

Montgomery County, MD - Veterans Network Directory

Homelessness

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The Washington DC Veterans Affairs Medical Center's (DCVAMC) Community Resource and Referral Center (CRRC) provides care and services to homeless and at-risk Veterans. Although not a shelter, the CRRC provides services to assist veterans and their family members. The building includes a primary care clinic, a complete kitchen, laundry and shower facilities, a food pantry and a play room for children, as well as a host of other community services. Located at 1500 Franklin Street, NE, Washington, DC 20018. Phone: 202-636-7660 (V).

Community Council for the Homeless at Friendship Place – Veterans First

www.cchfp.org/services/veterans-first

202-658-9599 (V)

Veterans First is a Friendship Place program providing supportive housing services to veterans and their families in the DC Metro area. Provide case management to assist with locating affordable housing, assistance with paying first month's rent and security deposit, and emergency rental and utility assistance. The Community Council was awarded from the Department of Veterans Affairs a Supportive Services for Veterans and Families (SSVF) grant to serve veterans households in the DC Metro area, including Montgomery and Prince Georges Counties and Virginia. The grantee will provide at-risk, low-income eligible veteran families with outreach, case management, and assistance in obtaining VA and other benefits including: health care services, daily living services, personal financial planning services, transportation services, fiduciary and payee services, legal services, child care services, and housing counseling services.

Crisis Center - Montgomery County Government

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Rockville, MD 20850
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202-256-9261 (V)
Office Hours: Monday 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
(Staff Alternate Mondays)

The Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center (VAMC) provides outreach services to veterans. VAMC Homeless Outreach Staff are available for both drop in and scheduled visits. The VA are available to assist veterans by making referrals and connecting veterans who are eligible for VA services with the VA healthcare system.

Compensated Work Therapy

Veteran Affairs Medical Center Baltimore
10 North Greene Street
Baltimore, MD 21201
www.va.gov/health/cwt

410-642-2411 x 5725 (V)

Hours: 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Offer employment opportunities for at-risk and homeless veterans with physical, psychiatric, and substance abuse problems. The VA works with private industries as well as the public sector to find work for these veterans, where they will have the opportunity to learn new job skills, relearn successful work habits, and regain self-esteem. In conjunction with the Work Therapy program, the VA operates more than 50 community-based transitional residences with more than 432 beds. Homeless veterans stay in the housing an average of six months while they gain work skills.

Disabled American Veterans - Homeless Veterans Initiative

National Service and Legislative Headquarters
807 Maine Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20024
E-mail: service@davmail.org
www.dav.org/veterans/HomelessVeterans.aspx

202-554-3501 (V)

Help homeless veterans make the transition from life on the streets to one of productivity and normalcy. Promote the development of supportive housing and necessary services to assist homeless veterans become productive, self-sufficient members of society.

Easter Seals Service DC | MD | VA – Homeless Reintegration

Robert Simpson, VP, Military Veterans Operations
1420 Spring Street
Silver Spring, MD 20910
www.easterseals.com/DCMDVA/our-programs/military-veteran-services/veterans-employment.html

301-920-9715 (Direct)
301-920-9770 (Office)

Manage two programs: **Homeless Veterans Reintegration Program (HVRP)** and **Homeless Female Veterans & Veterans with Families (HFVWF)**. Easter Seals Serving DC | MD | VA has received grant funds from the U.S. Department of Labor to provide services to homeless Veterans in Maryland's Baltimore, Prince George's and Montgomery Counties; Northern Virginia areas of Arlington, Fairfax, Loudoun, and Prince William Counties; and Washington DC. Services include job training, counseling and placement services, (including job readiness, literacy and skill training), to expedite the reintegration of homeless veterans into the workforce.

Eligibility - To qualify for the program, a veteran must meet the following criteria:

- Must be a homeless veteran or at-risk of homelessness;
- Have proof of veteran status (i.e. DD-214 or VA ID Card);
- Received any type of discharge except for dishonorable.

The goal of the Veteran Employment Services is to enroll eligible and interested veterans in local support services in the community, so that they have the opportunity for job search assistance, counseling, vocational guidance and training. These programs will help veterans develop skills for specific employment, eliminate barriers to employment and assist veterans with Veterans Affairs benefits and issues. Those enrolled in the program will work with case managers to create their Individualized Employment Plan (IEP). The IEP details their employment goals, strategies, and outcomes in order to most effectively find employment that fits each veteran.

Final Salute – Housing Outreach Mentorship Encouragement (H.O.M.E.) and Savings Assessment and Financial Education (S.A.F.E.)

