

What is the Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Program?

The Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Program (HVRP) is a competitive grant program administered by the Veterans' Employment and Training Service (VETS) of the U.S. Department of Labor. As the first nationwide grant program focused on placing homeless veterans into jobs, the primary objectives of HVRP are:

- To provide services to assist in reintegrating homeless veterans into meaningful employment within the labor force; and
- To stimulate the development of effective service delivery systems that will address the complex problems facing homeless veterans.

The range of HVRP-funded employment and training services includes:

1. Classroom training
2. Job search activities
3. Job preparation
4. Subsidized trial employment
5. On-the-job training
6. Job placement
7. Placement follow-up services
8. Vocational counseling

To support and stabilize homeless veterans prior to addressing employment goals, HVRP grantees also provide supportive services and referrals to necessary treatment services, counseling, and housing assistance.

HVRP applicants should demonstrate linkages with other providers serving veterans, including programs funded by other federal agencies, in order to promote a coordinated approach and to avoid unnecessary duplication of services.

Who is eligible to apply for HVRP funding?

VETS accepts applications for HVRP funds from a wide range of state and local agencies and organizations. These applicants must be familiar with their areas and the population to be served and be able to administer an effective program. Entities eligible to apply include:

- **State and Local Workforce Investment Boards (WIBS)** as defined in Section 111 and 117 of the Workforce Investment Act.
- **Local public agencies.** Note: A state agency may propose to serve one or more of the potential jurisdictions located in its state. This does not preclude a city or county agency from submitting an application to serve its own jurisdiction.
- **Private non-profit organizations** including faith-based and community-based organizations that have operated an HVRP or similar employment and training program for the homeless or veterans, have proven a capacity to manage grants, and will provide the necessary linkages with other service providers.
- **For-profit/commercial entities.**

Who is eligible to participate in an HVRP-funded program?

To be eligible for receipt of HVRP services, an individual must be homeless and a veteran, defined as follows:

- The term "homeless or homeless individual" includes persons who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence. It includes persons whose primary nighttime residence is either a supervised public or private shelter designed to provide temporary living accommodations; an institution that provides a temporary residence for individuals intended to be institutionalized; or a private place not designed for, or ordinarily used as, a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings.
- The term "veteran" means a person who served in the active U. S. military, naval, or air service, and who was discharged or released under conditions other than dishonorable.

Are there any other requirements?

- All HVRP grantees are subject to monitoring by VETS staff to ensure that program accomplishments and expenditures are consistent with the program goals and funding levels specified in the grant award.
- HVRP grantees are required to utilize a case management approach to coordinate the services provided to homeless veterans.

How do I apply for HVRP?

To announce the availability of HVRP grant funding, VETS issues a Solicitation for Grant Applications (SGA). The SGA identifies eligible HVRP applicants and details the application procedures, and is the primary document that potential grantees use to apply for competitive grant funds. Grant applications must be prepared and submitted based on the information contained in the SGA.

Applications are generally due to the DOL national office within 30 days after the date of SGA publication.

For more information

For more information regarding the Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Program and VETS' other programs and services, visit our website at: www.dol.gov/vets

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