The strongest predictor of future homelessness is past homelessness. Our aftercare program enables veterans who are transitioning to permanent housing to stay in touch with a case manager. Maintaining this connection helps veterans feel less alone and ensures they develop the skills needed to maintain and flourish in their new homes.

Services
• Financial management
• Meal planning
• Tenant responsibilities
• Employment services
• Mental health and substance abuse counseling

“U.S.VETS has been awesome! It’s great for veterans like me to regather ourselves and transition back into the community. The heart of the organization is preparing us to not become homeless again.”

-Jack Anderson, U.S. Marines
Veterans At Risk
Helping them live with dignity and independence

No veteran should have to sleep on the streets they were asked to defend. But the grim reality is that they do. In fact, veterans are more likely than civilians to experience homelessness. Mental health problems, unemployment, addiction and low income are all contributing factors. Many veterans just haven’t received adequate training or support to navigate the transition to civilian life.

We Can Help
U.S.VETS is the largest non-profit organization with boots on the ground to combat America’s veteran homeless crisis head-on. Our holistic approach provides housing, counseling, career programs and supportive services to help veterans rebuild and thrive. Since opening in 2001, U.S.VETS Phoenix has proudly served more than 10,000 veterans throughout Maricopa County and the state of Arizona.

A Warm Handoff
Our outreach team is often the first contact a veteran will have with U.S.VETS. These dedicated men and women proactively engage with veterans experiencing homelessness – many of whom are distrustful of public systems or reluctant to seek assistance. Our teams specialize in building a trusting relationship as a first step in helping a veteran move from the streets into a permanent home. We connect with candidates for our program on the streets, in the shelters and in encampments, offering them resources and referrals to housing, services and support, either through U.S.VETS or the community.

Transitional Housing Program
Bridging the gap from homelessness to permanent housing

Our transitional housing program offers a safe space for veterans to live temporarily while they address the issues that led to homelessness and learn the skills necessary to succeed on their own. We provide a supportive environment that offers the structure, supervision, life skills and career training to help them achieve self-sufficiency and independence.

Services
- Basic needs including food, shelter and clothing
- Mental health and substance abuse counseling
- Case management
- Life skills
- Career services
- VA benefits assistance

Transition in Place
This program offers veterans supportive, apartment-style housing with the goal of empowering them to assume the lease and full responsibility for the unit when supportive services end. U.S.VETS makes rental payments until that time. Services focus on increasing the veteran’s income through employment and securing permanent housing in their name.

Supportive Services for Veterans and Families (SSVF)
This national program provides supportive services to very low-income veterans and their families who are homeless or imminently at risk of becoming homeless.

Services
- Housing assistance, including emergency and permanent solutions
- Financial assistance for rent payments, moving expenses or security deposits
- Referrals to legal and health care services
- Transportation
- VA benefits assistance

Workforce and Career Development
Gainful employment can be a crucial first step to transforming a veteran’s life. We help veterans seeking employment translate their military experience to meaningful civilian employment with an individualized career development plan through our Career Development Initiative and Homeless Veterans’ Reintegration Program. At the same time, we foster long-term relationships with community partners and employers committed to hiring veterans.

Services
- Job search, interviewing and networking assistance
- Career counseling and guidance
- New skills training and certification
- Resume assistance and review
- Additional support services including transportation, licensure and exam fees, tools, uniforms and professional work attire