

NATIONAL COALITION *for* **HOMELESS VETERANS**



NCHV will end homelessness among veterans by shaping public policy, promoting collaboration, and building the capacity of service providers.



FY 2008 Annual Report

❖ *Chairman's Message*

New Administration Offers Hope for Continued Success

The past year has had many elements of the “best of times and worst of times” for the entire NCHV family. At the end of the day, however, I believe we can look forward to continuing to meet the needs of homeless veterans as well as moving forward towards our goal of reducing veteran homelessness.

The sharp economic downturn has certainly made some of our funding less certain – from corporate and private donations to state and local government funding. This same economy also has the potential to increase demand for services at the same time that our resources may diminish.

On the other hand, we have a new President in the White House who has supported NCHV and has made a point of including the homeless veteran as a priority in recent remarks. The recent passage of the Omnibus Funding package for FY 2009 includes an additional \$75 million for another 10,000 HUD-VASH

Section 8 vouchers; complementing existing VA funding for additional caseworkers to support them.

There are opportunities ahead – reauthorization of the Department of Labor HVRP program, a new “Homes for Heroes” bill, and new supportive housing programs from VA. NCHV will certainly stay abreast of these and make every effort to maintain the momentum we have in reducing the number of homeless veterans in America.

As always, I want to thank all of the staff – Cheryl, John, Louise, Melanie, Randy, and Kristina for their hard work and dedication over the past year. I also want to thank you – our members – for your support of NCHV and above all for the work you do every day for our nation’s veterans.

George Basher

*VA Healthcare Network Upstate New York
Chairman of the Board of Directors*

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The Campaign in the Nation's Capital

NCHV's policy initiatives are aimed at accomplishing our mission to end and prevent homelessness among America's veterans. The initiatives focus on four primary action areas – 1) providing access to comprehensive, high quality and affordable health care; 2) ensuring income security at a level sufficient for obtaining and maintaining housing, food, health care and other basic human needs, 3) supplying permanent, safe, high-quality and affordable housing, and 4) preventing homelessness among all veteran populations. NCHV's initiatives indicate where short- and long-term change is needed.



These measures are directed toward the U.S. government, and actions taken at this level are intended to benefit all Americans. NCHV's policies serve as the primary resource to advise Congress, the Administration and interested organizations about homeless veteran issues and guide the actions needed to end and prevent homelessness among America's veterans.

During FY 2008, as the first session of the 110th Congress drew to a close, lawmakers in both the Senate and House intensified their efforts to secure funding for veteran programs. NCHV was invited to participate in several of these activities. In November 2007, along with Senate leadership NCHV and several veterans service

organizations participated in a national press conference emphasizing the need for increased funding for the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) veterans health programs. Additionally, NCHV was invited to participate in a roundtable discussion on veterans legislation, convened by House of Representatives Speaker Nancy Pelosi (D-CA) and attended by House leadership. NCHV presented remarks on the need for passage of FY 2008 appropriations legislation.

On December 26, 2007, the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2008 became Public Law 110-161 and included \$130 million (the authorized level) for the VA Grant and Per Diem program, \$24.04 million for the Department of Labor's (DOL) Homeless Veterans Reintegration Program, and \$75 million for the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to distribute 10,000 new Section 8 vouchers to selected public housing authorities under the HUD-VASH program. During 2007 NCHV had partnered with the Corporation for Supportive Housing, National Alliance to End Homelessness and Volunteers of America to seek new funding for the HUD-VASH program vouchers.

