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## **Veterans Services Expands in Tulsa and Oklahoma City**

Helping Veterans Achieve Housing and Employment Services

**(TULSA, OK - October 27, 2020)** – Volunteers of America Oklahoma (VOAOK) has been awarded two federal grants totaling over \$2 million over three years to assist veterans in Tulsa and Oklahoma City with housing and employment services. The Veterans Administration Transition in Place (VATIP) grant will provide \$1 million over the next three years in supportive housing for veterans experiencing homelessness in Tulsa. The Department of Labor's Homeless Veterans Reintegration Program (HVRP) grant will provide \$1.2 million over 3 years for veterans experiencing homelessness and in need of employment in Oklahoma City. Both programs are an expansion of existing services to veterans in the State.

The VA Transition in Place grant will provide housing for approximately 100 veterans experiencing homelessness over the next three years. Veterans in the program will have increased access to permanent supportive and sustainable housing, health care, employment opportunities, and services leading to long-term success.

Volunteers of America Oklahoma began serving veterans' employment needs in 2015 and has successfully served more than 500 veterans in Tulsa and seven surrounding counties. The grant award will expand VOAOK's veteran employment services to the Oklahoma City metro area. The program's primary goal is to provide assistance with meaningful employment to veterans experiencing homelessness.

"The two grant awards will assist Volunteers of America in serving the men and women in our State who have sacrificed so much in service to our country. Our team is honored and privileged to be able to support our military heroes," said Pam Richardson, President/CEO, Volunteers of America Oklahoma.

Veterans in need of housing and/or employment services or veteran-friendly employers please contact VOAOK at 918-307-1500.

Volunteers of America Oklahoma (VOAOK) is a participating agency in both the Tulsa homeless continuum of care "A Way Home for Tulsa" and the Oklahoma City Homeless Alliance West Town Campus. VOAOK serves in 33 counties across Oklahoma and in Kansas and serves over 9,751 individuals annually including veterans, the aging, the homeless and the disabled. Volunteers of America Oklahoma is an affiliate of Volunteers of America, Inc. a 124-year-old national human services organization and is dedicated to serving Oklahoma's most vulnerable. Learn more at [voaok.org](http://voaok.org) or [facebook.com/voaok](https://facebook.com/voaok).

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