

**Stephen B. Dillard**  
**Deputy Director**  
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Mr. Stephen B. Dillard serves as the Deputy Director for the Department of Veterans Affairs Center for Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships (CFBNP). In this role, he supports the Center's mission and the White House Office of Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnership four priority goals in order to service the needs of Veterans, their families, survivors and caregivers. Mr. Dillard has served as Deputy Director since November 2004.

In January 2009 to September 2009, Mr. Dillard served as Acting Director for VA CFBNP. In this role, he coordinated partnerships between the VA and faith-based and non-government organizations. He administered priority goals of the White House Office of Faith-based and Neighborhood Partnerships for the Department of Veterans Affairs. Mr. Dillard also managed the operation of the VA Center for Faith-based and Neighborhood Partnerships, which entails outreach and the implementation of strategies intended to expand faith-based and non-government organizations' participation in VA programs. These VA programs serve the needs of homeless, disabled, OEF/OIF and hospitalized Veterans.

From 1998 to 2002, Mr. Dillard worked as the Director of the State Approving Agency at the Florida Department of Veterans Affairs. In this role, he managed the administration of the Montgomery GI Bill for Veterans enrolled in state-approved colleges, universities, and technical schools.

Mr. Dillard supports and partners with faith-based and community organizations, foundations and corporations to serve the needs of veterans, their families, survivor and caregivers. In particular, he supports policies that assist veterans' transition from homelessness to self-sufficiency. He is the co-founder of the Mt. Olive Baptist Church Project New Life, a non-profit faith-based organization based in Pensacola, Florida.

From 1987 to 1994, Mr. Dillard served in the United States Navy. He proudly served in the Persian Gulf War in 1990.

Mr. Dillard earned his undergraduate degree in Political Science at The Florida State University. He also earned his Master of Public Administration degree from the Reubin O' D. Askew School of Public Administration and Policy at the Florida State University. Moreover, he is a 2007 graduate of Leadership VA (LVA).

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