Increased funding for the VA Grant and Per Diem (GPD) program and the need for GPD program payment revisions remained a high policy priority for NCHV during FY 2008. During House Veterans Affairs Committee (HVAC) hearings, conducted by Chairman Bob Filner (D-CA) on both the FY 2009 VA budget and VA homeless veterans assistance programs, NCHV presented its views on the need for increasing the authorization level for the GPD program to \$200 million and revising the GPD reimbursement system. NCHV also recommended increased funding for VA homeless veterans assistance programs before the House Appropriations Veterans Affairs Subcommittee. Increased funding to the authorized level of \$50 million for the DOL Homeless Veterans Reintegration Program was also requested in NCHV's testimony before the two House panels. Throughout FY 2008 NCHV worked with both HVAC and Senate Veterans Affairs Committee staff to develop legislation designed to enhance current programs and develop services to reduce the risks of homelessness among veterans. By the end of the fiscal year Congress had not acted on these bills.

Also during FY 2008, NCHV stepped up its efforts to educate Congress about the need for a permanent supportive housing program for low income veterans. In December 2007 Representative Maxine Waters, Chair of the House Financial Services Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, conducted a hearing regarding the Affordable Housing Needs of America's Low Income Veterans. NCHV was invited to testify and declared its support for the "Homes for Heroes" bill, introduced by Representative Al Green (D-TX). Rep. Green's bill, which would provide permanent supportive housing for low income veterans, was the companion bill to one reintroduced in the 110th Congress by then-Senator Barack Obama (D-IL).

In early 2008, NCHV convened a coalition of national housing and homelessness advocacy groups and veteran and military service organizations to focus on enactment of the Homes for Heroes bill. Coalition members helped to secure passage in the House of Representatives in July 2008 by a vote of 412-8. The bill did not pass in the Senate.

NCHV also worked closely with Senator Patty Murray (D-WA), Chair of the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Housing and Urban Development, to advance the issue of permanent supportive housing. In May 2008 Senators Murray and Tim Johnson (D-SD) Chair of the Senate Appropriations Veterans Affairs Subcommittee, conducted a hearing re-



Rep. Maxine Waters

garding veteran homelessness at which NCHV presented testimony. Senator Murray later included language in the FY 2009 HUD Appropriations bill that would establish a demonstration program requiring HUD, VA and DOL to identify strategies for preventing homelessness among veterans. Additionally, in response to HUD's FY 2009 budget request, both Senate and House HUD Appropriations Subcommittees included \$75 million in their bills for another 10,000 HUD-VASH Section 8 vouchers.

During the year, NCHV Board members and President and CEO Cheryl Beversdorf met with VA Secretary James Peake to seek support both for legislation that would expand homeless veteran provider services and for regulatory revisions of current VA homeless programs. Beversdorf and NCHV's Vice President for Operations and Programs, John Driscoll were also invited to participate at meetings of the VA Advisory Committee on Homeless Veterans. Beversdorf continued participation as a member of the DOL Advisory Committee on Veterans' Employment, Training & Employer Outreach, which is responsible for assessing the employment and training needs of the nation's veterans.

Finally, NCHV was invited to speak before groups interested in learning about veterans homelessness and in determining how their members could help to improve and expand available services. Organizations included the VA "Homeward Bound" conference, Celebrating Twenty Years of VA and Community Partnership in Service to Homeless Veterans; Humana Warrior Care Coordination Conference; Air Force Association Advisory Council; Nurses Organization of Veterans Affairs Legislative Roundtable; The American Legion 2nd Annual Homeless Veterans Providers Workshop; Direct Employers Association; National Health Care for the Homeless Conference; VA National Summit on Women Veterans' Issues; DOL-VETS Competitive Grants Training Conference; SAMHSA conference, Paving the Road Home: The National Behavioral Health Conference and Policy Academy on Returning Veterans and Their Families; Democratic National Convention Homelessness Awareness Breakfast; and Congressional Black Caucus session, Homelessness Among Veterans: Causes and Cures. ■

Technical Assistance Center

During this past year, the TA Center has seen remarkable growth in the number and types of services offered. Funded through grants from the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and Department of Labor-Veterans Employment and Training Service (DOL-VETS), the center provides technical assistance to homeless veteran service organizations assisting veterans. Under these grants, NCHV coordinates training sessions and provides resources to service providers who wish to apply for funding under the VA Homeless Providers Grant and Per Diem Program (GPD) and the DOL-VETS Homeless Veteran Reintegration Program (HVRP). The vast majority of requests that come from service providers still center on the completion of both the GPD and the HVRP applications. NCHV TA Center staff is uniquely trained to address the wide breadth of requests for assistance, ranging from starting an organization to those that have been in existence for some time but are looking for additional resources to increase the capacity of their programs. Staff also spends extensive time locating and posting resources and funding opportunities on the NCHV website.

