



National Veterans'
Technical Assistance Center

**Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 Homeless
Veterans' Reintegration Program
(HVRP) Funding Opportunity
Announcement (FOA) Prospective
Applicant Webinar**

Reminders

- Welcome to the 2026 HVRP Prospective Applicant Webinar for the 2026 FOA!
- This event is being recorded.
- Please disengage any form of Artificial Intelligence (AI) for the duration of this event.
- Applicants should reach out to HVRPFOA@dol.gov for questions about the FOA or your application.
- Each slide in the FOA section will list the accompanying section in the FOA where you can find full details.
- Questions from the audience will not be answered during this webinar. If you have a question, you may ask it in the chat, and your question will be added to the Q&A document that will be provided in a few weeks. We encourage you to contact HVRPFOA@dol.gov for a more immediate response to your question.

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Agenda

- Getting started
- HVRP overview
- FOA information
- Project Budget
- Project Narrative
- Submission information
- Review process and award information
- Agency contacts and resources

Where Do I Start?

- See FOA Section II.A to ensure your organization is eligible to apply.
- Verify that your [SAM.gov](https://sam.gov) registration is active.
- Register on [Grants.gov](https://grants.gov) in advance; the process can take up to four weeks.
 - Assign an Agency Organizational Representative (AOR) to approve and sign applications.
- Applications are due no later than **Friday, March 6, 2026, at 11:59 p.m. ET.**
- Become familiar with [HVRP policies](#) and [Uniform Guidance \(UG\) requirements](#).
- Read the [2026 Funding Opportunity Announcement \(FOA\)](#) and all attachments in their entirety prior to beginning your application.
 - If you do not complete **all** required attachments as specified, your application will not be successful.
- Follow all guidelines and requirements listed in the FOA, including funding limits (\$150K–\$500K per year), when preparing your application.

Prospective HVRP Applicant Resources

- Prospective HVRP applicants can find helpful microlearning videos on the various aspects of the FOA, resources, and tools to apply for the 2026 FOA on the [Prospective HVRP Applicant Resources](#) page on the NVTAC.org website.



The screenshot shows the NVTAC website interface. At the top left is the NVTAC logo. To its right is a search bar and a 'Contact | Feedback' link. Below this is a dark blue navigation bar with the following menu items: Home, Prospective HVRP Applicant Resources (highlighted), Active HVRP Grants, Grantees, Community of Practice, Resources, and About Us. The main content area has the heading 'Prospective HVRP Applicant Resources' and a photograph of hands typing on a laptop. Below the photo is a paragraph of introductory text.

Prospective HVRP Applicant Resources

This page is intended to provide prospective applicants to the U.S. Department of Labor Veterans' Employment and Training Services (DOL/VETS) Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Program (HVRP) Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) with information and resources to complete their application process. HVRP is an employment-focused competitive grant program designed to give America's veterans experiencing homelessness the ability to reach their full employment potential and obtain high-quality career outcomes. If your organization has experience providing veteran and/or employment-related services, you may be interested in applying for this HVRP grant.

Subscribing to the HVRP FOA on Grants.gov

Subscribe to receive email updates for the 2026 HVRP FOA on [Grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov), as shown below:

- Login to [Grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov).
- Click the **Connect** tab to access the **Connect Center**.
- Click the **Subscribe to Opportunities** link under the Manage Subscriptions header.
- Click the **Add Opportunity Subscription** button on the Subscribe to Opportunities page.
- Enter **FOA-VETS-26-01** for the Funding Opportunity Number (FON).
- Click the **Subscribe** button.

Email Alerts: FOA Changes

If you subscribe to receive email updates for the 2026 HVRP FOA on [Grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov), email alerts for FOA updates will look like the email below from do_not_reply@grants.gov. Please add do_not_reply@grants.gov to your authorized senders so these emails do not go to a spam or junk folder.

Subject: Grants.gov Opportunities Update

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The following grant opportunities were created, updated, or deleted on Grants.gov:

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Veterans Employment and Training Service Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Program (HVRP), Incarcerated Veterans' Transition Program (IVTP), and the Homeless Women Veterans' and Homeless Veterans' with Children Reintegration Grant Program (HWVHWC) (referred to collectively as HVRP) Synopsis 4

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HVRP Overview

HVRP Overview

- [What is HVRP?](#)
 - A job-focused federal grant
- Who funds HVRP?
 - U.S. Department of Labor's Veterans' Employment and Training Service (DOL/VETS)
- How long does HVRP funding last?
 - The grant lasts for three years, with funding provided yearly. All start-up, implementation, and follow-up activities are included in this time.
 - The HVRP grant has a three-year period of performance (for program year [PY] 2026, it is July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2029) and is funded incrementally on an annual basis
 - The FOA will provide the funding levels for which applicants may apply
- Why HVRP?
 - To provide veterans experiencing and at risk of homelessness with the training and tools they need to obtain high-quality career outcomes.

Title 38 United States Code (U.S.C.) Sections 2021, 2021A, and 2023 and the Public Law under which funding is appropriated for this program

Active Policy Guidance

There are three active policies that HVRP grant recipients must adhere to:

- [Veterans' Program Letter \(VPL\) 06-24](#): **HVRP Requirements and Functions** - Provides guidance on all mandatory program requirements and functions
- [VPL 04-24](#): **HVRP Award Amendments** - Provides guidance on the submission of grant award amendments
- [VPL 02-25](#): **HVRP Performance, Management, and Reporting** - Provides guidance on submitting and managing performance and financial reports

HVRP grant recipients must fully comply with the rules and requirements specified in the Terms and Conditions of the Award:

- [HVRP PY25 Terms and Conditions](#)

HVRP Goals

1. Deliver career exploration opportunities, placement, and supportive services to veterans experiencing or at risk of homelessness, empowering them to secure employment in stable, high-demand occupations paying wages consistent with the relevant market.
2. Establish strong partnerships with public, private, and nonprofit organizations to assist veterans in overcoming barriers to employment.
3. Provide job-driven training targeted at in-demand occupations to enable veterans to become employable or seek a higher employment grade.

For more information, please see the [About HVRP](#) section of the HVRP website.

HVRP Core Services

- All HVRP grant recipients provide the following:
 - Outreach
 - Intake
 - Assessment
 - Case Management
 - Job-driven Training
 - Placement
 - Follow-up
 - Collaboration
- For more information, please see the [Services](#) section of the HVRP website

HVRP Umbrella

- HVRP includes three specific programs:
 - Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Program (HVRP)
 - Serves veterans experiencing or at risk of homelessness or participating in a qualifying partner service
 - Incarcerated Veterans' Transition Program (IVTP)
 - Serves veterans transitioning from penal institutions and long-term care mental health facilities
 - Homeless Women Veterans and Homeless Veterans with Children (HWVHWC)
 - Serves homeless women veterans and homeless veterans with children

HVRP Participant Eligibility

To qualify for HVRP services, an individual must:

1. Meet the definition of a "veteran"; **and**
2. Be experiencing homelessness or at risk of homelessness or participating in a qualifying partner service, or transitioning from certain institutions; **and**
3. Be in need of or would benefit from employment services.

HVRP Participant Eligibility: Homeless and At Risk of Homelessness

Eligible participants who meet the veteran definition on the previous slide must meet one of the following:

- Veterans **experiencing homelessness** must meet the criteria as defined in the Homeless Emergency Assistance and Rapid Transition to Housing (HEARTH) Act of 2009
- Veterans **at risk of homelessness**
- Veterans **participating in a partner program**
- Veterans **transitioning from penal institutions or an institution that provides long-term care for mental illness**

For more information on the definitions of the terms above, please see *Appendix: HVRP Definitions and Obtaining Documentation* in [VPL 06-24](#)

FOA Information

Content and Form of Application Submission

Applications submitted in response to this FOA **must** consist of four separate and distinct parts:

1. [SF-424](#), Application for Federal Assistance;
2. Project Budget, composed of the SF-424A and Budget Narrative;
3. Project Narrative; and
4. Attachments to the Project Narrative. Required attachments are:
 - i. PY26 VETS-704 Form, Abstract & Planned Goals Chart (Attachment A)
 - ii. Validation of 50 continuous driving mile radius for each physical location
 - iii. PY26 Chart of Past Performance (Attachment C)

You **must** ensure that the funding amount requested is consistent across all parts and sub-parts of the application.

