



# American Legion Post 100 Fact Sheet

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## BENEFITS FOR FILIPINO VETERANS

### WHICH FILIPINO VETERANS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS?

Filipino Veterans with service in one of the following military forces may establish eligibility to VA benefits:

- Armed Forces of the United States.
- Commonwealth Army of the Philippines with service from July 26, 1941 through June 30, 1946
- Regular Philippine Scouts who enlisted prior to October 6, 1945.
- Insular Force of the U.S. Navy.
- Special Philippine Scouts who enlisted between October 6, 1945 and June 30, 1947.
- Guerilla with service prior to July 1, 1946.

### WHAT TYPES OF MONETARY BENEFITS ARE AVAILABLE?

Three benefits are available to Filipino Veterans:

- Service-connected disability compensation is a monthly payment to Veterans disabled by injury or disease occurring or worsening during active service. To be eligible, you must:
  - Have been discharged under other than dishonorable conditions
  - Currently suffer from disabling symptoms
- Nonservice-connected pension is paid to wartime Veterans who:
  - Have limited income
  - Are permanently and totally disabled or
  - Are 65 years or older
- Clothing allowance is an annual payment to a Veteran whose service-connected disability requires a prosthetic or orthopedic device that damages clothing.

The following table provides more details. Unless otherwise noted, payment is made at the full rate.

<b>Veterans Benefits</b>			
<b>Type of Service</b>	<b>Compensation</b>	<b>Pension</b>	<b>Clothing Allowance</b>
<b>Armed Forces of the U.S.</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Regular Philippine Scouts and Insular Force of the U.S. Navy</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>Yes</b>
<b>Special Philippine Scouts</b>	<b>Yes</b> Full rate payments for U.S. residents; half rate payments for non-U.S. residents	<b>No</b>	<b>Yes (half rate)</b>
<b>Commonwealth Army of the Philippines</b>	<b>Yes</b> Full rate payments for U.S. residents; half rate payments for non-U.S. residents	<b>No</b>	<b>Yes (half rate)</b>
<b>Guerilla</b>	<b>Yes</b> Full rate payments for U.S. residents; half rate payments for non-U.S. residents	<b>No</b>	<b>Yes (half rate)</b>

### **WHAT TYPES OF HEALTH CARE BENEFITS ARE AVAILABLE?**

VA provides hospital, nursing home and outpatient medical care to certain Filipino Veterans. Regular Philippine Scouts are eligible for health care benefits based on their status as U.S. Veterans.

The following groups are eligible for health care benefits in the U.S. on the same basis as U.S. Veterans if they are U.S. citizens or lawfully admitted for permanent address:

- Commonwealth Army
- Special Philippine Scouts
- Guerilla Veterans