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Monthly Members Meeting

May 23rd, 2023

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Welcome!

Agenda

Welcome & Introductions

Camaraderie Foundation, Ron Pasquale

Veterans Update, Annie Johnson

PIT Count Data, Angel Jones

DV Project, Danielle Pierson

VI-SPDAT Community Kickoff Meeting Update, Jackie Ebert

YHDP RFA Update, Aja Hunter

Announcements



CAMARADERIE FOUNDATION'S MISSION
IS TO PROVIDE HEALING FOR THE
“INVISIBLE WOUNDS OF WAR” THROUGH
COUNSELING, EMOTIONAL, AND
SPIRITUAL SUPPORT FOR ALL MILITARY
SERVICE MEMBERS, VETERANS, AND
THEIR FAMILIES.



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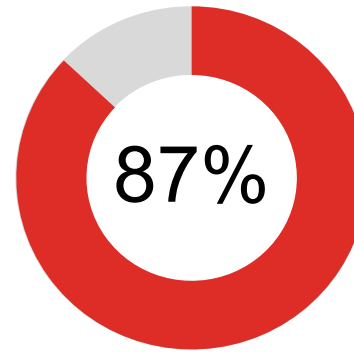
Need

More than 22 million Americans have served or are serving in the military.

More than 150,000 veterans live in Central Florida according to the 2020 census.

4X

as many service members/veterans died by suicide vs combat since 9/11/2001



of veterans are exposed to potentially traumatic events.



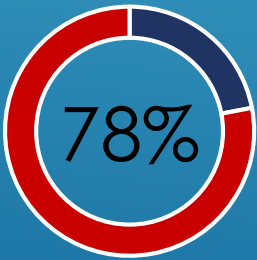
4 out of 5 veterans believe they are not getting the mental health care they need.

Women veterans experience PTSD almost double the rate of their male counterparts.



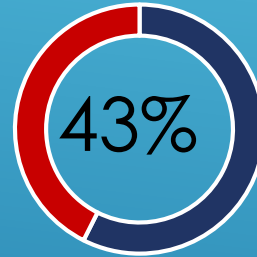
THREE MAJOR FACTORS IMPACTING VETERANS

TRANSITION



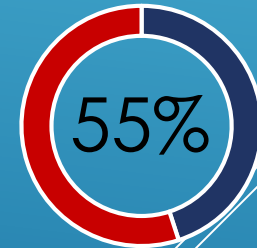
78% of Veterans report difficulty in transitioning from military to civilian life.

SUICIDE



43 percent of post-9/11 Veterans considered suicide at least once after joining the Military

PTSD



55 percent of post-9/11 Veterans said they have a mental health condition connected with their service.

What it feels like to have PTSD

Chris's Story

IMPACTS THE ENTIRE FAMILY

Over **50%** of Military spouses reported experiencing stress, financial concerns, family and/or marital issues according to the American Psychological Association.

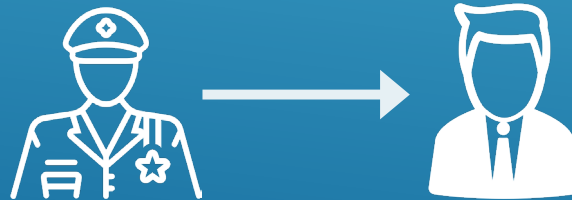




How Camaraderie Foundation Helps



Counseling
Services



Transition
Services



Support
Services

Counseling Services

Customized care

- Private & confidential
- Free of charge
- Clients in 48 states and 4 foreign countries
- More than 650 counselors
- No waiting list
- Available to veterans, service members, their families, and their caregivers

More than 26,213 hours of counseling
have been awarded since 2009.



COUNSELING SERVICES



Evidenced Based Therapies

- Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing (EMDR)
- Accelerated Resolution Therapy (ART)
- Cognitive Behavioral Therapy
- Mindfulness-Based Therapies
- Acceptance and Commitment Therapy
- Motivational Interviewing

HOW ARE WE DOING?

“Just letting you know that counseling is going great, and I couldn't have done it without this organization's help, so I am saying thank you and continue to bless other service members/families & help diminish the war on PTSD. If there is anything I can do or volunteer to show my gratitude, I'm just an email away. Thanks again & have a Wonderful Wednesday!!!”

Current client – Veteran

89%

Success
Rate



TRANSITION ASSISTANCE

MENTOR LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

“I feel that the Camaraderie Foundation provides not only a common ground with veterans but is a safe place. I cannot recall feeling more at home within an organization since I left the military almost three years ago.”

- Barron, Mentor Leadership Program Class III Graduate

Mentorship

Skill Building

Networking



SUPPORTIVE SERVICES

Military families are under significant emotional strain and often do not have the opportunity to connect with peers. Through community partnerships, Camaraderie Foundation offers family-friendly events and resources that are free of charge to help couples reconnect, let kids be kids, and build informal peer supports.

“Thank you, Camaraderie, for bringing people together with same or similar problems. It brings this community together. Having a day to spend with family without an argument or misunderstanding is great for the families you support.”

