

Stand Down Financing

NCHV TA Center Webinar

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Logistics

- Asking questions during the webinar
 - All participant phone lines are muted
 - You'll be unable to ask questions by phone
 - Please type your question in the on screen chat box
 - There will be an opportunity to ask questions at the end of the webinar
- Post-webinar survey
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Asking Questions During the Training

- Submit questions in the chat box on the webinar
- E-mail questions to Michael Holzer at mholzer@nchv.org
- Submit questions through the post-training survey



Agenda

- Logistics and Introductions
- Background and Vision
- Federal Agencies Supporting Stand Down
- Stand Down Support through DOL-VETS
- Stand Down Support through VA
- Q&A

Background and Vision: Matching Needs to Services

Table 6. Top Ten Highest *Unmet* Needs Identified by Consumers, FY 2008 - 2010.

2008	2009	2010
1. Welfare payments	1. Welfare payments	1. Welfare payments
2. Child care	2. Legal assistance for child support issues	2. Child care
3. Legal assistance for child support issues	3. Long-term, permanent housing	3. Legal assistance for child support issues
4. Guardianship (financial)	4. Child care	4. Family reconciliation assistance
5. Family reconciliation assistance	5. SSI/SSD process	5. Guardianship (financial)
6. Long-term, permanent housing	6. Legal assistance for outstanding warrants/fines	6. Legal assistance for outstanding warrants/fines
7. SSI/SSD process	7. Guardianship (financial)	7. SSI/SSD process
8. Legal assistance for outstanding warrants/fines	8. Family reconciliation assistance	8. Credit Counseling
9. Credit counseling	9. Job training	9. Job Training
10. Re-entry services for incarcerated Veterans	10. VA disability/pension	10. Legal assistance to help restore a driver's license

Table 7. Top Ten Highest *Unmet* Needs Identified by VA and Community Providers, FY 2008 - 2010.

2008	2009	2010
1. Child care	1. Child care	1. Child care
2. Long-term, permanent housing	2. Legal assistance for outstanding warrants/fines	2. Legal assistance for child support issues
3. Legal assistance for outstanding warrants/fines	3. Legal assistance for child support issues	3. Legal assistance for outstanding warrants/fines
4. Legal assistance for child support issues	4. Family reconciliation assistance	4. Family reconciliation assistance
5. Family reconciliation assistance	5. Long-term, permanent housing	5. Legal assistance to help restore a driver's license
6. Dental care	6. Credit counseling	6. Credit counseling
7. Credit counseling	7. Dental care	7. Long-term, permanent housing
8. Re-entry services for incarcerated Veterans	8. Help managing money	8. Dental care
9. Help managing money	9. Re-entry services for incarcerated Veterans	9. Help managing money
10. Guardianship (financial)	10. Guardianship (financial)	10. Guardianship (financial)

Background and Vision: Services at and after Stand Down

- Secure housing (permanent, transitional, emergency)
- Nutritional meals
- Essential health care
- Essential sanitation
- Substance abuse aftercare and mental health counseling
- Personal development and empowerment
- Job assessment, training, and placement assistance
- Child care services
- Legal assistance

Federal Agencies Supporting Stand Down

- **DOL-VETS grant and AJC support:**
<http://www.dol.gov/vets/programs/Stand%20Down/main.htm>
- **VA Homeless Programs and VAMC support:**
<http://www.va.gov/homeless/events.asp>
- **NCHV's Stand Down Registry:**
http://nchv.org/index.php/service/service/stand_down/

Background and Vision

- ❑ DOL-VETS' Support of Stand Down
 - What is Stand Down?
 - What is HVRP?



Stand Down Support through DOL-VETS

□ Funding

- Noncompetitive grant awarded on a first-come, first-served basis until available funding is exhausted
- Up to \$600,00 for 70 events
 - Up to \$10,000 for multi-day events
 - Up to \$7,000 for one-day events
- Runs on a Fiscal year system: October 1 – September 30
- One application per year per event!

□ Authorization

- 38 U.S.C. section 2021, which provides that the “Secretary of Labor shall conduct, directly or through grant or contract, such programs as the Secretary determines appropriate to provide job training, counseling, and placement services (including job readiness and literacy and skills training) to expedite the reintegration of homeless veterans into the labor force.”

