

Room 4E.400, Washington, DC. The sessions will begin at 8:30 a.m. each day. On Tuesday, April 14 the session ends at 4:30 p.m., and ends at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 15. The meeting is open to the public.

The purpose of the Committee is to advise the Secretary, through the Executive Director, My VA Task Force Office, regarding the My VA initiative and VA's ability to rebuild trust with Veterans and other stakeholders, improve service delivery with a focus on Veteran outcomes, and set the course for longer-term excellence and reform of the VA.

On April 14, agenda topics will include: An overview of VA, the Committee's charge, and the MyVA work conducted to date. Information will be provided on the five key MyVA work streams—Veteran Experience (explaining the research conducted to understand the Veteran's experience and needs), People and Culture, Support Services Excellence (such as information technology and human resources), Performance Improvement (projects undertaken to date and those upcoming), and VA Strategic Partnerships. An ethics briefing for the Committee will also be provided.

On April 15, the Committee will discuss its charge, a prioritization of Committee activities and discuss the need for convening subcommittees. No time will be allocated at this meeting for receiving oral presentations from the public. However, the public may submit written statements for the Committee's review to Sharon Gilles, Designated Federal Officer, MyVA Program Management Office, Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue NW., Room 430, Washington, DC 20420, or email at [Sharon.Gilles@VA.gov](mailto:Sharon.Gilles@VA.gov). Because the meeting will be held in a Government building, anyone attending must be prepared to show a valid photo ID. Please allow 15 minutes before the meeting begins for this process. Any member of the public wishing to attend the meeting or seeking additional information should contact Ms. Gilles.

Dated: March 12, 2015.

**Jelessa Burney,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

### Funding Availability Under Supportive Services for Veteran Families Program

**AGENCY:** Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice of Fund Availability (NOFA): Amendment.

**SUMMARY:** This amendment to the February 3, 2015 NOFA allows grantees with existing 3-year, non-renewable awards to apply for funding (these grants were previously awarded to priority 1 applicants under a Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) NOFA published on January 10, 2014). Under the current February 3, 2015 NOFA, VA is offering up to \$300 million to current SSVF grantees seeking funding for their existing, renewable grants. This amendment will expand the pool of potential applicants to include current SSVF grantees with 3-year, non-renewable grants. The overall level of funding available through the amended NOFA remains at \$300 million.

Increasing the rate of placement of homeless Veteran households may be accomplished by accelerating SSVF program implementation by funded grantees. VA seeks to encourage such activity and recognizes that one method of enhancing placement activity is to shorten grant terms from 3 years to 2 years, utilizing the grantee's total 3-year award in a shorter, 2-year period.

*Announcement Type:* Amendment.

*Funding Opportunity Number:* VA-SSVF-021015.

*Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:* 64.033, VA Supportive Services for Veteran Families Program.

**DATES:** Applications made in response to this amendment are due April 10, 2015.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. John Kuhn, Supportive Services for Veteran Families Program Office, National Center on Homelessness Among Veterans, 4100 Chester Avenue, Suite 201, Philadelphia, PA 19104; (877) 737-0111 (this is a toll-free number); [SSVF@va.gov](mailto:SSVF@va.gov).

For a Copy of the Application Package: Copies of the application can be downloaded directly from the SSVF Program Web site at: [www.va.gov/homeless/ssvf.asp](http://www.va.gov/homeless/ssvf.asp). Questions should be referred to the SSVF Program Office via phone at (877) 737-0111 (toll-free number) or via email at [SSVF@va.gov](mailto:SSVF@va.gov). For detailed SSVF Program information and requirements, see Part 62 of Title

38, Code of Federal Regulations (38 CFR part 62).

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### I. Funding

Existing 3-year, non-renewable grantees are eligible for funding equal to 33 percent of their total current award. These awards would replace funds used to accelerate the placement of homeless Veteran households in years 1 and 2 of the current 3-year, non-renewable grant term. These funds would be made available to grantees who compressed their 3-year award into 2-years, allowing them to operate in the third year of their grant term as planned. Awards made to applicants responding to the NOFA and the amended NOFA will be scored competitively with each group of applicants given equal priority.

#### II. Allocation of Funds

Funding will be awarded under this NOFA to existing grantees for a 1-year grant term, to be implemented in the final year of the 3-year grant term that currently exists, in order to replace funding accelerated into years 1 and 2 of their 3-year grant term. Applicants must apply as renewal grantees, using the renewal application form. Existing grantees interested in applying under both the original NOFA and the amended NOFA must submit two separate applications. Only grantees with 3-year, non-renewable grants are eligible to apply in response to the amended portion of this NOFA. Supportive services grants awarded under the amended portion of this NOFA must also meet the following criteria:

(1) Each funding request cannot exceed 33 percent of the existing 3-year, non-renewable award.

(2) Applicants must have spent no less 46 percent of their total grant award no later than August 30, 2015.

(3) Applicants must exit no less than 46 percent or more of their total household target (indicated in their grant agreement) by August 30, 2015.

(4) 85 percent or more of all exits will be the rapid re-housing of Category 2 and 3 (literally homeless) Veteran households. Category 1 exits cannot exceed 15 percent of placement activity.

#### Signing Authority

The Secretary of Veterans Affairs, or designee, approved this document and authorized the undersigned to sign and submit the document to the Office of the Federal Register for publication electronically as an official document of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

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electronically as an official document of the Department of Veterans Affairs. Jose D. Riojas, Chief of Staff, approved this document on February 25, 2015 for publication.

Approved: March 5, 2015.

Dated: March 11, 2015.

**Rebecca Schiller,**  
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