

2. Ongoing Review and Coordination: Briefly describe how often (e.g., monthly) the above group meets to review progress and coordinate efforts. Include a summary of what information is reviewed during these meetings.

SSVF partners meet regularly to discuss coordinated assessment and gaps and report monthly to Atlantic CoC on progress. SSVF partners currently working on coordinated effort to engage further stakeholders in increased community awareness and planning initiatives.

3. Annual Demand, Goals, and Strategies for Achieving and Sustaining Functional Zero: Identify the estimated number of Veterans who are homeless annually and the community/CoC goals and strategies for achieving a functional end to Veteran homelessness by the end of 2015 (overall community/CoC goals, not just SSVF grantees). If one or more of the goals and strategies below have not yet been established for the community, leave blank and identify the date by which they will be established. See the *Ending Homelessness Among Veterans Overview* for additional guidance.

3A. Estimated Annual Number of Homeless Veterans: Identify the total unduplicated number of Veterans expected to be homeless in 2015 using data from the SSVF Edition of the Veteran Homelessness Gaps Analysis Tool FY15Q3 or data assumptions that have already been adopted by the community, such as the *VA CoC Gaps Analysis Tool (GAT)*.

Estimated Annual Total:	33
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3B. Community/CoC Goals: Identify your community's/CoC's key goals and targets.

A. Permanent Housing Placement Target & SSVF Rapid Re-Housing Placement Target:
 Complete and attach *SSVF Edition of Veteran Homelessness Gaps Analysis Tool FY15Q3 OR an CoC Gaps Analysis Tool – Strategy 4 (SSVF) Worksheet*

B. Length of Time Homeless Goal (max or average days):	30	days
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C. January 2016 Point-in-Time (PIT) Count Goal	Sheltered	Unsheltered	Total
Number of Veterans expected to be counted as homeless during the CoC's January 2016 PIT count:	15	10	25
Of number above, how many will also be counted as chronically homeless:	5	2	7

3C. Implementation Strategies: What strategies are being used to achieve and sustain functional zero?

	Yes/No/Under Dev
A. Has your community identified every Veteran who is homeless right now by name?	Under Dev
B. Does every Veteran who is homeless now have a Housing Plan and access to safe (and low barrier as needed) shelter and/or permanent housing?	Yes
C. Is every Veteran who becomes homeless rapidly engaged and offered shelter and/or housing that meets their needs?	Yes
If so, is this true no matter where they are initially engaged in your community or what shelter or unsheltered location they may be in?	Yes
D. Are sufficient SSVF resources allocated to ensure there are no RRH gaps or turn-aways?	Yes
E. Are you using SSVF to rapidly re-house Veterans who are waiting on VASH or other PSH assistance if VASH/PSH is not available immediately or in near future?	Yes

4. Other Strengths and Challenges: Briefly describe any additional strengths and/or challenges relevant to your achieving VA and local goals.

Both SSVF programs are committed partners with regular communication and assessments. Catholic Charities maintains a walk-in office space within Atlantic CoC allowing veterans to have a physical point of contact. Atlantic CoC relies on SSVF programs as subject matter experts in ending veteran homelessness and has pledged any needed support. Area has one of Southern New Jersey's only Community Based Outpatient Clinics, assisting with some veterans needs.

Challenges include diverse area with over 14% of the population living below the poverty line (according to US Census data). Large resort area contributes to limited seasonal housing resources, particularly for high barrier veterans. Atlantic County has recently led the country in job losses which may contribute to a higher number of homeless veterans in 2016 than anticipated, and is still engaged in Hurricane Sandy relief efforts, adding additional stress to an already overburdened system.

SSVF: Community Plan Summary

Date Completed/Revised:	9/15/2015
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Continuum of Care Name:	Bergen County CoC	CoC Number:	NJ-501
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Person Completing this Summary:	Marisol Rivera	Title:	NHCAC SSVF Coordinator
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1. Primary Planning and Coordination Group: Identify the primary group responsible for planning and coordinating efforts to prevent and end homelessness among Veterans in the CoC. List the principal members of this group and their affiliation.

Primary Group Name:	Campaign Zero 2016 to End Veteran Homelessness		
Principal Members	Affiliation		
Julia Orlando	Executive Director HABC/Community Organizer		
Angela Drakes	CoC-Lead		
Mary Sunden	Executive Director CCCDC/Data Coordinator		
Victor Carlson	Chief, Homeless Services, VHA, Lyons		
Marisol Rivera	NHCAC SSVF Coordinator		
Mayra Moreno	NHCAC Site/Case Manager		
Kelly Gore	Soldier On - Field Supervisor		
Ann Schreiner	Director of Catholic Charities		
David Pearson	Catholic Charities - Outreach Coordinator		
Melissa Schaber	Catholic Charities - Case Manager		
Jen Stivers	Community Hope, Inc. - Director of SSVF		
Ariel Luna	Director of VA Services for Bergen County		
Richard Daul	Assistant Director of VA Services of Bergen County		
Kaydeen Bishop	Case Manager of VA Hospital, East Orange		

2. Ongoing Review and Coordination: Briefly describe how often (e.g., monthly) the above group meets to review progress and coordinate efforts. Include a summary of what information is reviewed during these meetings.

Bergen County's CoC has taken an aggressive approach to ending Veteran homelessness. The "Campaign Zero 2016" sub-committee-comprised of the majority of the above principal members-began meeting monthly on December 12, 2014. The goal is to rehouse a minimum of 6 Veterans each month. The meeting discussions have included the vital role each member plays in getting to zero. Each SSVF funding recipient must report monthly on the number of clients rehoused. New targets are established by the team if necessary, to ensure the goal will be met by the deadline. Additionally, Dr. Vic Carlson held a brainstorm meeting with the SSVF Programs to assist in determining an outreach strategy that ensures we meet our goal.

3. Annual Demand, Goals, and Strategies for Achieving and Sustaining Functional Zero: Identify the estimated number of Veterans who are homeless annually and the community/CoC goals and strategies for achieving a functional end to Veteran homelessness by the end of 2015 (overall community/CoC goals, not just SSVF grantees). If one or more of the goals and strategies below have not yet been established for the community, leave blank and identify the date by which they will be established. See the *Ending Homelessness Among Veterans Overview* for additional guidance.

3A. Estimated Annual Number of Homeless Veterans: Identify the total unduplicated number of Veterans expected to be homeless in 2015 using data from the SSVF Edition of the Veteran Homelessness Gaps Analysis Tool FY15Q3 or data assumptions that have already been adopted by the community, such as the *VA CoC Gaps Analysis Tool (GAT)*.

Estimated Annual Total:	214
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3B. Community/CoC Goals: Identify your community's/CoC's key goals and targets.

A. Permanent Housing Placement Target & SSVF Rapid Re-Housing Placement Target:
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B. Length of Time Homeless Goal (max or average days):	30	days
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C. January 2016 Point-in-Time (PIT) Count Goal	Sheltered	Unsheltered	Total
Number of Veterans expected to be counted as homeless during the CoC's January 2016 PIT count:	6	12	18
Of number above, how many will also be counted as chronically homeless:	2	4	6

3C. Implementation Strategies: What strategies are being used to achieve and sustain functional zero?

	Yes/No/Under Dev
A. Has your community identified every Veteran who is homeless right now by name?	Yes
Is this list updated regularly?	Yes
Is this list reviewed at least bi-weekly by key community partners to ensure Veterans have a permanent housing plan and those plans are achieved?	Yes
B. Does every Veteran who is homeless now have a Housing Plan and access to safe (and low barrier as needed) shelter and/or permanent housing?	Yes
C. Is every Veteran who becomes homeless rapidly engaged and offered shelter and/or housing that meets their needs?	Yes
If so, is this true no matter where they are initially engaged in your community or what shelter or unsheltered location they may be in?	Yes
D. Are sufficient SSVF resources allocated to ensure there are no RRH gaps or turn-aways?	Yes
E. Are you using SSVF to rapidly re-house Veterans who are waiting on VASH or other PSH assistance if VASH/PSH is not available immediately or in near future?	Yes

4. Other Strengths and Challenges: Briefly describe any additional strengths and/or challenges relevant to your achieving VA and local goals.

