

# VA Helps Veterans ...

## Stay healthy

- Eligible Veterans can receive health care, including mental health care and treatment for substance use.

## Secure safe, stable housing

- Veterans at risk of becoming homeless can get assistance with expenses such as utilities and child care to help them stay in their homes.
- Qualified Veterans in temporary housing can get help finding a permanent home.
- VA can help Veterans having trouble making mortgage payments explore options to avoid foreclosure.

## Find a job

- VA provides job training or referrals to help eligible Veterans gain skills to prepare them for employment.
- Work therapy programs can help Veterans who are homeless find temporary housing and a paying job.

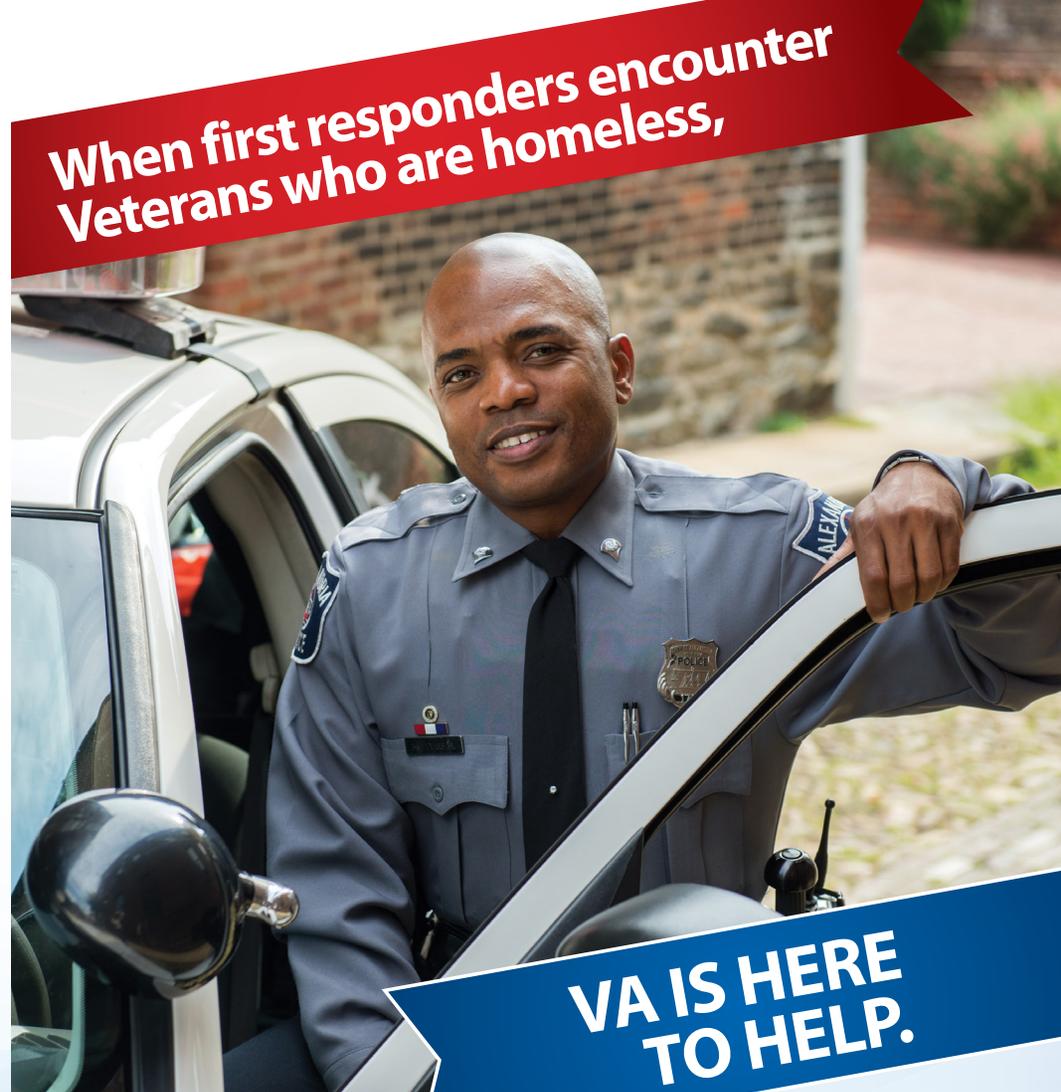
## Get a degree

- VA can help eligible Veterans go back to school and assist with living expenses while they pursue their studies.

VA provides individualized care through a wide range of services for Veterans who are homeless or at imminent risk of becoming homeless. Veterans of all eras and branches may be eligible for VA services. Make the Call and take the first step to access help from VA.

Help for Homeless Veterans  
**877-4AID-VET**  
va.gov/homeless | (877) 424-3838

For First Responders



Officer Bennie Evans, Jr.  
Homeless Outreach Officer and  
U.S. Marine Corps Veteran  
City of Alexandria, Va.

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“We have to take it upon ourselves as fellow servants of the community to reach out to those individuals and see if we can give them a helping hand.”

– Randy Bruegman  
Fire Chief  
City of Anaheim, Calif.



## No Veteran should ever be homeless.

While the number of Veterans who are homeless has been declining, even one is too many. Every Veteran without a place to call home has earned the help and support of our country. VA has dedicated unprecedented resources to expanded services that help Veterans maintain safe, stable housing.

### Ask the question: “Have you served in the U.S. military?”

Just as you serve your community, you can help those who served our country. First responders are on the front line to help Veterans who are homeless. When you encounter people who may be homeless, ask if they served in the U.S. military and let them know VA has services available specifically for them.

### Refer to VA for help.

If a Veteran you know is homeless or at imminent risk of becoming homeless, or is in crisis, refer him or her to VA. Make the Call to **877-4AID-VET (877-424-3838)** or chat online at [va.gov/homeless](https://www.va.gov/homeless). Trained, supportive professionals, many of them Veterans themselves, are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to connect Veterans in crisis with the comprehensive, individualized care they need to get back on their feet.

### Spread the word.

You are in a unique position to make a difference for Veterans you encounter in the line of service. Download wallet cards, brochures, and other materials online at [va.gov/homeless](https://www.va.gov/homeless) for you and your colleagues to distribute to Veterans. With a single conversation, you can help a Veteran find a safe and stable place to call to home.



“[VA] is a good place for the Vets to be. If they really want to turn their lives around, everything’s there for them.”

– Nicola, formerly homeless Veteran  
Served 1980-1987