Stand Down Support through DOL-VETS

□ Eligibility

- Eligible entities:
 - State Workforce Agencies,
 - State and local Workforce Investment Boards,
 - Veterans Service Organizations (VSOs),
 - Tribal governments,
 - local public agencies, and non-profit organizations including community and faith-based organizations
 - Need a DUNS Number: <http://www.dnb.com>
 - Need to register with System for Award Management (SAM)(not CCR): http://www.grants.gov/applicants/org_step2.jsp
- Not eligible:
 - Registered with the IRS as a 501 (c) (4) organization

Stand Down Support through DOL-VETS

□ Necessary/Minimum Services

- Connection to the American Job Center (AJC) and DVOPs
 - <http://www.dol.gov/vets/aboutvets/contacts/map.htm>
- Connection to the VA for medical services, mental health services, and benefits services
- Connection to emergency housing

Stand Down Support through DOL-VETS: Allowable Expenses

- Goods and food for homeless veterans:
 - food, bottled water, backpacks filled with non-perishable foods
 - clothing
 - sleeping bags
 - one-person tents
 - hygiene care kits
 - **nonprescription** reading glasses
- Vouchers:
 - food
 - minor time-limited legal services
 - consumer credit counseling services
 - gasoline gift cards
- Security personnel
- Employment supports:
 - job search media
- Facilities support/one time costs:
 - facilities and/or tents rental
 - electricity
 - equipment
 - portable toilets
 - communications or internet access
 - janitorial supplies
 - kitchen supplies
- Advertising expenses
 - No more than 20% of requested budget
- Transportation:
 - bus, van, car, taxi, etc. rental
- Other??

Pay attention to the dates in your
Notice of Award!!

Stand Down Support through DOL-VETS: Funding Restrictions

□ The following are funding restrictions for DOL-VETS funding:

- Administrative costs or programmatic staff costs
- Give aways
- Health care related expenses
 - prescription eye wear and dental work not allowed!
- Anything not specifically approved by the DVET

Stand Down Support through DOL-VETS

❑ Process for your application

- DOL-VETS publishes Federal Register Notice (FRN)
 - <https://www.federalregister.gov/articles/2014/01/28/2014-00755/fiscal-year-2014-through-2016-stand-down-grant-requests>
 - Be sure to contact your State Director for Veterans' Employment and Training (DVET) with questions and to hear their timelines
- Applicant downloads instructions and application forms
- Applicant completes and sends in application to appropriate DVET
 - Must be 90 days before the event
 - DUNS and SAM registration
- DVET and Regional reviews application
- DOL-VETS National Office reviews application
- DOL-VETS Grant Officer notifies grantee of approval through a Notice of Award
- {Organizer notifies NCHV }
- Grantee receives a Personal Identification Number (PIN) and password for e-Grants and a form to set up an HHS/PMS account.
- Grantee completes a financial form for Office of Financial Management Operations to set-up an account in the Health and Human Services, Payment Management System (HHS/PMS)
 - Use FedEx, UPS, or other non-U.S. Postal Service provider
- Draw down funds
- Report results

Stand Down Support through DOL-VETS

□ Necessary components of the application:

- Applicant Memorandum requesting funds
 - Signed in blue ink
- Program Narrative
 - Includes a timeline!
- SF 424
 - Signed in blue ink
- SF 424A
- Budget Narrative
- Assurances and Certifications Signature Page
- Survey on Ensuring Equal Opportunity for Applicants
- SAM Registration
- Letters of Support
- Approval of non-profit status from IRS (if applicable)

Stand Down Support through DOL-VETS

□ Draw-downs and important dates

- You should draw down funds within 90 days of Stand Down event
- Submit a SF 425 no later than 30 days after the end of each Federal fiscal quarter
- A final SF 425 is due no later than 30 calendar days after the end of the Federal fiscal quarter in which all expended funds have been drawn down
 - Submit your post-event report to the DVET at the same time!

Changes to the FRN

- New Fiscal Years
- Connection to DVOPs
- VA services: medical, mental health, and **benefits**
- Minimum services: includes emergency housing
- Allowable expense: gasoline to provide transportation no longer included
- Tribal governments now eligible
- Register with SAM!

Resources

- ❑ **DVET directory:** <http://www.dol.gov/vets/aboutvets/contacts/main.htm>
- ❑ **Stand Down Manual:**
<http://www.nchv.org/images/uploads/Stand%20Down%20Guide.pdf>
- ❑ **DVOP/LVER Locator:** <http://dvoplverlocator.nyti.ucdenver.edu/>
- ❑ **HVRP grantee contacts:** <http://nchv.org/index.php/employment/>
- ❑ **Federal Register Notice:**
<https://www.federalregister.gov/articles/2014/01/28/2014-00755/fiscal-year-2014-through-2016-stand-down-grant-requests>
- ❑ **Obtaining a DUNS Number:** www.dnb.com or by phone at 1-866-705-5711.
- ❑ **SAM:** http://www.grants.gov/applicants/org_step2.jsp

Speaker: **Kevin O'Connell**

- Inventory Management Specialist, National Stand Down Coordinator*
- Operation New Hope
- Warehouse: Hillsborough, NJ
- Office: Lyons, NJ VA Medical Center

Operation New Hope Outreach Materials and Giveaways

BROCHURES



AT-RISK

Information on programs for Veterans at risk of homelessness.

Quantity

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 pack - 50 | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 packs - 200 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 packs - 100 | <input type="checkbox"/> 5 packs - 250 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 packs - 150 | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 box - 1,000 |

COMMUNITY

Information on how the community at-large can help homeless or at-risk Veterans.