(Section IV of the FOA)

Number of Applications Applicants May Submit



- Organizations may submit multiple applications.
- Each application must be for a different Service Delivery Area (SDA), unless proposing services in different locations within the same SDA.
- Regardless of category, DOL/VETS will not award more than \$1,000,000 per organization per year under FOA-VETS-26-01 when multiple applications are submitted.
 - This funding cap is consistent with [Executive Order 14332](#), which directs agencies to award grants to a broad range of recipients rather than a limited group of repeat awardees.
 - DOL/VETS may award more than \$1,000,000 to an organization if additional funds become available.

(Section II.C.2 of the FOA)

SAM.gov

- Starting January 18, 2025, fully registered and active [SAM.gov](https://sam.gov) accounts became a baseline system requirement for submitting applications for funding opportunities on [Grants.gov](https://grants.gov).
- As a result, all grant recipients must have and maintain an active [SAM.gov](https://sam.gov) registration from the time of application through the end of the grant's period of performance (PoP).
- An applicant must renew their [SAM.gov](https://sam.gov) registration every 12 months or it will expire.
- Applicants are encouraged to start the [SAM.gov](https://sam.gov) registration process at least 30 days prior to the FOA deadline.
- Expired [SAM.gov](https://sam.gov) renewal is a minimum of 10 business days.
- Applicants are encouraged to check their entity status in [SAM.gov](https://sam.gov).

(Section V.B of the FOA)

Unique Entity Identifier (UEI)

- To apply for federal grants and funding opportunities, all applicants must have a UEI, and it must be included on the SF-424 form.
- A UEI is a 12-character alphanumeric code that uniquely identifies each entity doing business with the government.
- The identifier is issued by [SAM.gov](https://sam.gov) and is part of an entity's record in the Entity Information section on that site.
 - If your organization does not have a UEI, you can obtain one for free at [SAM.gov](https://sam.gov).
- Grant recipients who are authorized to make subawards must follow these UEI requirements:
 - Recipients must inform potential sub-awardees that they cannot receive a subaward without providing their UEI.
 - Recipients cannot issue a subaward to any entity unless that entity has submitted its UEI.

(Section V.B of the FOA)

Employer Identification Number (EIN)

- *DOL/VETS defines an organization by the Employer Identification Number (EIN).*
- EIN **must** match the legal name in SAM.gov and the legal name on the application's SF-424.
- The EIN is the organization identifier of record.
- The UEI is **not** the organization identifier of record.

(Section V.B of the FOA)

Grants.gov

- Register on [Grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov) in advance; the process can take up to four weeks
 - Assign an Agency Organizational Representative (AOR) to approve and sign applications
- Use the [Grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov) workspace for application submission
- After submission, you will receive:
 - An email with a tracking number confirming receipt
 - A second email validating or rejecting the application
- [Grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov) resources:
 - Visit the [“How to Apply for Grants” page](#) for tutorials and FAQs
- **Help Desk:** Call 1-800-518-4726 or email support@grants.gov (available 24/7 except federal holidays)
 - Get a ticket number if you encounter issues

Prior Federal Grant Termination

- Any organization with a federal grant terminated before the end of the PoP *is ineligible to apply for HVRP for the three-year period following the official grant termination date*
 - “Termination” means the grant ended early, whether initiated by the organization or the federal awarding agency
 - Terminations are defined under [2 C.F.R. § 200.340](#)
- An exception may apply if the termination was due to unanticipated circumstances beyond the organization’s reasonable control
 - Example: Natural disasters
- Applicants are responsible for reviewing their grant history before applying

(Section II.A of the FOA)

Amendment Two

- Amendment Two, published under Synopsis 6 on February 9, 2026, provides an updated hyperlink to the VETS Application Guide.
- Hyperlinks in the FOA point to the Employment and Training Administration's (ETA) Application Guide, but **applicants are required to utilize the VETS Application Guide when applying for HVRP grants.**
- The VETS Application Guide can be found here: [Program Year 2026 Funding Opportunity Announcement Application Guide.](#)

FOA Considerations

50-Mile Radius

- Applicants **must** maintain a physical location within the identified proposed Service Delivery Areas (SDA) where staff will be located and provide participant support and services
- As a result, you must provide the proposed physical address(es) where staff will be located
 - This information *must* be included in the Abstract (tab 1 in Attachment A)
- The address(es) must be within 50 continuous miles of each county/county equivalent in the SDA
- Utilize the [StatsAmerica Big Radius Tool](#), which provides a list of counties within a 50-mile radius of a city (or the population center of that city's county, if city is not available), to determine which counties fall within a 50 continuous driving mile radius of your physical location
- Counties that are more than 50 continuous driving miles away from the physical location address(es) listed in the Abstract, and that make up 50 percent or more of the planned yearly enrollment, ***will cause your application to be disqualified***
- Failure to enter street address, city, state/territory, and zip code ***will result in disqualification***
 - This information is required to validate against the [StatsAmerica Big Radius Tool](#) results
- For more information on utilizing the StatsAmerica Big Radius Tool, please see the supplementary video located on the [Prospective HVRP Applicant Resources](#) page on the NVTAC.org website

Validation of 50 Continuous Driving Mile Radius for Each Location

1. Go to [Big Radius Tool: StatsAmerica](#) website administered by the U.S. Economic Development Administration, a bureau of the U.S. Department of Commerce.
2. Adjust the website's radius size from 25 miles by sliding the gray square until it shows 50.
3. Enter the city where you will have a physical location.
4. All counties within 50 miles of your physical location will be shaded in red.
 - i. If you want to serve a county that is not shaded red, you will need to provide an additional physical location on the Abstract where your grant will provide participant support and services.
5. If the "50-Mile Radius Report" has "...plus X more counties," please click on the "Download County-level Detail Data" link.
 - i. It will download a StatsAmerica Excel file that you *must also upload with your application*.

50-Mile Radius Report for Boston, MA Metro Division; Boston-Cambridge-Newton, MA-NH Metro Area

This region includes 12 counties: Barnstable, MA; Bristol, MA; Essex, MA; Middlesex, MA; Norfolk, MA; Plymouth, MA; Suffolk, MA; Worcester, MA; Bristol, RI; Kent, RI; Newport, RI; Providence, RI

[Download County-level Detail Data](#)



(Section IV.C.1 of the FOA)

Amendment One

- Amendment One, published under Synopsis 5 on January 30, 2026, applies to U.S. Territory and Possession applicants only.
- U.S. Territory and Possession applicants only are **not required** to provide a PDF printout of the StatsAmerica Big Radius Tool referenced in *Section IV.D.1.b. Validation of 50 continuous driving mile radius for each physical location and Section VI.A. Responsiveness Review.*
- Omission of the printout will not result in disqualification of your application.
- **U.S. Territories and Possessions must adhere to all other stipulations outlined in the FOA**, including requirements related to the 50 continuous driving mile radius specified in *Section IV.C.1. Statement of Need.*

Saturation Level Affecting Services

- DOL/VETS will consider the saturation levels of grant recipients versus the homeless veteran population in each geographical area to ensure services are within saturation limits.
- On the [PY26 SDA Saturation Map](#), saturation level is calculated by dividing the total number of HVRP planned enrollments in the Continuum of Care (CoC) by the most recent HUD Point-in-Time (PIT) count for the number of veterans experiencing homelessness.
 - CoCs with saturation levels of 100 percent or more indicate that current HVRP grant recipients are already planning to enroll more participants than the estimated number of veterans experiencing homelessness for the CoC.
 - Applicants should be aware that requesting an oversaturated SDA may result in your grant failing to meet the enrollment goals you create in the PY26 Planned Goals Chart (tab 4 in Attachment A).
- Organizations may submit multiple applications.
 - Each application must be for a different SDA, except for those applications that are providing services in different locations of the same SDA, such as the Eastside and San Fernando Valley of Los Angeles, or Queens and the Lower East Side of New York City, for example.