Headed by **Melanie Lilliston**, Director of Technical Assistance and Finance, the center offers a wide variety of services and training resources to organizations in both regional and national training sessions. Training topics include preparing competitive program proposals; effective cost allocation and non-profit management practices; developing permanent supportive housing and services for veterans; OMB regulations and audit procedures; how to fully participate in the HUD Continuum of Care and VA CHALLENGE programs; and how to secure funding from on-governmental sources.

New to the center's offerings in FY 08 were one-on-one, face-to-face training opportunities for organizations needing specialized assistance and grant reviews. NCHV staff provided 18 organizations the opportunity to receive in-depth training on topics of most concern to their organization. These new face-to-face training sessions focus on helping to educate organizations that are looking to start a program or expand existing services to veterans. Information was provided on the practices of setting up a sound fiscal management system and meeting the goals and objectives outlined in their grant proposals, including assistance with program design and development. Grant reviews allowed organizations the opportunity to receive feedback on previously submitted applications and make necessary improvements for future rounds of funding.

- ❖ 18 conference calls involving **1,150** service providers.
- ❖ More than **5,200** consultations on program and organization management.
- ❖ **165** private consultations on implementing homeless court programs.
- ❖ **2,100** consultations on GPD grant application guidelines and compliance.
- ❖ **860** consultations on HVRP grant application guidelines and compliance.
- ❖ **210** consultations on supportive housing issues and program development.
- ❖ **520** resources and grants provided.

The TA center also published a library of seven fact sheets to aid in the education and training of local and state service providers. Topics include the Homeless Veterans Grant and Per Diem Program; Homeless Veterans Reintegration Program; Stand Down; OMB Circulars; NCHV Fact Sheet; and the Technical Assistance Center.

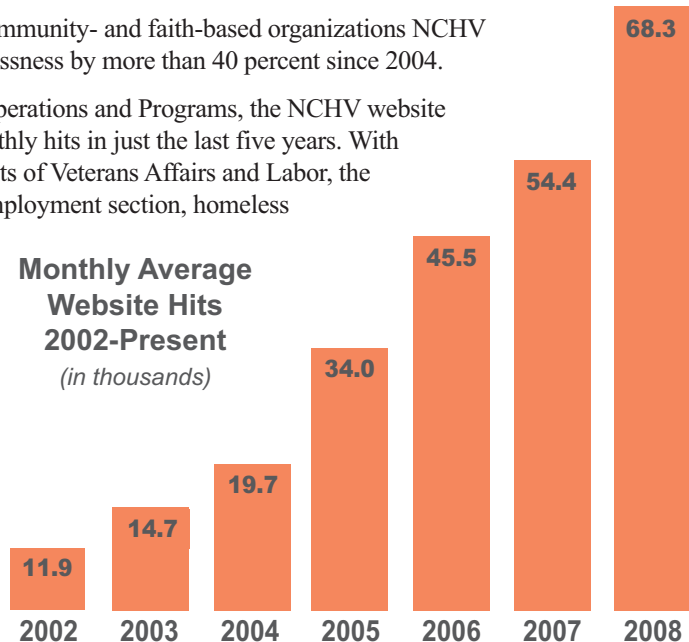
Communications and Programs

NCHV serves as the nation's most comprehensive source of information about homeless veterans and the programs in place to help them. Since 2003, through its partnerships with the U.S. Departments of Veterans Affairs, Labor-Veterans Employment and Training Service, and Housing and Urban Development, we have handled a phenomenal increase in the demand for information from service providers, Congress, government agencies on all levels, and veterans and their families who need assistance.

