

Community Planning - January Submission

SSVF Community Planning Tool - January 2016

Purpose: The revised SSVF Community Planning Tool aims to provide a more in-depth picture of the factors involved in each individual community where an SSVF Grantee provides services. It builds on the previous community planning tool's efforts by fostering a discussion with community partners on the status of their community while allowing for the progress of the community to be analyzed by the SSVF Program Office. This analysis can lead to further efforts in establishing Technical Assistance with the specific communities based upon their stated needs.

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Part 1: Demographics

*** 1. Contact Information**

Name

Organization

Email Address

*** 2. Choose your Continuum of Care Code:**

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Part 2: Coordination

*** 3. Does the CoC provide input into the plan development and implementation?**

Yes

No

*** 4. Who is the CoC point of contact?**

Name:

Email:

Organization:

Phone #:

*** 5. How was the initial community plan developed? (Please select one)**

*** 6. Specifically, what role do SSVF grantees play in plan implementation? (Please select all that apply.)**

- One or more of the SSVF grantees are leading the coordination and facilitation of strategic planning meetings for the Veterans Subcommittee or CoC.
- One or more of the SSVF grantees are leading the case conferencing process.
- One or more of the SSVF grantees is leading certain aspects of the plan not covered above.
- All SSVF grantees attend planning meetings and are actively engaged in planning efforts.
- All SSVF grantees participate in regular case conferences.
- Some SSVF grantees attend planning meetings and are actively engaged in planning efforts.
- The SSVF grantees represent a unified team, stance, and strategy.
- Other (please specify)

*** 7. List all of the SSVF Grantees that are involved with the process in the community. Please list each program by their Grant ID/number and agency (not program) name. For example: 13-ZZ-094 Friendship Place.**

*** 8. Are the following VA funded programs involved?**

HUD and Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH)

Healthcare for Homeless Veterans (HCHV)

Grant and Per Diem (GPD)

Community Resource and Referral Center (CRRC)

Domiciliary Care for Veterans (VA-Dom)

Veterans Justice Outreach (VJO)

Safe Haven

*** 9. Are community partners able to share/receive client-level data with the VA and vice versa?**

Yes

No

*** 10. Are community partners able to share/receive data on housing and performance with the VA and vice versa?**

Yes

No

*** 11. If the community is not able to share/receive data, which of the following would be helpful? (Select all that apply.)**

- Community is able to share/receive data
- A copy of the HUD/VA Guidance on data sharing and HMIS
- Sample ROIs and MOUs that other communities have used
- A call with the VA Privacy Officer regarding privacy policy and releases
- A call with the VAMC Information Security Officer (ISO) related to security and the ability to share data with an outside source that is not the VA (e.g. transmission of PII over VA networks/systems)
- Support with explaining the importance to a VAMC Director
- Support on sharing and communicating performance data
- Other (please specify)

*** 12. Are Veterans integrated into coordinated entry? Note: Participation in coordinated entry is a requirement of the SSVF program. (Please select all that apply.)**

- Coordinated entry is in the planning stages only and has not been implemented
- Coordinated entry is being piloted
- Coordinated entry includes Veterans and allows for assessment, prioritization, and housing matching
- Coordinated entry includes Veterans and the VA, but it is not the way to access VA resources like HUD-VASH
- Coordinated entry is consistent and is the way that Veterans access resources
- Coordinated entry is used as a referral source only but is not how Veterans access resources
- Other (please specify)

*** 13. Who is lead point of contact for coordinated entry?**

Name:

Organization:

Organization Type (VAMC, CoC, SSVF
Grantee, etc.)

Phone #:

Email:

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Part 3: By Name List

A community must have an active list (commonly referred to as a “by-name” list) that identifies all homeless Veterans, including those who are in unsheltered and as well as in sheltered locations (i.e., transitional housing, emergency shelter and safe haven). The community must be able to demonstrate the list is updated or refreshed at least monthly. The list may be populated by other data sources, such as HOMES, HMIS, or other comparable databases. This list is also updated at least monthly to reflect accurate status if verification shows that a person on the active list is not a Veteran. It should include the elements required for the Benchmarks and Specifications if the community is pursuing the federal criteria claim process. (Source: Achieving the Goal of Ending Veteran Homelessness: Criteria and Benchmarks, October 1, 2015)

*** 14. Does the community have a by name list?**

Yes

No

15. Who manages the by name list?

Name:

Role:

Organization:

Organization Type (VAMC, CoC, SSVF
Grantee, etc.):

16. Does your list have the following elements? (Select all that apply.)

- Includes all unsheltered Veterans
- Includes all Veterans in emergency shelter (regardless of shelter funding source)
- Includes all Veterans in transitional housing (GPD, community TH, regardless of funding source)
- List is one complete document not made of multiple or different parts

