

# VHA HOMELESS PROGRAMS OFFICE COVID-19 Partner Opportunities

## CAN YOUR ORGANIZATION OR BUSINESS HELP VETERANS WHO ARE HOMELESS OR AT RISK OF HOMELESSNESS DURING THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC?

Veterans experiencing or at risk for homelessness are particularly vulnerable to COVID-19 because of pre-existing conditions and lack of access to basic infection prevention and control methods. There has always been a need for supportive services across many areas for Veterans who are homeless, but the need is especially great during this pandemic.

The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and the Veterans Health Administration (VHA) are seeking partner organizations to offer help to at-risk Veterans during this challenging time. Your organization or business may be able to assist in the following areas:

- **Hygiene and personal protective resources:** Providing hand washing stations, masks or personal protective equipment, or hand sanitizer for use by Veterans or for placement in Veteran-occupied spaces.
- **Housing assistance and food security:** Covering costs for affordable housing options or security deposit assistance to Veterans in need of a safe place to call home; or distributing low-cost or free meals to Veterans.
- **Employment support:** Making safe employment opportunities available in various industries to Veterans.

**If you can contribute in one of these areas, or in any other additional way, please contact:**



VA and VHA are committed to taking every possible precaution to protect the health and safety of Veterans experiencing homelessness or those who are at risk. To learn more about the work of the VHA Homeless Programs Office (HPO), please visit [va.gov/homeless](https://va.gov/homeless).

Veterans in need can also call the National Center for Homeless Veterans: (877)-4AID-VET [877-424-3838], available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, or visit [va.gov/homeless/ssvf](https://va.gov/homeless/ssvf) to find a VA Supportive Services for Veteran Families provider in their area.

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