E-mail: leadership@finalsaluteinc.org
www.finalsaluteinc.org

1-866-720-9171 (Toll Free)

The H.O.M.E Program provides transitional housing, on-site case management, food, clothing, transportation, child care subsidy/assistance, employment support and other essential supportive services to homeless women Veterans and their children. The H.O.M.E Program focuses on integrating women Veterans back into their local communities and providing vast, safe and suitable residential areas to choose from. Our H.O.M.E Program is a collaboration with our resource partners that includes targeted supportive services to assist women Veterans in reaching their goals. Also assist with permanent placement once Veterans are ready to transition from our residential facilities. The S.A.F.E. program helps to prevent homelessness by providing emergency financial assistance. Program recipients also receive resources on saving, budgeting and living on a fixed income. S.A.F.E eases financial hardships by providing assistance with past due rent, new lease deposit and utility assistance. The S.A.F.E program is open to women Veterans and members of the U.S. Military Reserve and Guard component forces, regardless of their location. Our programs have assisted women Veterans and children in over 15 States and Territories.

Homeless Persons Representation Project, Inc.

201 North Charles Street, Suite 1104
Baltimore, MD 21201
E-mail: info@hprplaw.org
www.hprplaw.org

410-685-6589 (V)
1-800-773-4340 (Toll Free)

Volunteer attorneys, paralegals and students

Homeless Programs & Initiatives - U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

Veterans Benefits Administration
31 Hopkins Plaza
Baltimore, MD 21201
www.va.gov/homeless

1-800-827-1000 (Toll Free)

Homeless Veteran Program Coordinators provide outreach, case management, referrals to benefits counselors, linkage to health care, and housing assistance. Homeless veterans in need of assistance after hours should contact their local VA Medical Center's emergency room.

Domiciliary Care for Homeless Veterans (DCHV) Program provides residential rehabilitation and treatment services for Veterans with multiple and severe medical conditions, mental illness, addiction, or psychosocial deficits. Identifies and addresses goals of rehabilitation, recovery, health maintenance, improved quality of life, and community integration in addition to specific treatment of medical conditions, mental illnesses, addictive disorders, and homelessness. The residential component emphasizes incorporation of clinical treatment gains into a lifestyle of self-care and personal responsibility.

HUD-VASH Supported Housing Program is a joint program with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The program provides permanent housing and ongoing case management treatment services for homeless veterans who would not be able to live independently without the support of case management. HUD's Section 8 Voucher Program has designated over 10,000 vouchers to Public Housing Authorities (PHAs) throughout the country for veterans who are homeless.

Supported Housing Program provides ongoing case management services to homeless veterans. Emphasis is placed on helping veterans find permanent housing and providing clinical support needed to keep veterans in permanent housing.

Drop-In Centers provide a daytime sanctuary where homeless veterans can clean up, wash their clothes, and participate in a variety of therapeutic and rehabilitative activities. Linkages with longer-term assistance are also available.

VBA-VHA Special Outreach and Benefits Assistance staff provide dedicated outreach, benefits counseling, referral, and additional assistance to eligible veterans applying for VA benefits.

Homeless Veterans Dental Program

10 North Greene Street
Baltimore, MD 21201
www.va.gov/homeless/dental.asp

410-605-7000 (V)

Increase accessibility of quality dental care to homeless veteran patients. Contact nearest VA's Homeless Coordinator.

Housing Counseling Services, Inc.

2410 17th Street, NW, Suite 100
Washington, DC 20009
E-mail: ssvfprogram@housingetc.org
<http://housingetc.org/category/veterans/programs-veterans>

202-667-7006

With the support of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, provide short, intensive case management and temporary financial assistance (TFA) to address a host of factors that affect the housing stability of veteran families (joblessness, limited income, disability, mental illness, credit/budget issues, etc.) and link veterans to the following services: housing

counseling; assistance with paying rental arrears; security deposit/1st month's rent; moving expenses; health care; daily living; personal financial planning; transportation assistance; fiduciary and payee services; legal services; and child care.

Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) program provides services to very low-income veterans who are homeless or face potential homelessness. Basic eligibility requirements: Must be a veteran who was not dishonorably discharged from the military; Must reside in the HCS SSVF service area (DC, Prince George's County, Montgomery County, Fairfax County, the City of Alexandria and Arlington County); Must be at imminent risk of homelessness or homeless as defined by the VA; and must meet income requirements for very low income.

HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (VASH) Program

Veterans Benefits Administration
31 Hopkins Plaza
Baltimore, MD 21201

1-800-827-1000 (Toll Free)

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/public_indian_housing/programs/hcv/vash

Joint program with U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD). Provide permanent housing and ongoing case management treatment services for homeless veterans who would not be able to live independently without the support of case management. HUD's Section 8 Voucher program has designated over 10,000 vouchers to Public Housing Authorities (PHAs) throughout the country for veterans who are homeless. These vouchers are portable so that veterans can live in communities served by their VA medical facility where case management services can be provided.