(Section II.C.1 of the FOA)

SDA Saturation Level

- Applicants are required to enter their annual enrollments for each CoC in their SDA in their PY26 Abstract (tab 2 in Attachment A)
 - If the proposed enrollments result in oversaturation for that CoC, a red indicator will display in the CoC Saturation with Proposed Number of Annual Enrollments field
- *Saturation level points apply to HVRP and HWVHVWC application grant types only*
- IVTP grant applications are exempt from SDA saturation level scoring, as 100 percent of an IVTP grant's enrollments are residents of penal institutions and/or long-term care institutions for mental illness at the time of program entry
- The following points will be awarded to each CoC in the proposed SDA:
 - **0 points:** saturation greater than or equal to 120.0% shown in dark red
 - **1 point:** saturation between 80.1% and 119.9% shown in reddish orange
 - **4 points:** saturation between 50.1% and 80.0% shown in light orange
 - **6 points:** saturation between 25.1% and 50.0% shown in light blue
 - **11 points:** saturation less than or equal to 25.0% shown in dark blue

(Section II.C.1 of the FOA)

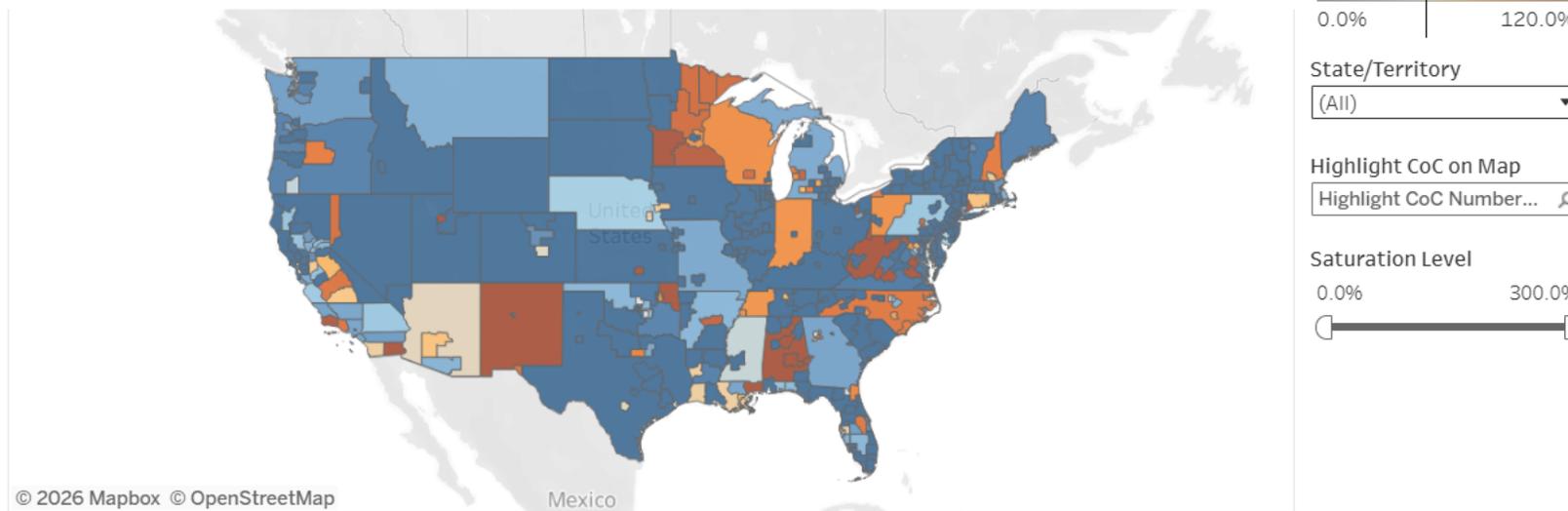
Service Delivery Area (SDA) Saturation Map

About the HVRP Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) PY2026 SDA Saturation Map

Scope: All HVRP grants operating in program year 2026 (July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027).

[PY26 FOA Saturation Map](#) |
 [Saturation Table](#) |
 [Service Gap Map](#) |
 [Service Gap Table](#) |
 [CoC Boundary Map](#) |
 [PY26 SDA County Map](#)

PY26 FOA Saturation Map



Use the filters to narrow results by State, Saturation Level or highlight a particular CoC on the map. Hover over a CoC to view saturation level details.

- CoCs shaded from dark to light blue have the lowest saturation levels.
- CoCs shaded from light orange to dark red have higher saturation levels.

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Project Budget

Budget Narrative

- A template for applicants is available at [Budget Narrative Template \(Attachment B\)](#)
- The naming convention for the attachment must be “Attachment-B-Budget-Narrative”
- One-year budget with a minimum of \$150,000 up to \$500,000, including direct and indirect costs
- Costs must be allocable to the proposed project supporting and identified population and SDA
- Applicants must use whole numbers and list the same amount requested on the SF-424, SF-424A, Abstract (Attachment A), and Budget Narrative
 - Failure to provide the same annual funding amounts in these separate and distinct parts of your FOA application will result in ***zero points for the entire Budget Narrative section***
- Should include a section describing leveraged resources provided to support grant activities, if applicable
- Follow 2 C.F.R. Part 200 guidelines for allowable, necessary, and reasonable costs

(Section IV.B.1 of the FOA)

Budget Categories

➤ Personnel

- Include titles, roles, responsibilities, FTE, and salaries
- Use [Bureau of Labor Statistics](#) data for benchmarks
- Personnel salaries for [case managers/employment specialists](#) should be **at least** 10 percent above average

➤ Fringe Benefits

- Breakdown of health insurance, FICA, retirement, etc.

➤ Travel

- Purpose of proposed travel, staff, location, and compliance with GSA per diem rates

➤ Supplies

- <\$10,000 per unit

➤ Equipment

- ≥\$10,000 with justification

➤ Contractual

- Separate contracts and subawards
- Specify purpose and cost

➤ Construction

- Not allowed and must be left zero

➤ Other

- Those not covered under the other categories

(Section IV.B.1 of the FOA)

Case Managers/Employment Specialists Wage Benchmark

- Applicants must establish the 10th percentile wage benchmark for the proposed grant's case managers/employment specialists by utilizing the [O*NET OnLine national wage website](#) for [Government Program Eligibility Interviewers \(43-4061.00\)](#)
- This benchmark *does not apply* to the Program Directors/Managers, Outreach Staff, etc., personnel positions
- For a walkthrough example of completing the wage benchmark, please view the supplementary video available on the [Prospective HVRP Applicant Resources](#) page of NVTAC.org

(Section IV.B.1 of the FOA)

Indirect Costs

Option 1: Negotiated Indirect Cost Rate Agreement (NICRA)

- Must provide an explanation of how the indirect costs are calculated
- Include which line items and associated costs are included in the cost allocation base
- Submit a current version of the NICRA

Option 2: 15 percent De Minimis Rate

- Confirm your organization meets the requirements outlined in [2 C.F.R. § 200.414\(f\)](#)
- State that your organization does not have a current negotiated rate
- Use Modified Total Direct Costs (MTDC) as the cost allocation base (2 C.F.R. § 200.1)

(Section IV.B.1 of the FOA)

Participant Support Costs

- Temporary assistance used to support eligible veteran's participation in HVRP services, tied to a specific service in their employment plan
- Costs must be both reasonable and necessary to engage in HVRP activities
- Costs should not overlap with services the participant is receiving from other programs (federal, state, and local)
- Full details for participant support costs can be found in [VPL 06-24 HVRP Requirements and Functions](#)

(Section IV.B.1 of the FOA)

Participant Support Cost Examples

Examples include, but are not limited to:

- Transportation assistance, if reasonable and necessary to obtain or maintain employment
- Child care services **only** for participants who meet the definition of a homeless veteran with children
 - Limited to 45 days and amount must be reasonable considering the average cost of child care within the local community
- Fines/fees that are creating a barrier to employment
 - Up to \$100 per participant

Participant Wages

- HVRP funds may be used to pay participant wages for job training, including On-the-Job Training (OJT), education costs for Registered Apprentices enrolled in RA Programs, and/or transitional jobs (TJ) strategies.
- The participant must be engaged in training with the expectation of post-training employment.
- Funds may cover job training wages for up to 90 days and can contribute up to 50 percent of wages, based on county market wage.
- An agreement with the employer is required.
 - **Must** outline the subsidy terms, training duration, and job placement expectations.
 - **Must** stipulate that HVRP funds will reimburse the employer for the agreed-upon earnings to be subsidized, not more than 50 percent.
- Grant recipients must have an SOP to ensure consistent execution of the process.
- Please note that subsidized job training is not considered job placement for HVRP purposes.

