

**Grant and Per Diem (GPD) Transition in Place (TIP) and Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) Shallow Subsidy Collaboration**

This collaboration requires providers with the GPD TIP program, VA, and SSVF grantees to closely communicate to ensure a smooth transition. Programs will collaborate to assess pairing eligible Veterans in GPD TIP housing with SSVF Shallow Subsidy to support faster and stable transitions to permanent housing

**GPD and SSVF Provider Responsibilities:**

1. Veterans who are entering TIP should be closely assessed for program fit, (please see TIP Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for more information) and monitored for ongoing case management needs.
2. If there are Veterans identified as possibly needing rental assistance supports other than intended in GPD TIP, they may be referred to SSVF for intake and assessment. These supports should be mainly financial, as Veterans in Shallow Subsidy will also receive light touch case management.
  - a. This intake and assessment should be done with the understanding that these Veterans do not need to be initially placed in traditional SSVF services; however, available in the future if needed.
  - b. SSVF intake should focus on income eligibility, ensuring the unit meets habitability standards (TIP grantee can provide copy of passed inspection to SSVF Grantee), and Rent Reasonableness of unit. It is the expectation of this collaboration that Veterans will remain in their TIP unit and assume the permanent housing lease when SSVF begins services.
3. Both the GPD TIP provider and SSVF grantee should collaborate closely prior to the Veteran taking over the lease. There should be no gap in services, which may result in the Veteran being co-enrolled for a brief period. SSVF cannot provide Temporary Financial Assistance (TFA) while the Veteran is enrolled in GPD TIP. GPD will exit the Veteran on the date the Veteran signs the lease and SSVF Shallow Subsidy assistance begins.
4. In cases where a security deposit is required at the point of lease transfer, SSVF may pay a security deposit for the unit if such payments are in accordance with local tenant laws and normal SSVF TFA limitations.
5. When all parties are in agreement, the Veteran will smoothly transition by assuming the lease, enrolling in SSVF, and receiving the Shallow Subsidy from SSVF for ongoing support.
6. Veteran will be exited from GPD TIP and entered in SSVF receiving Shallow Subsidy services. Veterans will be entered into SSVF Homelessness Prevention receiving Shallow Subsidy extended services and grantees may use the exceptional use waiver on their homelessness prevention threshold screener if needed for eligibility. Veteran will be eligible for all SSVF services that are allowable using Shallow Subsidy.

**Data Considerations:**

1. SSVF Grantees will enroll any Veteran suitable for SSVF Shallow Subsidy services and currently residing in a TIP unit as Homelessness Prevention. Grantees may utilize the exceptional use waiver on their homelessness prevention threshold screener for eligibility. Grantees are expected to notate this exception for Veterans moving from TIP to Shallow Subsidy services.
2. All parties should ensure timely data entry regarding entry and exits including alignment of GPD exit date with the signing of the lease.

**Special Considerations:**

1. Veterans who are receiving Shallow Subsidy service must be income eligible for SSVF upon enrollment. They will not require an income recertification for the entirety of the 2 years of the subsidy. Veteran will be eligible for all SSVF services including traditional Homelessness Prevention services if needed during their enrollment.
2. Veterans entering TIP and moving into SSVF will remain in the same unit where TIP was providing transitional housing services, or another permanent housing unit identified by the grantee and Veteran.

**Resources**

Transition-in-Place Grant Recipient Guide (includes performance metric targets):

[Recipient Guide Transitional Housing.pdf \(va.gov\)](#)

SSVF Shallow Subsidy:

[Shallow Subsidy Compliance Guide](#)

[Shallow Subsidy FAQ](#)