With 70 municipalities, Bergen County is the most populous County in the State of New Jersey, with no large cities. Determining whether SSVF communication is effectively reaching Veterans in the extremely rural areas has been challenging for outreach staff. In addition, with a 2013 median income of approximately \$85,000, the County is one of the wealthiest in the State. Affordable housing is a major challenge. However, the Bergen County Housing, Health and Human Services Center has made an extensive commitment to lead Bergen County in the national movement to end homelessness. This leadership, along with the recently added new sub-committee members - Dr. Victor Carlson and Mr. Ariel Luna - will help strengthen the rural outreach efforts and ensure communication is effectively filtered across the County. Also, the CoCs Campaign visibility will assist in strengthening housing availability for our Veterans. All efforts are needed to both achieve and sustain functional zero. NOTE: 6/29/2015 Update - CHALLENGES TO 30-DAY HOUSING:

- ID replacement often takes longer than 30 days
- Stabilization of serious issues (behavioral and medical) often takes longer than 30 days
- Vouchering process (for folks for whom that is appropriate) takes longer than 30 days

BY-NAME LIST is maintained by the CoC:

- Current list = sheltered folks identified as veterans plus folks reported to me by SSVF providers and AJ's team – deduplicated by Mary E. Sunden, Executive Director, Christ Church CDC
- Housed list = folks housed from the Center plus folks reported as housed by Vic Carlson (all VA providers including SSVF) – deduplicated by Mary E. Sunden, Executive Director, Christ Church CDC

NOTE: 9/15/2015 Update - The Mayor of Hackensack accepted "The Mayor's Challenge" -Mayor John P.Labrosse is on board to end "Veteran Homelessness" and will work with the CoC in Bergen County.

2. Ongoing Review and Coordination: Briefly describe how often (e.g., monthly) the above group meets to review progress and coordinate efforts. Include a summary of what information is reviewed during these meetings.

The members meet monthly as part of the regular CoC meeting. The group has begun to move toward a coordinated assessment. The group has also begun to strategize ways to eliminate housing barriers to veteran families. They review HMIS data and allow agencies time to provide updates. Further review is conducted by the two SSVF grantee to identify veterans within the Burlington continuum. The SSVF providers direct the veterans to the appropriate resources as part of their housing stability plan.

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Estimated Annual Total:	73
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3B. Community/CoC Goals: Identify your community's/CoC's key goals and targets.

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B. Length of Time Homeless Goal (max or average days):	30	days
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C. January 2016 Point-in-Time (PIT) Count Goal	Sheltered	Unsheltered	Total
Number of Veterans expected to be counted as homeless during the CoC's January 2016 PIT count:	12	0	12
Of number above, how many will also be counted as chronically homeless:	3	0	3

3C. Implementation Strategies: What strategies are being used to achieve and sustain functional zero?

	Yes/No/Under Dev
A. Has your community identified every Veteran who is homeless right now by name?	Yes
Is this list updated regularly?	Yes
Is this list reviewed at least bi-weekly by key community partners to ensure Veterans have a permanent housing plan and those plans are achieved?	Yes
B. Does every Veteran who is homeless now have a Housing Plan and access to safe (and low barrier as needed) shelter and/or permanent housing?	Yes
C. Is every Veteran who becomes homeless rapidly engaged and offered shelter and/or housing that meets their needs?	Yes
If so, is this true no matter where they are initially engaged in your community or what shelter or unsheltered location they may be in?	Yes
D. Are sufficient SSVF resources allocated to ensure there are no RRH gaps or turn-aways?	Yes
E. Are you using SSVF to rapidly re-house Veterans who are waiting on VASH or other PSH assistance if VASH/PSH is not available immediately or in near future?	Yes

4. Other Strengths and Challenges: Briefly describe any additional strengths and/or challenges relevant to your achieving VA and local goals.

Strengths: One of our strengths is the presence of Joint Base and the visibility of the veteran population. The systems coordination is very strong in Burlington County and the other agencies are well informed about the SSVF program and make appropriate and timely referrals. All partners have an extensive knowledge of community served. There is a also open communication and dedication to ending veteran homelessness among partners. Largely mobile SSVF program are able to perform service directly at the point of contact. SSVF has added SOAR certified staff, enabling SSI and SSDI issues to be quickly addressed. SSVF has also added legal subcontracting to address consumer legal issues that may be barriers to income growth. The SSVF providers have biweekly phone calls to identify and coordinate services for the homeless veterans in Burlington County. For those veterans who cannot be housed within the 30 day target, a new housing plan is created and realistic short term goals are set by the veteran and case manager to ensure that the veteran is moving towards stability and an appropriate housing option. The Challenges: There are no Hudvash vouchers available in Burlington County. It does not seem that the county has a housing authority to process vouchers through. There have been more conversations between the Philadelphia VA and Burlington County to see what needs to be in place to begin making vouchers available in Burlington County. The shelters also have very rigid rules and limited bed space making it difficult to temporarily place a veteran while permanent housing is being secured. There appears to be no family shelters in the county.

2. Ongoing Review and Coordination: Briefly describe how often (e.g., monthly) the above group meets to review progress and coordinate efforts. Include a summary of what information is reviewed during these meetings.

This group is yet to meet, but will be meeting on a monthly basis. Ending Veteran Homelessness is discussed monthly at the COC meetings, and the Counties are aware of what programs to include SSVF and agencies are in place to act expeditiously when a Veteran is found to be homeless. The group designed to focus on this issue and on creating a Coordinated Assessment, should be meeting for the first time in May. This group now consists of Camden, Gloucester, Cumberland and Cape May, as the COC's in those counties have recently all merged.

3. Annual Demand, Goals, and Strategies for Achieving and Sustaining Functional Zero: Identify the estimated number of Veterans who are homeless annually and the community/CoC goals and strategies for achieving a functional end to Veteran homelessness by the end of 2015 (overall community/CoC goals, not just SSVF grantees). If one or more of the goals and strategies below have not yet been established for the community, leave blank and identify the date by which they will be established. See the *Ending Homelessness Among Veterans Overview* for additional guidance.

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Estimated Annual Total:	103
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3B. Community/CoC Goals: Identify your community's/CoC's key goals and targets.

A. Permanent Housing Placement Target & SSVF Rapid Re-Housing Placement Target:
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B. Length of Time Homeless Goal (max or average days):	30	days
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C. January 2016 Point-in-Time (PIT) Count Goal	Sheltered	Unsheltered	Total
Number of Veterans expected to be counted as homeless during the CoC's January 2016 PIT count:	100	60	160
Of number above, how many will also be counted as chronically homeless:	25	10	35

3C. Implementation Strategies: What strategies are being used to achieve and sustain functional zero?

	Yes/No/Under Dev
A. Has your community identified every Veteran who is homeless right now by name?	Under Dev
B. Does every Veteran who is homeless now have a Housing Plan and access to safe (and low barrier as needed) shelter and/or permanent housing?	Yes
C. Is every Veteran who becomes homeless rapidly engaged and offered shelter and/or housing that meets their needs?	Yes
If so, is this true no matter where they are initially engaged in your community or what shelter or unsheltered location they may be in?	Yes
D. Are sufficient SSVF resources allocated to ensure there are no RRH gaps or turn-aways?	Yes
E. Are you using SSVF to rapidly re-house Veterans who are waiting on VASH or other PSH assistance if VASH/PSH is not available immediately or in near future?	Yes

4. Other Strengths and Challenges: Briefly describe any additional strengths and/or challenges relevant to your achieving VA and local goals.