(Section IV.B.1 of the FOA)

Incentives

- Grant recipients may use incentives to recognize and reward achievements tied to program participants and employment goals
- May be given to participants actively engaged in HVRP and those maintaining employment during the 12-month retention period
- Incentive requirements:
 - Must include planned amount and type of incentives (i.e., gift cards) in the Budget Narrative
 - Incentives must be listed under “Other” costs, **not** Participant Support Costs
 - An SOP with a disbursement policy and tracking system must be in place to ensure consistent and fair distribution
- For complete guidance, refer to [VPL 06-24 HVRP Requirements and Functions](#)

(Section IV.B.1 of the FOA)

Tips and Reminders: Project Budget

- Review [IRS 2026 Mileage Rates](#)
 - Rates have changed as of January 1, 2026
- Verify that budget totals for the first year only match across **all documents** to avoid inconsistencies
 - Budget consistency across SF-424, SF-424A, and narrative
- Separate direct and indirect costs to prevent duplication
- Justify expenses as both “necessary” and “reasonable” per [2 C.F.R. § 200.403](#) and [2 C.F.R. § 200.404](#)
 - Clear necessity of costs/avoid unallowable expenses
- Explain how each expense directly supports participant services or project objectives

Project Narrative

Project Narrative Overview

- Demonstrate your capability to implement the grant project in accordance with the provisions of the FOA
- Limited to 25 double-spaced, single-sided, 8.5 x 11-inch pages with Times New Roman 12-point text font and 1-inch margins (must number the pages of the Project Narrative beginning with page number 1)
- Use clear, organized, and concise writing to cover **all required** sections
- It **must** include the section headers listed in the FOA
- Provides a comprehensive framework and description of all aspects of the proposed project
- Evaluated based on specific criteria listed within the FOA; make sure to address all points thoroughly or your application will not be successful

(Section IV.C of the FOA)

Statement of Need (1 of 2)

Scoring for this section will be based on entries in the *Abstract (Attachment A)*.

Abstract (Attachment A), Tab 1:

- Provide your legal name as it appears in SAM.gov, the EIN, and the UEI
- Identify your Grant Type (Category 1, 2, or 3)
- Provide physical location of case managers, employment specialists, or equivalent positions serving proposed SDAs within 50 miles
- List the same requested federal grant amount as on the SF-424, SF-424A, and Budget Narrative

(Section IV.C.1 of the FOA)

Statement of Need (2 of 2)

Scoring for this section will be based on entries in the *Abstract (Attachment A)*.

Abstract (Attachment A), Tab 2:

- Identify proposed SDAs, including the state or territory in which the grant will operate, relevant counties, and/or county equivalents (independent cities). DOL/VETS will use the Abstract as the official SDA of record.
- If there are any differences between the SDA in the *Abstract (Attachment A)* and the Project Narrative, the application will be **disqualified**.
- Enter annual enrollments for each CoC in the SDA to calculate a saturation level.
- Failure to enter the state/territory, county/county equivalent, and/or the number of annual enrollments for each of the CoCs will result in zero points for the SDA Saturation Level score and zero points for the Expected Outcomes and Outputs.

(Section IV.C.1 of the FOA)

Attachment A: VETS-704 Form – Abstract Tab 1



US Department of Labor | Veterans' Employment & Training Service
 PY26 VETS-704 Abstract (tab 1 of 3)
 OMB Approval 1293-0014 | Expires 1/31/2027

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| Applicant Name | EIN (9-digits; no hyphen) | UEI (12 characters) | Grant Type |
|----------------|---------------------------|---------------------|------------|
| | | | HVRP |

Funding Request
 Enter the funding request for Year 1 and estimated funding requests for Year 2 and Year 3.
 The Request Year 1 amount MUST match the SF-424, SF-424A, and budget narrative. Funding requests for Year 2 & Year 3 must not exceed the amounts below, but may be less if there are unexpended Year 1 funds at the end of the first program year.
 Once awarded, funds are available for the entire period of performance (PoP). Applicants may reduce or waive funding requests for Year 2 and/or Year 3 if unexpended funds remain at the end of each year.

| Request Year 1 | Estimate Year 2 | Estimate Year 3 | PoP Total | Minimum of \$150,000 per year |
|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | \$0 Maximum of \$500,000 per year |

Service Address & Phone Number
 Provide the physical address (Street, City, State, and ZIP Code) of all locations where Case Managers or Employment Specialists or equivalent positions will provide services to participants in the Service Delivery Area (SDA) identified in the Abstract-2 tab. The address(es) must be within 50 continuous driving miles of each county/county equivalent in the proposed SDA, as described in FOA Section IV.C.1.a.

| Street Address (P.O. Boxes Not Accepted) | City | State/Territory | ZIP Code (5 digit) | Phone Number (###-###-####) |
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- When completing Abstract Tab 1, keep in mind the following:
- The Request Year 1 amount must match the SF-424, SF-424A, and budget narrative
 - Funding requests for Year 2 and Year 3 must not exceed the accompanying amounts listed on Tab 1
 - Funds are available for the entire PoP upon award of the grant
 - If an applicant does not specify Grant Type Category, panelists will review the application as Grant Type Category 1
 - Grant Type Category 1 (HVRP), Category 2 (HWVHVWC), or Category 3 (IVTP)

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| # of States/Territories Served | # of Counties/County Equivalents Served | # of Service Address Cities | # of HUD Continuums of Care (CoCs) Served | SDA Avg Market Wage |
|--------------------------------|---|-----------------------------|---|---------------------|
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0.00 |

| SDA Saturation Level - Scoring Criteria & Points Awarded (Up to 10 points) | | | Total Points Awarded |
|--|--|---|----------------------|
| Total # of Annual Enrollments | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0 points for saturation ≥ 120.0% 1 point for saturation between 80.1% & 119.9% 4 points for saturation between 50.1% & 80.0% | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6 points for saturation between 25.1% & 50.0% 11 points for saturation ≤ 25.0% <i>IVTP applications are exempt and will receive 11 points</i> | |
| 0 | Points are weighted by the indiv. CoC's saturation score as a percentage of the CoC's annual enrollments in the SDA | | |

Service Delivery Area (SDA)

- Starting with Row 15, select the State or Territory to be served from the drop down; do not key in entries.
- Select the County/County Equivalent to be served. For counties with multiple CoCs, select the CoC served.
- Type in the Service Address City and State (two-letter abbreviation) that will serve the county.

| State/Territory Select first | County/County Equivalent For counties that contain more than one CoC, select the option that aligns to the proposed service area. | Service City Select the primary Service Address state/city that will serve this county. <i>The city must be within 50 continuous driving miles of the SDA county's population center.</i> | CoC Number & Name | County Market Wage |
|---------------------------------|--|--|-------------------|--------------------|
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Planned Enrollments by CoC

- Enter the expected number of enrollments for each program year (July 1 to June 30) for all of the CoCs identified below. You must enter at least one (1) enrollment for each unduplicated CoC. DOL-VETS will add 1 enrollment for any blank (yellow highlighted) entries associated with a CoC identified below.

| # of SDA Annual Enrollments in this CoC | Percentage of SDA's Annual Enrollments in this CoC | Unduplicated List of CoC Number(s) & Name(s) This is an unduplicated list of the SDA's CoCs based on the county(ies) selected at left. More than one county may be assigned to a single COC. | PIT Count Vets | Current Planned Enrollments | Current Saturation Level | Available Enrollments | Applicant Saturation Level Scored Value | Applicant Saturation Level Points | Applicant Weighted Points (% of SDA Annual Enroll x App Sat Level Points, rounded to the nearest whole #) |
|---|--|---|----------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|---|-----------------------------------|--|
| | | Select SDA State and County | | | | | | | |
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- Applicants must identify the SDA for the proposed project on Tab 2.
- Complete the applicable yellow cells; note that additional yellow cells in the Planned Enrollments by CoC table may appear based on the selections in the SDA table.
- The white cells are locked and auto-populate based on what is entered in the yellow cells.
- Enter each state/territory in which the grant will operate, the county/county equivalent, and the number of annual enrollments expected in each of the SDA's auto-populated [CoC](#).
 - DOL panelists **will not read** the entire application (i.e., Project Narrative) to make this determination, so applicants must ensure it is clearly listed on the spreadsheet.
- Saturation level points apply to HVRP and HWVHVWC application grant types only. IVTP grant applications are exempt from SDA saturation level scoring, as 100 percent of an IVTP grant's enrollments are residents of penal institutions and/or long-term care institutions for mental illness at the time of program entry. As a result, IVTP applicants will receive 11 points for this section, as this service population is not included in the HUD PIT Count.

