the Lord for our California donor!



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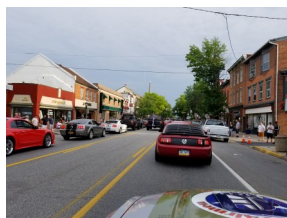
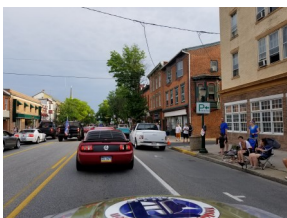
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# The Adventures of RED TAIL

*Rolling The Tuskegee Airmen Into The American Car Culture*

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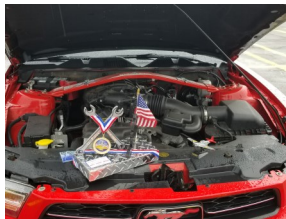
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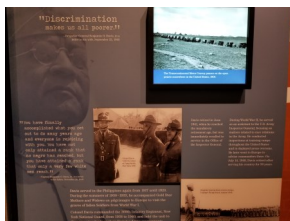
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- June 16, 2018 – [Belleville National Strawberry Festival Parade](#)
- June 22 – 24, 2018 – [2018 GM River Days](#) (Detroit, MI)
- June 23, 2018 – [2018 Veterans Benefit Car Show](#) (Troy, MI) *Registered*
- July 7, 2018 – [2018 Cherry Royale Parade](#) (Traverse City, MI) *Registered*
- July 14, 2018 – [ShowDown in Motown](#) (Detroit, MI) *Registered*
- July 19, 2018 – [Ford's Garage Cruise In](#) (Dearborn, MI)
- July 20-22, 2018 – [Mackinaw City Mustang Stampede](#) (Mackinaw City, MI) *Registered*
- July 27, 2018 – [GM Employee Car Show](#) (Warren, MI) *Registered*
- July 27, 2018 – [Battle of The Brands](#) (Plymouth, MI) *Open House*
- July 28, 2018 – [Main Street Memories - Downtown Car Show](#) (Port Huron, MI) *Registered*

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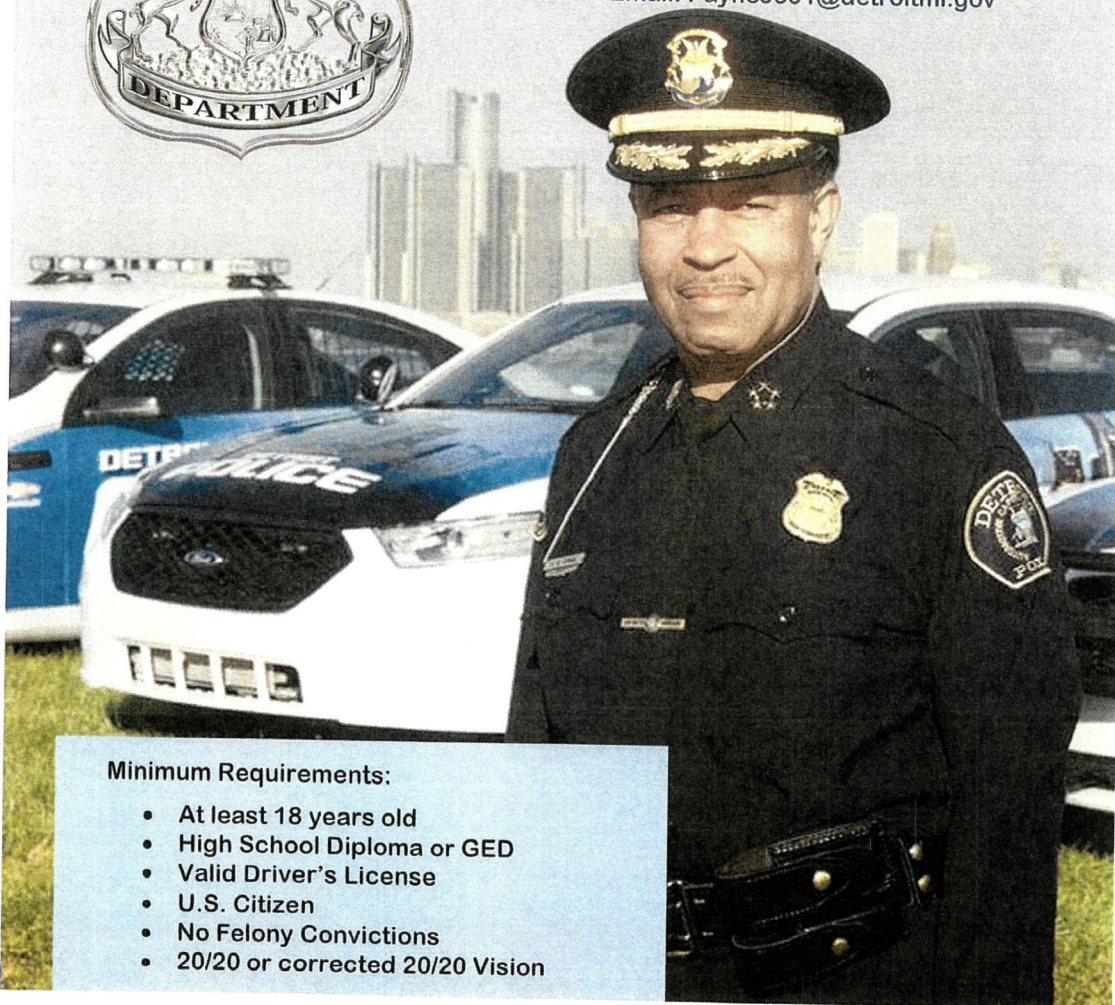
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- Valid Driver's License
- U.S. Citizen
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FOR DETROIT POLICE CANDIDATES

