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## Why?

Veterans are anywhere from 2x to 3.5x more likely to experience houselessness than civilians.

### WHAT IS CONTRIBUTING TO THE INCREASE IN HOMELESSNESS AMONG VETERANS?



1.
Difficulties transitioning from active duty to civilian life



3.
Navigating VA
bureaucracy for
access to benefits



**5.** Service-related disabilities



7. Substance abuse



2.
Gaps in mental health support



Legal difficulties



6.
The growing disparity between housing costs and income

States with the Highest and Lowest Percentages of Veterans Experiencing Unsheltered Homelessness

2023

**Highest Rates** 

CALIFORNIA

70.2%

10,589 Homeless 7,436 Unsheltered GEORGIA

57.6%

701 Homeless 404 Unsheltered OREG

56.4% 1,575 Homeless

1,575 Homeless 889 Unsheltered **NEW MEXICO** 

**55.1%** 256 Homeless

256 Homeless 141 Unsheltered WASHINGTON

**53.7%**1,684 Homeless

1,684 Homeless
904 Unsheltered



### COURTNEY PLACE

**VETERANS HOUSING** 



Est. 2023





## "Place of Peace"

- Affordable Housing
  - 60% or below AMI
- Neighborly Ventures
  - Background check
  - Income verification
- On-site staff and management
  - Peer Support Specialist
  - Resource Navigator

- 34 units
  - 27 One Bedroom
  - o 7 Two Bedroom
  - ADA Units
- Pet friendly?
- Spouses?
- Utilities?
- Transportation?











## More Than Just Housing

ODVA
Salem Vet Center
Financial Literacy
Legal Services
Marion Polk Food Share

Marion County Veteran Services
Serving Our Veterans at Home
Returning Veterans Project
Family YMCA of Marion & Polk Counties
Easter Seals of Oregon

U.S. Department of Veterans Services Housing, Education, Pension, Healthcare, Disability, Burial, etc.





