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Enter responses in all yellow boxes below; input "N/A" if not applicable. You may type directly in the field or you may paste copied text from another source. The fields will automatically adjust to display all entered text.

1) Double click the yellow cell; 2) paste or enter text; 3) hit "Enter"; 4) field will expand to the full length of text entry.

Justification for planned enrollments in CoCs with saturation levels of 120.0% or more, if applicable.

Failure to provide justification for CoCs with a saturation level greater than or equal to 120% for the CoCs where at least 50% of combined annual planned enrollments are allocated will result in scoring zero points for the Expected Outcomes & Outputs criteria.

Justification for more than one application serving the exact same SDA, if applicable.

Undersaturated urban CoCs may allow for multiple applications from the same organization to provide services in different parts of the same SDA. Example: if the SDA is comprised solely of San Diego County, CA, one application may propose to serve only the northern region while a second application serves only the southern portion of the county.

Failure to provide justification will result in one or more of the applications being considered a duplicate; therefore, only the most recently received application that meets the submission deadline will be considered.

Justification for the application's SDA overlap (less than 25%) with a current HVRP grant's SDA, if applicable. Applies to current HVRP grant recipients with period of performance end dates of June 30, 2027 or June 30, 2028.

Example: if the current grant's SDA has 4 counties (Counties Alpha, Bravo, Charlie, and Delta) and the application's SDA proposes to serve Counties Charlie, Delta, and Echo, the application's SDA contains 50% (2 of the 4 counties) that are in the current grant's SDA. The following counties/CoCs are exempt from the 25% SDA calculation: Los Angeles County, CA (CA-600); King County, WA (WA-500); and San Diego County, CA (CA-601).

Failure to provide justification for SDA counties that overlap at more than 0% and less than 25% of your current grant's SDA will result in scoring zero points for the Expected Outcomes and Outputs criteria. Applications with a proposed SDA must not include more than 25% of the counties in your current grant's SDA; if it exceeds this limit, the application will be disqualified.

List the specific name of each Comprehensive American Job Center (AJC) within 50 miles of the service address city(ies)/state(s) as shown in Abstract-1 tab.

Enter all Comprehensive AJCs within 50 miles of the city/state. If there are no Comprehensive AJCs in any of the service address city(ies)/state(s), enter the nearest Affiliate AJC within 50 miles.

[Click to find AJCs by City, State or Zip Code](#)

List any American Indian and Alaska Native (AIAN) Tribal Areas served, if applicable.

[Click to open the HUD FY 2025 CoC Geographic Code Report for a list of AIAN Tribal Areas by state and county \(PDF\)](#)

List the Bureau of Federal Prisons, penal institutions, and/or long-term care facilities served, if applicable.

[Click to view Federal Bureau of Prisons locations](#)

| Purpose of the project (limit 800 characters with spaces) | Count |
|---|-------|
| | 0 |

| Activities to be funded by the grant (limit 800 characters with spaces) | Count |
|---|-------|
| | 0 |

| Intended beneficiaries of the project (limit 800 characters with spaces) | Count |
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| | 0 |

| Expected outcomes of the project (limit 800 characters with spaces) | Count |
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| | 0 |

| Describe subrecipient activities, if applicable (limit 500 characters with spaces) | Count |
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| | 0 |

| Key partnerships (limit 800 characters with spaces) | Count |
|---|-------|
| Partnerships with other federal, state, or local programs. Example: Partnerships with a CoC, Supportive Service for Veteran Families (SSVF) program, Grants and Per Diem (GPD), HUD-VASH, Veterans Affairs Community Employment Coordinator (CEC), Faith-based organizations, or any other external community resources. | 0 |

| Provide all other non-HVRP funding that would support this prospective grant, if applicable (limit 500 characters with spaces) | Count |
|--|-------|
| | 0 |

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Applicants will need to complete each yellow cell and clearly identify the following:

- Justification for planned enrollments in CoCs with saturation levels of 120% or more, if applicable
- Justification for more than one application serving the exact same SDA, if applicable
- Justification for the application's SDA overlap (less than 25%) with a current HVRP grant's SDA, if applicable
 - Applies to current HVRP grant recipients with period of performance end dates of June 30, 2027, or June 30, 2028
- List the specific name of each Comprehensive AJC within 50 miles of the service address city(ies)/state(s) as shown in Abstract-1 tab
- American Indian and Alaska Native (AIAN) Tribal Areas served, if applicable
- Bureau of Federal Prisons, penal institutions, and/or long-term care facilities served, if applicable
- Purpose of the project
- Activities to be funded by the grant
- Intended beneficiaries of the project
- Expected outcomes of the project
- Subrecipient activities, if applicable
- Key partnerships
- All other non-HVRP funding that would support this prospective grant, if applicable

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- If it is not applicable, enter N/A in the yellow cell.
- Failure to provide justification for a saturation level of 120 percent or more for the CoCs where at least 50 percent of Planned Enrollments are allocated will result in scoring zero points for the Expected Outcomes and Outputs criteria.
- If there is no justification in the Abstract (Attachment A), the application will be considered duplicate; therefore, only that organization's most recently received application that meets the submission deadline will be considered.
- Failure to provide justification for SDA counties that overlap at more than zero percent and less than 25 percent of your current grant's SDA will result in scoring zero points for the Expected Outcomes and Outputs criteria.

Attachment A: VETS-704 Form - Planned Goals Chart Tab 4 (1 of 2)



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Input data in the yellow highlighted cells below. Rows not highlighted in yellow are locked and cannot be edited.

| Applicant Name | Annual # of Enrollments in PY | Total # of Enrollments in PoP | Funding Request Year 1 | Funding Estimate Year 2 | Funding Estimate Year 3 | PoP Total Funding Amount | Cost per Enrollment (CPE) | # of States Served | # of Counties Served | # of Service Address Cities | # of CoCs Served | SDA Average Market Wage |
|----------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|-------------------------|
| 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0.00 |

| Planned Goals | Program Year (PY) 1 | | | | Program Year (PY) 2 | | | | Program Year (PY) 3 | | | |
|---|---------------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------------|------------|------------|------------|---------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | Q1 Jul-Sep | Q2 Oct-Dec | Q3 Jan-Mar | Q4 Apr-Jun | Q5 Jul-Sep | Q6 Oct-Dec | Q7 Jan-Mar | Q8 Apr-Jun | Q9 Jul-Sep | Q10 Oct-Dec | Q11 Jan-Mar | Q12 Apr-Jun |
| Maximum Number of Enrollments in Each Quarter | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Number of Enrollments - Quarterly Goal | | | | 0 | | | | 0 | | | | 0 |
| Number of Participants Enrolled - Cumulative Goal | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Maximum Number of Exitters in Each Quarter | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Number of Exitters - Quarterly Goal | | | | | | | | | | | | 0 |
| Number of Participants Exited - Cumulative Goal (cannot exceed cumulative enrollments) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Percentage of exitters placed into employment (Min 60%; Max 90%) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| # of Exitters Placed into Employment - Quarterly Goal <small>The # of Exitters - Quarterly Goal multiplied by the % of exitters placed into employment and rounded to the nearest whole person</small> | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| # of Exitters Placed into Employment - Cumulative Goal | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Placement Rate - Quarterly Goal | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Placement Rate - Cumulative Goal | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Planned Goals Continued | Program Year (PY) 1 | | | | Program Year (PY) 2 | | | | Program Year (PY) 3 | | | |
| Percentage of SDA average market wage for exitters placed into employment (Min 90%; Max 110%) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Average Hourly Wage at Placement - Quarterly Goal | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |