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TAKE MCOLES READING & WRITING TEST  
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## MCOLES AGILITY TEST MINIMUM PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

MALES					FEMALES				
Age Group	Vertical Jump	Sit Ups	Push Ups	1/2 Mile Shuttle Run	Age Group	Vertical Jump	Sit Ups	Push Ups	1/2 Mile Shuttle Run
18-29	17.5	32	30	4:29.6	18-29	11.0	28	7	5:35.4
30-39	16.0	30	30	4:38.2	30-39	9.0	19	7	5:59.1
40+	15.0	30	28	4:54.7	40+	8.0	18	7	6:13.3

*If you have already passed either of the MCOLES tests, submit your scores with your application.*

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*\*The \$45 fee for the MCOLES Reading & Writing Test is paid by Detroit Police Dept. No cancellations once you are scheduled.*

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QUESTIONS? Contact us at [Recruit@detroitmi.gov](mailto:Recruit@detroitmi.gov)



## NOW HIRING DETROIT POLICE OFFICERS

APPLY ONLINE

[www.detroitmi.gov/joindpd](http://www.detroitmi.gov/joindpd)

For question 32 "How did you hear about this job?"

Select "Detroit Police Field Recruiter" On your application.

Contact us at: [Gonzales580@detroitmi.gov](mailto:Gonzales580@detroitmi.gov)

### ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR DETROIT POLICE OFFICERS

Must be at least 18 years of age – Possess a valid Driver's License

High School Diploma or GED from an accredited institution

U.S. Citizenship – No Felony Convictions

### POLICE OFFICER PAY RANGE: \$37,822 - \$56,543 (\$18.18 - \$27.18 Hourly)

- Additional 2% for hires with at least 2 years college credit from an accredited college or university at hire
- Tuition Reimbursement (\$2000) after 1 year continuous service following the completion of the Detroit Police Academy\*
- Annual Step Increases for the first 5 years of employment
- Student Police Officers are paid while attending training; training is provided through the Detroit Police Academy

Additional Pay: Shift Differential (Afternoon, Midnight)  
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Uniform Allowance

Full Benefits Package: Medical, Dental and Optical Insurance Plans  
Three (3) Paid Holidays per Year  
Four (4) Floating Holidays  
Twenty (20) Vacation Days per Year  
Pension Plan

*\*A tuition matching program (up to \$2000) is currently available for Detroit Police Officers through Wayne State University.*

### DETROIT POLICE HIRING PROCESS:

- Meet minimum requirements, including a criminal history check
- Pass MCOLES Pre-Employment Reading and Writing test\*\*
- Pass MCOLES Physical Fitness Test\*\*
- Attend Application Orientation
- Pass Background Investigation
- Pass Oral Board Interview
- Pass Psychological (written and oral) and Medical Examinations

*\*\*The MCOLES Reading & Writing Test and the MCOLES Physical Agility Test are currently being offered at no charge WITH Detroit Police Dept. candidates (normal fees of \$68 and \$45 are waived.) Contact Recruiting at 313-596-2607 for more*

### MCOLES Physical Fitness Test

FEMALES					MALES				
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For More Information, Contact Tyrone Chatman or Raeda Dabaja  
At 313-831-5500

## Detroit Veterans Center Michigan Veterans Foundation

Nationwide, an average of one-third of America's homeless are veterans, yet veterans only make up approximately 8% of the total population. This means that on any given night, as many as 250,000 veterans are living on the streets or in shelters and perhaps four times as many experience homelessness at some point during the course of a year.

