Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) Webinar Series

Veteran Demand Analysis & Progress Tracking Tool:

Version 1.0

Purpose of Veteran Demand Analysis & Progress Tracking Tool

Planning aid to assure strategic use of SSVF rapid re-housing across all grantees within CoC

- Analyzes data about Veteran households experiencing homelessness and assistance needed to exit homelessness
- Calculates number of Veteran households that will need assistance in 12 month period to exit homelessness and reach goal of ending homelessness for Veterans by end of 2015
- Tracks monthly progress on homelessness and exits for Veteran households

Instructions

- Use best available data about homelessness for Veterans households – including PIT, HMIS, and local reports (e.g., AHAR)
- SSVF rapid re-housing is major focus of Tool to maximize local SSVF Priority 1 and other SSVF funding. Tool calculations focus on rapid re-housing.
- Tool generates estimates for planning purposes – counts should not be used for reporting. Tool does not determine program eligibility

Assumptions & Factors

- CoCs can customize the Tool to reflect specific situations in their community and assumptions around annual demand and pathways Veterans follow to exit homelessness
- Experience of homelessness is different for Veterans who are homeless with their families and single adult Veterans or Veteran couples. Tool allows CoCs to calculate rate and type of assistance needed to exit homelessness separately for each of these types of households.

Annual Demand

- Enter the best data available for Veteran households experiencing homelessness. The Tool will use the PIT and annual information and the Factors to calculate annual estimates.
- Calculation Method for Determining Annual Demand field allows CoCs to switch between Annual Count and PIT Count to review estimates and determine which scenario is most appropriate for their community.

Needs & Inventory

- CoCs can use the SSVF Worksheet to total SSVF funding and households served for the entire grant and for rapid re-housing (gold button on the top right of sheet)
- Use Annual worksheet to enter amount of SSVF and other rapid re-housing capacity for both Veteran households with children and those without. Tool calculates totals for Monthly tab.

Monthly Tracking & Charts

- In the Data worksheet CoCs can enter data on the number of Veterans households who were homeless and number of Veteran households who exited homelessness in prior month. Additional detail around what type of assistance was used to help Veterans exit can be entered.
- Progress is graphically displayed on the Charts worksheet.

Using the Tool

- CoCs can enter new data in the Annual Demand tab to revise the analysis and projections
- Timeline for the Progress Tracking data and charts can be reset to extend the time horizon for tracking
- All pages can be printed out for review at CoC or other meetings

Tool Demonstration

- Using data from a fictitious community in a warmer part of the country.
- Proportions for various groups (i.e., Veteran families, chronically homeless, unsheltered Veterans) based on national averages or other approximations.
- SSVF grants are based on grants to communities with similar size PIT Count.

Additional Questions about the Tool?

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