William V on the Family Fun Days





Family Fun Days

Upcoming Events

May 31, 2023
Tampa Theatre



What Makes Us Different



No discharge
status qualification



All services are free



No wait list
for counseling



Family members and
caregivers are eligible



Licensed mental health
professionals in our network



1:1 mentoring opportunities



Spiritual aspect



National and overseas
therapy services

How You
Can
Help

Volunteer

Donate

Spread the Word



Q & A





(407) 841-0071

www.camaraderiefoundation.org



SSVF Program Overview & Eligibility Requirements

Supportive services for Veteran Families

Annie Johnson- Veterans Program Advisor
Homeless Services Network

Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF)

The Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) program serves veteran families and individuals who are homeless or at-risk of homelessness without SSVF assistance.

The program is designed to provide ***case management and assistance in obtaining VA and other benefits, as well as time-limited payments to third parties*** (e.g., landlords, utility companies, moving companies, and licensed child care providers) ***if*** these payments help Veteran families stay in or acquire permanent housing on a ***sustainable basis***.

Main components of SSVF:

- Rapid Rehousing
- Homelessness Prevention
- Street Outreach
- Case Management
- Temporary Financial Assistance
- Obtaining VA and other benefits

Eligibility Requirements

- 1) An SSVF-eligible veteran is someone who served in the active military, naval, or air services, regardless of length of service, and who was discharged or released there from.
- 2) “Very low-income”: Household income does not exceed 80 percent of area median income.
- 3) “Occupying Permanent Housing” must meet one of these categories below:
 - (Category 1) Is residing in permanent housing and at risk of becoming literally homeless but for grantee’s assistance; (*Homeless Prevention*)
 - (Category 2) Is literally homeless, and at risk to remain in this situation but for grantee’s assistance, and scheduled to become a resident of permanent housing within 90 days pending the location or development of housing suitable for permanent housing; (*Rapid Rehousing*)
 - (Category 3) Is literally homeless after exiting permanent housing within the previous 90 days to seek other housing that is responsive to the very low-income Veteran family’s needs and preferences. (*Rapid Rehousing*)

Homelessness Prevention (Category 1)

Homelessness prevention assistance is intended for eligible Veteran families who are imminently at-risk of becoming literally homeless (e.g., entering an emergency shelter or place not meant for human habitation) but for SSVF assistance. This includes Veteran families who may be:

- living in a doubled-up housing situation,
- shared housing,
- self pay hotel/motel and who are also imminently at risk of becoming literally homeless
- 90 days in an Institution, Hospital, Jail

In addition to the SSVF eligibility criteria the Veteran families will need to meet the requirements of a Homelessness Prevention Screening form. Currently in our area the score is 36.

If the Veteran families do not meet the score they are deemed ineligible and provided community resources.

Rapid Rehousing (Categories 2 & 3)

SSVF's rapid re-housing assistance is intended for eligible Veteran families who are literally homeless as per definition bulleted below.

- Staying in a public or private place not designed for or ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for human beings, including a car, park, abandoned building, bus or train station, airport, or camping ground; OR
- Staying in a supervised publicly- or privately-operated shelter designated to provide temporary living arrangements (including congregate shelters, transitional housing, and hotels and motels paid for by charitable organizations or by federal, state, or local government programs for low-income individuals); OR
- Exiting an institution where s/he resided for 90 days or less and who resided in an emergency shelter or place not meant for human habitation immediately before entering that institution: OR
- Are fleeing or attempting to flee a domestic violence situation

What SSVF is not:

- Transitional housing program
- Housing facility
- Mortgage assistance program

Referral to SSVF

Veterans can be referred by:

- VA
- 211
- <https://hsncfl.org/ces-intake-form-2>
- veteran@hsncfl.org
- 407-743-5117

WE NEED YOU HELP!

By Name List (BNL)-A by-name list is a comprehensive list of every person in a community experiencing homelessness, updated in real time.(Community Solutions)

- Please attend our monthly meeting the 3rd Thursday of each month at 9:30am-10:30am. If interested please email xavian.deniz@hsncfl.org.
- During this time we review all homeless Veterans identified in our community not connected to Supportive Services.
- Once identified we complete the Coordinated Entry and prioritize the Veteran to refer to the Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF).

Please join us:

Monthly Veterans Committee meeting-

Monthly on the 4th Friday of each month

11:00am -12:00pm

Please email me at annie.johnson@hsncfl.org

QUESTION????

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PIT Count Data

Brittney Behr

HSN Domestic Violence/Human Trafficking RRH-Project Overview

Facilitator:

Danielle Pierson- DV/HT Project Advisor



UPDATE:
VI-SPDAT
Community
Kickoff Meeting

Jackie Ebert



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YHDP RFA UPDATE

Aja Hunter



Announcements!



Hosted by Orange County Public Schools, the Central Florida Homeless Education Summit (CFHES) allows school staff from Orange, Osceola, and Seminole counties to learn from local agencies and district staff about how to support students and families in need.

