A second chance for those who put their country first.

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The Incarcerated Veterans Transition Program is designed to help justice involved and transitioning veterans who are homeless to re-enter the workforce. Our program provides direct services – through a case management approach – to link incarcerated veterans with appropriate employment and life skills support as they transition from a facility into the community.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

To be eligible for the SERJobs Incarcerated Veterans Transition Program (IVTP), veterans must be transitioning from incarceration or recently released from incarceration and are at-risk of homelessness, such as the following:

- A veteran who is or has recently been part of a penal institution (Jail or Prison), or an institution that provides long-term care for mental illness (Psychiatric Center, Rehab Facilities, transitional housing)
- Is at risk of homelessness or is homeless
- Has a discharge other than dishonorable on the DD214
- Must have at least one day of active duty on DD214
- Eligible Greater Houston Counties: Harris, Montgomery, Walker, Fort Bend, Brazoria and Galveston
- Veterans released from elsewhere but plan to move to one of the eligible counties once released may also be eligible

SERVICES INCLUDED

- CASE MANAGEMENT: We aim to care for our veterans holistically. We define transferrable skills and provide extensive case management that address needs outside of work and training to alleviate the stresses that incarcerated veterans face.
- JOB READINESS TRAINING: This course teaches resume writing and interviewing skills to prepare clients for communication with employers.
- OCCUPATIONAL SKILLS TRAINING: We offer various trainings including Core Construction, Customer Service and Warehouse Forklift training to increase employability and professional growth, and you walk away with nationally-recognized credentials, too!
- SUPPORT SERVICES: We offer supportive services such as bus passes, fuel cards, identification fees, work clothing, as well as emergency basic needs (food, shelter, etc.) to supplement what is provided through referral to our community partners.
- PLACEMENT ASSISTANCE: We work diligently with our community partners and employers to offer our clients housing as well as employment assistance.
- FOLLOW-UP SERVICES: We offer a full range of follow-up services including access to the SERJobs computer lab, mock interviews, supportive services and financial coaching.

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PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY

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- Veterans currently incarcerated in the Greater Houston metro area
- Veterans recently released from Houston correctional facilities
- Veterans released from facilities elsewhere who come to Houston seeking a fresh start
- Veterans at-risk of homelessness within 60 days of their program enrollment

To be classified as a Veteran for program eligibility, individuals must have a discharge of anything other than “Dishonorable.”

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