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Lawyers Will Ride Into Battle Creek To Help Military Veterans

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BATTLE CREEK (AP) - The University of Detroit Mercy is reaching out to veterans in need of legal help with their benefits.

The law school's Mobile Law Office -- a 27-foot recreational vehicle - will make stops Tuesday in Battle Creek.

The university is being paid \$200,000 by the state to provide the clinics, which started last year in the Detroit area.

A spokeswoman says the program is expanding across the state, to include Grand Rapids, Lansing, Flint and Traverse City. Other stops planned this year are in Benton Harbor, Muskegon and Pontiac.

UDM says Michigan ranks 45th among states in federal health care spending per veteran.

Average disability payments for Michigan veterans are \$7,241. The national average is nearly \$9,000.

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The problem isn't not even disability payments, the problem is getting the veterans compensation forms filed, submitted and a quick response. Way too many veterans are denied in turn they must file an appeal which can take up to 2 years hey but thats the way to support our veterans

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I hope that figure is per month. I can't imagine living off \$9,000 a year! WOW, I can spend \$9000 on a short weekend get away.

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