Maryland Center for Veterans Education & Training (MCVET)

301 North High Street
Baltimore, MD 21202
E-mail: info@mcvet.org
www.mcvet.org

410-576-9626 (V)

Provide homeless veterans and other veterans in need with comprehensive services that will enable them to rejoin their communities as productive citizens. Housing and supportive services include a day drop-in facility, emergency housing, transitional housing, single room occupancy, case management and substance abuse and mental health counseling, and education and employment services.

Military Order of the Purple Heart (MOPH) of the USA

Military Order of the Purple Heart

5413-A, B & C Backlick Road
Springfield, VA 22151-3960

www.purpleheart.org/ServiceProgram/Default.aspx

703-642-5360 (Membership)

703-354-2140 (Services)

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202-530-9243 (V)

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20 Washington Place, Room 441
Newark, NJ 07103

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973-297-3389 (V)

Assist in identifying and helping homeless veterans. Assist all veterans, their dependents, widows and orphans in working with the VA and filing claims for the many benefits that are available. You do not need to be a member to seek assistance. Provide veterans' benefits experts at various veterans administration regional offices, hospitals, vet centers, and state and county veteran facilities. Process veterans' claims for compensation, pension, medical care, education, job

training, employment, veterans preference, housing, death and burial benefits. Educate veterans on their benefits and entitlements. Provide quality and professional representation for veterans whose benefits have been denied at the local VA regional office.

NAMIs Veteran Resource Center

www.nami.org

1-800-950-6264 (Information Helpline)

Homelessness resource for technical assistance and NAMI's Missing Person Network. Also offer resources on posttraumatic stress disorder, traumatic brain injury, public policy and legislation, veterans affairs and Veterans Integrated Service Networks (VISNs), mental illness, information for families, children, and spouses, women veterans, multicultural resources, suicide prevention, and an online discussion group and forum for veterans to connect. Individuals have to create a free account in order to view these resources.

National Call Center for Homeless Veterans

www1.va.gov/HOMELESS/NationalCallCenter.asp

1-877-424-3838 (Toll Free)

Free and confidential 24/7 access to trained counselors. Assist homeless veterans and their families, VA Medical Centers, federal, state and local partners, community agencies, service providers and others in the community. Information about VA homeless programs and mental health services in your area.

National Coalition for Homeless Veterans

333 ½ Pennsylvania Avenue, SE

Washington, DC 20003

E-mail: info@nchv.org

www.nchv.org

202-546-1969 (V)

1-800-VET-HELP (Toll Free)

Under a grant awarded by the Department of Veterans Affairs, this organization provides guidance and information about program development, administration, governance and funding to all of the nation's homeless veteran service providers. Website features news, hot topics, and grant information.

Operation Renewed Hope Foundation

P.O. Box 10142

Alexandria, VA 22310

<http://operationrenewedhopefoundation.org/our-mission/#housing>

703-887-8117 (V)

Awarded Support Services for Veterans and families (SSVF) grant funding from the Department of Veterans Affairs. Program offers temporary assistance to at-risk, low-income families in an effort to keep them from becoming homeless. This grant program is designed to house these at-risk families as quickly as possible by providing legal counseling and financial aid for rent, utilities, moving costs, childcare and bus transportation, employment assistance and benefits counseling. Participants in the program can also receive assistance in obtaining Veterans Affairs (VA) benefits covering such things as health care and disability payments. Serving Prince George's and Montgomery Counties in Maryland, Arlington, Alexandria, Fairfax, Loudoun and Prince William Counties in Virginia, and Washington, DC. Work with landlords and rental agencies throughout the metro DC area finding suitable places for Veterans and their families, thus providing a stable housing environment. ORHF partners with community organizations and citizens in the tri-state area, picking up donated furniture and household items delivering directly to the Veteran's home. Assist Veterans by providing bus, taxi or metro fare, and when possible, donated vehicles.

