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PAGE 2: Part 1: Demographics

Q1: Contact Information

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Q2: Choose your Continuum of Care Code: (IA-501) Iowa Balance of State CoC

PAGE 3: Part 2: Coordination

Q3: Does the CoC provide input into the plan development and implementation? Yes

Q4: Who is the CoC point of contact?

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Q5: How was the initial community plan developed? (Please select one) SSVF developed the plan, and it is now integrated into a Veterans Work Group/Subcommittee of the CoC or within the CoC directly.

Q6: 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.

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All SSVF grantees attend planning meetings and are actively engaged in planning efforts.

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The SSVF grantees represent a unified team, stance, and strategy.

Q7: 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.

15-IA-192 Hawkeye Area Community Action Program, Inc.
 12-ZZ-031 Humility of Mary Shelter, Inc.
 14-IA-191 Family Alliance for Veterans of America
 13-IA-103 Primary Health Care

Q8: Are the following VA funded programs involved?

	(no label)
HUD and Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH)	Yes
Healthcare for Homeless Veterans (HCHV)	Yes
Grant and Per Diem (GPD)	Yes
Community Resource and Referral Center (CRRC)	Yes
Domiciliary Care for Veterans (VA-Dom)	Not Applicable
Veterans Justice Outreach (VJO)	Not Applicable
Safe Haven	Not Applicable

Q9: Are community partners able to share/receive client-level data with the VA and vice versa? Yes

Q10: Are community partners able to share/receive data on housing and performance with the VA and vice versa? Yes

Q11: If the community is not able to share/receive data, which of the following would be helpful? (Select all that apply.) Sample ROIs and MOUs that other communities have used

Q12: Are Veterans integrated into coordinated entry? Coordinated entry is being piloted
Note: Participation in coordinated entry is a requirement of the SSVF program. (Please select all that apply.)

Q13: Who is lead point of contact for coordinated entry?

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PAGE 4: Part 3: By Name List

Q14: Does the community have a by name list? No

Q15: Who manages the by name list? Respondent skipped this question

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Q16: Does your list have the following elements? (Select all that apply.) *Respondent skipped this question*

Q17: 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: *Respondent skipped this question*

Q18: How often do you meet to review and update the by name list? *Respondent skipped this question*

Q19: 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.

The CoC is still working on approving a definition. All SSVF providers are operating with the goal of housing all identified homeless veterans within 45 days. We have asked our TA provider for examples of definitions from other Balance of State CoCs.

PAGE 5: Part 4: Meetings and Strategy

Q20: What types of meetings does your community have?

(no label)

Case Conferences

No meetings occur.

Strategic Planning Meetings (Bigger Picture)

Monthly

Q21: When are your next three strategic planning meetings? (Include date, time)

Meeting 1 02/22/2016 9:30 AM,

Meeting 2 03/28/2016 9:30 AM,

Meeting 3 04/25/2016 9:30 AM

Q22: Would you like us to participate in one of these meetings? No

Q23: Do you have coordinated outreach efforts? (Select all that apply) Team focused on outreach efforts,
Ongoing and consistent efforts

Q24: Is permanent housing offered to Veterans experiencing homelessness upfront? Yes

Q25: If Veterans are choosing service-intensive transitional housing are they:

(no label)

Being offered permanent housing while in service-intensive TH at least every two weeks No

Are these offers documented? No

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Q26: 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

Ability to operate or navigate within the parameters of our housing market

PAGE 6: Part 5: Federal Criteria and Support

Q27: Has your community decided to pursue the federal partners' process?

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Q28: Has your community submitted a claim to the federal partners (USICH, VA, HUD)?

No

Q29: If the answer to Question 28 was "Yes", please provide the date the claim was submitted and its current status (pending, approved, denied).

Respondent skipped this question

Q30: 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.

Vets@Home

Q31: 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 integration and coordination of GPD and/or other transitional housing

Q32: Are there any comments/notes that you would like to share (about the survey, your community, etc.)?

The Iowa Balance of State contains 96 counties, varying from urban to extremely rural areas. SSVF and other housing providers continue to experience barriers with the quality of the housing stock in the rural areas on the continuum. Homeless veterans are identified but it finding them a safe home in the their community can be challenging. The SSVF providers have a strong relationship with the VAMC as well as the CoC. SSVF is not present in all counties in the Balance of State resulting in pockets of areas in the state being covered. Over the past year the CoC has increased efforts regarding the Point in Time street count. Historically less than 10 communities in 96 counties participated with a street count. This year additional communities will participate helping the CoC and the Veteran Homeless providers with better baseline data on the literal homeless veteran numbers across the continuum.

