



**2. Ongoing Review and Coordination:** Briefly describe how often (e.g., monthly) the above group meets to review progress and coordinate efforts. Include a summary of what information is reviewed during these meetings.

Partners meet weekly to review a name by name list of Veterans experiencing homelessness in Salt Lake County. Each week, names of individuals who have moved into housing are removed from the list, and newly identified Veterans are added. Veterans can be identified at several different entry points throughout the County. Even those individuals who self report or are otherwise assumed to be Veterans are added to the list until they are thoroughly vetted and Veteran status has been determined. Representatives from HUD-VASH, Housing Authorities, SSVF, GPD, street outreach, shelters and funders commonly attend the meeting. Veteran related information is shared and agencies coordinate efforts in order to help people overcome homelessness. Salt Lake City and County CoC is participating in the ZERO:2016 initiative. Throughout that planning process, we have identified many of the same targets and measures as those being required of SSVF grantees. We have an Action Camp planned with Community Solutions that will take place at the end of May, 2015. This will further our coordination, and will likely alter the plan we are currently submitting.

**3. Annual Demand, Goals, and Strategies for Achieving and Sustaining Functional Zero:** Identify the estimated number of Veterans who are homeless annually and the community/CoC goals and strategies for achieving a functional end to Veteran homelessness by the end of 2015 (overall community/CoC goals, not just SSVF grantees). If one or more of the goals and strategies below have not yet been established for the community, leave blank and identify the date by which they will be established. See the *Ending Homelessness Among Veterans Overview* for additional guidance.

**3A. Estimated Annual Number of Homeless Veterans:** Identify the total unduplicated number of Veterans expected to be homeless in 2015 using data from the SSVF Edition of the Veteran Homelessness Gaps Analysis Tool FY15Q3 or data assumptions that have already been adopted by the community, such as the *VA CoC Gaps Analysis Tool (GAT)*.

Estimated Annual Total:	287
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**3B. Community/CoC Goals:** Identify your community's/CoC's key goals and targets.

**A. Permanent Housing Placement Target & SSVF Rapid Re-Housing Placement Target:**  
Complete and attach *SSVF Edition of Veteran Homelessness Gaps Analysis Tool FY15Q3 OR an CoC Gaps Analysis Tool – Strategy 4 (SSVF) Worksheet*

<b>B. Length of Time Homeless Goal (max or average days):</b>	30	days
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<b>C. January 2016 Point-in-Time (PIT) Count Goal</b>	<b>Sheltered</b>	<b>Unsheltered</b>	<b>Total</b>
Number of Veterans expected to be counted as homeless during the CoC's January 2016 PIT count:	150	0	150
Of number above, how many will also be counted as chronically homeless:	8	0	8

**3C. Implementation Strategies: What strategies are being used to achieve and sustain functional zero?**

	Yes/No/Under Dev
A. Has your community identified every Veteran who is homeless right now by name?	Yes
Is this list updated regularly?	Yes
Is this list reviewed at least bi-weekly by key community partners to ensure Veterans have a permanent housing plan and those plans are achieved?	Yes
B. Does every Veteran who is homeless now have a Housing Plan and access to safe (and low barrier as needed) shelter and/or permanent housing?	Yes
C. Is every Veteran who becomes homeless rapidly engaged and offered shelter and/or housing that meets their needs?	Yes
If so, is this true no matter where they are initially engaged in your community or what shelter or unsheltered location they may be in?	Yes
D. Are sufficient SSVF resources allocated to ensure there are no RRH gaps or turn-aways?	No
E. Are you using SSVF to rapidly re-house Veterans who are waiting on VASH or other PSH assistance if VASH/PSH is not available immediately or in near future?	Under Dev

**4. Other Strengths and Challenges:** Briefly describe any additional strengths and/or challenges relevant to your achieving VA and local goals.

Our community has concentrated on ending homelessness for Veterans for nearly 3 years. We have made extensive progress. We have worked extremely collaboratively. Currently, we have a name by name list of 98 individuals experiencing homelessness who are verified to be Veterans. For each of them, we have an idea of who is eligible for what resource, if any. 36 of the 98 are verified to be chronically homeless. Of those 36, 15 are ineligible for VA services and are therefore handed off to non Veteran housing programs. Over the past year, we have repeatedly counted a group of 35-40 Veterans who fall into the chronic category. We continue to help them overcome homelessness, and new people are identified. CHALLENGES: (1) Point in Time numbers being used to determine take down targets is challenging for us. We have detailed information that contradicts what is reflected in the PIT count. (2) We have expended SSVF resources faster than projected this year. We have had to "ration" the remaining funds and we'd like to be able to put our TFA level higher than 50% of our grant in order to have more money to spend on RRH. (3) As a community, we have not counted GPD as homeless. We have reported GPD as homeless in our PIT, as required by HUD, but we haven't actively sought to move people out of GPD and into permanent housing. Historically, the GPD properties have operated very separately from homeless services and have not been included in our efforts to end homelessness. We continue to work on this issue.

# SSVF: Community Plan Summary

**Date Completed/Revised:** 9/14/2015

<b>Continuum of Care Name:</b>	Utah Balance of State CoC	<b>CoC Number:</b>	UT-503
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**1. Primary Planning and Coordination Group:** Identify the primary group responsible for planning and coordinating efforts to prevent and end homelessness among Veterans in the CoC. List the principal members of this group and their affiliation.

