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### Firelands Federal Credit Union Joins Veterans Benefits Banking Program

BELLEVUE, Ohio – Firelands Federal Credit Union (Firelands FCU) is now a participating member of the Veterans Benefits Banking Program (VBBP).

The Veterans Benefits Banking Program enables Veterans and their families to securely, reliably, and affordably receive and manage their VA monetary benefits through participating financial institutions.

As a VBBP participant, Firelands FCU can now further provide Veterans, beneficiaries, survivors, and caregivers access to essential financial products and services, including low-to-no-cost checking accounts when choosing Firelands FCU for their direct deposit needs.

"We believe that every Veteran and their family deserves easy access to financial resources, and we are here to provide them with the accounts and service designed to meet their unique needs," said Dominic Despues, Firelands FCU's SVP Member Experience.

To learn more about the Veterans Benefits Banking Program visit [www.benefits.va.gov/banking](http://www.benefits.va.gov/banking).

**About Firelands FCU:** Firelands Federal Credit Union had its humble beginnings in 1955, when seven Nickel Plate Road employees joined together to form a financial savings club. When officially chartered in 1957, the credit union was open only to railroad employees, but in 1970, opened its membership to include anyone who lives or works in Erie, Huron and Crawford counties. Today, Firelands FCU serves over 35,499 members.

As a member-owned credit union, the earnings on Firelands FCU's business activities are returned to the member-owner in the form of higher earnings on savings, lower rates on loans, and a wide range of related financial services at the lowest possible cost. Learn more by visiting: [www.firelandsfcu.org](http://www.firelandsfcu.org).

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