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PAGE 2: Part 1: Demographics

Q1: Contact Information

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Q2: Choose your Continuum of Care Code: (IA-502) Des Moines/Polk County CoC

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Q3: Does the CoC provide input into the plan development and implementation? Yes

Q4: Who is the CoC point of contact?

Name:	Mark Phillips
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Organization:	Polk County Continuum of Care Board
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Q5: How was the initial community plan developed? (Please select one) SSVF developed the plan, and it is now integrated into a Veterans Work Group/Subcommittee of the CoC or within the CoC directly.

Q6: 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 case conferencing process.
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- One or more of the SSVF grantees is leading certain aspects of the plan not covered above.
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- All SSVF grantees attend planning meetings and are actively engaged in planning efforts.
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- All SSVF grantees participate in regular case conferences.
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- The SSVF grantees represent a unified team, stance, and strategy.

Q7: 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.

13-IA-103 Primary Health Care

Q8: Are the following VA funded programs involved?

	(no label)
HUD and Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH)	Yes
Healthcare for Homeless Veterans (HCHV)	Yes
Grant and Per Diem (GPD)	Yes
Community Resource and Referral Center (CRRC)	Yes
Domiciliary Care for Veterans (VA-Dom)	No
Veterans Justice Outreach (VJO)	No
Safe Haven	Not Applicable

Q9: Are community partners able to share/receive client-level data with the VA and vice versa? Yes

Q10: Are community partners able to share/receive data on housing and performance with the VA and vice versa? Yes

Q11: 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

Q12: Are Veterans integrated into coordinated entry? Coordinated entry includes Veterans and allows for assessment, prioritization, and housing matching
Note: Participation in coordinated entry is a requirement of the SSVF program. (Please select all that apply.) ,
 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

Q13: Who is lead point of contact for coordinated entry?

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 Organization Type (VAMC, CoC, SSVF Grantee, etc.): SSVF Grantee
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PAGE 4: Part 3: By Name List

Q14: Does the community have a by name list? Yes

Q15: Who manages the by name list?

Name:	Ehren Stover-Wright
Role:	Research Director
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Organization Type (VAMC, CoC, SSVF Grantee, etc.):	HMIS Provider

Q16: 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)

Q17: 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	13
Number of Veterans currently in ES on the list	31
Number of Veterans currently in TH (including GPD)	44
Number of Veterans who have a housing plan	51

Q18: How often do you meet to review and update the by name list?

Bi-weekly

Q19: 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.

The criteria used to determine an effective end to veterans homelessness in Des Moines/ Polk County has four measurable components; 1. There are no unsheltered veterans, 2. Timely placement into permanent housing-within 90 days of identification, unless veteran decides to enter intensive transitional housing. 3. All chronic veterans are housed either in permanent housing or a transitional housing program (client choice) 4. Our community has sufficient housing available for veterans measured by the number of veterans placed in housing is greater than the number of newly identified veterans.

PAGE 5: Part 4: Meetings and Strategy

Q20: What types of meetings does your community have?

	(no label)
Case Conferences	Bi-Weekly
Strategic Planning Meetings (Bigger Picture)	Bi-Weekly

Q21: When are your next three strategic planning meetings? (Include date, time)

Meeting 1 02/24/2016 1:00 PM

Q22: Would you like us to participate in one of these meetings?

No

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Q23: 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,
 Know all Vets on street by name, and they are continuously engaged

Q24: Is permanent housing offered to Veterans experiencing homelessness upfront? Yes

Q25: If Veterans are choosing service-intensive transitional housing are they: (no label)

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

Are these offers documented? Yes

Q26: 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
 ,
 Veterans household placement into permanent housing within 90 days or less

PAGE 6: Part 5: Federal Criteria and Support

Q27: Has your community decided to pursue the federal partners' process? Yes

Q28: Has your community submitted a claim to the federal partners (USICH, VA, HUD)? Yes

Q29: If the answer to Question 28 was "Yes", please provide the date the claim was submitted and its current status (pending, approved, denied).

Date: 01-07-16

Status: pending

Q30: 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.

Other (please specify) HMIS

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**Q31: Would you like technical assistance (if available)?
(Select all that apply.)**

Assistance with integration and coordination of GPD and/or other transitional housing

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Assistance with developing additional permanent housing resources (including private landlords, etc.)

Q32: Are there any comments/notes that you would like to share (about the survey, your community, etc.)?

The Des Moines/ Polk County Community is dedicated to find appropriate housing and resources for our Veterans. We have open communication between all parties involved to help the veteran to obtain and maintain housing.
