Mayor Bowser wants to ensure that, in Washington DC, veterans have minimal barriers to employment and the tools (like a driver license) necessary to find a job.

The Mayor’s Office of Veterans Affairs (MOVA), working in partnership with the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) and the Central Collection Unit (CCU), has launched a program designed to help District veterans who cannot afford a driver license because of debt from tickets, insurance lapse, booting, towing, or impounding. This program will allow eligible DC veterans the option to obtain a two year driver license while not beginning payment on their debt for up to six months. It will also allow the option to settle their debt outright for a reduced rate of 40% or more. The goal of the program is to assist the District’s veterans in their efforts towards gainful employment.

Eligibility Requirements
- Must be a DC Resident
- Must be a veteran of the US Armed Forces
- Must be unable to obtain a DC driver license because of debt resulting from tickets, insurance lapse, or Department of Public Works fees (booting, towing, impounding)
- All tickets must be over 90 days old

Options to Address Debt

Settlement Option (Full-Term License):
- 40% of the total debt for balances up to $1,500 and 30% for any debt over $1,500
- Individuals who are unemployed or making less than 150% of the federal poverty line (as determined by CCU) are eligible for greater reduction
- CCU will allow up to thirty (30) days for the settlement amount to be paid

Deferred Installment Payment Plan (IPP) Option (2 Year License):
- No down payment required
- No payment required until (up to) six months after the IPP agreement is signed
- Details will be arranged in consultation with CCU

TO APPLY: Visit The Mayor’s Office of Veterans Affairs
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