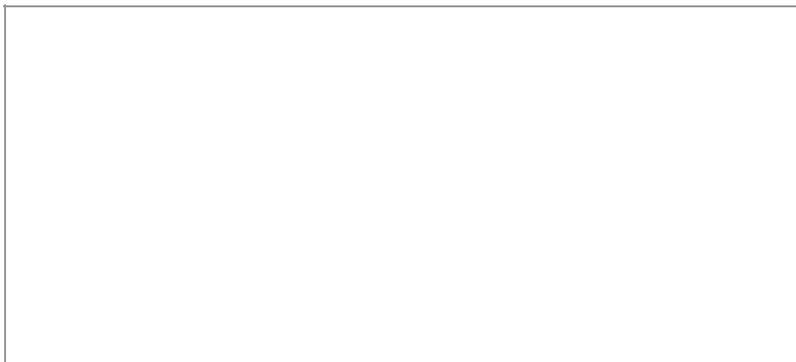
17. If your community has a by name list, could you please provide us with the following data involving totals of those currently on the list:

Number of unsheltered Veterans on the list	<input type="text"/>
Number of Veterans currently in ES on the list	<input type="text"/>
Number of Veterans currently in TH (including GPD)	<input type="text"/>
Number of Veterans who have a housing plan	<input type="text"/>

18. How often do you meet to review and update the by name list?

*** 19. What is your community's definition of ending Veteran homelessness? Please tell us about the strategies included in your plan. Please provide a succinct response.**

For example, ZZ-400 CoC defined ending Veteran homelessness by 0 unsheltered Veterans on a given night, less than 50 in emergency shelters and transitional housing all with a housing plan within 5 business days, and to house Veterans within 60 days of entering the homeless system.



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Part 4: Meetings and Strategy

* 20. What types of meetings does your community have?

Case Conferences

Strategic Planning

Meetings (Bigger Picture)

21. When are your next three strategic planning meetings? (Include date, time)

	MM	DD	YYYY	hh	mm	AM/PM
Meeting 1	<input type="text"/>					
Meeting 2	<input type="text"/>					
Meeting 3	<input type="text"/>					

22. Would you like us to participate in one of these meetings?

- Yes
- No

If you selected "Yes" please provide the Call In information

23. Do you have coordinated outreach efforts? (Select all that apply)

- Team focused on outreach efforts
- Daily/Weekly coverage at designated service locations
- Daily/Weekly coverage on street/places not meant for human habitation
- Availability/Responsiveness 24/7
- Ability to quickly connect an unsheltered Veteran household to a safe place
- Ongoing and consistent efforts
- Coordinated tracking efforts (as in assignments, planning, and mapping)
- Know all Vets on street by name, and they are continuously engaged

*** 24. Is permanent housing offered to Veterans experiencing homelessness upfront?**

- Yes
- No

*** 25. If Veterans are choosing service-intensive transitional housing are they:**

Being offered permanent housing while in service-intensive TH at least every two weeks

Are these offers documented?

26. Please describe your community's available housing resources and ability to place Veterans into housing (Please check all that apply.)

- Sufficient quantity of permanent housing resources available in the community
- Housing resources are readily accessible
- Veterans household placement into permanent housing within 90 days or less
- Ability to operate or navigate within the parameters of our housing market
- Other (please specify)

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Part 5: Federal Criteria and Support

*** 27. Has your community decided to pursue the federal partners' process?**

*** 28. Has your community submitted a claim to the federal partners (USICH, VA, HUD)?**

Yes

No

29. If the answer to Question 28 was "Yes", please provide the date the claim was submitted and its current status (pending, approved, denied).

Date:

Status:

*** 30. Is the community currently receiving technical assistance? Please check all that apply. If you select other, please indicate what other type of technical assistance you are receiving.**

No

25 Cities

Vets@Home

Zero 2016

SSVF TA

Part of an above initiative but not receiving TA yet

Other (please specify)

31. Would you like technical assistance (if available)? (Select all that apply.)

- Assistance with by name list
- Assistance with data sharing between VA and community
- Assistance with understanding the federal benchmarks
- Assistance with strategy development
- Assistance with integration and coordination of GPD and/or other transitional housing
- Assistance with prioritization and housing match
- Assistance with developing permanent housing option
- Assistance with data and tracking
- Assistance with stakeholder coordination and communication
- Assistance with CoC engagement
- Assistance with aligning current plan/process with federal benchmarks/criteria
- Assistance with developing additional permanent housing resources (including private landlords, etc.)
- Other (please specify)

32. Are there any comments/notes that you would like to share (about the survey, your community, etc.)?

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Thank You

Thank You for completing the January SSVF Community Plan Summary. Your responses are greatly appreciated and will help drive future community planning efforts.