

## WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS VETERAN HOUSING AND RELATED RESOURCES

Helpful Websites: [www.massvetsadvisor.org](http://www.massvetsadvisor.org) and [www.mass.gov/veterans](http://www.mass.gov/veterans)

**VETERAN PROGRAMS WILL REQUIRE A VETERAN TO PRODUCE HIS/HER DD214**  
(separation papers from the military.)

Veterans who enlisted in the military in a Massachusetts town can get a copy of the DD214 by contacting the Veteran Service Officer of the town in which he/she enlisted. Other veterans can request a copy from [www.archives.gov](http://www.archives.gov).

**Programs below serve VHA-eligible (eligible for VA Healthcare) and non-VHA eligible veterans unless otherwise noted.**

### FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE and CASE MANAGEMENT

**Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF)** Financial assistance and case management for any veteran with at least one day active duty and a discharge of anything other than dishonorable who is at risk of losing permanent housing or who is transitioning from homelessness into permanent housing.

**Soldier On** 1-866-406-8449 and **Veterans, Inc.** 1-800-482-2565, ext. 2.

**Mass Veterans Benefits and Services** Also known as Chapter 115. Financial assistance for food, shelter, clothing, fuel, medical care, and moving expenses. Contact the Veteran Service Officer (VSO) in the town in which the veteran is located. VSO contact numbers can be found at [www.massvetsadvisor.org](http://www.massvetsadvisor.org) and [www.mass.gov/veterans](http://www.mass.gov/veterans).

**Statewide Housing Advocacy Reintegration and Prevention (SHARP) Team** Department of Veterans Services (DVS) outreach team. Peer support and assistance with linkages to veteran resources, including HUD-VASH. 617-210-5743 or e-mail [save@massmail.state.ma.us](mailto:save@massmail.state.ma.us)

### TRANSITIONAL HOUSING

*Temporary housing + case management for homeless individuals for up to two years*

**Soldier On** Leeds and Pittsfield. 413-207-7605.

**Western Massachusetts Bi-Lingual Veterans Outreach Center** Springfield. 413-731-0194.

**Turner House** Williamstown. 413-458-8234

### PERMANENT HOUSING

**HUD-VASH** Section 8 + supportive services, VHA-eligible only; individuals and families.

Hampden/Hampshire/Franklin: 413-584-4040, ext. 2140

Berkshire County: 413-835-1452

**Vikings Landing** Single room occupancy, Easthampton. \$85/week 413-746-8701 or 413-695-2915

**Soldier's Home** Holyoke. 413-532-9475

## **OTHER ASSISTANCE**

**Furnishings and household supplies:** Homeward Vets, Inc. 413-203-1479.

**Employment and training:** Ask for an appointment with the Disabled Veteran Outreach Program (DVOP) or the Local Veteran Employment Representative (LVEP) at any of the following career centers: **Future Works**, Springfield, 413-858-2855. **Career Point**, Holyoke, 413-532-4900.

**Berkshire Works**, Pittsfield, 413-499-2220. **Franklin/Hampshire**, Greenfield/Northampton, 1-800-457-2603.

**Veterans, Inc.** provides extensive employment and training opportunities, including certification programs and Dress for Success, among others. 508-791-1213, ext. 150

**MSPCC Family Veteran Program** - For families of individuals currently in military service or those recently discharged from service, the MSPCC has a veteran family resource program called Support for Military Families located around the state which can offer intervention, referral, counseling and supportive services to families of these individuals regardless of discharge status. For more information visit [www.mspcc.org](http://www.mspcc.org) or call your local MSPCC office.

Local Contact: Holyoke office 413-532-0446

## **NATIONAL CALL NUMBERS**

National Call Center for Homeless Veterans: 1-877-424-3838

National Crisis Line: 1-800-273-8255 (TALK), press "1" for Veterans

National Women Veterans Call Center: 1-855-VA-WOMEN (829-6636)