These men and women who risked their lives to ensure our continued freedoms now don't even have a place to call their own!

The Michigan Veterans Foundation (MVF) is a non-profit agency whose overall objective is to fill the gaps that currently exist in providing services to Michigan's veterans. MVF's main project is the Detroit Veterans Center - a well-planned and well-supported community effort. The Foundation has been asked to expand its services to several other cities in Michigan and currently has plans to open other facilities strategically located throughout the State of Michigan.

### Purpose of the Detroit Veterans Center

The Detroit Veterans Center is a transitional housing facility and resource center. The DVC provides the skills and confidence needed for homeless veterans to break the cycle of homelessness and return to independent living. This includes the specific goals of residential stability, increased skill level, increased income, and greater self-determination to obtain and maintain self-sufficiency.

## Michigan Veterans Foundation Give a Gift - Get the Michigan Matching Credit

**You can make a gift to  
HELP HOMELESS VETERANS  
and claim a special tax credit.**

**8% of the population are veterans.  
25% - 35% of the homeless are veterans.  
Please help us change this  
national disgrace; give generously.**

Donors to the Michigan Veterans Foundation can claim the Michigan Homeless Assistance Credit. Here's the way it works for both individuals and corporations:

The law permits a taxpayer to reduce Michigan income tax or Single Business Tax liability by 50 percent of the amount contributed to a homeless program, subject to a maximum credit of:

- \$100 for an individual filing singly (for a \$200 donation);
- \$200 for a married couple filing jointly (based on a \$400 donation);
- \$5,000, or 10% of tax liability before claiming any credits, whichever is less, for a resident estate or trust (for a \$10,000 gift); and
- \$5,000, or 5% of tax liability before claiming any credits, whichever is less, for taxpayers filing MSB Tax returns (for a \$10,000 gift).

(NOTE: This information is for the purpose of illustration only. Your individual tax situation should be discussed with your personnel or corporate tax advisor.)

For additional information, please contact one of the center's management staff:

Tyrone Chatman, Executive Director & CEO  
Raeda Dabaja, Executive Associate Director  
Thomas Armstrong, Director of Programs

## Detroit Veterans Center (a project of the) Michigan Veterans Foundation



The Detroit Veterans Center is transforming homeless veterans into independent wage earners and taxpayers who will have a positive impact on their community, state and nation. These once homeless patriots are rejoining the community, which called upon them to preserve the freedoms that we all enjoy.

### MICHIGAN VETERANS FOUNDATION (MVF) DETROIT VETERANS CENTER (DVC)

4626 Grand River Ave, Detroit MI 48208  
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[www.michiganveteransfoundation.org](http://www.michiganveteransfoundation.org)  
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### Program Summary

The Detroit Veterans Center (DVC) is a multi-faceted facility that addresses the needs of homeless veterans. The Center also provides on-site support services to veterans who are at risk of becoming homeless or simply need help. The DVC is located near downtown Detroit, Wayne State University, and the VA Medical Center. This location is accessible to the homeless population and in the immediate vicinity of many other human service and health agencies.

- ★ **The DVC offers**  
labor to local businesses in exchange for job training and job placement.
- ★ **The DVC houses**  
approximately 110 homeless male and female veterans, while serving numerous others through on-site support services.
- ★ **The DVC project is**  
structured to serve veterans who want to help themselves. The veterans who qualify clearly understand that this is a program they must work at in order to succeed.

The veterans are in a safe, structured environment designed to lead them back into society through professional guidance and veteran-to-veteran reinforcement. The DVC works in collaboration with a multitude of human service providers, non-profit organizations, governmental agencies to meet the veteran's medical, psychological, and educational needs.

