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Chester County Records Military Documents at West Goshen Township Event

WEST CHESTER, PA – The Chester County Recorder of Deeds will offer the recording of Military Discharge documents and the production of Chester County Veteran ID Discount cards at the West Goshen Township Municipal Building on Thursday, October 7th.

There is no charge for these services. Face coverings will be mandatory for all participants.

Beginning at 9 a.m. until noon, veterans of West Goshen Township and surrounding areas of Chester County will be able to take advantage of the Recorder of Deeds' veteran-related programs a little closer to home. Veterans who record their discharge documents on-site will then be eligible to immediately receive a county-issued Photo ID card, at no cost. A collection of roughly 100 Chester County businesses partner with the Recorder of Deeds to offer various discounts and specials to veterans who present their County ID Card at the time of purchase or services rendered.

Representatives from Congresswoman Chrissy Houlahan’s office, the Coatesville VA Medical Center, the Veterans' Multi-Service Center of Downingtown and staff of State Senator John Kane will also be in attendance to provide further resources for local veterans.

Chris Pielli, Chester County Recorder of Deeds, stresses the importance of veterans recording their discharge paperwork officially. “If a fire, natural disaster, relocation or other event results in the loss of a veteran’s original documents, the Recorder of Deeds department keeps the scanned images and related information stored securely and in perpetuity, so veterans and their families can easily request certified replacement copies at any time in the future, if necessary, to maintain U.S. Veteran status or benefits,” said Pielli.

“Veterans who resided in another county or state when they were discharged may have had their DD-214 recorded in that region; however, it is recommended that the veteran also record their documents in the county in which he or she currently resides,” Pielli explains.

In addition to a mask, veterans should bring their DD-214 (original or photocopy) or other military discharge documents and a current form of Photo ID (i.e., driver’s license, state-issued ID, U.S. Passport).

The Recorder of Deeds does not charge veterans a fee for either of these services. The West Goshen Township Municipal Building is located at the corner of Paoli Pike and North 5 Points Road in West Chester.

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