



# JUSTICE INVOLVED VETERANS PROGRAM

Minnesota Assistance  
Council for Veterans

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Veterans being released from incarceration into homelessness are already dealing with instability that it often makes it difficult to navigate

- parole,
- the criminal justice system, and
- connecting with community resources

The purpose of this program is to provide ongoing support and navigation pre- and post-release to prevent parole violations and recidivism. We will also prepare Veterans to be connected to MACV housing, employment, and legal services to assist in resolving their crisis.

## **WHO WE SERVE**

MACV may assist any Veteran regardless of

- branch of service,
- length of service, or
- discharge type

Veterans who are literally homeless, defined as being in

- emergency shelter,
- streets or place not meant for habitation,
- transitional housing for homeless persons, or
- a hotel paid for by a non-profit/charity

Veterans who are at risk of becoming homeless within 30 days from either

- permanent housing,
- staying with a friend/family member, or
- a correctional facility/institution

## **GOALS**

Reduce recidivism and ensure compliance with conditions of release and parole.

Prevent homeless from occurring upon release.

Resolve the homeless crisis and assist in overcoming barriers to obtaining permanent housing and employment.

Make referrals and connect the Veteran to community resources to assist in resolving the crisis.



## HOUSING, EMPLOYMENT, AND LEGAL SERVICES

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### OTHER SERVICES

**Housing**—MACV housing case managers work with Veterans to understand their housing situation and build a plan to achieve housing stability. They also collaborate with landlords willing to house Veterans with high barriers such as those with criminal records and evictions.

**Transitional Housing**—MACV owns and operates 15 transitional homes for homeless Veterans throughout the state. This program allows for Veterans to have stable housing while they focus on employment and life skills to return to independent living.

**Employment**—MACV employment specialists work with Veterans to overcome barriers to employment with the goal of obtaining employment that provides a livable income. The Employment Services team works closely with the veteran, the Department of Veterans Affairs, Community Partners, and local businesses to assist the Veteran in reaching their goals.

**Legal**—MACV's VetLaw team and volunteer lawyers provide professional help for Veterans to resolve outstanding legal issues that impact their housing and employment.

**Financial Assistance**—MACV may provide financial assistance for eligible Veterans to secure or maintain permanent housing and employment.

**Justice Involved**—MACV's Justice Involved Veterans Coordinator collaborates with the Veteran's corrections case manager, parole officer, Veterans Treatment Courts, Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs (MDVA), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), MACV case managers, and other community supports to help resolve the Veteran's crisis.