

2024 TDVS Advocacy Summit
Supporting Veterans Through Community
“Leading the Nation – Tennessee Veteran Advocacy”

Chattanooga Convention Center, 1 Carter Street, Chattanooga, TN 37402

October 2, 2024

Wednesday	October 2, 2023	Location	Speaker	Speaker Contact Information
10:30 am – 11:30 am	Registration, Networking & Partner Availability	Pre-Function Space		
11:30 am – 11:45 am	Welcome, Introduction, Opening Remarks	Room 4/5/6	Tommy Baker, Commissioner, TN Department of Veterans Services Weston Wamp, Mayor, Hamilton County	tn.veterans@tn.gov tn.gov/veteran
11:45 am – 12:15 pm	Lunch Service, Networking & Partner Availability	Room 4/5/6		
12:15 pm - 12:30 pm	Keynote Speaker: Setting the Stage	Room 4/5/6	Dr. Monty Burks, Deputy Director, Governor’s Faith- Based and Community Initiatives	m.burks@tn.gov governorsinitiative.org
12:30 pm – 1:30 pm	Panel Discussion – Partner Introductions & Resources to Support Your Communities	Room 4/5/6		

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12:30 pm – 1:30 pm	<p align="center"><i>Chattanooga Vet Center</i></p> <p align="center"><i>McNairy County Transportation Solutions</i></p> <p align="center"><i>SMILE ON 65+</i></p>		<p>Kevin Baker, Veterans Outreach Program Specialist, Chattanooga Vet Center</p> <p>Amanda Fisher, County Veteran Service Officer, McNairy County</p> <p>Nicki Raines, Lead Community Dental Health Coordinator, SMILE ON 65+</p>	<p align="center">mcnairyvso@mcnairycountyttn.com</p> <p align="center">nicki@smileon65plus.com</p>
1:30 pm – 1:45 pm	Break (Coffee, Tea, Water)	Pre-Function Space		
1:45 pm – 2:45 pm	<p>Data and Collaboration Session: Tools to Support & Examples of Community Advocacy</p> <p align="center"><i>Veterans Economic Impact</i></p>	Room 4/5/6	<p>Sherry Pickering, Veteran Outreach Coordinator, TN Department of Veterans Services</p>	<p align="center">sherry.pickering@tn.gov</p>

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1:45 pm – 2:45 pm	<p align="center"><i>Advocating for Veteran Services</i></p> <p align="center"><i>Affordable Housing Solutions</i></p>		<p>Amber Mills, Commissioner, District 1 Shelby County Commission</p> <p>Dr. Marisa Moazen, VP-Policy & Strategic Partnerships, Knoxville's Community Development Corporation</p>	<p align="center">amber.mills@shelbycountyttn.gov</p> <p align="center">mmoazen@kcdc.org</p>
2:45 pm – 3:00 pm	Break (Coffee, Tea, Water)	Pre-Function Space		
3:00 pm – 3:45 pm	Community Conversations	Room 4/5/6	Facilitated by Sherry Pickering, Veteran Outreach Coordinator, TN Department of Veterans Services	sherry.pickering@tn.gov
3:45 pm – 4:00 pm	Closing Remarks	Room 4/5/6	Tommy Baker, Commissioner, TN	tn.veterans@tn.gov

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