

## Message from Saratoga County Clerk, Craig A. Hayner

In Saratoga County, we are proud to honor our local military veterans and are forever thankful for their service to our country. Through the Saratoga County F.A.V.O.R. Program, we strive to educate and assist veterans about the importance of recording their DD-214 discharge document with the County Clerk's Office. By doing so, veterans and their families are able to easily take advantage of a variety of county benefits and programs while also enjoying the perks of the F.A.V.O.R. Program when they frequent businesses throughout the community.

**Program proudly sponsored by:**  
Saratoga County Board of Supervisors,  
Saratoga County Veterans Service Agency,  
and the Saratoga County Clerk's Office.

### Contact Information

Saratoga County Clerk's Office  
40 McMaster Street  
Ballston Spa, NY 12020

Phone: (518) 885-2213

[www.saratogacountyny.gov/favor](http://www.saratogacountyny.gov/favor)

### Additional Resources

Saratoga County Veterans Service Agency  
(518) 884-4115

Veterans Peer to Peer Mentoring Program  
(518) 884-4999



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## Veterans F.A.V.O.R. Program



*Serving our veterans at home.*



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**Craig A. Hayner, County Clerk**

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## What is the F.A.V.O.R. Program?

F.A.V.O.R. stands for Find & Assist Veterans Of Record. It is a merchant discount program for eligible veterans.

The program also provides merchants a way to return the F.A.V.O.R. to area veterans and offer gratitude for their service to our country. Together, through the Saratoga County F.A.V.O.R. Program, we are serving our veterans at home.

## Who is Eligible for a F.A.V.O.R. Card?

Veterans who file their original DD-214 (honorable discharge papers) with the Saratoga County Clerk's Office are eligible for a F.A.V.O.R. Card. Widows and widowers of veterans and Gold Star Parents whose loved one's DD-214 is on file are also eligible.

## Why File Your DD-214?

When you file your original DD-214 with the Saratoga County Clerk's Office, your original document is protected forever and you will always know where your document is located.

You or an immediate family member are the only people who can access this sealed record and may request a free certified copy of the DD-214 at any time. A certified copy can be used in the same manner as an original document.

In return, you receive a discount card that is accepted at more than 300 local businesses. The card never expires.

You may become eligible for a number of benefits offered through the Saratoga County Veterans Service Agency, including federal benefits filing assistance, transition assistance, housing assistance, military records and medals request assistance, referrals and more.

## How to File Your DD-214

Bring your original DD-214 to the Saratoga County Clerk's Office, Monday through Friday during business hours. We will scan and file the document for free. You keep the original document and we will provide you with a complimentary certified copy.

If you don't have your original DD-214, please call the Saratoga County Veterans Service Agency for assistance at (518) 884-4115.

## What Discounts are Available?

More than 300 businesses participate in the Saratoga County F.A.V.O.R. Program, offering discounts on goods and services including, but not limited to:

- Automotive services
- Banking/financial services
- Computer services
- Construction/home repair
- Daycare
- Education
- Entertainment
- Hair salons/barbershops
- Health and wellness
- Legal services
- Lodging
- Real Estate services
- Recreation
- Restaurants
- Retail
- Utility/HVAC services
- Veterinarians/animal care

The list continues to grow; please visit our website for the most recent merchant list.

## How to Apply for a F.A.V.O.R. Card

1. File your original DD-214 with the Saratoga County Clerk's Office in person. Widows, widowers and Gold Star Parents must also present the veteran's death certificate.
2. Present your government-issued photo ID.
3. Have your photo taken.
4. Receive your F.A.V.O.R. discount card the same day you apply.

## How Can My Business Become a F.A.V.O.R. Merchant?

It is free to join the Saratoga County F.A.V.O.R. Program. By participating, you become a part of a diverse community of business owners and managers who honor thousands of Saratoga County veterans every day with discounts on goods and services.

Merchant applications are available at the Saratoga County Clerk's Office or on our website at [www.saratogacountyny.gov/favor](http://www.saratogacountyny.gov/favor).

## Merchant Benefits

- You choose the discount you provide.
- Free publicity on our Saratoga County webpage, social media, and F.A.V.O.R. publications.
- Free F.A.V.O.R. window marketing for your business.
- Garner positive publicity in the Veterans community, inspiring veterans to frequent your establishment and to spread the word to other veterans that you are thankful for their service.