PRESENT



ATTEND




PROMOTE (EXPO HALL)



CENTRAL FLORIDA HOMELESS EDUCATION SUMMIT
JUNE 2ND, 2023
8:00AM-5:00PM
WINDERMERE HIGH SCHOOL
QUESTIONS: HELPHOMELESS@OCPS.NET

FREE NUTRITION CLASSES



Free Nutrition Classes

SNAP-Ed Nutrition Education

Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida is now offering SNAP-Ed Nutrition Education classes at partner organizations that serve clients receiving SNAP benefits or those eligible for SNAP benefits. Nutrition education can help SNAP-eligible Florida residents to incorporate more nutritious foods into their diet, adopt an active lifestyle, prevent chronic disease, manage a healthy weight and improve their quality of life. Classes are available for various age groups, such as youth/teens, families with children, adults and seniors.

Nutrition class information

- ◊ Classes are free
- ◊ Classes run approximately 20 minutes
- ◊ Schedule the classes when it's convenient for your organization
- ◊ Marketing materials provided
- ◊ Cooking demonstration supplies are provided
- ◊ Class curriculum is approved by Department of Children and Families (DCF)
- ◊ Educators can teach multiple classes at your facility
- ◊ Handouts are available in English, Spanish and Creole

Available class topics

- ◊ Shopping and cooking healthy on budget
- ◊ How to read nutrition labels
- ◊ Reducing fat, sugar & sodium
- ◊ Diabetes, know the risks
- ◊ Gut health
- ◊ Choosing to eat whole foods
- ◊ Keep moving
- ◊ Healthy portion and serving sizes
- ◊ And more!

For more information: Contact the SNAP-Ed Nutrition Educator for your county

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SECOND HARVEST FOOD BANK



40 YEARS Second Harvest FOOD BANK OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

CULINARY TRAINING PROGRAM

The Second Harvest Culinary Training Program is a 16-week continuing education opportunity offering adults facing barriers to employment with the culinary and life skills training needed to pursue a full-time sustainable career in the food industry, and is free of charge to qualified applicants.

ENROLL TODAY!

Applications are being accepted for the following sessions:

Session Dates
May 8 – August 25, 2023
July 31 – November 17, 2023
October 23 – February 23, 2024
Start dates are subject to change.

Application Deadlines
May 1, 2023
July 24, 2023
October 16, 2023

Class Schedule
Monday - Friday
8:30 AM - 2:00 PM
Onsite at Second Harvest Food Bank

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Minimum 18 years of age
- Authorized to work in the United States
- Have experienced financial instability (unemployment, low wage, government assistance, etc.) during the last 12 months
- Must not possess a criminal history involving arson, sexual battery or violent crimes. All other criminal activity records will be considered on a case-by-case basis
- Must agree to disclose and provide criminal history records
- Must agree to a background check and drug test
- Must be drug and alcohol-free for at least one year prior to the application and enrolled in a rehabilitation support program
- High School Diploma or G.E.D. preferred, or the ability to meet minimum aptitude requirements based on curriculum needs
- Demonstrate an enthusiasm for and willingness to commit to the Program and food service industry
- Must have the physical ability to perform required kitchen duties as assigned, including standing for long periods of time, lifting (which may include up to 50 lbs.), bending and, on occasion, working in rooms with cool temperatures (below 40°F)
- Must be able to attend classes Monday through Friday, 8:30 A.M. to 2:00 P.M., for 16 weeks
- Must be willing and able to work full-time upon completion of the Program

HOW TO APPLY

In Person: 411 Mercy Drive, Orlando, FL 32805
Online: Fill out the pre application form at FeedHopeNow.org/CTPapp



For more information please contact: Keonna Yearwood, KYearwood@FeedHopeNow.org, (407) 514-1037, or Katrina McGee, KMcGee@FeedHopeNow.org, (407) 514-1071.



Join Us!

- ✓ PROMOTE DIGNITY
- ✓ CHALLENGE STIGMA
- ✓ CHANGE THE CONVERSATION ABOUT HOMELESSNESS

Lived Experience Advisory & Advocacy Council

Within Central Florida Commission on Homelessness, there are committees comprised of our peers who have come together with the purpose of collaborating to enhance our system of care for persons within our community experiencing homelessness.

**Complete this 5-min
Interest Form right
on your phone!**



**For Q&A, email Rashad at:
l.rashad.haynes@hsncfl.org**





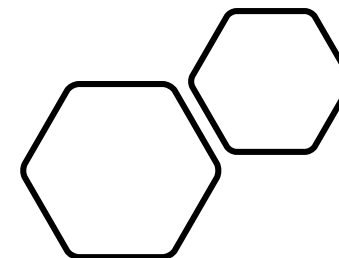
Join Us!

We believe in empowering the youth of today to help shape the safe spaces youth seek while experiencing homelessness. Join the Youth Action Society (YAS) and make the change.

Contact Aja Hunter to Join:
aja.hunter@hsncfl.org



HOMELESS
SERVICES
NETWORK
of Central Florida





Need PPE?

Let HSN meet your PPE needs!

- Reusable and Disposable Masks
- Hand Sanitizer
- Gloves
- Need any? Let us know!

Contact

Christopher.Fowler@hsncfl.org to
arrange a pickup

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, June 27th, 2023

9 to 10:30 am

Location: Hybrid