- Applicants must complete all yellow cells on the VETS-704 Tab 4 *Planned Goals Chart*
- White cells are auto-populated based on what you entered in yellow cells
- Applicants may reference the [HVRP Quarterly Performance Desk Guide](#) for guidance on measure formulas

Attachment A: VETS-704 Form - Planned Goals Chart Tab 4 (2 of 2)

| Expected Outcomes & Outputs - Scoring Criteria and Points Awarded | | | | | | | | | |
|---|--------------|----------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|--------------|--------------|----------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| Scored Outcomes & Outputs | Scored Value | Points Awarded | Below Minimum Goal | Below Min Goal Points Awarded | Minimum Goal | Maximum Goal | W/in Min/Max Goal Points Awarded | Above Maximum Goal | Above Max Goal Points Awarded |
| Cost per Enrollment (CPE) | \$0 | 0 | <\$1,000 | 0 | ≥\$1,000 | ≤\$4,000 | 9 | >\$4,000 | 0 |
| Placement Rate | 0.0% | 0 | <60.0% | 0 | ≥ 60.0% | ≤ 80.0% | 2 | >80.0% | 0 |
| Cost per Placement (CPP) | \$0.00 | 0 | <\$4,500.00 | 0 | ≥\$4,500.00 | ≤\$13,000.00 | 6 | >\$13,000.00 | 0 |
| Employment Rate 2nd Quarter After Exit (Percentage of exiters earning wages in the 4th qtr after exit) | 0% | 0 | <50.0% | 0 | ≥ 50.0% | ≤70.0% | 1 | >70.0% | 0 |
| Median Earnings 2nd Quarter After Exit (Average # of hours worked per week for exiters earning wages in the 2nd Qtr after exit) | 0 | 0 | <20 hours | 0 | ≥ 20 hours | ≤40 hours | 1 | >40 hours | 0 |
| Employment Rate 4th Quarter After Exit (Percentage of exiters earning wages in the 4th qtr after exit) | 0% | 0 | <30.0% | 0 | ≥ 30.0% | ≤ 50.0% | 1 | >50.0% | 0 |
| Total Points Awarded | | 0 | | 0 | | | 20 | | 0 |

- This section is auto-populated based on what you entered in yellow cells
- Your scores automatically calculate with a green conditional formatting if you earned points and a red conditional formatting if you did not earn points
- The Minimum Value and Maximum Value columns provide the range of acceptable values to receive points for each indicator

Expected Outcomes and Outputs

- Failure to enter values in every yellow cell in the Planned Goals Chart will result in zero points for the Expected Outcomes and Outputs section of the FOA.
- Cost per Enrollment:
 - Cost must be between \$1,000 and \$4,000 to receive full points
- Goals must be realistic, programmatically aligned, and supported by sound methods.
- Consider potential delays in start-up time (e.g., set-up of facilities, hiring of appropriate staff, outreach to networks to establish participant referrals, etc.) when setting goals.
- Applicants are encouraged not to distribute enrollments and exiters equally across quarters in their first year of performance.
- Must report quarterly progress on goals.
- Other scored indicators include:
 - Placement rate
 - Cost per placement
 - Employment rate in 2nd and 4th quarters after exit
 - Median earnings in 2nd quarter after exit

(Section IV.C.2 of the FOA)

Project Design

- Outline a client-centered approach for providing employment and job training services to veterans currently experiencing, and at risk of, homelessness.
- Success comes from an expansive, multi-disciplinary and comprehensive approach.
- Emphasize a cohesive and well-designed approach that addresses unique needs.
- Ensure that you are fully describing the approach for **how** your organization plans to approach/implement each required section; it is **not enough** to simply state that you will complete requirements without providing detail.

(Section IV.C.3 of the FOA)

Outreach, Recruitment, and Engagement

- Describe strategies for reaching and engaging veterans.
- Address outreach strategies to reach sheltered and unsheltered veterans, including those in encampments, other eligible veterans, veterans in institutional settings, and communities not currently served by an HVRP.
- Describe how you will involve partners like [American Job Centers](#) (AJC), shelters, penal institutions, and long-term care facilities in recruitment efforts.
- Highlight participation in [Stand Down](#) events and collaboration with HUD [CoC](#) Coordinated Entry.

(Section IV.C.3.i of the FOA)

Intake and Assessment

- Explain the intake and assessment process your organization intends to utilize to: determine eligibility, assess job-related service needs, and employment readiness.
- Provide in-person, virtual, or hybrid service models and strategies to remove barriers to veteran participation.

(Section IV.C.3.ii of the FOA)

Employment and Job Training (1 of 2)

- Job-driven training (JDT) received by participants may be provided through the following:
 - Directly through the HVRP grant; OR
 - Partnerships with an [AJC](#), [GI Bill Benefits](#), [Veteran Readiness and Employment](#) (formerly known as Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment), State Vocational Rehabilitation programs, or other training providers
- Employment and training programs must target in-demand occupations per Labor Market Information (LMI) for their SDA
- Applicants **must** describe the employment and job driven training services offered to help participants obtain and retain quality jobs in high demand industries including how input from industry experts was used to identify in demand skills
 - Examples of high demand industries include construction, electrical, manufacturing, and cybersecurity
- Applicants **must** explain strategies for providing general and specialized training, including on the job training during HVRP enrollment, and how training aligns with employer skill needs in growth sectors to support placements
- For more information on participant training for HVRP, please see [VPL 06-24](#)

(Section IV.C.3.iii of the FOA)

Employment and Job Training (2 of 2)

- Applicants **must** describe the range of employment and job training opportunities available in the SDA and how formal employment and job training plans will be developed based on each participant's job training needs assessment. Applicants **must** explain how plans are tailored to support individual employment goals, promote self-sufficiency, and how participant progress, referrals, and services will be managed and documented.
- Applicants **must** describe how they will provide employment adjustment services after placement to facilitate job retention and integrate these services into the individual's employment plan.

(Section IV.C.3.iii of the FOA)

What is Registered Apprenticeship?

- Registered Apprenticeship (RA) is an industry-driven, high-quality career pathway where employers can develop and prepare their future workforce, and **individuals can obtain *paid work experience* with a mentor, receive progressive wage increases, classroom instruction, and a portable, nationally-recognized credential.**
- For more information about the Office of Apprenticeship (OA) and RA Programs please see [Apprenticeship.gov](https://www.apprenticeship.gov).
- Resources for HVRP grant recipients related to RA can be found in the [Resources](#) section of the [NVTAC.org](https://www.nvtac.org) website.

(Section C.3.iii of the FOA)

RA Reminders

- DOL/VETS is committed to expanding access to RA for eligible veterans through HVRP.
- Placement into a RA is placement into employment.
- Describe targets for the number of participants placed into RA programs and then how you will engage, recruit, and enroll participants in those RA programs.

