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VETERANS BENEFITS AND ELIGIBILITY

Eligibility for most Veterans' benefits is based on discharge from active military duty with honorable or other than dishonorable conditions.

Healthcare for Homeless Veterans Program Eligibility

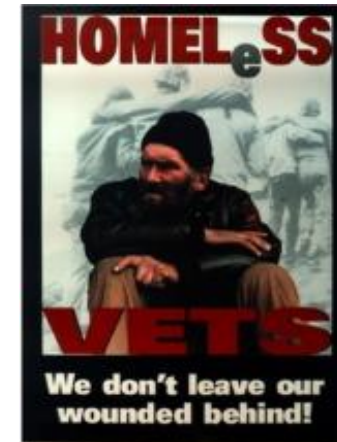
- Veterans must be homeless or at risk for homelessness
- Veterans must be eligible for VA Healthcare and be interviewed and assessed by the VA Homeless Team
- Veteran must meet low income or no income guidelines



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VA Connecticut Healthcare System

HEALTH CARE FOR HOMELESS VETERANS PROGRAM



Errera Community Care Center
114-152 Boston Post Road, 2nd Floor
West Haven, CT

VA Newington campus, 1st fl.
555 Willard Ave, Newington, CT

VACT Homeless Veteran Referral Phone
(203) 479-8064

VA National Homeless Veterans Hotline
1-877-4AID VET (1-877-424-3838)
24/7 Access for assistance

“THE PRICE OF FREEDOM IS VISIBLE HERE.”

VA Homeless Veteran Program

The mission of the VA Homeless Program is to outreach Veterans from every region of the state and connect those who are homeless or at risk for homelessness to VA medical and mental health treatment, vocational services, and psycho-social rehabilitation services, as well as to provide Veterans with safe and secure transitional and permanent housing.

HOMELESS SERVICES

- Outreach and engage homeless Veterans', determine eligibility
- Complete Homeless Assessment and discuss housing options
- Provide with basic needs items, hygiene kits, food coupons, and winter outerwear
- Refer to VA primary medical and mental health care, transitional housing, and vocational services
- Support Veteran screening and applications for permanent housing
- Refer Veterans to Supportive Services for Veteran Families and Homeless Veteran employment programs
- Develop local community partnerships to enhance and strengthen supports at the local level.

Roughly one-third of homeless adults have served their country in the military. On any given day, as many as 65,000 Veterans are living on the streets or in shelters and twice as many experience homelessness during the course of a year. In Connecticut there are more than 1050 homeless or at risk Veterans living outdoors, in cars, in shelters, or substandard conditions.



VA HOUSING RESOURCES

The VA Homeless Program offers emergency and transitional housing through partnerships with local service providers that operate facilities all over Connecticut. Case management, housing search, vocational support, and other services are provided by these agencies.

HOMELESS CLINICS (drop in)

West Haven: Errera Community Center,
8:00am-10:00am

Newington: VA Medical Center,
8:30am-10:00am

TRANSITIONAL HOUSING Grant & Per Diem Program

VA transitional housing programs are operated by local community partners, who provide case management services to Veterans. Here is a list of providers:

- **Homes for the Brave**
Bridgeport
- **Spooner House**
Shelton
- **Friendship Service Center**
New Britain
- **FISH Shelter, Inc.**
Torrington
- **Mercy Housing & Shelter Corp.**
Hartford
- **Veteran Support Foundation**
West Haven
Manchester
- **South Park Inn**
Hartford
- **Danbury City Shelter**
- **Danbury Vet House**
- **Harkness House**
New Haven
- **Veterans Crossing**
East Hartford
- **Project Home**
New London
- **Female Soldiers/Forgotten Heroes**
Bridgeport (women's program)
- **McCall Foundation**
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