

Arizona Department of Veterans' Services
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**Homeless Veteran Reintegration
Program (HVRP)**

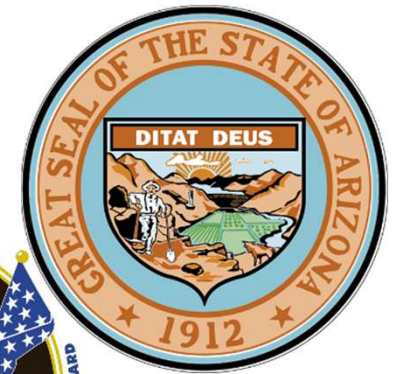
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About HVRP



- This HVRP grant was authorized by the Arizona State Legislature and signed by Governor Hobbs for FY 24, for 5 million dollars.
- The purpose of HVRP is to assist homeless Veterans in obtaining employment and help address the problems facing homeless Veterans.



HVRP



ADVS requests proposals from qualified contractors, statewide, to support Veteran employment among those Veterans experiencing homelessness or at eminent risk of homelessness. HVRP will not only address Veteran employment and preparation for employment related activities such as resume writing and interview preparation, but wishes to identify all barriers that influence a Veterans ability to obtain and maintain housing to ensure that Veteran and his/her family thrives.



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- Therefore, ADVS is requesting proposals that identify how a provider will assist eligible Veterans:
 - identify the various social determinants of health that could be adversely impacting their ability to
 - obtain and maintain employment by conducted a thorough assessment of the Veteran, make
 - targeted interventions and ensure that Veteran is not only ready for employment but has addressed
 - all other social determinants of health to ensure that employment is sustained.



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The intent of this RFP is to challenge Veteran service providers to think about barriers that Veterans currently face in obtaining and maintaining employment and develop individualized interventions for Veterans that ensure the Veteran is not only ready for employment but will sustain gainful employment post intervention. This could include mental health services, coupled with rental assistance, car repair and ensuring that a Veteran's bills are current and paid in full. There are no limits to the proposed interventions that a provider may indicate in their RFP so long as there is a clear connection between the intervention(s) offered and the outcome.

The outcome should be sustained gainful employment by appropriately assessing social determinants of health and providing meaningful interventions.

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ADVS will award up to \$500,000.00 to an eligible entity serving Arizona Veterans. The applicant must provide data that substantiates the need for services in the geographic area where the Veteran(s) will be served. In addition, RFPs should include a detailed list of the proposed allowable expenses under this RFP.

Dishonorably discharged Veterans do not qualify for this program. Proposals need to have a detailed action plan, to include how the Veteran provider will assess the program participants for potential interventions.

Funding for this program will expire on June 30, 2024 so providers must be ready to execute their approved programs upon award.

HVRP Contractor Responsibilities

- A. Put a detailed program plan together to include Veterans to be served, projected numbers of Veterans being served, type of assessment being conducted and a line item budget of proposed expenditures (Funding will only be allowed to support one full time employee at a maximum of \$30.00/ hour with an additional 12% administration fee based on the total award amount).
- B. Describe why and how they are capable of implementing the plan they have submitted for this RFP.
- C. Possess the knowledge and capability to assist Veterans who are currently experiencing homelessness or at eminent risk of homelessness by evaluating social determinants of health and providing targeted interventions.
- D. Be capable of housing Veterans or have a professional working relationship with other community providers who are able to house Veterans.
- E. Provide Veterans with thorough assessments, identify targeted interventions, provide post intervention support and follow up.
- F. Provide Veterans with employment counseling, career navigation, resume writing and interviewing skills or partner with an agency that does.
- G. Provide peer support or case management services.



HVRP Required Qualifications



- A. Must have experience providing employment services for Veterans, or have agreement(s) with other providers to provide employment services to include: job coaching, resume writing, career navigation, dressing for success, interviewing skills and time management.
- B. Must be able to provide interventions outside the scope of traditional employment services to contribute to overall well being of the Veteran. To include but not exclusive of: housing, counseling, bill payment, spirituality, transportation, familial relations, etc...
- C. Must have the financial infrastructure and staffing to implement the HVRP program immediately after the award.

Reporting Requirements



- Provide ADVS with the following deliverables due before the 15th of each month:
 - a. Name of the Veteran
 - b. Branch of military service
 - c. Type of intervention(s) provided
 - d. Outcomes of the intervention(s)
 - e. Employment outcomes and what type of job the Veteran obtained
 - f. Contractor/s shall provide one itemized ledger with grant money spend downs, with individual line items for each project outlined in the approved proposals. Deviations from the approved budgeted line items are not allowed unless approved by ADVS in writing.



Evaluations



- A committee of three AZDVS employees will review, score and rank all applications. Applications will be based on how thorough the project requirements were addressed, the need in the community, ability to expend all requested monies and overall impact to the homeless Veteran population.
- Incomplete applications will not be considered. The deadline to submit the application is 11:59PM on November 29th, 2023



Disbursement of Funds



- Awardees will receive an initial disbursement of half the funds requested in the approved applications.
- Awardees must provide evidence that 75% of the first disbursement of funds have been exhausted before requesting the second half of the award.
- A final accounting of all awarded and disbursed funds must be completed by July 31st, 2024. Any unused funds must be refunded back to AZDVS.
- Any unused funds not refunded back to AZDVS will result in collection actions taken by the State of Arizona.
- No monies will be authorized to be encumbered into FY25.

eCivis



- All Proposals will be accepted through the eCivis link provided on the Arizona Department of Veterans' Services (ADVS) website only. For questions about eCivis, please visit the Arizona Office of Grants and Federal Resources website at: <https://grants.az.gov/grants-and-ecivis-resources/ecivis-user-guides>
- Arizona HVRP grant solicitation application link can be located on the ADVS Web page at: <https://dvs.az.gov/>
- Request for Grant Proposal, Budget Worksheet, and eCivis application Submission guide is located in the solicitation and can be downloaded from the files tab
- It is the responsibility of the AZ-HVRP Grant Proposal Applicant and proposed Grantee to check the eCivis website for any amendments to this solicitation.



Questions?



Important Contacts



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