(Section IV.C.3.iii of the FOA)

Linkages and Supportive Services

- Establish partnerships with agencies providing healthcare, transportation, childcare, and other critical supportive services
- Leverage resources from national, state, and local organizations
- Propose strategies for housing and connecting participants to housing resources
- Develop relationships with CoCs, AJCs, and employer partners
- Applicants **may earn points** by submitting requested Letters of Support from each [AJC](#) and HUD [CoC](#) in your proposed SDA that demonstrate partnership and coordination, describe roles and responsibilities, and are dated within 12 months of the FOA publication date
 - Up to one point available for [AJC](#) Letters of Support and up to one point available for [CoC](#) Letters of Support

(Section IV.C.3.iv of the FOA)

Employer Engagement Strategies

- HVRP grant recipients should act as a pipeline of talent to employers that align with the economy, industry needs, and skill demands
- Ensure that you are fully describing the approach for **how** you will engage with public/private employers and apprenticeship programs
- Applicants must describe EACH of the four requirements listed in the FOA to receive full points:
 - Approach for targeting employers and the outreach strategy/approaches used
 - How you will engage employers in work experience/career exploration activities
 - Employment opportunities for participants
 - Approach for ongoing communication and feedback with employers

(Section IV.C.3.v of the FOA)

Organizational, Administrative, and Fiscal Capacity

- To receive full points, applicants must describe how their organization will manage the operational, administrative, programmatic, and financial reporting requirements specified within the FOA.
- Applicants may score up to 1 point for each of the following:
 - i. **Staffing Strategy:** Applicants must address their capacity for implementing the program, programmatic reporting, and participant tracking, including follow-up tracking services to capture and report post-exit outcomes within 120 days.
 - ii. **Financial Capacity and Stability:** Your application must demonstrate that your organization has fiscal and administrative controls in place to manage and safeguard federal funds, along with the capacity to implement an HVRP program, including the ability to adjust to potential changes in funding.
 - iii. **Program Implementation:** Applicants must describe their overall approach to managing participant information and follow up activities needed to track and report required outcomes after program exit.
- For full details on requirements, please see Section IV.C.4 of the FOA.

(Section IV.C.4 of the FOA)

Attachment C: Chart of Past Performance (1 of 3)



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| |
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| Applicant Name |
| |

Grant or Cooperative Agreement Award History

Select the response that best describes the organization's grant or cooperative agreement award history. Applicants that have received a Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Program (HVRP) grant must only select option #2.

| Category 1. No Federal Grant or Cooperative Agreement History | Category 2. Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Program (HVRP) Award History | Category 3. Other Entity Award History |
|---|---|--|
| <input type="radio"/> The organization has <i>never</i> been awarded a grant or cooperative agreement, regardless of the Service Delivery Area (SDA). | <input type="radio"/> The organization has been awarded an HVRP, Homeless Women Veterans and Homeless Veterans with Children (HWWHVWC), or Incarcerated Veterans' Transition Program (IVTP) (collectively known as "HVRP") grant. | <input type="radio"/> The organization has never received an HVRP award but has been awarded a grant or cooperative agreement. |
| <i>Form complete; no further information is required.</i> <i>The application will receive zero points for past performance.</i> | <i>Continue to Section I. HVRP Award History</i> | <i>Skip to Section II. Other Award or Cooperative Agreement History</i> |

- Applicants must first select which category accurately reflects their organization's award history:
 - **Category 1:** For organizations that have never been awarded a grant or cooperative agreement from ANY entity
 - **Category 2:** For organizations that have been awarded an HVRP, HWWHVWC, or IVTP grant previously
 - **Category 3:** For organizations that have never had an HVRP grant, but have been awarded a grant/cooperative agreement from *any other* entity
- Applicants who do not have a history of grants or cooperative agreements will have completed the form by selecting Category 1 in the "Grant or Cooperative Agreement Award History" section.
- Those applicants that have never been awarded a grant or cooperative agreement from any entity will receive zero points for this section.

Attachment C: Chart of Past Performance (2 of 3)



I. Homeless Veterans' Reintegration Program (HVRP) Award History

Select one response from the options below based on the grant's period of performance (PoP) start date noted on line 26 of the Department of Labor (DOL) Notice of Award (NoA). DOL reserves the right to award zero points for responses that misrepresent the organization's HVRP award history.

| Category 2A. HVRP Grant Award PY25 + No Other Award or Cooperative Agreement | Category 2B. HVRP Grant Award PY25/pre-PY21 + Other Award or Cooperative Agreement | Category 2C. HVRP Grant Award in PY22-PY24 |
|--|---|---|
| <p><input type="radio"/> The organization has only been awarded one HVRP grant with a PoP start date of July 1, 2025, regardless of the SDA they are requesting, and has never been awarded another grant or cooperative agreement.</p> <p>--OR--</p> <p>The organization's most recently awarded HVRP grant had a PoP start date on or before July 1, 2021 and has not been awarded another grant or cooperative agreement.</p> | <p><input type="radio"/> The organization has only been awarded one HVRP grant with a PoP start date of July 1, 2025, and has been awarded another grant or cooperative agreement.</p> <p>--OR--</p> <p>The organization's most recently awarded HVRP grant had a PoP start date on or before July 1, 2021 and has been awarded another grant or cooperative agreement.</p> | <p><input type="radio"/> The organization was awarded at least one HVRP grant with a PoP start date of July 1, 2022, 2023, or 2024.</p> <p><i>*Applicants that meet the criteria for Category C must select it.</i></p> |
| <p><i>Form complete; no further information is required.</i></p> <p><i>The application will receive zero points for past performance.</i></p> | <p><i>Skip to Section II. Other Award or Cooperative Agreement History and complete the remainder of the form.</i></p> | <p><i>Continue to Category 2C. HVRP Grant Award in PY22-PY24</i></p> |

Category 2C. HVRP Grant Award in PY22-PY24

Enter the Employer Identification Number (EIN) and Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) for the organization. These numbers must match the information listed on your SF-424.

| | | |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| EIN 9-digits; no hyphen | Example: 123456789 | |
| UEI 12-character alphanumeric | Example: FDTWYERDSD42 | |

Category 2C applicants stop here; no further information is required. Points for past performance will be awarded as described in [Section IV. Scoring Criteria](#).

Applicants that have previously been awarded an HVRP grant...

- Should select Category 2A if the organization has:
 - Not been awarded any other grant or cooperative agreement AND
 - Their only HVRP grant PoP start was July 1, 2025, OR their most recent HVRP grant was on or before July 1, 2021.
- Should select Category 2B if the organization has:
 - Also been awarded another grant or cooperative agreement AND
 - Their only HVRP grant PoP start was July 1, 2025, OR their most recent HVRP grant was on or before July 1, 2021.
- Should select Category 2C if the organization has:
 - Been awarded at least one HVRP grant with a PoP start of July 1, 2022, 2023 or 2024.
- As a reminder, any organization whose federal grant was terminated, as described in [2 C.F.R. § 200.340](#), before the expiration of the PoP established by that grant's FOA will be ineligible to apply for any HVRP FOA for a three-year period following the termination date, unless the termination was due to unanticipated circumstances beyond the reasonable control of the grant recipient

Attachment C: Chart of Past Performance (3 of 3)

II. Other Award or Cooperative Agreement History

Select either a Yes or No response based on one grant or cooperative agreement awarded by another entity other than VETS.

- It must be a grant or cooperative agreement, but not a contract.
- All three questions must have a "Yes" response for the grant or cooperative agreement to meet the minimum requirements for earning past performance points. For any question with a "No" response, DOL reserves the right to assign zero points for past performance.

| Award or Cooperative Agreement Past Performance Requirements | Yes | No |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| The grant or cooperative agreement was similar in size, scope, funding, and relevance to the application grant type. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| The period of performance (PoP) end date is within three years of the applicable Funding Opportunity Announcement's (FOA) posted date. <i>Example: if the FOA's posted date is January 16, 2026, the grant or cooperative agreement's PoP end date must be no earlier than January 16, 2023.</i> | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |
| The grant or cooperative agreement was in operation for at least 12 consecutive months of the HVRP FOA posted date. | <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> |

1. Previous grantor information

| | |
|--------------------------|----------------------|
| Grantor's Name | |
| <input type="text"/> | |
| Grantor's E-mail Address | Grantor's Telephone |
| <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |

2. Grant recipient information

| Name of Organization (if different from name in current application) | EIN (9 digits, no hyphen) | UEI (12-character alphanumeric) |
|--|---|---|
| <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| Grant/Cooperative Agreement Number or FAIN ¹ | PoP Start Date (MM/DD/YYYY) | PoP End Date (MM/DD/YYYY) |
| <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| Annual Funding Amount (Funding) | Annual # of Participants Served/Enrolled (Size) | Cost Per Enrollment (CPE) (auto-calculated) |
| <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> | <input type="text"/> |
| Type of Population Served (Relevance) | | |
| <input type="text"/> | | |

¹ Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN): a unique ID within the federal agency for each financial assistance award.

