

WHAT IS VETERANS OF STEEL

Under the leadership of President Tom Conway, Veterans of Steel was created to be a member-driven program to help Steelworkers who are veterans by covering topics that specifically pertain to them such as:

- contract language for veterans' issues;
- increasing funding for the Department of Veterans Affairs;
- placing qualified veterans in good union jobs;
- helping veterans in both countries deal with mental health and other issues; and
- publishing a resource guide for vets who are union members.

Our goal is to engage our veterans in the union and in the communities where they live; educate and advocate for veteran issues in both the United States and Canada; and provide a variety of resources for Steelworker vets and their families.

- Help deliver needed resources for our members and their families who are veterans such as benefits info, help with PTSD treatment options, job training, etc.
- Create a space where our veteran members can network with each other and help each other, build stronger local unions, and drive the Veterans of Steel committees on the ground.
- Foster a culture of activism from getting engaged in local union work to volunteering in the community to running for political office and more.
- Build a strong connection with other veterans in the community.

If you are a USW member who's also a military veteran and interested in learning more about our Veterans of Steel Program, visit <u>usw.org/VetsOfSteel</u> and fill out the form or text VET to 47486 to join. With your registration, you'll receive a free "Veteran of Steel" dog tag and hard-hat sticker.