



SLC Veteran Services Division

Veteran Administration Annual Benefit Report for FY-21

ST LUCIE COUNTY VA FEDERAL BENEFIT DISTRIBUTION REPORT FOR VETERANS RECEIVING BENEFITS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021

2021 Veteran Population in St. Lucie County = 24,632

According to National Center for Veterans Analysis and Statistics
Following Expenditures were allocated for Saint Lucie County Veterans:

Compensation & Pension		\$150,306,000 million
Education/Vocational Rehab/Employment		\$12,317,000 million
Insurance & Indemnities		\$1,077,000 million
Medical Care		\$118,947,000 million
Unique Patients		\$10,355,000 million
Total 2021 VA Distributions		\$282,647,000 million

VA Compensation: Benefits distributed to Veterans who served on Active Duty and were injured and now have a service-connected disabilities due to military service.

VA Pension: Benefits distributed to wartime Veterans who meet certain age or disability requirements, and who have income net worth within certain limits.

Education/Vocational Rehab/Employment: Benefits distributed to Veterans who seek additional education. Vocational Rehabilitation is a program that employs Veterans part-time while attending college. Employment programs that help Veterans attain future employment.

Insurance & Indemnities: Low-cost life insurance availability for service-connected Veterans.

Medical Care: Expenditures include dollars for medical services, medical administration, facility maintenance, educational support, research support, and other overhead items.

Unique Patients: Veteran patients who received treatment at VA health care facility.

Prior Year Comparisons

Year		Veteran Population		Total VA Distribution
2020		24,907		\$268,971,000 million
2019		23,493		\$253,762,000 million



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NOTES

1. Veteran population estimates are produced by the VA Office of the Actuary and are based on Veterans receiving VA benefits. The Veteran population in Saint Lucie County decreased by 275 Veterans; however, the Veteran Services Division helped 304 Widows apply for Dependency Indemnity Compensation (DIC). When a Veteran dies of a service-connected disability or the disability was a contributing factor to Veterans death, then we can help widows apply for DIC. DIC is a pension to help widows financially.
2. Compensation & Pension distributions include dollars for the following programs:
 - a. Veterans Compensation for service-connected disabilities.
 - b. Dependency and Indemnity Compensation for service-connected deaths.
 - c. Veterans Pensions for nonservice-connected disabilities.
 - d. Burials and other benefits to Veterans and their survivors.
3. Medical Care distributions include dollars for medical services, medical administration, facility maintenance, educational support, research support, and other overhead items. Medical care distributions are based on where patients live instead of where care is delivered.
4. Although our Veteran population decreased by 275 Veterans, VA Distribution dollars increased by **\$13,676,000** between 2020 & 2021. This is an increase of 5% from previous year.