### Michigan Veterans Foundation Mission

- ★ **Fill the gaps** in the current service delivery system;
- ★ **Operate a transitional living** facility;
- ★ **Coordinate services** within the existing Continuum of Care network,
- ★ **Act as an advocate** on behalf of disenfranchised veterans and
- ★ **Place the Veteran** in appropriate permanent housing.

### Services Offered

- ★ Life skills training
- ★ Employment training
- ★ Job opportunities/referrals
- ★ Education
- ★ Healthcare services
- ★ Access to transportation
- ★ Meals and clothing
- ★ Twelve-step groups
- ★ Substance abuse intervention
- ★ Support groups (including PTSD)
- ★ Legal assistance
- ★ Benefit and entitlement assistance
- ★ Secure appropriate permanent housing

### DVC Entrance Criteria

The Detroit Veterans Center is available to any veteran who is willing to make the commitment to change their life for the better. To be eligible for acceptance, the veteran must be drug and alcohol free.

### Financial Support

HUD, VA, USDOL, Private Foundations, Corporations, Veterans Organizations, and most importantly  
**Patriotic Citizens!**

### Collaborating and Supporting Partners

- ★ Acupuncture Treatment Concepts
- ★ AIDS Partnership of Michigan
- ★ Alcoholics and Narcotics Anonymous
- ★ American Legion
- ★ AMVETS
- ★ Blue Water Center for Independent Living
- ★ Career Initiative Center
- ★ Cass Methodist Community Services
- ★ COTS
- ★ Detroit Central City Community Mental Health
- ★ Detroit Health Department
- ★ Detroit Rescue Mission
- ★ Disabled American Veterans
- ★ Forgotten Harvest
- ★ Gleaners
- ★ Homeless Action Network (HAND)
- ★ Jewish Vocational Service
- ★ Legal Aid and Defender Association
- ★ Marine Corps League
- ★ Mariners Inn
- ★ Michigan Coalition Against Homelessness
- ★ Michigan Depart. of Labor & Economic Growth
- ★ National Coalition for Homeless Veterans
- ★ National Coalition for the Homeless
- ★ Neighborhood Service Organization
- ★ Plymouth Housing Commission
- ★ Quality Behavioral Health
- ★ Salvation Army
- ★ Southwest Detroit Mental Health Services
- ★ Traveler's Aid Society
- ★ Twelve Chartered VSO's
- ★ University of Detroit-Mercy
- ★ US Department of Labor
- ★ Veterans Administration
- ★ Various Churches
- ★ Wayne County Community College
- ★ Family Independence Agency
- ★ W.C. Soldiers and Sailors Relief
- ★ Wayne State University (VEOP) and Many Others



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The Michigan Military Technical and Historical Society is dedicated to preserving the stories of Michigan citizens who served and sacrificed, here and abroad, from WWI to the present. Our 11,000 square foot Museum exhibits the actual equipment, weapons, uniforms and other artifacts that bear witness to the high cost of freedom.



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586-872-2581  
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## Michigan Military Technical & Historical Society

## Military Vehicle Restoration & Exhibit Team



**Preserve  
Recover  
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Display**

## We committed to saving them. Will you commit to help?



1942 GPW

Before  
After



1985 M1028

Before  
After



1952 M37

Before  
After



### The Plan

The museums plan is to acquire at least one Michigan made military vehicle from each decade of the 20th Century. The collection should also represent as many manufacturers as possible. The team will preserve them as original, or restore them back to original as required.

### The Progress

To date, we have acquired the following vehicles

**1940's**  
1942 Ford GPW; Restored, on exhibit  
1944 Clark CA1 Dozer; Under restoration

**1950's**  
1952 Dodge M37; Restored, kept offsite

**1960's**  
1966 Ford M71B Ambulance; Unrestored, on exhibit

**1970's**  
1977 Dodge M880; Unrestored, kept offsite

**1980's**  
1985 Chevrolet M1028; Restored, kept offsite

We are still seeking a pre-WWII vehicle for the collection, we also hope to add at least one piece of armor in the future.

In the meantime, we are moving ahead with the restoration of the three vehicles pictured on the right, as well as plans to expand the museum so that the whole collection may be enjoyed by visitors all year round.

**This requires volunteers and  
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1944 Clark CA1



1977 M880



1966 M718

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Health Care Eligibility.....	<a href="http://www.va.gov/healtheligibility">www.va.gov/healtheligibility</a>
Burial and Memorial Benefits.....	<a href="http://www.cem.va.gov">www.cem.va.gov</a>
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