

Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Program (HVRP) and the American Job Center (AJC)

AJC Overview

American Job Centers (AJCs) were established under the [Workforce Innovation and Opportunities Act of 2014](#); nearly 2,300 AJCs nationwide provide job seekers streamline access to various employment assistance services, uniquely based on the local workforce conditions. Job seekers can visit a local AJC in person or online at [CareerOneStop](#).

Services offered at AJCs include:

- Job training and employment workshops
- Job search assistance
- Career counseling
- Labor market and employer information
- Hiring events and business service information
- Referrals to community resources and other agencies
- Supportive services
- Unemployment insurance information

HVRP Participant Enrollment at the AJC

A new era of collaboration between homeless veteran program¹ grantees and the AJCs began July 1, 2016. Since the release of Veterans' Program Letter (VPL) 03-16, HVRP grantees are required to enroll all participants in the public workforce system through the local AJC. On February 6, 2023, the latest VPL 02-23 was released.

Enrollment occurs when the HVRP participant receives a Wagner-Peyser-Act-funded employment service, a Jobs-for-Veterans-State-Grants-funded Disabled Veterans' Outreach Program Specialist service, or another WIOA-Title-I-funded service. Enrollment with the AJC provides homeless veterans access to additional resources, including training opportunities, supportive services, state vocational rehabilitation, integrated case management, and connection to employers and employment opportunities through the Local Veterans' Employment Representative. Enrollment at the AJC also benefits HVRP grantees, AJC staff, and the U.S. Department of Labor. Leveraging resources across programs will create a more integrated approach to helping homeless veterans and improve employment outcomes.

To read VPL 02-23 in its entirety, please use the following link: [Veterans' Program Letter NO. 02-23](#)

¹ Includes HVRP, Incarcerated Veterans Transition Program (IVTP), and Homeless Women Veterans and Homeless Veterans with Children reintegration grant program (HWHVWC), collectively referred to as HVRP.