

THE STATE OF *Veteran Homelessness* | 2024

Few conditions are more harmful to individual health and welfare than homelessness. That's why the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is committed to ensuring every Veteran has a safe and stable place to call home.

Partnering with federal, state, and local community organizations across the country, VA provides wraparound services that integrate housing, health care, employment, and education assistance programs to support at-risk Veterans and help those experiencing homelessness become—and remain—stably housed.

We have dedicated unprecedented resources to help solve this problem, but more work needs to be done.

Here's how we are addressing the challenge and how you can help.



2010-2024 *Accomplishments*

Achieved a more than 55.6% reduction in Veteran homelessness since 2010. 32,882 Veterans are now experiencing homelessness on a given night, down from nearly 74,000 in 2010.¹

85 communities and 3 states—Connecticut, Delaware, and Virginia—effectively ended Veteran homelessness.

Fiscal Year 2024 *Accomplishments*

88,306 formerly homeless Veterans under lease through the Housing and Urban Development-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH) program at the end of the year, the most in the history of the program.



60+ peer-reviewed research publications and 5 research briefs generated, enhancing evidence-based knowledge of effective programs and services to address Veteran homelessness.

42,064 unsheltered Veterans engaged through outreach efforts.



13,110+ new employment instances produced for Veterans who engaged in or exited from VA homeless programs or services.

83,715 Veterans and their families permanently housed or prevented from becoming homeless, the most since FY 2019.



149,638 Veterans and their family members served by Supportive Services for Veteran Families, the most ever served by the program in a single year.

96% of Veterans housed in 2024 remained in housing at the end of the year.



10,500+ Veterans moved to permanent housing after exiting the Grant and Per Diem program (GPD).

261+ homeless Veteran Stand Down events hosted, attended by more than 48,680 Veterans.

47,925 Veterans permanently housed as part of **VA's FY 2024 Homelessness Goals**.

50,000+ justice-involved Veterans served through Veterans Justice Outreach and Health Care for Reentry Veterans, helping them stay connected and engaged with care.



22,300 Veterans served by Homeless Patient Aligned Care Teams (HPACTs), receiving health care and supportive services in the community from 25 mobile medical units deployed across the country.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO END VETERAN HOMELESSNESS?

Ending homelessness isn't just about housing—it's about building the capacity to sustain a coordinated, proactive effort to ensure Veterans who experience homelessness in the future can be rapidly rehoused and receive the support needed for long-term success.

WE ALL HAVE A PART TO PLAY IN ENDING VETERAN HOMELESSNESS

Visit www.va.gov/homeless/get_involved.asp to support Veterans in your community.

If you are a Veteran who is homeless or at imminent risk of homelessness, call the National Call Center for Homeless Veterans at **877-424-3838** for assistance. It is staffed 24/7 with trained counselors who can talk with you and connect you with your nearest VA for help.

If you are a landlord or housing provider with housing units and are interested in renting to Veterans, visit www.va.gov/homeless/landlords.asp to learn how you can help.

If you are a business owner, hire Veterans. Visit www.va.gov/homeless/cec-contacts.asp to connect with your local VA Community Employment Coordinator.

We know that ending Veteran homelessness is possible, and everyone can help achieve this goal. Visit www.va.gov/homeless to learn more.

1. U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Annual Homeless Assessment Report, 2024