

# VETERANS COMMUNITY PROJECT

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## KC LOCATIONS.

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## MISSION.

Veterans Community Project is dedicated to supporting every man and woman who took the oath for our country. We are determined to make a difference in the lives of homeless Veterans, a task accomplished by the community for the community.

## BACKGROUND.

Veterans Community Project (VCP) is a 501(c)(3) organization founded by a group of combat Veterans in Kansas City, MO frustrated by the rampant homelessness within the Veteran community.

VCP is dedicated to serving any man or woman who took the oath for our country regardless of discharge status or type of service.

Their solution to end Veteran homelessness is simple: provide homes with dignity and personalized support services that promote homelessness recovery and an improved quality of life.

In 2021, VCP experienced an 85% success rate of transitioning Veterans from homelessness to permanent, sustainable housing.

Using the success of Kansas City as a blueprint, VCP is expanding its program to additional cities starting with Longmont, Colorado; St. Louis, Missouri; Sioux Falls, South Dakota; and Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Our long-term goal: end Veteran homelessness across the country.

## VCP OUTREACH CENTER .

- VCP defines a Veteran as anyone who took the oath to serve, regardless of military discharge status.
- Since 2018, VCP has provided walk-in services to approximately 4,000 Kansas City Veterans through the Veterans Outreach Center. Walk-in services include:

RideKC Veterans Pass

Food Pantry Boxes

Hygiene Kits

Snack Bags

Housing Referrals

Financial Counseling

Discharge Upgrades

Assistance with VA Benefits

Clothing Resources

Mental & Physical Health Referrals

Substance Use Referrals

Identification Services

Legal Assistance Referrals

Employment Supports

## VCP VILLAGE .

- VCP Village, located at 89th and Troost Avenue in Kansas City, MO, is an innovative transitional housing community consisting of 49 tiny houses. The homes range in size from 240 to 320 square feet, meet all local city code requirements, and connect to city utility services.
- VCP Village includes 4 family houses which can sleep up to 7.
- Approximately 70% of the construction is performed by community volunteers.
- Eligible Veterans must have a DD-214, experiencing a housing crisis, and currently live in the Kansas City metro area.
- The Veterans and VCP's case managers work to achieve incremental lasting results in the areas of health and wellness, education, employment, financial literacy, and the development of a personal support network.
- Veterans of VCP Village stay free of charge; all utilities and furnishings are also provided.
- Each Veterans stay in VCP Village depends on their progress towards meeting their benchmarks as they work towards permanent housing. The program is designed around each individual Veteran and based on their unique needs and strengths.

## NATIONAL EXPANSION .

- VCP is actively building villages in Longmont, CO; St. Louis, MO; and Sioux Falls, SD. Veterans will be housed in each new site by the end of 2022.
- VCP has secured property in Oklahoma City, OK for a 5<sup>th</sup> site and is actively fundraising for the project.