

Department of Housing and Urban Development

Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH)

As a landlord you can help end veteran homelessness

Veteran Homelessness

U.S. military veterans are 50% more likely to become homeless than other Americans.

Veteran homelessness is a complex issue that goes beyond just lack of affordable housing and poverty; it includes challenges like trauma, mental health and substance abuse.

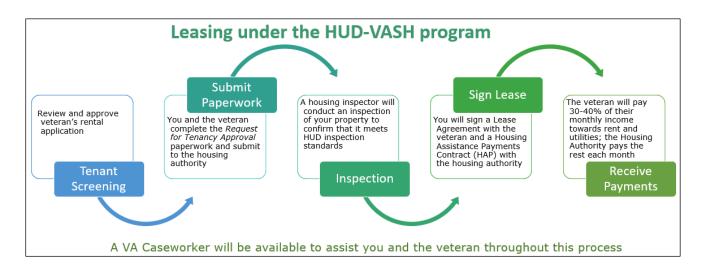
Housing Homeless Veterans

Through the HUD-VASH program, homeless veterans receive rental assistance through a Housing Choice Voucher to rent privately owned housing.

HUD-VASH is a collaborative program between HUD and the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). HUD-VASH combines housing vouchers with VA services to help veterans who are homeless and their families find permanent, affordable housing.

Advantages of becoming a HUD-VASH landlord:

- A Housing Choice Voucher pays a portion of the rent each month which reduces the veteran's portion of the rent to an affordable amount.
- Ongoing case management provides an additional resource for communication between the landlord and tenant.
- Regular inspections conducted by the Housing Authority help protect your real estate investment by identifying potential property concerns early.
- Special incentives for HUD-VASH landlords may be available and vary by PHA.



Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH) Rental Assistance for Homeless Veterans FAQ



What is the HUD¹ -VASH program?

HUD-VASH provides rental assistance through Housing Choice Vouchers to homeless veterans and their families along with case management and supportive services. The program is a collaborative effort between HUD and the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), and administered by local public housing authorities (PHAs).

What is a Housing Choice Voucher?

Formerly known as Section 8, a Housing Choice Voucher enables low-income individuals and families afford to rent market rate units by providing a rental subsidy. Voucher holders contribute between 30-40 percent of their monthly income towards rent and the subsidy covers the rest.

How does it work?

The VA case manager assesses veteran's eligibility and refers them the PHA to receive a Housing Choice Voucher. Case management is individualized for each person, however some of the housing supports provided through the HUD-VASH program include:

- Help navigating the voucher application process
- Assist with finding a rental unit
- Secure financial assistance with security deposit and move-in costs
- Coordinate with the landlord and PHA through the leasing process
- Educate on property maintenance
- · Liaison with landlord if needed

How does HUD-VASH benefit landlords?

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How can I help?

The HUD-VASH program is successful because of partnership with local landlords who support the program by renting to veterans. Contact your local Housing Authority to find out if there is a HUD-VASH program in your area. https://resources.hud.gov/

¹ U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development