The partnership between these federal agencies and the community- and faith-based organizations NCHV represents has been credited with reducing veteran homelessness by more than 40 percent since 2004.

Under the guidance of **John Driscoll**, Vice President of Operations and Programs, the NCHV website (www.nchv.org) has seen a 450% increase in average monthly hits in just the last five years. With the help of technical assistance grants from the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Labor, the website has been expanded to include a comprehensive employment section, homeless veteran service providers best practices profiles, a self-help guide for veterans in crisis and family members who need information to help them, and an on-line reference library featuring information on a wide range of organization and program guidance issues.

The NCHV list serve now includes more than 2,900 organizations, corporations and government agencies that provide or support homeless veteran assistance programs. We have established a strong reputation for early announcements of federal grant notices, corporate and foundation funding opportunities, and resource information to help strengthen existing programs and facilitate the creation of new ones.



Information is distributed to subscribers twice a month through e-newsletters, and network email alerts are issued directly to subscribers periodically whenever federal grants are published in the Federal Register or through grants.gov.

Strategic partnerships have flourished in FY 2008. Resource guides available in both hard copy and on-line in the NCHV Resources Library include updated guides on Developing Supportive Housing; Establishing Homeless Courts; "Employment Assistance Guide for Service Providers Helping Homeless Veterans;" an expanded "Stand Down Manual" that includes guidance on finances, budgeting, and event planning and administrative oversight; and information on OMB grant regulations and guidelines.

Along with the federal departments listed above, NCHV staff work with representatives of several national nonprofit organizations to advocate for and support new initiatives to increase services to veterans in crisis. Among those critical allies are the Corporation for Supportive Housing, National Alliance to End Homelessness, National Law Center on Homelessness & Poverty, American Bar Association, the National Equity Fund, and Volunteers of America.

In October 2006, Driscoll attended the National Symposium on the Needs of Young Veterans in Chicago, hosted by AMVETS, and produced a report identifying the gaps in services of greatest concern to public assistance agencies throughout the nation. The report included recommendations of the community- and faith-based organization representatives. Throughout FY 2008, that report has served as a benchmark policy document for an emerging focus on prevention of veteran homelessness for men and women serving in Operations Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom (Afghanistan).

Other important contributions NCHV has made to the evolving homeless veteran assistance movement during FY 2008 include presentations on ending homelessness through effective community partnerships in more than a dozen states; research and reports on Traumatic Brain Injury and mental health services; and the worsening impact of economic issues on low-income veterans and their families. Increasingly, these issues are steering the policy and programmatic focuses of the organization in virtually every region in the nation.

Key Partners in Ending Homelessness



❖ **Charles “Chick” Ciccolella**, formerly the Assistant Secretary for the Department of Labor - Veterans Employment and Training Service (VETS), served as the head of DOL’s efforts to provide homeless veterans with employment opportunities since taking office in 2000. A recipient of NCHV’s Jerald Washington Memorial Founders Award in 2007, Ciccolella was the leading advocate for increases in the funding for the Homeless Veterans Reintegration Program from \$9 million in FY 2000 to more than \$24 million in FY 2008. That program has been cited as one of the most effective employment assistance initiatives in the department’s portfolio by the Government Accounting Office since 2006. Ciccolella was a principal architect of the Incarcerated Veterans Transition Program, and successfully created the department’s dedicated grant program to support community Stand Down programs for homeless veterans. ■



❖ **Mark Johnston**, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Special Needs Populations for the Department of Housing and Urban Development, received NCHV’s highest honor, the Jerald Washington Memorial Founders Award in 2008. Under Johnston’s influence, HUD has moved to ensure veteran representation in Continuum of Care planning, awards points for jurisdictions that identify veterans as a target special needs population, and advocated for 10,000 HUD-VA Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH) vouchers available for chronically homeless veterans in FY 2008 and another 10,000 in FY 2009. Johnston, one of the original architects of the HUD-VASH program, regularly updates the NCHV board of directors on issues that impact veteran housing and service delivery, and stands as a champion of effective, inter-agency cooperation and innovation for the benefit of America’s neediest citizens. ■