<b>Primary Group Name:</b>	Weber County LHCC; Washington County LHCC; Bear River Region LHCC		
<b>Principal Members</b>	<b>Affiliation</b>		
VA Homeless Program	VISN 19		
Ogden Housing Authority	Weber County LHCC		
Weber Housing Authority	Weber County LHCC		
St. Annes Center	Weber County LHCC		
Department of Workforce Services	Statewide		
Switchpoint Community Resource Center	Washington County LHCC		
St. George Housing Authority	Washington County LHCC		
Dixie Care and Share	Washington County LHCC		
BRAG	Bear River Region LHCC		
Five County Association of Governments	Washington County LHCC		
Iron County Care and Share	Iron County		
VSO's from State Veterans Affairs	Statewide		
Five County Association of Governments	Southern Utah area		

**2. Ongoing Review and Coordination:** Briefly describe how often (e.g., monthly) the above group meets to review progress and coordinate efforts. Include a summary of what information is reviewed during these meetings.

The main coordinating committee for the Weber-Morgan county area meets every two weeks to review names on the housing list. The housing list is comprised of homeless individuals and families who have been assessed with the VI-SPDAT. This committee has become more efficient at identifying high-risk individuals and families and locating appropriate resources. Veterans on the list are identified and discussed separately. Other communities (typically organized by Local Homeless Coordinating Council jurisdictions) also use the VI SPDAT to assess homeless individuals and families. However, these other communities do not yet have a regular coordinated assessment meeting outside of the main LHCC meeting. Most of these communities with an LHCC hold a monthly meeting. HVF staff attempts to attend these meetings at least every other month to outreach and educate community providers about the SSVF program. In addition, HVF staff is in regular contact with the VASH outreach worker in Southern Utah and has access to the housing lists for each community on the HMIS system.

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Estimated Annual Total:	148
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<b>C. January 2016 Point-in-Time (PIT) Count Goal</b>	Sheltered	Unsheltered	Total
Number of Veterans expected to be counted as homeless during the CoC's January 2016 PIT count:	32	8	40
Of number above, how many will also be counted as chronically homeless:	0	0	0

**3C. Implementation Strategies: What strategies are being used to achieve and sustain functional zero?**

	Yes/No/Under Dev
A. Has your community identified every Veteran who is homeless right now by name?	Under Dev
B. Does every Veteran who is homeless now have a Housing Plan and access to safe (and low barrier as needed) shelter and/or permanent housing?	Under Dev
C. Is every Veteran who becomes homeless rapidly engaged and offered shelter and/or housing that meets their needs?	Yes
If so, is this true no matter where they are initially engaged in your community or what shelter or unsheltered location they may be in?	Yes
D. Are sufficient SSVF resources allocated to ensure there are no RRH gaps or turn-aways?	Yes
E. Are you using SSVF to rapidly re-house Veterans who are waiting on VASH or other PSH assistance if VASH/PSH is not available immediately or in near future?	Yes

**4. Other Strengths and Challenges:** Briefly describe any additional strengths and/or challenges relevant to your achieving VA and local goals.

Strengths: In Northern Utah we have all VA homelessness resources readily available: GPD/VASH/SSVF; we have a strong coordinated assessment team and excellent community provider partnerships and strong outreach efforts. Challenges: some areas have good landlord policies that can be barriers to housing veterans with poor credit and criminal histories; affordable housing is a barrier in some areas; available rentals are a barrier in some areas, Veteran readiness for housing and personal barriers; some emergency shelters don't do referrals. The Utah Balance of State is a part of the Zero 2016 campaign and has outlined specific goals and objectives to reach functional zero by the end of 2015 if not, before. In addition, many of the communities within the Utah Balance of State COC are small communities with little to zero literally homeless veterans.



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The Provo/Mountainlands CoC now has a functioning coordinated assessment committee that meets every two weeks. Agencies on this committee are using the VISPDAT/SPADT tool to assess need and for placement on the housing list. This housing list is discussed at each meeting. In addition, the veteran on that list are pulled in a separate report and discussed at the beginning of the meeting. This has been very helpful in identifying and coordinating resources for agencies serving veterans in this area. This meeting is also used to discuss specific housing resources due to the high demand for affordable housing in this area.

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B. Length of Time Homeless Goal (max or average days):	30	days
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C. January 2016 Point-in-Time (PIT) Count Goal	Sheltered	Unsheltered	Total
Number of Veterans expected to be counted as homeless during the CoC's January 2016 PIT count:	3	6	9
Of number above, how many will also be counted as chronically homeless:	0	0	0



**3C. Implementation Strategies: What strategies are being used to achieve and sustain functional zero?**

	Yes/No/Under Dev
A. Has your community identified every Veteran who is homeless right now by name?	Yes
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**4. Other Strengths and Challenges:** Briefly describe any additional strengths and/or challenges relevant to your achieving VA and local goals.

Strengths: the coordinated assessment team in this community seems to be functioning well. Communication is happening and appropriate referrals are being made. Affordable housing is a challenge in this area. Therefore, it can often take several weeks to find housing, especially for high barrier clients. The VA is reluctant to issue VASH vouchers in this area because of the difficulty in finding affordable housing.