Project Description (Scope)

- For applicants that were previously awarded an HVRP grant under Category 2B, the "II. Other Award or Cooperative Agreement History" section should NOT use a previous HVRP grant to complete this section. You must use a grant or cooperative agreement **awarded by an entity other than DOL VETS.**
- Non-HVRP grant applicants (Category 2B and Category 3) **must provide their NOA** (or similar documentation). If this attachment is missing, you will receive **zero points** for Past Performance.

Attachment D: FOA Financial System Risk Assessment Information



| U.S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR -EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING ADMINISTRATION (ETA) FUNDING OPPORTUNITY ANNOUNCEMENT: FINANCIAL SYSTEM RISK ASSESSMENT | |
|--|--|
| SECTION A: PURPOSE | |
| <p>The financial responsibility of grantees must be such that the grantee can properly discharge the public trust which accompanies the authority to expend public funds. Adequate administrative and financial systems including the accounting systems should meet the following criteria as contained in 2 CFR 200 and 2 CFR 2900.</p> <p>(1) Accounting records should provide information needed to adequately identify the receipt of funds under each grant awarded and the expenditure of funds for each grant.</p> <p>(2) Entries in accounting records should refer to subsidiary records and/or documentation which support the entry and which can be readily located.</p> <p>(3) The accounting system should provide accurate and current financial reporting information.</p> <p>(4) The accounting system should be integrated with an adequate system of internal controls to safeguard the funds and assets covered, check the accuracy and reliability of accounting data, promote operational efficiency, and encourage adherence to prescribed management policies.</p> | |
| SECTION B: GENERAL | |
| 1. Applicant Legal Name (as it appears in SAM.gov): | |
| a. When was the organization founded/ incorporated (month, day, year): | b. Principal Officers: Name, Title, Email Address President/Chair Board of Directors: Chief Executive Officer: Chief Financial Officer: Accounting/Budget Officer: |
| c. Employer Identification Number: | |
| d. Number of Employees Full Time: Part Time: | |
| 2. Is the organization or institution affiliated with any other organization: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If yes, please provide details as to the nature of the company (for profit, nonprofit, LLC, etc) and if it provides services or products to the organization in relation to this grant. | 3. Total Sales/Revenues in most recent accounting period. (12 months) \$ |
| SECTION C: ACCOUNTING SYSTEM | |
| NOTE: Provide a detailed response (on a separate page on your organization's letterhead and signed/dated by a Principal Officer) for any items 2-9 of Section C that have "No" or "Not Sure" answer(s), providing enough information to clearly reflect the expertise of the organization in these areas. | |
| 1. Has any Government Agency rendered an official written opinion concerning the adequacy of the accounting system for the collection, identification, and allocation of costs under Federal contracts/grants? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| a. If yes, provide name, and address of Agency performing review: | b. Attach a copy of the latest review and any subsequent correspondence, clearance documents, etc. |
| 2. Which of the following best describes the accounting system: State administered <input type="checkbox"/> Internally developed <input type="checkbox"/> Web-based <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| 3. Does the accounting system identify the receipt and expenditure of program funds separately for each contract/grant? | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Sure <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. Does the accounting system provide for the recording of expenditures for each grant/contract by the component project and budget cost categories shown in the approved budget? | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Sure <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. Are time distribution records maintained for an employee when his/her effort can be specifically identified to a particular cost objective? | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Sure <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6. If the organization proposes an overhead rate, does the accounting system provide for the segregation of direct and indirect expenses? | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Sure <input type="checkbox"/> |

- All applicants are requested to submit the Financial System Risk Assessment form (Attachment D for suggested template) as an attachment to their application for ETA to assess the applicant's financial system.
- DOL uses the form to assess the applicant's financial system as one component of their Risk Review Process.
- Please note: It is unlikely that an organization will be able to manage a federal grant without the applicable system/processes in place.
- For details on the Risk Review Process, please see section V.B.2.

Submission

Application Submission

- **Due: March 6, 2026, by 11:59 p.m. ET.**
- Applications **must** be submitted electronically through [Grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov).
- Applications received after the deadline will not be reviewed.
- No applications will be accepted via mail, email, fax, or hand delivery.
- Submit early to avoid technical issues or delays.
 - Submitting on the final day increases your risk of missing the deadline due to technical issues.
- Allow time to fix errors and resubmit before the deadline.

Agency Contacts and FOA Resources

- Applicants should e-mail all technical questions to HVRPFOA@dol.gov and **must** specifically reference FOA-VETS-26-01.
- Include a contact name and phone number along with the question.

Review Process and Award Information

FOA Disqualifying & Zero Point Factors

- **NEW** resource for PY26 HVRP FOA applicants that lists the factors leading to disqualification of an application or to earning a score of zero for specified sections of the FOA
- Can be found on the [Prospective HVRP Applicant Resources](#) page of NVTAC.org under “Helpful Links for Applicants to Prepare for the Upcoming FOA”

Helpful Links for Applicants to Prepare for the Upcoming FOA

[PY26 HVRP FOA Disqualifying & Zero Point Factors](#)

This document lists the factors leading to disqualification of an application or to earning a score of zero for specified sections of the Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA). Following each factor are the FOA locations containing the associated explanation of the FOA requirements.

Scoring Criteria

| Criterion | Points (Maximum) |
|--|---------------------|
| 1. Statement of Need (See Section IV.C.1 Statement of Need) | 11 total |
| 2. Expected Outputs and Outcomes (See Section IV.C.2 Expected Outcomes and Outputs) | 20 total |
| 3. Project Design (See Section IV.C.3 Project Design) | 23 total |
| 4. Organizational, Administrative, and Fiscal Capacity (See Section IV.C.4 Organizational, Administrative, and Fiscal Capacity) | 3 total |
| 5. Past Performance – Programmatic Capability (See Section IV.C.5 Past Performance – Programmatic Capability) | 30 total |
| 6. Budget and Budget Narrative (See Section IV.B.1 Budget Narrative) | 13 total |
| TOTAL | 100 |

(Section VI.B of the FOA)

Award Notices

- HVRP award notices will be posted on the [DOL/VETS homepage](#).
- Awarded applicants will be contacted directly before grant execution.
- Non-selected applicants can request a written debriefing.
- Per VPL 04-24, grant recipients may be required to respond to Conditions of Award (COA) identified by the Grant Officer.
- The COA assigns a condition number to each issue and includes condition-specific instructions on how to resolve the issue(s), which may require the submission of an amendment application.
- Grant recipients must respond to the conditions as instructed within the specified timeframe, or the Grant Officer may exercise the legal remedies under 2 C.F.R. § 200.339.

(Section VII of the FOA)

Sample SOP and Continuity of Operation Plans (COOP)

SOP and COOP samples for HVRP, an SOP Guide and COOP Guidelines and Instructions, are available for reference on the [NVTAC website](#):

SOPs

- [NVTAC SOP Guide](#)
- [Example SOPs for HVRP](#)

COOPs

- [COOP Guidelines and Instructions](#)
- [Sample COOP Template](#)



Standard Operating Procedures (SOP)

What are they, and why do you need them?

HVRP Grant Recipient Resources

[National Veterans' Technical Assistance Center \(NVTAC\)](#)

- Funded by DOL/VETS to provide training and technical assistance (TA) to HVRP grant recipients
- Grant recipients may request TA or training based on their needs at no cost
- All HVRP grant recipients are required to participate in an introductory NVTAC consultation within the first quarter of their grant

[National Veterans' Training Institute \(NVTI\)](#)

- Funded by DOL/VETS to provide specialized training to further develop and enhance the professional skills of service providers for veterans' employment and training
- Offers training to HVRP grant recipients on veteran-focused employment programs, HVRP grant management and oversight, veterans' benefits, case management, and other veteran-centered courses
- HVRP grant recipients can enroll and participate in several training courses for free

Thank You!