❖ **Pete Dougherty**, Director of Homeless Programs for the Department of Veterans Affairs, is the point man for VA’s efforts to serve homeless veterans. One of NCHV’s most dedicated allies, Dougherty has been instrumental in building NCHV’s relationship with VA as well as VA’s collaboration with other federal agencies in the fight to end homelessness among veterans. Under his watch, four Secretaries of VA have developed personal relationships with the organization, and the VA has increased its support of community- and faith-based organizations by more than 400% since 2002. Dougherty was the third recipient of the Jerald Washington Memorial Founder’s Award in 2006. ■



❖ **George Basher** took over as Chairman of the Board at NCHV in 2007. As Director of the New York State Division of Veterans Affairs, Basher made homeless veterans a priority population in the allocation of Homeless Housing Assistance Program (HHAP) funding, providing several million dollars in capital funding for community-based providers. In conjunction with the VA Homeless program in VISN 2, his agency screened all homeless veterans entering the Domiciliary program for benefits eligibility, filing claims where appropriate. Basher has also served as the Chairman of the VA Advisory Committee on Homeless Veterans for the past three years. Notable accomplishments by the Advisory Board include use of VA land for housing, supportive programs for permanent housing, and expanded funding for the Grant and per Diem program. ■

Homelessness Among Veterans

❖ **President Barack Obama** was a featured speaker at NCHV's Annual Conference in 2006, and continues to be a supporter of NCHV and a vocal advocate for homeless veterans. Sponsor of the Senate version of the Homes for Heroes Act, Obama was a member of the Senate Veterans Affairs Committee when he served as one of Illinois' senators before being elected president in 2008. After taking office, President Obama affirmed his commitment to ending homelessness among veterans, saying at an appearance at the VA Central Office, "And we provide new help for homeless veterans, because those heroes have a home – it's the country they served, the United States of America. And until we reach a day when not a single veteran sleeps on our nation's streets, our work remains unfinished."



❖ **Rep. Bob Filner (CA)**, Chairman of the House Veterans Affairs Committee (HVAC), has been a faithful supporter of homeless veterans assistance programs, and a champion for veterans in general. Bills signed into law in FY 2008 that came through the HVAC included a program to reduce suicide among veterans; an increase in disability compensation rates; improvement in VA services for PTSD and substance abuse disorders; and improved compensation for pension, housing, employment, education and insurance benefits. Filner and Steve Buyer (R-IN), ranking member on the committee, have ushered in an era of accountability that has strengthened the homeless veterans assistance movement and greatly improved its legacy of effectiveness and efficiency.



❖ **Rep. Al Green (TX)**, was the primary sponsor of the House version of the Homes for Heroes Act of 2007, which passed the House in 2008. The bill would: establish a \$200 million assistance program for supportive housing and services for low-income veterans; expand the HUD-VASH Program and make it permanent; authorize \$1 million in HUD grants to assist housing and service providers with the execution of their housing projects for veterans assisted by HUD; establish the position of Special Assistant for Veterans Affairs within HUD to coordinate services to homeless veterans and serve as a liaison to the VA, state and local officials, and nonprofit service organizations; and require HUD to submit a comprehensive annual report to Congress on the housing needs of homeless veterans and the steps HUD has taken under the programs provided for in the bill.