We have a group that is very experienced and knowledgeable. We have strong relationships with local landlords, shelters, transitional housing and the local housing authorities, and have collaborated with the VA and local agencies to utilize all available resources to end Veteran homelessness. The four counties have just recently merged, so our coordinated assessment is still a work in progress.

SSVF: Community Plan Summary

Date Completed/Revised: 9/15/2015

Continuum of Care Name:	Newark/Essex County CoC	CoC Number:	NJ-504
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1. **Primary Planning and Coordination Group:** Identify the primary group responsible for planning and coordinating efforts to prevent and end homelessness among Veterans in the CoC. List the principal members of this group and their affiliation.

Primary Group Name:	Essex CoC	
Principal Members	Affiliation	
Soldier On		
Community Hope		
Catholic Charities		
Essex County Board of Social Services		
Bridges Outreach		
St. John's Soup Kitchen		
Project Live		
Covenant House		
Fairmont Shelter		
Goodwill Shelter		
Newark YMCA		
GI Go Fund		
Salvation Army of Montclair		
NJ Transit		
Department of Veterans Affairs		
City of Newark Outreach Coalition		

2. Ongoing Review and Coordination: Briefly describe how often (e.g., monthly) the above group meets to review progress and coordinate efforts. Include a summary of what information is reviewed during these meetings.

The CoC meets on a monthly basis to share resources and discuss their plans for coordinated assessment. Information about resources is shared and collaborative efforts are discussed to assist the homeless population in Essex. The CoC is applying for technical assistance through the Vets@Home opportunity. The City of Newark also has an Outreach Coalition which meets monthly. They are in the process of forming subcommittees to address the different needs of the homeless population.

3. Annual Demand, Goals, and Strategies for Achieving and Sustaining Functional Zero: Identify the estimated number of Veterans who are homeless annually and the community/CoC goals and strategies for achieving a functional end to Veteran homelessness by the end of 2015 (overall community/CoC goals, not just SSVF grantees). If one or more of the goals and strategies below have not yet been established for the community, leave blank and identify the date by which they will be established. See the *Ending Homelessness Among Veterans Overview* for additional guidance.

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Estimated Annual Total:	168
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3B. Community/CoC Goals: Identify your community's/CoC's key goals and targets.

A. Permanent Housing Placement Target & SSVF Rapid Re-Housing Placement Target:
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B. Length of Time Homeless Goal (max or average days):	30	days
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C. January 2016 Point-in-Time (PIT) Count Goal	Sheltered	Unsheltered	Total
Number of Veterans expected to be counted as homeless during the CoC's January 2016 PIT count:	30	10	40
Of number above, how many will also be counted as chronically homeless:	5	8	13

3C. Implementation Strategies: What strategies are being used to achieve and sustain functional zero?

	Yes/No/Under Dev
A. Has your community identified every Veteran who is homeless right now by name?	Yes
Is this list updated regularly?	Yes
Is this list reviewed at least bi-weekly by key community partners to ensure Veterans have a permanent housing plan and those plans are achieved?	Yes
B. Does every Veteran who is homeless now have a Housing Plan and access to safe (and low barrier as needed) shelter and/or permanent housing?	Yes
C. Is every Veteran who becomes homeless rapidly engaged and offered shelter and/or housing that meets their needs?	Yes
If so, is this true no matter where they are initially engaged in your community or what shelter or unsheltered location they may be in?	Yes
D. Are sufficient SSVF resources allocated to ensure there are no RRH gaps or turn-aways?	Yes
E. Are you using SSVF to rapidly re-house Veterans who are waiting on VASH or other PSH assistance if VASH/PSH is not available immediately or in near future?	Yes

4. Other Strengths and Challenges: Briefly describe any additional strengths and/or challenges relevant to your achieving VA and local goals.

Strengths: Mayors from Newark, South Orange and West Orange have all signed on to the Mayors' Challenge. There are a number of local organizations that have robust programming for the homeless population in Essex such as the meals and clothing provided daily at St. John's Soup Kitchen. The VA regional office and VA hospital in East Orange are easily accessible for veterans to file claims or receive medical care including substance abuse treatment. There are SOAR trained staff members at some agencies in Essex County to assist the homeless population in obtaining stable income through SSI or SSDI. The SSVF grantees are participating in the Essex County Veterans Housing and Services Academy which is being organized by CSH through a grant by the Healthcare Foundation of New Jersey. The focus of this group is bring together providers in Essex County who serve veterans to try to improve outcomes. This Academy will be held over 8 sessions through October 2015. Soldier On has also signed an MOU with Bridges Outreach to target the veterans through street outreach. The SSVF providers also participate in a Veterans Stakeholders Provider Group Meeting organized by Catholic Charities to help educate veterans and their family members about programs available to them. The SSVF providers hold biweekly conference calls to discuss the homeless veterans in the county to make sure that each homeless veteran identified is connected to services and receiving the appropriate housing assistance. For those veterans that cannot be housed within our 30 day target, we continue to update their housing plan and set realistic goals to help the veteran work toward permanent housing. Challenges: Shelters are unavaible unless you receive a voucher from the Board of Social Services. In order to be eligible, you must be receiving GA or TANF. A large portion of the homeless population cannot access the shelter system.

SSVF: Community Plan Summary

Date Completed/Revised: 9/15/2015

Continuum of Care Name: Jersey City/Bayonne/Hudson County CoC		CoC Number: NJ-506
CoC Representative: Carol Sainthilaire	Title: Program Director- Housing Assistance	
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Person Completing this Summary: Kellie Gore	Title: Soldier On, SSVF Field Supervisor	
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1. **Primary Planning and Coordination Group:** Identify the primary group responsible for planning and coordinating efforts to prevent and end homelessness among Veterans in the CoC. List the principal members of this group and their affiliation.

Primary Group Name: Hudson HCAEH Veteran SubCommittee	
Principal Members	Affiliation
Soldier On	
Catholic Charities Archdiocese of Newark	
North Hudson Community Action Corporation	
Community Hope	
Hudson County Division of Welfare	
Care Point Hospitals	
VA	
Hoboken Shelter	
Jersey City Medical Center	
Metropolitan Family Health Network	
PERC Shelter	
Garden State Episcopal Community Development Corp	
Hudson County Div. of Housing & Community Development	
Hudson County Dept. of Health & Human Services	
Hudson County Dept. of Corrections	
Hudson County Prisoner Reentry Program	
Superior Court of NJ Criminal Division	
Hudson County Office of Veteran Affairs	

2. Ongoing Review and Coordination: Briefly describe how often (e.g., monthly) the above group meets to review progress and coordinate efforts. Include a summary of what information is reviewed during these meetings.

The subcommittee meets monthly to collaborate on ending veteran homelessness. The group has created a release of information form that all the agencies signed onto that will allow us to discuss the literally homeless veterans accessing services in Hudson County. We have compiled a takedown list and have identified all sheltered veterans and linked them with an SSVF provider to act as a systems navigator to link them with the appropriate housing resources. The street homeless veterans who are not accessing the shelter system are identified through the SSVF providers and discussed on the conference call. The Hudson County Coordinated Assessment has been launched in the county. The County has identified that Garden State Episcopal will serve as the single point of entry for any homeless individual in the county, however homeless veterans should be assisted through the SSVF providers first. The group is also focusing on creating long term housing solutions for the veterans. Several of the Mayors in Hudson County as well as the County Executive and Board of Chose Freeholders have signed on to the Mayor's Challenge. Jersey City's Mayor has been a vocal supporter of the subcommittee's endeavor and sends representatives from his office to attend our subcommittee meetings. In an effort to finalize a plan to end veteran homeless, the HCAEH Veteran Subcommittee is working on a creating a definition of what a veteran is going to be considered for planning purposes. The HCAEH is also applying for technical assistance through the Vets@Home opportunity.

