



The WorkPlace is proud to be a part of the United States Department of Veterans Affairs plan to end homelessness.

The Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) Program is designed to assist veteran families at risk of homelessness to maintain their housing and to rapidly re-house veteran families who have recently become homeless in Southwest and South Central Connecticut.

The WorkPlace is committed to providing access to comprehensive supportive services including outreach, case management services, and assisting Veteran families in obtaining VA and other public benefits.



Support Services for Veteran Families Program is a WorkPlace Opportunity funded by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.

It is an equal opportunity program and auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities.

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for Veterans
and their families

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Participant Eligibility:

1. **Veteran Family**
Family in which the head of household or the spouse of the head of the household is a Veteran* or a Veteran who is a single person (DD Form 214 is required)
2. **Low-Income**
Veteran families must meet federally approved income guidelines
3. **Current Housing Situation**
 - Currently residing in permanent housing;
 - Currently homeless, scheduled to become a resident of permanent housing within 90 days pending the location or development of suitable permanent housing; or
 - Exited permanent housing within the previous 90 days in order to seek housing more responsive to needs and preferences

Supportive Services:

Support Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) provides the following:

- Housing counseling and search assistance
- Vocational rehabilitation counseling
- Educational and training assistance
- Coordination and linkage to VA benefits (medical, mental health, substance abuse, housing, etc.)
- Assistance in coordinating and obtaining public benefits

... And much more

* *Veteran - a person who served in the active military, naval, or air service, and who was discharged or released therefrom under conditions other than dishonorable. A copy of a DD Form 214 "Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty" is required to access SSVF services and will assist with expediting the intake process.*

Contact Information:

Serving Vets and their families in Southwestern and South Central Connecticut

Toll Free 1-866-683-1682

Partner Agencies

Alpha Community Services, Bridgeport
Supportive Housing Works, Bridgeport
New Haven Home Recovery
Shelter for the Homeless, Stamford



Veteran homelessness is a problem of national importance. According to a count on a January night in 2011, there were 67,495 homeless Veterans. And an estimated 144,842 Veterans spent at least one night in an emergency shelter or transitional housing program in a recent year. Because of this, in 2009, President Obama and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Secretary announced the federal government's goal to end Veteran homelessness by 2015. Together with our partners and supporters nationwide, VA is determined to meet that challenge.

A PROGRAM TO STABILIZE HOUSING AND PREVENT HOMELESSNESS AMONG VETERANS