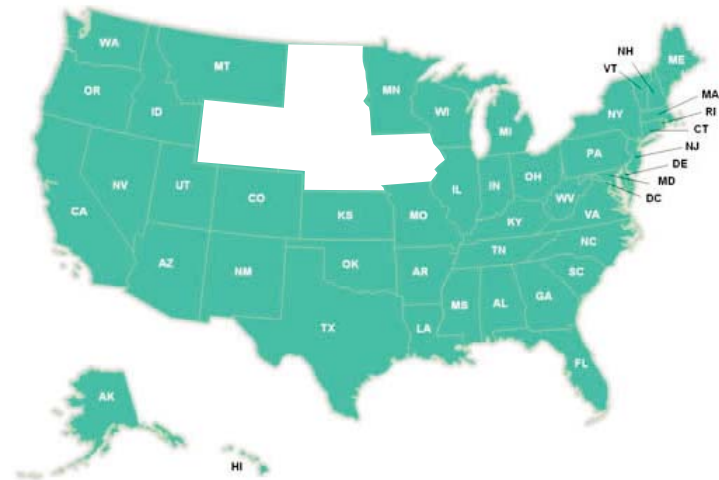
❖ **Sen. Patty Murray (WA)**, is a recognized champion for Washington's 670,000 veterans and veterans throughout the country. Murray is the daughter of a disabled World War II veteran and is the first woman to serve on the Senate Veterans Affairs Committee. Murray's work in a psychiatric ward at the Seattle VA hospital as a college student led her to become a leading voice in Congress for veterans suffering from the mental wounds of war. Senator Murray has worked tirelessly to ensure that service members with Post Traumatic Stress Disorder and Traumatic Brain Injury are receiving quality care and not falling through the cracks when they return home. Murray was instrumental in providing leadership on the Senate Veterans Affairs Committee to ensure that \$75 million was appropriated for the HUD-VASH program in FY 2008.



Membership



Board members Debbie Burkart, Vice President of Specialized Projects, National Equity Fund, and Anthony Love, President and CEO, Coalition for the Homeless of Houston/Harris County.



NCHV community-based homeless veteran service providers represent 44 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and Guam.

Among our Members:

- ❖ **195** community-based organizations that provide the full continuum of care for homeless veterans.
- ❖ **6** U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Centers.
- ❖ **60** U.S. Department of Labor HVRP Grantees.
- ❖ **187** VA Homeless Providers Grant and Per Diem Program grantees.
- ❖ **7** State Directors of Veterans Affairs.
- ❖ National Capital Offices of The American Legion, AMVETS, Blinded Veterans of America, Disabled American Veterans, Jewish War Veterans of America, National Veteran Legal Services Program, Non Commissioned Officers Association, Paralyzed Veterans of America, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, and Vietnam Veterans of America.

Alabama	3	Mississippi	1
Alaska	1	Missouri	5
Arizona	4	Montana	2
Arkansas	1	North Carolina	4
California	31	Nevada	2
Colorado	3	New Jersey	6
Connecticut	5	New Mexico	1
Dist. of Columbia	12	New York	25
Delaware	2	Ohio	5
Florida	14	Oklahoma	1
Georgia	2	Oregon	6
Guam	1	Pennsylvania	11
Hawaii	2	Puerto Rico	1
Idaho	1	Rhode Island	3
Illinois	10	South Carolina	2
Indiana	4	Tennessee	3
Kansas	1	Texas	8
Kentucky	3	Utah	1
Louisiana	3	Vermont	4
Massachusetts	9	Virginia	5
Maryland	10	Washington	2
Maine	1	West Virginia	1
Michigan	8	Wisconsin	6
Minnesota	10		

Special Outreach Programs

Along with its efforts in support of organizations that deliver services to homeless veterans and those at risk of becoming homeless, NCHV is heavily invested in providing outreach to veterans who have not yet found the assistance they need. There are three major initiatives that fall under the category of Special Outreach Programs, and **Louise Staley** is the staff coordinator of all three.

