

PERMANENT HOUSING FOR HOMELESS VETERANS IN MACOMB COUNTY

This flow chart was developed by the Macomb Veterans Action Collaborative (MVAC) and is also posted at: <http://vets.macombgov.org/node/3498>



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MACOMB HOMELESS COALITION
Assessment, case management and referrals
(586) 285-0400

HOUSE

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY
(586) 263-1540

Helps build simple, decent, and affordable housing. Prospective homeowners are usually expected to put approximately 500 hours of "sweat equity" into their own or other project homes

For a list of the qualifications, go to:
http://macombhabitat.org/home_ownership/faq/

The Habitat for Humanity Application form is posted at:
<http://macombhabitat.org/forms/application2014.pdf>

MACOMB COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY
INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNT PROGRAM (IDA)
(586) 469-7378

Provides matching funds that may be used for a down payment for first-time homebuyers.

ACCESS TO HOUSING RESOURCES

Assistance in finding services is available from:

DEPARTMENT OF VETERAN SERVICES
(586) 469-5315

VETERANS CONSTRUCTING COMMUNITIES FOUNDATION
(586) 777-2115

USER-FRIENDLY RESOURCE DIRECTORY OF FREE AND LOW-COST SERVICES:
www.misd.net/connection/housing
(There is a section on housing, which includes information on Housing Choice Vouchers and a Veterans Services Chapter)

MICHIGAN HOUSING LOCATOR:
www.MichiganHousingLocator.com

NEWSPAPERS

MOVE-IN COSTS

DEPARTMENT OF VETERAN SERVICES
(586) 469-5315

May be able to help with first month's rent (but not a down payment) and moving expenses.

DEPT. OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (DHHS) SER FUNDS

Will provide SER funds as long as the housing is affordable (monthly rent equal to or less than 75% of net available income each month) and the veteran has ongoing income to support the expense. Maximum DHS Grant for one person: (\$410), two people: (\$520). Additional County funds may also be available depending on individual circumstances. DHS refers clients to other agencies if additional funding is needed. Contact the local DHHS office:

DHHS - Mt. Clemens: (586) 469-7700
DHHS - Sterling Heights: (586) 254-1500
DHHS - Warren: (586) 427-0600

SUPPORTIVE SERVICES FOR VETERAN FAMILIES (SSVF)

SSVF may be able to help with first month's rent and security deposit. Apply at:
Macomb County Community Services Agency:
(586) 469-6314

Training & Treatment Innovations:
(866) 787-6734

Southwest Housing Solutions:
(313) 481-7900

RENTAL ASSISTANCE
for those who are homeless (on the street or in shelters)

SUPPORTIVE SERVICES FOR VETERAN FAMILIES (SSVF/ESG)

Outreach, case management, financial assistance and assistance in obtaining VA and other benefits to low-income qualifying veterans and their families who are in or transitioning to permanent housing. Apply at:
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MCA'S EMERGENCY FOOD AND SHELTER PROGRAM (only available during specific time periods) or COMMUNITY SERVICES BLOCK GRANT FUNDS (available year-round) are available for one months rent or mortgage or first month's rent. Apply at: your local Community Action Center:

Macomb Community Action Agency offices:
North Center, New Haven, (586) 749-5146
Central Center, Mt. Clemens, (586) 469-6964
South Center, Warren, (586) 759-9150

REFERRALS TO HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHERS
(HUD/VASH for Veterans)

GENERAL INFORMATION

The HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH) program combines Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) rental assistance for homeless Veterans with case management and clinical services provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). VA provides these services for participating Veterans at VA medical centers (VAMCs) and community-based outreach clinics. For general information about Housing Choice Vouchers, call (313) 456-3540.

SCREENING

For screening into the program, contact the VCRRC:

VETERANS COMMUNITY RESOURCE AND REFERRAL CENTER (VCRRC)
(313) 576-1580

A one-stop shop for homeless veterans or who are at risk of homelessness providing immediate access to shelter, referrals to community-based economic assistance, and substance abuse treatment. Free transportation provided to the VCRRC with advance notice.

SER - The State Emergency Relief (SER) Program provides immediate help to individuals and families facing conditions of extreme hardship or for emergencies that threaten health and safety. Administered by Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) offices. ESG - Emergency Support Grant - Grants to States, metropolitan cities, urban counties and U.S. territories for eligible activities, generally including essential services related to emergency shelter, rehabilitation and conversion of buildings to be used as emergency shelters, operation of emergency shelters, and homelessness prevention services.