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Estimated Annual Total:	76
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B. Length of Time Homeless Goal (max or average days):	30	days
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C. January 2016 Point-in-Time (PIT) Count Goal	Sheltered	Unsheltered	Total
Number of Veterans expected to be counted as homeless during the CoC's January 2016 PIT count:	26	6	32
Of number above, how many will also be counted as chronically homeless:	6	5	11

3C. Implementation Strategies: What strategies are being used to achieve and sustain functional zero?

	Yes/No/Under Dev
A. Has your community identified every Veteran who is homeless right now by name?	Yes
Is this list updated regularly?	Yes
Is this list reviewed at least bi-weekly by key community partners to ensure Veterans have a permanent housing plan and those plans are achieved?	Yes
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E. Are you using SSVF to rapidly re-house Veterans who are waiting on VASH or other PSH assistance if VASH/PSH is not available immediately or in near future?	Yes

4. Other Strengths and Challenges: Briefly describe any additional strengths and/or challenges relevant to your achieving VA and local goals.

Strengths: The County and other agencies are committed and actively working on identifying the veteran population in Hudson County. With four SSVF service providers, there are a range of resources available to the veteran residents in Hudson County. The monthly subcommittee meeting allows for collaboration and deduplication of services. Additionally, a conference call is held every 2 weeks to discuss additional cases. For those veterans that cannot be housed within the 30 day target, a revised housing plan is created and cases are discussed with other providers to see if there are any additional services that the veteran can be connected to. Mayors from Bayonne, Harrison, Hoboken, Jersey City and Union City along with the County Executive and Board of Chose Freeholders for Hudson County have all signed on to the Mayors Challenge. There is a Veterans Stakeholders Meeting that is held monthly to discuss issues facing the veteran population in Hudson County. Challenges: Engaging the chronically homeless population to be accepting of services and become ready for some type of housing.

2. Ongoing Review and Coordination: Briefly describe how often (e.g., monthly) the above group meets to review progress and coordinate efforts. Include a summary of what information is reviewed during these meetings.

Ocean HPAC is working on creating a coordinated assessment for the county. During the meetings resources and programs are shared and discussed.

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Estimated Annual Total:	46
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3B. Community/CoC Goals: Identify your community's/CoC's key goals and targets.

A. Permanent Housing Placement Target & SSVF Rapid Re-Housing Placement Target:
 Complete and attach *SSVF Edition of Veteran Homelessness Gaps Analysis Tool FY15Q3 OR an CoC Gaps Analysis Tool – Strategy 4 (SSVF) Worksheet*

B. Length of Time Homeless Goal (max or average days):	30	days
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C. January 2016 Point-in-Time (PIT) Count Goal	Sheltered	Unsheltered	Total
Number of Veterans expected to be counted as homeless during the CoC's January 2016 PIT count:	2	0	2
Of number above, how many will also be counted as chronically homeless:	0	0	0

3C. Implementation Strategies: What strategies are being used to achieve and sustain functional zero?

	Yes/No/Under Dev
A. Has your community identified every Veteran who is homeless right now by name?	Yes
Is this list updated regularly?	Yes
Is this list reviewed at least bi-weekly by key community partners to ensure Veterans have a permanent housing plan and those plans are achieved?	Yes
B. Does every Veteran who is homeless now have a Housing Plan and access to safe (and low barrier as needed) shelter and/or permanent housing?	Yes
C. Is every Veteran who becomes homeless rapidly engaged and offered shelter and/or housing that meets their needs?	Yes
If so, is this true no matter where they are initially engaged in your community or what shelter or unsheltered location they may be in?	Yes
D. Are sufficient SSVF resources allocated to ensure there are no RRH gaps or turn-aways?	Yes
E. Are you using SSVF to rapidly re-house Veterans who are waiting on VASH or other PSH assistance if VASH/PSH is not available immediately or in near future?	Yes

4. Other Strengths and Challenges: Briefly describe any additional strengths and/or challenges relevant to your achieving VA and local goals.

Strengths: There is a tremendous amount of support provided to the veteran residents of Ocean County through the efforts of the County Veteran Service Officer, John Dorrity. Additionally, the county has awarded a grant to Vetwork to provide assistance to veterans including providing emergency housing. For those veterans that we cannot house within the 30 day target, we complete a new housing stabilization plan with very specific short term goals to encourage the veteran to move toward stability and ideally permanent housing. Challenges: There is a lack of affordable housing and appropriate units due two previous hurricanes. The available units are now more expensive as the demand for housing has increased. Tent City was demolished a year ago and the homeless population that was rehoused through a rental assistance program is now coming to the end of that assistance. Many of these individuals are not prepared to independently maintain housing. We were successful in linking appropriate households to the Hudvash program for the long-term support they were in need of. For those other individuals who could independently maintain housing, we provided them with referrals to our Housing Specialist to work with them on identifying appropriate units.

2. Ongoing Review and Coordination: Briefly describe how often (e.g., monthly) the above group meets to review progress and coordinate efforts. Include a summary of what information is reviewed during these meetings.

The CoC meets monthly to discuss resources and share program updates. There is a subcommittee working on establishing a coordinated entry system for the county. The County is also working on cleaning up data and making sure that their counts are accurate so that they can allocate resources properly to try to end homelessness within the county. In addition to the CoC meeting, SSVF grantees (Community Hope, Inc. & Soldier On, Inc.) along with the Middlesex County Veterans Service Office conducts a conference call every three weeks to review referrals within Middlesex County. Specific Veterans cases are reviewed in an effort to coordinate services between SSVF and the Middlesex County Veterans Service Office to maximize support provided to the Veteran and his/her family as well as to avoid duplication of services. We recently met with SCMOS who provides ongoing case management for veterans who require longer term supports to remain stably housed. SSVF grantees (Community Hope, Inc. & Soldier On, Inc.) also met with members of the Middlesex County Office to review services available to solely homeless Veterans and how to fit services for Veterans in to the coordinated entry system for the county.

3. Annual Demand, Goals, and Strategies for Achieving and Sustaining Functional Zero: Identify the estimated number of Veterans who are homeless annually and the community/CoC goals and strategies for achieving a functional end to Veteran homelessness by the end of 2015 (overall community/CoC goals, not just SSVF grantees). If one or more of the goals and strategies below have not yet been established for the community, leave blank and identify the date by which they will be established. See the *Ending Homelessness Among Veterans Overview* for additional guidance.

3A. Estimated Annual Number of Homeless Veterans: Identify the total unduplicated number of Veterans expected to be homeless in 2015 using data from the SSVF Edition of the Veteran Homelessness Gaps Analysis Tool FY15Q3 or data assumptions that have already been adopted by the community, such as the *VA CoC Gaps Analysis Tool (GAT)*.

Estimated Annual Total:	89
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3B. Community/CoC Goals: Identify your community's/CoC's key goals and targets.

A. Permanent Housing Placement Target & SSVF Rapid Re-Housing Placement Target:
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B. Length of Time Homeless Goal (max or average days):	90	days
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C. January 2016 Point-in-Time (PIT) Count Goal	Sheltered	Unsheltered	Total
Number of Veterans expected to be counted as homeless during the CoC's January 2016 PIT count:	10	0	10
Of number above, how many will also be counted as chronically homeless:	2	0	2

3C. Implementation Strategies: What strategies are being used to achieve and sustain functional zero?