Stand Down Registry

In 2002, the founders of the Stand Down movement – Robert Van Keuren and Dr. Jon Nachison – asked NCHV to serve as the national coordinator of the program. Stand Down is an outreach program based on the Vietnam War practice of offering a safe haven for combat troops between patrols, where they could receive showers, clean clothing, food, mail, medical services and rest. The Stand Down for homeless veterans offers the same services – including mental health assessments, legal assistance, employment services, and housing referrals – in one location. The Stand Down is regarded as the most effective outreach program for homeless people in the nation today.

In FY 2008, more than 30,000 veterans received assistance at 157 Stand Down events on the NCHV Registry. Staley confirms the events, maintains the coordinator contact information, advises coordinators of grants that are available through the U.S. Department of Labor and the HelpAmerica Foundation, and reports event outcomes to the VA.

Incarcerated Veterans Outreach

In partnership with the U.S. Department of Labor, NCHV provides assistance to veterans in correctional facilities who are preparing to transition back into society upon their release. Approximately 10,000 copies of “Planning for Your Release: A Guide for Incarcerated Veterans” have been sent directly to men and women in correctional facilities, and another 5,500 copies have been distributed to prison outreach and case management specialists. The creation of the guide was made possible through a grant from the Department of Labor-Veterans Employment and Training Service (DOL-VETS) in 2004, and an updated version of the guide was produced under a DOL-VETS grant in FY 2008. It is estimated approximately 45,000 to 60,000 veterans leave correctional facilities each year in the United States, and without this pre-release assistance many would be unable to obtain housing and steady employment.

Veterans 800-Help-Line

Staley is usually the first person homeless veterans talk to when they call the 1-800-VET-HELP line at NCHV. This service is funded through contributions, and is available to anyone who calls, including family members who need guidance on how best to help their loved ones. The Help Line receives a minimum of 150 calls for assistance each month, and that number increases to as many as 300 from late fall to early spring. In FY 2008, the Help Line provided guidance to more than 3,000 veterans and family members seeking referrals to assistance programs in their communities.

Callers are informed about the assistance that is available through VA Medical Centers, VA Readjustment Counseling Centers (also known as Vet Centers), local homeless service providers and faith-based organizations in the NCHV database, as well as access to mainstream assistance for which they may qualify.

A special feature on the NCHV website complements the information offered on the Help Line – “Are You a Homeless Veteran?” This feature walks veterans in crisis and family members through a step-by-step process to identify their needs and determine where to find that assistance. In FY 2008, approximately 17% of visitors to the NCHV website – more than 107,000 – accessed this section for information.

2008 Award Recipients

Jerald Washington Memorial Founders Award

❖ Mark Johnston, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Special Needs Populations, Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Thomas Wynn Sr. Memorial Award for Lifetime Achievement

❖ Ronald E. Armstead, Executive Director, Congressional Black Caucus Veterans Braintrust.

Congressional Awards

- ❖ Rep. Bob Filner (CA)
- ❖ Rep. Al Green (TX)
- ❖ Sen. Patty Murray (WA)
- ❖ Rep. John Olver (MA)
- ❖ Rep. Chet Edwards (TX)

Corporate Partner Awards

- ❖ The Daniels Fund
- ❖ Northrop Grumman
- ❖ VA Mortgage Center
- ❖ Foundation for American Veterans
- ❖ National Equity Fund

Outstanding Member Award

- ❖ Black Veterans for Social Justice

Outstanding Partner Award

- ❖ National Alliance to End Homelessness

Meritorious Service Award

- ❖ Col. Charles Williams, Maryland Center for Veterans Education and Training

Unsung Hero Awards

- ❖ Kelly Kent, Corporation for Supportive Housing
- ❖ Bill Malone, Joseph House
- ❖ Darryl Vincent, U.S. Veterans Initiative Hawaii
- ❖ Cory and Carri Gibson, Black Dog Bar and Grill