Quantity

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 pack - 50 | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 packs - 200 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 packs - 100 | <input type="checkbox"/> 5 packs - 250 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 packs - 150 | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 box - 1,000 |

GENERAL

General information on VA's services for homeless and at-risk Veterans.

Quantity

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 pack - 50 | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 packs - 200 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 packs - 100 | <input type="checkbox"/> 5 packs - 250 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 packs - 150 | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 box - 1,000 |

HEALTH CARE

Information on how the health care community can help homeless Veterans.

Quantity

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 pack - 50 | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 packs - 200 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 packs - 100 | <input type="checkbox"/> 5 packs - 250 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 packs - 150 | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 box - 1,000 |

JUSTICE

Information on how the justice/law enforcement community can help homeless Veterans.

Quantity

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 pack - 50 | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 packs - 200 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 packs - 100 | <input type="checkbox"/> 5 packs - 250 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 packs - 150 | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 box - 1,000 |

POSTERS

You answered our country's call.

We'll answer yours.

Military service?
 Homeless or at risk of being homeless?
Make the Call!

call us toll-free hotline
1-877-424-3838
 (T 877-4AID-VET)

or visit www.va.gov/homeless for
 help with housing, jobs, health care,
 education and other Veterans benefits.
 Call us that our available!

**Our heroes are often hidden among us.
It's what's inside that counts.**

With just one question and one phone call,
 you can help a Veteran and become a hero too.
Make the Call!

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NATIVE AMERICAN

Directed at Native American Veterans who are homeless or at risk of homelessness.

Quantity

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 pack - 10 | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 packs - 40 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 packs - 20 | <input type="checkbox"/> 5 packs - 50 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 packs - 30 | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 box - 150 |

WOMEN

Directed at women Veterans who are homeless or at risk of homelessness.

Quantity

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 pack - 10 | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 packs - 40 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 packs - 20 | <input type="checkbox"/> 5 packs - 50 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 packs - 30 | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 box - 150 |

AT-RISK

Information on programs for Veterans at risk of homelessness.

Quantity

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 pack - 10 | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 packs - 40 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 packs - 20 | <input type="checkbox"/> 5 packs - 50 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 packs - 30 | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 box - 150 |

COMMUNITY

Directed at motivating the community at-large to help homeless Veterans.

Quantity

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 pack - 10 | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 packs - 40 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 packs - 20 | <input type="checkbox"/> 5 packs - 50 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 packs - 30 | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 box - 150 |

GENERAL

Directed at motivating Veterans to use VA's services to fight homelessness.

Quantity

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|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 pack - 10 | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 packs - 40 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 packs - 20 | <input type="checkbox"/> 5 packs - 50 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 packs - 30 | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 box - 150 |

HEALTH CARE

Directed at health care professionals who provide services to homeless Veterans.

Quantity

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 pack - 10 | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 packs - 40 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 packs - 20 | <input type="checkbox"/> 5 packs - 50 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 packs - 30 | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 box - 150 |

JUSTICE

Directed at the justice/law enforcement community to help homeless Veterans.

Quantity

- | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 pack - 10 | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 packs - 40 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2 packs - 20 | <input type="checkbox"/> 5 packs - 50 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 packs - 30 | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 box - 150 |

WALLET



Quantity

- 1 pack - 12
- 5 packs - 60
- 1 box - 300

**For Veterans only*

WALLET CARDS



Quantity

- 1 pack - 500
- 2 packs - 1,000
- 3 packs - 1,500
- 4 packs - 2,000
- 1 box - 6,000

Handy wallet cards with information on the National Call Center for Homeless Veterans.

GI CAP



Quantity

- 1 pack - 50
- 2 packs - 100
- 3 packs - 150
- 1 box - 200

DRAWSTRING BAG



Quantity

- 1 box - 400

Come in blue, black, or Army Combat Uniform

HYGIENE COOLER



Come in blue, black, or Army Combat Uniform

Quantity

1 box - 125

**For Veterans only*

WATERPROOF BOX



Quantity

1 pack - 50
 1 box - 100

**For Veterans only*

LANYARD



Quantity

1 pack - 50
 1 box - 1,000

TOOTHBRUSH KIT



Quantity

1 pack - 150
 1 box - 600

**For Veterans only*

WRISTBAND



Quantity

1 pack - 100
 5 packs - 500
 1 box - 2,000

Items Not Currently Available

TEARAWAY CARDS



Quantity

- 1 pack - 50
- 2 packs - 100
- 3 packs - 150
- 4 packs - 200

Pad of tearaway sheets with hotline number and adhesive backing to post in public places.

RIBBON MAGNET



Quantity

- 1 box - 500

COLLAPSIBLE CUP



Quantity

- 1 box - 500

*For Veterans only

BANDANA



Quantity

- 1 pack - 50
- 2 packs - 100
- 3 packs - 150
- 4 packs - 200
- 1 box - 400