Silver Spring Vet Center

Wayne Miller, Director
 2900 Linden Lane
 Silver Spring, MD 20910
 E-mail: wayne.miller3@med.va.gov
www.vetcenter.va.gov

301-589-1073 (V)

Hours: Open Monday – Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.; Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Second Saturday of each month 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Walk-ins are permitted during these hours, but appointments are requested. After hours appointments as needed. Veterans must show proof of service. The center provides benefits counseling and assistance with navigating the VA and paperwork, as well as employment counseling, counseling on PTSD and sub-PTSD, substance abuse counseling, family and marital counseling, psychological counseling related to readjustment, coordination and referral with doctors, employment related issues, assistance with basic needs such as food, shelter and clothing, medical and legal referrals, homeless assistance and will work with Montgomery County to find shelter placement, sexual trauma counseling, community outreach, bereavement counseling, and more. All services are provided at no cost to the veteran and their family. Veterans do not need to be enrolled with the Department of Veteran Affairs Medical Centers to use the Vet Center. Veterans do not need a disability rating or service connection for injuries from either the Department of Veteran Affairs or the Department of Defense, to use the Vet Center. View [Vet Center Eligibility Criteria](#). If you live outside of Montgomery County [view a list of other locations](#) that may be closer to you. **Directions:** The Silver Spring Vet Center is located near the intersection of Seminary Road/Capitol View Avenue. You can also take the #5 Ride On Bus from either the Silver Spring Metro Station or the Twinbrook Metro Station and be dropped off at the Capitol View Avenue stop.

Stand Downs – U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

www.va.gov/homeless/events.asp

202-461-7401 (V)

Stand Downs are typically one to three day events providing services to homeless veterans such as food, shelter, clothing, health screenings, VA and Social Security benefits counseling, and referrals to a variety of other necessary services, such as housing, employment and substance abuse treatment. Stand Downs are collaborative events, coordinated between local VAs, other government agencies, and community agencies who serve the homeless. For information on Stand Down dates and locations, call the Homeless Veterans Programs Office.

U.S. VETS – United States Veterans Initiative – Supportive Services to Veterans Families

1 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Suite 310
 Washington, DC 20001
www.usvetsinc.org/information-center/portfolio-category/locations/washington-dc/

202-545-1660 (V)

Tynisha Owens, Housing Programs
 E-mail: towens@usvetsinc.org

202-969-2825 (V)

Awarded Support Services for Veterans and Families (SSVF) grant funding from the Department of Veterans Affairs. Program offers temporary assistance to at-risk, low-income families in an effort to keep them from becoming homeless. This grant program is designed to house these at-risk families as quickly as possible by providing legal counseling and financial aid for rent, utilities, moving costs, childcare and bus transportation, employment assistance and benefits counseling. Participants in the program can also receive assistance in obtaining Veterans Affairs (VA) benefits covering such things as health care and disability payments. Serving Prince George's and Montgomery Counties in Maryland, Arlington, Alexandria, and Fairfax Counties in Virginia, and Washington, DC.

Vesta, Inc. – Veterans' Services

E-mail: vets@vestainc.org
www.vesta.org/veterans

301-202-4838 (V)

Vesta, Inc. has been awarded a contract from the Department of Veterans Affairs to provide transitional housing to homeless veterans with the purpose of finding long-term housing. The program provides support and treatment for: secure affordable housing; nutritional meals; health care – both physical and mental; substance abuse counseling; job training; personal development/enrichment; and clothing. Case management services include: housing counseling and services; assistance in obtaining VA benefits and other public benefits; resource navigation; and personal financial planning services. For intake and referrals, please contact the DC Veterans Affairs Medical Center at 202-745-8000 (V).

Way Station – Veteran Programs

230 West Patrick Street
Frederick, MD 21705
www.waystationinc.org/vets.htm

301-662-0099 (V)

Thomas Walker, Director of Veterans Employment Services
E-mail: twalker@waystationinc.org

301-662-0099 x 3516 (V)

Jennifer Drake, Program Supervisor, North Point Veteran's Home
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240-500-3105 (V)

Operation New Start: Homeless Veteran Reintegration Program to assist homeless veterans in obtaining and retaining employment. The program provides outreach, assistance in locating support services in the community, training, job development, and employment referrals, coaching, counseling and mentoring through the first 180 days on the job, help with eliminating barriers to employment, and help with health and VA issues.

Welcome Home Program: Provide a transitional living program to homeless veterans. Program offers housing support services to homeless veterans wishing to achieve residential stability, recovery-oriented services designed to support sobriety, employment services, independent living skills training and support, such as money management, and coordination with veteran affair services.

North Point Veterans' Home: Provide a transitional living program to homeless veterans. Provide housing support services to homeless veterans wishing to achieve residential stability; recovery-oriented services designed to support sobriety; employment services; independent living skills training and support, such as money management; and coordination with veteran affair services.

Veterans Workforce Investment Program: Meet the workforce investment needs of veterans and to perform outreach and public information activities to develop and promote employment and job training opportunities. Provide outreach training job development and employment referrals; assistance in reintegrating eligible veterans into meaningful employment within the labor force; and development of effective service delivery systems that will address the complex problems facing eligible veterans.