



COUNTY OF CHESTER
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— MEDIA ALERT —

***Chester County Recorder of Deeds Safeguards
East Bradford Veterans in Observance of Memorial Day***

WHAT: The Chester County Recorder of Deeds will venture off-site to serve residents of East Bradford Township and beyond by recording their discharge documents and issuing County Veteran Discount ID Cards at the Municipal Building. The department will be joined by a few regional organizations offering additional valuable services and resources to veterans. A light, continental breakfast will be provided with coffee & tea service, which is sponsored by First Resource Bank and provided by Feeding Frenzy Catering.

WHO:

- Chester County Recorder of Deeds Chris Pielli
- Chester County Veterans' Affairs Director Susan Price
- Representatives from the Office of Congresswoman Chrissy Houlahan
- Representatives from Coatesville VA Medical Center
- Representatives from the Veterans Multi-Service Center of Coatesville

WHEN: Wednesday, May 18, 2022 – 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM.

WHERE: East Bradford Township Municipal Building – 666 Copeland School Rd, West Chester, PA.

WHY: The Chester County Recorder of Deeds is the custodian of military discharges, by statute, with records dating back to 1901. This process safeguards a Veterans' document(s) in case of loss, misplacement or natural disaster so as to prevent the interruption or discontinuation of benefits for themselves and/or their families. After recordation, any hard copies containing sensitive information are destroyed and the digital images of these important documents are kept in a secure database on our server. This ensures that only the serviceperson, his or her immediate family, or authorized military personnel or Veterans' agencies will have access to these recorded documents at a later date as needed. Military discharges are the only documents we maintain that are not made a part of the public record.

To incentivize Veterans to safeguard their documents in this way, we offer them a county-issued photo ID card and membership to our Veteran Discount Program with over 100 participating local businesses in return. The aforementioned services are offered free of charge to Veterans during these occasional off-site events and at any time during our regular business hours in the West Chester office.

PHOTO & VIDEO OPPORTUNITIES: Not sound to include resident veterans meeting elected officials, networking with one another, and exploring resources and information provided by the Recorder of Deeds and other regional veteran-related service organizations and entities.

INTERVIEWS AVAILABLE WITH:

- Chris Pielli, Recorder of Deeds
- Susan Price, Director of Veterans' Affairs

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