	Yes/No/Under Dev
A. Has your community identified every Veteran who is homeless right now by name?	Under Dev
B. Does every Veteran who is homeless now have a Housing Plan and access to safe (and low barrier as needed) shelter and/or permanent housing?	Under Dev
C. Is every Veteran who becomes homeless rapidly engaged and offered shelter and/or housing that meets their needs?	Yes
If so, is this true no matter where they are initially engaged in your community or what shelter or unsheltered location they may be in?	Yes
D. Are sufficient SSVF resources allocated to ensure there are no RRH gaps or turn-aways?	Yes
E. Are you using SSVF to rapidly re-house Veterans who are waiting on VASH or other PSH assistance if VASH/PSH is not available immediately or in near future?	Yes

4. Other Strengths and Challenges: Briefly describe any additional strengths and/or challenges relevant to your achieving VA and local goals.

Strengths for this CoC include a high level of coordination between Soldier On, Community Hope, the Veterans Service Office and the County Board of Social Services. There is a conference call every three weeks to discuss veterans that have been identified and collaborate on case management and a housing plan for those veterans. Also unique to Middlesex County is the funding that the Freeholders have allocated to the Veteran Service Office to assist in ending veteran homelessness. The VFW in the county is also very active in supporting our efforts to end veteran homelessness and have been a partner in providing emergency housing for veterans while permanent housing is being secured.

2. Ongoing Review and Coordination: Briefly describe how often (e.g., monthly) the above group meets to review progress and coordinate efforts. Include a summary of what information is reviewed during these meetings.

The HSC meets quarterly to share resources and collaborate on community based solutions to ending homelessness.

3. Annual Demand, Goals, and Strategies for Achieving and Sustaining Functional Zero: Identify the estimated number of Veterans who are homeless annually and the community/CoC goals and strategies for achieving a functional end to Veteran homelessness by the end of 2015 (overall community/CoC goals, not just SSVF grantees). If one or more of the goals and strategies below have not yet been established for the community, leave blank and identify the date by which they will be established. See the *Ending Homelessness Among Veterans Overview* for additional guidance.

3A. Estimated Annual Number of Homeless Veterans: Identify the total unduplicated number of Veterans expected to be homeless in 2015 using data from the SSVF Edition of the Veteran Homelessness Gaps Analysis Tool FY15Q3 or data assumptions that have already been adopted by the community, such as the *VA CoC Gaps Analysis Tool (GAT)*.

Estimated Annual Total:	56
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3B. Community/CoC Goals: Identify your community's/CoC's key goals and targets.

A. Permanent Housing Placement Target & SSVF Rapid Re-Housing Placement Target:
 Complete and attach *SSVF Edition of Veteran Homelessness Gaps Analysis Tool FY15Q3 OR an CoC Gaps Analysis Tool – Strategy 4 (SSVF) Worksheet*

B. Length of Time Homeless Goal (max or average days):	30	days
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C. January 2016 Point-in-Time (PIT) Count Goal	Sheltered	Unsheltered	Total
Number of Veterans expected to be counted as homeless during the CoC's January 2016 PIT count:	8	0	8
Of number above, how many will also be counted as chronically homeless:	2	0	2

3C. Implementation Strategies: What strategies are being used to achieve and sustain functional zero?

	Yes/No/Under Dev
A. Has your community identified every Veteran who is homeless right now by name?	Yes
Is this list updated regularly?	Yes
Is this list reviewed at least bi-weekly by key community partners to ensure Veterans have a permanent housing plan and those plans are achieved?	Yes
B. Does every Veteran who is homeless now have a Housing Plan and access to safe (and low barrier as needed) shelter and/or permanent housing?	Yes
C. Is every Veteran who becomes homeless rapidly engaged and offered shelter and/or housing that meets their needs?	Yes
If so, is this true no matter where they are initially engaged in your community or what shelter or unsheltered location they may be in?	Yes
D. Are sufficient SSVF resources allocated to ensure there are no RRH gaps or turn-aways?	Yes
E. Are you using SSVF to rapidly re-house Veterans who are waiting on VASH or other PSH assistance if VASH/PSH is not available immediately or in near future?	Yes

4. Other Strengths and Challenges: Briefly describe any additional strengths and/or challenges relevant to your achieving VA and local goals.

Strengths: The agencies in Monmouth County are dedicated to ending homeless and work together to identify veterans and connect them to appropriate resources. The County Veteran Service Office works to ensure that veterans are aware of the resources available to them and collaborates with SSVF grantees when appropriate. The shelter providers have been very welcoming in allowing SSVF to conduct outreach and helping us identify veterans. The SSVF providers conduct a biweekly phone call to discuss and collaborate on the homeless veterans in Monmouth County. For those veterans who are not housed within the 30 day target, a new housing plan is created and the veteran is encouraged to establish realistic goals that the veteran's SSVF case manager can help them to achieve to move towards permanent housing.

SSVF: Community Plan Summary

Date Completed/Revised: 9/15/2015

Continuum of Care Name:	Morris County CoC	CoC Number:	NJ-509
CoC Representative:	Luisa Fieno	Title:	Program Coordinator
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Person Completing this Summary:	Jennifer Stivers	Title:	Director
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1. Primary Planning and Coordination Group: Identify the primary group responsible for planning and coordinating efforts to prevent and end homelessness among Veterans in the CoC. List the principal members of this group and their affiliation.

Primary Group Name:	Community Hope, Inc.		
Principal Members	Affiliation		
Community Hope, Inc.			
Catholic Family & Community Services, d/b/a Hope House			
Market Street Mission			
Jersey Battered Women's Service			
Housing Partnership of Morris County			
Morris County Office of Temporary Assistance			
NORWESCAP			
NJ211			
Homeless Solutions, Inc.			
Veterans Administration - NJ Health Care Systems			
Monarch Housing			
Mental Health Association of Morris County			
Legal Services of Northwest Jersey			
ALFRE, Inc./Mrs. Wilson's			
Zufall Health Center			

2. Ongoing Review and Coordination: Briefly describe how often (e.g., monthly) the above group meets to review progress and coordinate efforts. Include a summary of what information is reviewed during these meetings.

The CoC meets on a monthly basis to discuss coordination of services for the homeless population of Morris County. The meeting allows for all agencies to coordinate and share resources across the county. This COC is currently working on forming the following subcommittees: SOAR, Data, Coordinated Assessment, Project Homeless Connect, Discharge Planning, Permanent Housing, and Barriers. Community Hope is on the SOAR and Coordinated Assessment committees. Coordinated Assessment has been piloted at a few agencies in the county. SSVF grantees (Community Hope, Inc. & Catholic Family and Community Services) established a monthly conference call to better coordinate services and to avoid duplication of benefits.

3. Annual Demand, Goals, and Strategies for Achieving and Sustaining Functional Zero: Identify the estimated number of Veterans who are homeless annually and the community/CoC goals and strategies for achieving a functional end to Veteran homelessness by the end of 2015 (overall community/CoC goals, not just SSVF grantees). If one or more of the goals and strategies below have not yet been established for the community, leave blank and identify the date by which they will be established. See the *Ending Homelessness Among Veterans Overview* for additional guidance.

3A. Estimated Annual Number of Homeless Veterans: Identify the total unduplicated number of Veterans expected to be homeless in 2015 using data from the SSVF Edition of the Veteran Homelessness Gaps Analysis Tool FY15Q3 or data assumptions that have already been adopted by the community, such as the *VA CoC Gaps Analysis Tool (GAT)*.

Estimated Annual Total:	31
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3B. Community/CoC Goals: Identify your community's/CoC's key goals and targets.

A. Permanent Housing Placement Target & SSVF Rapid Re-Housing Placement Target:
Complete and attach *SSVF Edition of Veteran Homelessness Gaps Analysis Tool FY15Q3 OR an CoC Gaps Analysis Tool – Strategy 4 (SSVF) Worksheet*

B. Length of Time Homeless Goal (max or average days):	90	days
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C. January 2016 Point-in-Time (PIT) Count Goal	Sheltered	Unsheltered	Total
Number of Veterans expected to be counted as homeless during the CoC's January 2016 PIT count:	5	0	5
Of number above, how many will also be counted as chronically homeless:	2	0	2

3C. Implementation Strategies: What strategies are being used to achieve and sustain functional zero?

