



MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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MONTHLY SPOTLIGHTS



HVRP Community of Practice: "Practical Applications for Motivational Interviewing"

On **May 26, 2022, at 3:00pm ET**, NVTAC will be hosting May's Community of Practice session for Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Program (HVRP) grantees. This month's topic will be *"Practical Applications for Motivational Interviewing"* and will consist of role playing demonstrations and interventions, with opportunities for grantees to respond with comments and questions.

If you are an HVRP grantee, please register using the link in the save the date email sent out earlier this month.

Many people are realizing that stress, isolation, and uncertainty have taken a toll on their well-being.

To find more information on mental health and information about what people can do if their mental health is a cause for concern, click the hashtag below.

#MentalHealthAtWork



UPCOMING TRAINING OPPORTUNITY

NVTI COURSE #9617: Federal Grants

Management for HVRP Recipients



NVTI is offering a free 3.5 day virtual training course on June 7-10, 2022. This course provides HVRP personnel with the knowledge and skills to successfully manage their HVRP grants by understanding grant-making life cycles and best practice management techniques, as well as examining the phases of grant award administration.



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IN CASE YOU MISSED IT!

Spring Virtual Learning Course Outreach Sessions

In April, NVTAC hosted a four-part Virtual Learning Course (VLC) developed to assist grantees in executing effective outreach and leveraging meaningful partnerships. Session topics included Outreach 101, Outreach Strategies by Population Experiencing Homelessness, Developing Partnerships and Cultivating Relationships, and Resources. **The VLC recordings and slides can be accessed on the NVTAC website by clicking below.**



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IN THE NEWS



News Release: Employment Situation of Veterans

A news release of the 2021 Employment Situation of Veterans report was published. The information was obtained from the Current Population Survey (CPS), a monthly survey of about 60,000 eligible households.



Veterans Unemployment Matching Historic Low

On April 21, 2022, a statement was released on historically low veteran unemployment. The unemployment rate for veterans is 2.4 percent, tied for the lowest rate on record and down from an average of 6.5 percent in 2020.

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Get Internet | The White House

The White House announced the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) for universal broadband expansion to provide affordable internet access to eligible households for no more than \$30/month through one of twenty different participating internet providers. This could be a life-changing resource for people who might already have internet access but have difficulty affording it. The ACP can help alleviate challenges for rural, tribal, and vulnerable veterans, including veterans experiencing homelessness, and veterans entering/re-entering the workforce.

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ARTICLE: What Do You Know About Veteran Treatment Courts?

Check out this article from our partners at the National Veterans' Training Institute (NVTI)!

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UPDATES & RESOURCES

DOL VETS' Transition Assistance Program

VETS has launched the Employment Navigator and Partnership Pilot to provide assistance outside of the formal TAP instruction. This program is available at 13 select military installations worldwide and provides transitioning service members, and their spouses, with one-one-one career assistance to help them secure meaningful and lasting post-separation careers. To learn more, click [here](#).



RESOURCE: The Social Care Network

RESOURCE: Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Program Participant Eligibility



Search and connect to support. Financial assistance, food pantries, medical care, and other free or reduced-cost help

starts here at findhelp.org.

To review participant eligibility for HVRP in grantees' efforts to reintegrate veterans experiencing homelessness, the most up to date requirements can be accessed [here](#).

NVTAC COACH SPOTLIGHTS



Sarah Chung

Sarah has served those experiencing homelessness in a range of roles at the non-profit, regional and state government levels, while addressing racial disparities and intersectionalities with various populations.

Professional Highlight: Has served on the Arizona Human Trafficking Council for the Governor's Office since 2019.

Personal Highlights:

- Lives in Phoenix, AZ
- Loves being a new Mom to an almost 4 month old
- Won a headstand contest in the 3rd grade and can still headstand today



Steve Dudasik

Steve has over 30 years experience in vocational evaluation, job development, psychiatric rehabilitation counseling, non-profit leadership, as well as national scope consulting and mentoring.

Professional Highlight: Being able to provide and develop racially equitable and inclusive services that empower challenges to employment, housing, and other life goals has been a career long honor and highlight.

Personal Highlights:

- Was a college athlete and played goalie for his ice hockey and lacrosse teams
- Likes to golf in the Arizona desert
- In the 80's, could be found stage diving and moshing at hardcore punk venues across NYC

Jenn brings years of experience in homelessness and non-profit work. She has a passion for systems improvement, particularly in the social sector, and working toward ending homelessness.



Jenn Steigerwald

Professional Highlight: Presented at the 2021 Coalition on Ending Homelessness Conference and the National Alliance to End Homelessness COVID-19 Series.

Personal Highlights:

- Lives in Cincinnati, Ohio
- Overly obsessed with her dog, Bucket
- Loves music, collects records, and grew up playing the drums

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