VA Staff Award

- ❖ Robert Waechter, Kansas City Vet Center

Statement of Financial Activities

Year Ended September 30, 2008

Revenue and Support	
Grants	\$ 420,820
Contributions	242,741
Fundraising Campaign	80,000
Annual Conference	79,483
Sponsorships	22,000
Program Fees	24,480
Other	549
Total revenues and support	\$ 870,073
Expenses	
Program Services	\$ 570,561
Supporting Services	
General and administrative	100,568
Fundraising	69,706
Total supporting services	\$ 170,274
Total expenses	\$ 740,835
Change in Unrestricted Net Assets	129,238
Net Assets, beginning of year	(28,483)
Net Assets, end of year	\$ 100,755

Statement of Financial Position

September 30, 2008

Assets	
Current Assets	
Cash	\$ 116,535
Grants Receivable	50,383
Prepaid Expenses	5,454
Total current assets	\$ 172,372
Property and Equipment, Net	3,757
Deposits	1,000
Total Assets	\$ 177,129
Liabilities and Net Assets	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts payable	\$ 18,520
Accrued Expenses	28,198
Payroll Taxes Payable	1,656
Current Portion, Note payable	18,000
Total Current Liabilities	\$ 66,374
Note Payable, Less Current Portion	10,000
Unrestricted Net Assets	100,755
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 177,129

To Whom it May Concern:

Re: National Coalition for Homeless Veterans

We have audited the statement of financial position of National Coalition for Homeless Veterans (the Coalition) as of September 30, 2008, and the related statements of activities and changes in net assets, and cash flows for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Coalition's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We concluded our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and dis-

closures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of National Coalition for Homeless Veterans as of September 30, 2008, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States.

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February 12, 2009

NCHV Roll of Honor

Contributions to NCHV support our efforts to strengthen and expand services to America's homeless veterans. The individuals and organizations on this list have helped save lives and restored hope for thousands of veterans through their generosity and compassion. It is our honor to acknowledge their support.

Barack & Michelle Obama, Chicago, IL
 Brian Brown, Boxford, MA
 Charles Dahl, Houston, TX
 Christin Weyn, Shaker Heights, OH
 Daniel F. Brown, Lancaster, NY
 Darrin Rosebrook
 David J. Lyness, Lincoln Park, NJ
 David & Claudia Ryan, Albuquerque, NM
 Dr. David C. Novicki, Milford, CT
 Debbie Burkart/Equity Fund, Los Angeles, CA
 Dominic & Brenda Snyder, Martins Ferry, OH
 Elmer Howard, Portland, ME
 Frank & Donna Barnako, Great Falls, VA
 James C. Keene, Richmond, VA
 Jerry Munson, Rapid City, SD
 Jeffrey Nutting
 Kathleen Driscoll, Bordentown, NJ
 Kathie Hewitt
 Lara S. Bergen, Boston, MA
 Linda Wright
 Mara Kimmel, Anchorage, AK
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 Michael Lyness, Paterson, NJ
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 Patrick Ryan, Silver Spring, MD
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 Russell Corner, Avon, MA
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 Stephen R. Chambers, Milford, NH
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 The Shamhart & Maughmer Families,
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 Thomas Silverstein, Sarasota, FL
 Victoria Carruthers, Easton, MD
Organizations
 Accenture, LLP, Austin, TX
 At Home America, Alsip, IL

Bosley, McMcKown & Bratch, Marion, IN
 Century Housing Corporation, Culver City,
 CA
 Christ Lutheran Church, Washington, D.C.
 DB Consulting Group, Silver Spring, MD
 DirectEmployers Association, Indianapolis, IN
 Eli Lilly & Co., Indianapolis, IN
 Fannie Mae, Washington, D.C.
 Foundation for American Veterans,
 W. Bloomfield, MI
 Give with Liberty Employee Donations,
 Princeton, NJ
 Global Impact Employee Donations,
 Alexandria, VA
 GS5, LLC, Dumfries, VA
 ImportantGifts, Inc., Florida, NY
 Independent Charities, Larkspur, CA
 HopeDale Mining, LLC, Pikeville, KY
 Just Give Employee Donations, San Francisco,
 CA
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