	Yes/No/Under Dev
A. Has your community identified every Veteran who is homeless right now by name?	Under Dev
B. Does every Veteran who is homeless now have a Housing Plan and access to safe (and low barrier as needed) shelter and/or permanent housing?	Under Dev
C. Is every Veteran who becomes homeless rapidly engaged and offered shelter and/or housing that meets their needs?	Yes
If so, is this true no matter where they are initially engaged in your community or what shelter or unsheltered location they may be in?	Yes
D. Are sufficient SSVF resources allocated to ensure there are no RRH gaps or turn-aways?	Yes
E. Are you using SSVF to rapidly re-house Veterans who are waiting on VASH or other PSH assistance if VASH/PSH is not available immediately or in near future?	Yes

4. Other Strengths and Challenges: Briefly describe any additional strengths and/or challenges relevant to your achieving VA and local goals.

Strengths:

1. An ongoing cooperative relationships between the SSVF Grantees and emergency/transitional housing programs
2. An ongoing cooperative relationship between the SSVF Grantees, VA and HUD VASH

Challenges:

1. Lack of Veteran specific housing
2. Lack of affordable housing
3. Lack of employment opportunities

SSVF: Community Plan Summary

Date Completed/Revised: 9/14/2015

Continuum of Care Name:	Paterson/Passaic County CoC	CoC Number:	NJ-511
CoC Representative:	Carl Perry	Title:	CFCS Outreach worker
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Person Completing this Summary:	Ana Schreiner	Title:	CFCS SSVF Program Director
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1. **Primary Planning and Coordination Group:** Identify the primary group responsible for planning and coordinating efforts to prevent and end homelessness among Veterans in the CoC. List the principal members of this group and their affiliation.

Primary Group Name:	SOS VETS	
Principal Members	Affiliation	
Terri Illes	American Red Cross	
Richard Daul	Bergen County Veteran Services	
Ana Schreiner	Catholic Family and Community Services	
Anne Burns	Chat and Chew	
Jaime Simon	Community Hope	
John Harris	Disability and Veteran Affairs	
Laura Purdy	Jewish Veterans of War	
Kristine Bonagora	LYONS VA	
Cathy Bocard	Missionary Church of Paterson	
Tamara Lugo	New Hope Village for Veterans, Inc.	
Richar Mannes	NJDMAVA	
Ray Chimileski	Operation Chillout	
Faith Kallert	Passaic County Community College	
Michelle Kadell	Paterson Park Apartments	
Len Agrusti	Rotatary Internal	
David Cathcart	Secaucus Veteran Affairs	
Kirsten Schenk	Soldier On	
Frank Quadrino	VA NJ Healthcare System	
Nancy Everett	Veteran Affairs	
Nancy Provax	Veterans Transportation Fund	
Sgt. Lynette Butler	William Paterson University	
Frank Arminio	Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 27	

2. Ongoing Review and Coordination: Briefly describe how often (e.g., monthly) the above group meets to review progress and coordinate efforts. Include a summary of what information is reviewed during these meetings.

SOS Vets is a group of providers that meets every six weeks. These meetings discuss various resources available for veterans in northern New Jersey. Providers also give updates during the meetings on what funding is available in regards to assisting veterans in the areas of housing, healthcare, education and transportation. In addition, the two SSVF providers that share Passaic County (Catholic Family and Community Hope) work closely together and participate in a bi-weekly phone conference call in order to update each other of concerns, screenings and clients. CFCS and Community Hope provides an updated list of veterans to each other in order to avoid client duplication and to maximize SSVF resources to serve veterans who are homeless and are risk of being homeless in Passaic County.

Catholic Family and Community Services are also involved in the Mayor's Challenge to End Veteran Homelessness

3. Annual Demand, Goals, and Strategies for Achieving and Sustaining Functional Zero: Identify the estimated number of Veterans who are homeless annually and the community/CoC goals and strategies for achieving a functional end to Veteran homelessness by the end of 2015 (overall community/CoC goals, not just SSVF grantees). If one or more of the goals and strategies below have not yet been established for the community, leave blank and identify the date by which they will be established. See the *Ending Homelessness Among Veterans Overview* for additional guidance.

3A. Estimated Annual Number of Homeless Veterans: Identify the total unduplicated number of Veterans expected to be homeless in 2015 using data from the SSVF Edition of the Veteran Homelessness Gaps Analysis Tool FY15Q3 or data assumptions that have already been adopted by the community, such as the *VA CoC Gaps Analysis Tool (GAT)*.

Estimated Annual Total:	15
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3B. Community/CoC Goals: Identify your community's/CoC's key goals and targets.

A. Permanent Housing Placement Target & SSVF Rapid Re-Housing Placement Target:
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B. Length of Time Homeless Goal (max or average days):	30	days
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C. January 2016 Point-in-Time (PIT) Count Goal	Sheltered	Unsheltered	Total
Number of Veterans expected to be counted as homeless during the CoC's January 2016 PIT count:	3	2	5
Of number above, how many will also be counted as chronically homeless:		2	2

3C. Implementation Strategies: What strategies are being used to achieve and sustain functional zero?

	Yes/No/Under Dev
A. Has your community identified every Veteran who is homeless right now by name?	Yes
Is this list updated regularly?	Under Dev
Is this list reviewed at least bi-weekly by key community partners to ensure Veterans have a permanent housing plan and those plans are achieved?	Under Dev
B. Does every Veteran who is homeless now have a Housing Plan and access to safe (and low barrier as needed) shelter and/or permanent housing?	Yes
C. Is every Veteran who becomes homeless rapidly engaged and offered shelter and/or housing that meets their needs?	Yes
If so, is this true no matter where they are initially engaged in your community or what shelter or unsheltered location they may be in?	Yes
D. Are sufficient SSVF resources allocated to ensure there are no RRH gaps or turn-aways?	Yes
E. Are you using SSVF to rapidly re-house Veterans who are waiting on VASH or other PSH assistance if VASH/PSH is not available immediately or in near future?	Yes

4. Other Strengths and Challenges: Briefly describe any additional strengths and/or challenges relevant to your achieving VA and local goals.

Strengths:

1. The Mayor joined the Mayors Challenge to End Veteran Homelessness and dedicated resources to Veteran serving programs. At present, the mayor of Paterson is proposing free land for developers that will create housing for veterans.
2. An ongoing cooperative relationships between the SSVF Grantees and emergency/transitional housing programs with assisting homeless veterans.
3. An ongoing cooperative relationship between the SSVF Grantees, VA and HUD VASH

Challenges:

1. Lack of Veteran specific housing
2. Lack of affordable housing
3. Lack of employment opportunities

2. Ongoing Review and Coordination: Briefly describe how often (e.g., monthly) the above group meets to review progress and coordinate efforts. Include a summary of what information is reviewed during these meetings.

SSVF partners meet regularly to discuss coordinated assessment and gaps and report monthly to Salem CoC on progress. SSVF partners currently working on coordinated effort to engage further stakeholders in increased community awareness and planning.

3. Annual Demand, Goals, and Strategies for Achieving and Sustaining Functional Zero: Identify the estimated number of Veterans who are homeless annually and the community/CoC goals and strategies for achieving a functional end to Veteran homelessness by the end of 2015 (overall community/CoC goals, not just SSVF grantees). If one or more of the goals and strategies below have not yet been established for the community, leave blank and identify the date by which they will be established. See the *Ending Homelessness Among Veterans Overview* for additional guidance.

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Estimated Annual Total:	2
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3B. Community/CoC Goals: Identify your community's/CoC's key goals and targets.

