

GULF COAST VETERANS HEALTH CARE SYSTEM

HOMELESS VETERANS PROGRAMS

HEALTH CARE FOR HOMELESS VETERANS (HCHV)



The HCHV program seeks to help homeless Veterans with mental health and/or substance abuse problems. HCHV staff help these Veterans connect with services in VA and the community. The HCHV goal is to help these Veterans live as independently as possible.



HCHV Mission and Vision Statement

The HCHV mission is to end Veteran homelessness by reaching out to homeless Veterans and connecting them to VA health care. The HCHV vision is to end Veteran homelessness by providing recovery-oriented care.

HCHV Outreach

HCHV staff reach out to Veterans across the Gulf Coast from Biloxi, Miss., to Panama City, Fla.

Outreach services include:

- Eligibility verification
- Assessment of medical and mental health needs
- Referral to treatment through VA or community providers
- Assistance with basic needs such as food, clothing and temporary shelter
- Financial assistance referrals to Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF)
- Referral to transportation service

HCHV Residential Support Services

HCHV staff provide Veterans with referrals to residential support facilities offering the following services:

- Rehabilitation for alcohol and drug abuse
- Case management
- Employment and vocational services

Grant and Per Diem Programs (GPD)

The GPD Programs provide access to safe temporary housing and VA healthcare. Case Managers help Veterans identify goals and develop action plans to meet those goals.

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BILOXI VA MEDICAL CENTER
400 Veterans Avenue
Biloxi, MS 39531
(228)523-5000
Ext. 34984 or Ext. 34726

MOBILE OUTPATIENT CLINIC
1504 Springhill Avenue
Mobile, AL 36605
(251)219-3900 Ext. 33971

JOINT AMBULATORY CARE CENTER
790 Veterans Way
Pensacola, FL 32507
(850) 912-2000 Ext. 32268

EGLIN OUTPATIENT CLINIC
100 Veterans Way
Pensacola, FL 32507
(850)609-2600 Ext. 32604

PANAMA CITY MENTAL HEALTH CLINIC
4408 Delwood Lane
Panama City, FL 32408
(850) 636-7000 Ext. 37011

Information about the Gulf Coast Veterans Health Care System can be obtained online at <http://www.biloxi.va.gov>

Veterans Justice Outreach (VJO)

VJO is a program designed to help Veterans in the criminal justice system connect with VA treatment services and homeless prevention programs upon release. VJO specialists reach out to these Veterans and provide case management services. Eligible Veterans are referred to VA and non-VA services.

Department of Housing and Urban Development – Veterans Affairs Supportive Program (HUD-VASH)

This program helps homeless Veterans find long-lasting housing. Veterans may also receive help with:

- Getting housing assistance and support services
- Getting household items
- Finding support after rental assistance ends
- Individual counseling
- Job counseling
- Supportive drug and alcohol treatment referrals

Program requirements:

- Veteran must be eligible for VA medical benefits
- Veteran must be “literally homeless”

Eligibility for this program is decided by a screening committee.

Veterans not eligible for HCHV services are referred to community resources.

National Homeless Veterans Program Services

Information about National Homeless Veterans Program Services can be obtained from the National Homeless Veterans Web page: <http://www1.va.gov/homeless/> or by calling the National Call Center for Homeless Veterans at **1-877-4AID VET (877-424-3838)**

CARF Accreditation

HCHV was awarded a three-year accreditation by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities. For further information about this accreditation, contact CARF at 4891 E. Grant Rd., Tucson, AZ 85712, or call (520) 325-1044 voice/TTY, (888) 281-6531 toll-free.

