

Important Organizations and Contact Information

Massachusetts Department of Veterans'
Services
600 Washington Street Suite 1100
Boston, MA 02111
Phone: 617-210-5480
Fax: 617-210-5755

Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency
Home Loan Program
Phone: 617-854-1000
One Beacon Street
Boston, MA 02108

OUTREACH CENTERS
Veterans Association of Bristol County in
Fall River, MA
Phone: 508-679-9277
Fax: 508-677-9663

OUTREACH CENTERS WITH HOUSING
SERVICES
Massachusetts Veterans Outreach
Gardner, MA
Phone: 978-632-9601
Fax: 978-632-9476

Veterans Northeast Outreach center
Haverhill, MA
Phone: 978-521-9668

NAM Vets Association of Cape and Islands
Hyannis, MA
Phone: 508-778-1590

Veterans Benefits Clearinghouse
Boston, MA
Phone: 617-541-8846

Puerto Rican Bilingual Veterans Center
Springfield, MA
Phone: 413-731-0194



131 Summer Street
Bridgewater, Massachusetts
02325
Phone: 508.531.1000

*How can you help? Print this
brochure and distribute it at your
agency, community center, place
of worship, or anywhere else you
feel may be able to reach
veterans.*

Serving Those Who Served



Resource Guide

Resources for Veterans



Who is Eligible?

According to Massachusetts General Law Chapter 4, Section 7, Clause 43 in order to be considered a “veteran” you must have served in the Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force or Coast Guard in the U.S. for:

- 1) 180 days of regular active duty service with a last discharge or release under Honorable conditions
- OR
- 2) 90 days of active duty service, one day of which was during “wartime” with the last discharge or release under honorable conditions except for Vietnam I which requires 180 days active duty service.

GUARD MEMBERS: For GUARD MEMBERS to qualify they must have 180 days and have been activated under Title 10 of the U.S. Code -OR- Members who were activated under Title 10 or Title 32 of the U.S. Code or Massachusetts General Laws, chapter 33, sections 38, 40, and 41 must have 90 days, at least one of which was during wartime.

For more information:

VA Benefits: 1-800-827-1000

http://www.mass.gov/Eveterans/docs/wartime_chart.pdf

Stand Downs

Run in conjunction with Veteran Affairs, Stand Downs “are typically one to three day events providing services to homeless veterans such as food, shelter, clothing, health screenings, VA and Social Security benefits, counseling, and referrals to a variety of other necessary services, such as housing, employment and substance abuse treatment”.

Upcoming Stand Downs:

6/19/09 (1 day) Worcester, MA
Contact: Joe Boylan

Phone: 508-791-0956 x 127

8/28-8/29/09(2 day) Dorchester, MA

Contact: Karen Guthrie

Phone: 617-232-9500 x 44947

Fall/09 (1 day) Manchester, NH
Contact: Lisa Winn

Phone: 603-624-4366 x 3622



Soldier On

Soldier On operates two facilities in Leeds and Pittsfield. The Leeds shelter provides access to physical and mental health services and a substance abuse recovery program. This facility also offers separate housing for women veterans and for elderly veterans. From this shelter transitional housing arrangements and employment opportunities are available.

www.wesoldieron.org

Phone:

Leeds:(413)-582-3059

Pittsfield: (413)-236-5644

New England Center For Homeless Veterans

Offers traditional shelter services as well as clinical caseworker support and life skills and job training. They also have a Veterans Training School that offers training and employment assistance and transitional housing opportunities.

Phone: 617-371-1800 www.nechv.org