A. Permanent Housing Placement Target & SSVF Rapid Re-Housing Placement Target:
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B. Length of Time Homeless Goal (max or average days):	30	days
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C. January 2016 Point-in-Time (PIT) Count Goal	Sheltered	Unsheltered	Total
Number of Veterans expected to be counted as homeless during the CoC's January 2016 PIT count:	1	1	2
Of number above, how many will also be counted as chronically homeless:	1	1	2

3C. Implementation Strategies: What strategies are being used to achieve and sustain functional zero?

	Yes/No/Under Dev
A. Has your community identified every Veteran who is homeless right now by name?	Yes
Is this list updated regularly?	Yes
Is this list reviewed at least bi-weekly by key community partners to ensure Veterans have a permanent housing plan and those plans are achieved?	Yes
B. Does every Veteran who is homeless now have a Housing Plan and access to safe (and low barrier as needed) shelter and/or permanent housing?	Yes
C. Is every Veteran who becomes homeless rapidly engaged and offered shelter and/or housing that meets their needs?	Yes
If so, is this true no matter where they are initially engaged in your community or what shelter or unsheltered location they may be in?	Yes
D. Are sufficient SSVF resources allocated to ensure there are no RRH gaps or turn-aways?	Yes
E. Are you using SSVF to rapidly re-house Veterans who are waiting on VASH or other PSH assistance if VASH/PSH is not available immediately or in near future?	Yes

4. Other Strengths and Challenges: Briefly describe any additional strengths and/or challenges relevant to your achieving VA and local goals.

Both SSVF programs are committed partners with regular communication and assessments. Catholic Charities maintains a walk-in office space within Salem County CoC allowing veterans to have a physical point of contact. Salem County CoC relies on SSVF programs as subject matter experts in ending veteran homelessness and has pledged any needed support. Challenges include wide and largely rural area with limited public housing, particularly for high barrier veterans and limited public transportation. Salem County maintains few shelters for veteran families in need.

2. Ongoing Review and Coordination: Briefly describe how often (e.g., monthly) the above group meets to review progress and coordinate efforts. Include a summary of what information is reviewed during these meetings.

The Somerset CoC meets on a quarterly basis to discuss the coordination of services for the homeless population in Somerset County. A subcommittee specific to permanent housing as well as a subcommittee on mainstream resources was created. We participate in both meetings. Community Hope is going to suggest and assist with the implementation of a Veteran specific subcommittee in order to get to functional zero.

3. Annual Demand, Goals, and Strategies for Achieving and Sustaining Functional Zero: Identify the estimated number of Veterans who are homeless annually and the community/CoC goals and strategies for achieving a functional end to Veteran homelessness by the end of 2015 (overall community/CoC goals, not just SSVF grantees). If one or more of the goals and strategies below have not yet been established for the community, leave blank and identify the date by which they will be established. See the *Ending Homelessness Among Veterans Overview* for additional guidance.

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Estimated Annual Total:	276
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3B. Community/CoC Goals: Identify your community's/CoC's key goals and targets.

A. Permanent Housing Placement Target & SSVF Rapid Re-Housing Placement Target:
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B. Length of Time Homeless Goal (max or average days):	90	days
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C. January 2016 Point-in-Time (PIT) Count Goal	Sheltered	Unsheltered	Total
Number of Veterans expected to be counted as homeless during the CoC's January 2016 PIT count:	100	0	100
Of number above, how many will also be counted as chronically homeless:	25	0	25

3C. Implementation Strategies: What strategies are being used to achieve and sustain functional zero?

	Yes/No/Under Dev
A. Has your community identified every Veteran who is homeless right now by name?	Under Dev
B. Does every Veteran who is homeless now have a Housing Plan and access to safe (and low barrier as needed) shelter and/or permanent housing?	Under Dev
C. Is every Veteran who becomes homeless rapidly engaged and offered shelter and/or housing that meets their needs?	Yes
If so, is this true no matter where they are initially engaged in your community or what shelter or unsheltered location they may be in?	Yes
D. Are sufficient SSVF resources allocated to ensure there are no RRH gaps or turn-aways?	Yes
E. Are you using SSVF to rapidly re-house Veterans who are waiting on VASH or other PSH assistance if VASH/PSH is not available immediately or in near future?	Yes

4. Other Strengths and Challenges: Briefly describe any additional strengths and/or challenges relevant to your achieving VA and local goals.

Strengths:

1. An ongoing cooperative relationships between the Community Hope and transitional housing programs
2. An ongoing cooperative relationship between the Community Hope, VA and HUD VASH

Challenges:

1. Lack of Veteran specific housing
2. Lack of affordable housing
3. Lack of employment opportunities

2. Ongoing Review and Coordination: Briefly describe how often (e.g., monthly) the above group meets to review progress and coordinate efforts. Include a summary of what information is reviewed during these meetings.

The Trenton/Mercer CoC meetings occur quarterly, as well as monthly HOPE Meetings which are case manager collaboratives. During these meetings program updates are shared and resources are discussed. Within the specific Veteran subcommittee meets to discuss specific strategies for ending veteran homelessness. The Trenton/Mercer CoC just opened their Coordinated Entry and Assessment Services (CEASe) Center which provides a single point of entry for consumers. The client presents in person at the center for a comprehensive intake process with a CEASe case manager. Additionally, all clients screened through the CEASe center will be prioritized using the screening tool. Through this initiative, the CoC has developed a list of homeless veterans. Soldier On and Community Hope also provide a monthly report of veterans entering and exiting our programs. These three data sources have resulted in a working take-down list for the homeless veterans in Mercer County. A formal plan presented by the County Executive will be presented to the community on November 10th. Part of this plan includes local leaders signing on to the Mayor's Challenge.

3. Annual Demand, Goals, and Strategies for Achieving and Sustaining Functional Zero: Identify the estimated number of Veterans who are homeless annually and the community/CoC goals and strategies for achieving a functional end to Veteran homelessness by the end of 2015 (overall community/CoC goals, not just SSVF grantees). If one or more of the goals and strategies below have not yet been established for the community, leave blank and identify the date by which they will be established. See the *Ending Homelessness Among Veterans Overview* for additional guidance.

3A. Estimated Annual Number of Homeless Veterans: Identify the total unduplicated number of Veterans expected to be homeless in 2015 using data from the SSVF Edition of the Veteran Homelessness Gaps Analysis Tool FY15Q3 or data assumptions that have already been adopted by the community, such as the *VA CoC Gaps Analysis Tool (GAT)*.

Estimated Annual Total:	65
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3B. Community/CoC Goals: Identify your community's/CoC's key goals and targets.

A. Permanent Housing Placement Target & SSVF Rapid Re-Housing Placement Target:
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B. Length of Time Homeless Goal (max or average days):	30	days
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C. January 2016 Point-in-Time (PIT) Count Goal	Sheltered	Unsheltered	Total
Number of Veterans expected to be counted as homeless during the CoC's January 2016 PIT count:	25	0	25
Of number above, how many will also be counted as chronically homeless:	6	0	6

3C. Implementation Strategies: What strategies are being used to achieve and sustain functional zero?

	Yes/No/Under Dev
A. Has your community identified every Veteran who is homeless right now by name?	Yes
Is this list updated regularly?	Yes
Is this list reviewed at least bi-weekly by key community partners to ensure Veterans have a permanent housing plan and those plans are achieved?	Yes
B. Does every Veteran who is homeless now have a Housing Plan and access to safe (and low barrier as needed) shelter and/or permanent housing?	Yes
C. Is every Veteran who becomes homeless rapidly engaged and offered shelter and/or housing that meets their needs?	Yes
If so, is this true no matter where they are initially engaged in your community or what shelter or unsheltered location they may be in?	Yes
D. Are sufficient SSVF resources allocated to ensure there are no RRH gaps or turn-aways?	Yes
E. Are you using SSVF to rapidly re-house Veterans who are waiting on VASH or other PSH assistance if VASH/PSH is not available immediately or in near future?	Yes

4. Other Strengths and Challenges: Briefly describe any additional strengths and/or challenges relevant to your achieving VA and local goals.

