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California Veteran Reintegration Program Fact Sheet

Veterans Homes of California

THE VETERANS HOMES OF CALIFORNIA

The first Veterans Home of California (VHC) was established in 1884 for Civil War veterans. Today, CalVet operates eight VHC campuses. The VHCs provide residential and long-term care services in a home-like environment that promote dignity and feature individualized care. The VHCs assist residents by ensuring that provided health care services meets their personal needs. Residents benefit from a wide range of activity opportunities including social events, community lunches and dinners, dances, patriotic programs, volunteer activities, arts and crafts, computer access, shopping trips and other off-site activities.

The VHCs range in size from 60 residents on a 20-acre campus to 1,000 residents on a 500-acre campus. Each VHC offers regionally unique living and social environments, levels of care provided, and a range of social and recreational activities.

BASIC ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

All eligible veterans are encouraged to apply for admission to the VHCs. Basic admission requirements are governed by federal and state laws, regulations, and licensing requirements, ensuring fairness and transparency. California state laws concerning the VHCs are contained in the Military and Veterans Code, §1010 - §1050. State regulations concerning the VHCs are contained in the California Code of Regulations, Title 12, Chapter 4, §500 - §505.

To be admitted to the VHCs, applicants must meet the following requirements:

1. Age 55 or over and/or have a significant disability or are homeless;
2. Served on active duty in the U.S. military and were discharged honorably or under honorable conditions;
3. Still able to live independently or qualify for a higher level of care offered at one of the VHCs (contact the individual home for clarification on qualifying for a higher level of care);
4. California resident;
5. Enrolled in a qualified federal, state or private health service plan, or have an application for such a plan pending. These plans include, but are not limited to, Medicare, Medi-Cal, USDVA, Tricare and private insurance coverage. Veterans eligible for Medicare and Medi-Cal, USDVA and Tricare must enroll and maintain coverage or self-pay for medical care;
6. Able to live with and get along with other people in a structured communal environment.

HONORING CALIFORNIA'S VETERANS

Applications for the VHCs can be obtained through your local County Veterans Services Office, online at <https://www.calvet.ca.gov/calvet-programs/veteran-homes>, or by calling one of the phone numbers below and requesting an application to be mailed to you.

VETERANS HOMES OF CALIFORNIA

Veterans Home of California at Barstow

100 East Veterans Parkway
Barstow, CA 92311
(800) 746-0606

Veterans Home of California at Chula Vista

700 East Naples Court
Chula Vista, CA 91911
(888) 857-2146

Veterans Home of California at Fresno

2811 West California Avenue
Fresno, CA 93706
(855) 769-5792

Veterans Home of California at Lancaster

45221 30th Street West
Lancaster, CA 93536
(888) 272-6030

Veterans Home of California at Redding

3400 Knighton Road
Redding, CA 96002
(855) 769-5791

Veterans Home of California at Ventura

10900 Telephone Road
Ventura, CA 93004
(888) 272-2104

Veterans Home of California at West Los Angeles

11500 Nimitz Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90049
(877) 605-1332

Veterans Home of California at Yountville

260 California Drive
Yountville, CA 94599
(800) 404-8387

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THE TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM

(A COLLABORATIVE PROGRAM OPERATED AT THE VETERANS HOME AT WEST LOS ANGELES)

Since September of 2013, CalVet has collaborated with the VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System (GLA) to operate an 84-bed Transitional Housing Program (THP) as part of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs' (VA) stated goal to end Veteran homelessness by 2015. The program is located within the Veterans Home of California -- West Los Angeles 396-bed facility, adjacent to the VA GLA West Los Angeles campus.

The THP aims at providing supportive services for Veterans who have been chronically homeless or living in unstable housing in order to help prepare those Veterans for maintaining a stable living arrangement.

Amenities for the THP include: Room and board; three meals plus snacks; medical care and medications; limited transportation services to medical appointments and activities; limited banking services; resident activity programs; and housekeeping services.

In order to be eligible, veterans must complete the USDVA Domiciliary program prior to moving into CalVet's THP at the West LA Home. For more information, please call the admissions office at (424) 832-8203, (424) 832-8202, or (424) 832-8301. Thank you for your honorable service to the country.