Strengths: The high level of coordination between the CEASe system and SSVF providers is a strength in Mercer County. The shelters are accessible to the homeless population within the CoC and their staff is knowledgeable in identifying veterans to be linked with resources. Another strength is the willingness of other community providers to collaborate in providing services to the veterans in Mercer County. Through the case managers at the CEASe system, each homeless veteran identified is linked to an SSVF provider to take over their primary case management to serve as systems navigator. The SSVF providers conduct a biweekly phone call to discuss and collaborate on the list of identified homeless veterans in Mercer County. In the event that a veteran is not housed within the targeted 30 days, the veteran completes an updated housing plan with short-term goals that are realistic and can be achieved within 30 days to keep the veteran moving towards stability and achieving an appropriate housing goal.

SSVF: Community Plan Summary

Date Completed/Revised: 9/14/2015

Continuum of Care Name:	Elizabeth/Union County CoC	CoC Number:	NJ-515
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1. Primary Planning and Coordination Group: Identify the primary group responsible for planning and coordinating efforts to prevent and end homelessness among Veterans in the CoC. List the principal members of this group and their affiliation.

Primary Group Name:	
Principal Members	Affiliation
Nancy Schneeloch	Bridgeway
Michelle Mobley	Community Access Unlimited/Insitute
Luisa Fieno	Community Hope, Inc
Richard Scroczyński	Elizabeth Coalition
Geleen Donovan or Rise Grady	Family Promise
Theresa Neidich	FISH Hospitality
Susan Pepper	Gateway Family YMCA
Jennie Crespo	Homefirst
Afifa Ansari	HUD-VASH
Theresa McCoy	Plainfield Area YMCA
Meghan Leigh	Raphael's Life House/Covenant House NJ
Elizabeth Jones	Salvation Army-Elizabeth
Walter Martinez	Volunteers of America
Jan Lillien	YWCA/EUC
Medina Wingo	Catholic Family and Community Services

2. Ongoing Review and Coordination: Briefly describe how often (e.g., monthly) the above group meets to review progress and coordinate efforts. Include a summary of what information is reviewed during these meetings.

The group meets every month. These meetings discuss various resources available for veterans in northern New Jersey. Providers also give updates during the meetings on what funding is available in regards to assisting veterans in the areas of housing, healthcare, education and transportation. In addition, the two SSVF providers that shares Union County (Catholic Family and Community Hope) work closely together and will participate in a bi-weekly phone conference call in order to update each other of concerns, screenings and clients. CFCS and Community Hope provides an updated list of veterans to each other in order to avoid client duplication and to maximize SSVF resources to serve veterans who are homeless and are risk of being homeless in Union County.

3. Annual Demand, Goals, and Strategies for Achieving and Sustaining Functional Zero: Identify the estimated number of Veterans who are homeless annually and the community/CoC goals and strategies for achieving a functional end to Veteran homelessness by the end of 2015 (overall community/CoC goals, not just SSVF grantees). If one or more of the goals and strategies below have not yet been established for the community, leave blank and identify the date by which they will be established. See the *Ending Homelessness Among Veterans Overview* for additional guidance.

3A. Estimated Annual Number of Homeless Veterans: Identify the total unduplicated number of Veterans expected to be homeless in 2015 using data from the SSVF Edition of the Veteran Homelessness Gaps Analysis Tool FY15Q3 or data assumptions that have already been adopted by the community, such as the *VA CoC Gaps Analysis Tool (GAT)*.

Estimated Annual Total:	53
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3B. Community/CoC Goals: Identify your community's/CoC's key goals and targets.

A. Permanent Housing Placement Target & SSVF Rapid Re-Housing Placement Target:
Complete and attach *SSVF Edition of Veteran Homelessness Gaps Analysis Tool FY15Q3 OR an CoC Gaps Analysis Tool – Strategy 4 (SSVF) Worksheet*

B. Length of Time Homeless Goal (max or average days):	30	days
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C. January 2016 Point-in-Time (PIT) Count Goal	Sheltered	Unsheltered	Total
Number of Veterans expected to be counted as homeless during the CoC's January 2016 PIT count:	10	5	15
Of number above, how many will also be counted as chronically homeless:		3	3

3C. Implementation Strategies: What strategies are being used to achieve and sustain functional zero?

	Yes/No/Under Dev
A. Has your community identified every Veteran who is homeless right now by name?	Under Dev
B. Does every Veteran who is homeless now have a Housing Plan and access to safe (and low barrier as needed) shelter and/or permanent housing?	Yes
C. Is every Veteran who becomes homeless rapidly engaged and offered shelter and/or housing that meets their needs?	Yes
If so, is this true no matter where they are initially engaged in your community or what shelter or unsheltered location they may be in?	Yes
D. Are sufficient SSVF resources allocated to ensure there are no RRH gaps or turn-aways?	Yes
E. Are you using SSVF to rapidly re-house Veterans who are waiting on VASH or other PSH assistance if VASH/PSH is not available immediately or in near future?	Yes

4. Other Strengths and Challenges: Briefly describe any additional strengths and/or challenges relevant to your achieving VA and local goals.

Strengths:

1. An ongoing cooperative relationships between the SSVF Grantees and emergency/transitional housing programs
2. A short timeframe goal to housed a veteran
3. An ongoing cooperative relationship between the SSVF Grantees, VA and HUD VASH

Challenges:

1. Lack of Veteran specific housing
2. Lack of affordable housing
3. Lack of employment opportunities
4. Engaging chronically homeless into permanent housing
5. Landlords often refuses tenants with bad credit and with criminal records

2. Ongoing Review and Coordination: Briefly describe how often (e.g., monthly) the above group meets to review progress and coordinate efforts. Include a summary of what information is reviewed during these meetings.

The Tri County CoC meets quarterly to discuss coordination services within the Tri County area which includes Warren, Sussex and Hunterdon Counties. The Tri County COC discusses the inventory list from HMIS. There is Warren County meeting that takes place monthly that discusses housing/homelessness in the Warren County area. There are also various sub-committees that meet sporadically.

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Estimated Annual Total:	113
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3B. Community/CoC Goals: Identify your community's/CoC's key goals and targets.

A. Permanent Housing Placement Target & SSVF Rapid Re-Housing Placement Target:
 Complete and attach *SSVF Edition of Veteran Homelessness Gaps Analysis Tool FY15Q3 OR an CoC Gaps Analysis Tool – Strategy 4 (SSVF) Worksheet*

B. Length of Time Homeless Goal (max or average days):	90	days
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C. January 2016 Point-in-Time (PIT) Count Goal	Sheltered	Unsheltered	Total
Number of Veterans expected to be counted as homeless during the CoC's January 2016 PIT count:	15	0	15
Of number above, how many will also be counted as chronically homeless:	5	0	5

3C. Implementation Strategies: What strategies are being used to achieve and sustain functional zero?

	Yes/No/Under Dev
A. Has your community identified every Veteran who is homeless right now by name?	Under Dev
B. Does every Veteran who is homeless now have a Housing Plan and access to safe (and low barrier as needed) shelter and/or permanent housing?	Under Dev
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E. Are you using SSVF to rapidly re-house Veterans who are waiting on VASH or other PSH assistance if VASH/PSH is not available immediately or in near future?	Yes

4. Other Strengths and Challenges: Briefly describe any additional strengths and/or challenges relevant to your achieving VA and local goals.

Strengths:

1. An ongoing cooperative relationships between the SSVF Grantees and emergency/transitional housing programs (in particular permanent supportive housing).
2. An ongoing cooperative relationship between the SSVF Grantees, other agencies, VA and HUD VASH

Challenges:

1. Lack of Veteran specific housing
2. Lack of transportation
3. Lack of employment opportunities