



# How Does the Coalition Help Homeless Veterans?

Each October (19<sup>th</sup> Stand Down this year), the El Paso County Homeless Veterans Coalition (EPCHVC) conducts a one-day “Stand Down” (projected to assist 180 Homeless Veterans this October, assisted 196 Needy and Homeless Veterans in 2018, 243 Needy and Homeless Veterans in 2015 and 153 Homeless Veterans in 2014) followed with a multi-day **Transitional Housing Initiative (THI)** (projected to assist 7 Family Units (28 people) for 30 days for 2017, assisted 15 Family Units 32 people) for 30 days in 2016 during which a Homeless Veteran and their families get immediate help and assistance obtaining viable solutions to their particular homelessness situation.

## Stand Down – October 17<sup>th</sup>

Clothing (jackets, jeans, shirts, boots, shoes, underwear, long johns, socks, gloves, scarves) – backpacks - personal care items – a hot noon meal – haircuts – hot showers - flu shots – Hepatitis C testing - dental/foot/hearing exams - shelter and housing referrals (VA and Rocky Mountain Human Services) - counseling - VA Medical Care - Veterans Administration – job search support -- substance abuse services – assistance with DD-214 military service discharge documents – Salvation Army – Red Cross – Department of Human Services - Springs Rescue Mission – Peak Military Care Network and Mt Carmel Veterans Service Center.



## Transitional Housing Initiative – October 17<sup>th</sup> to November 15<sup>th</sup>



Additionally, this year EPCHVC will identify up to 7 Homeless Veteran Family Units (28 individuals) for a **Transitional Housing Initiative (THI)** specifically designed to immediately take a Homeless Veteran Family Unit off the street, remove several major barriers to improving the Family Unit’s living conditions and get the Family Unit into safe housing situations where they can be together as a family. For 30 days (30 days in 2016, 18 days in 2015, and 14 days in 2014), EPCHVC provides the Homeless Veteran Family a safe and secure place to stay, meals, transportation, assistance with navigating supporting agencies, and mentoring. For the 2016 year, EPCHVC experienced a 54% overall Family Unit success rate in assisting Homeless Veterans and their families secure suitable housing situations

## What your donation buys for a Homeless Veteran

- \$ 1 - pair of new fresh socks
- \$ 6 - new shirt or a pair of winter gloves
- \$ 17 - pair of blue jeans
- \$ 25 - warm winter coat, pair of hiking boots, backpack
- \$ 95 - housing and meals / day – one family
- \$ 250 - dinner meal for all the THI participants
- \$ 800 – one day’s housing for all the THI participants

Please visit our web site [www.epchvc.org](http://www.epchvc.org) to learn more, volunteer, or make a donation (tax deductible as we are a 501c(3)). Send donations to EPCHVC P.O. Box 1841 Colorado Springs, Colorado 80901



# Thank you for your help!

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# What Does EPCHVC Need?

(Indicate how you or your organization can help) **Organization:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Info: Name / email / phone** \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_ any amount will help: EPCHVC P.O. Box 1841 Colorado Springs, Colorado 80901

**Stand Down – October 17** POC James Griffith 719-200-8223

**Goods:** John Crouse [jrcrouse@comcast.net](mailto:jrcrouse@comcast.net) 719-488-2317 and James Peaslee 719-661-0771

In Line 0800 - \_\_\_\_\_ 1030 – Meal \_\_\_\_\_ Paper products (cups and plates, utensils) \_\_\_\_\_  
Feminine Hygiene \_\_\_\_\_ Drinks \_\_\_\_\_

**Volunteers:** James Griffith [griffithjr001@yahoo.com](mailto:griffithjr001@yahoo.com) 719-200-8223

0630-0900 Set Up(6) \_\_\_\_\_ Serve 0700–1400 Registration(4) \_\_\_\_\_ Homeless Initial Contact (6) \_\_\_\_\_  
Escorts \_\_\_\_\_ Van Driver(1) \_\_\_\_\_ 1030-1500 Meal Servers (6) \_\_\_\_\_ 0700-1500 Security (10) \_\_\_\_\_  
0800 1200 Goods Distribution (30) \_\_\_\_\_ Take Down (6) \_\_\_\_\_ Tables \_\_\_\_\_ Haircuts \_\_\_\_\_ Chaplain \_\_\_\_\_

**Transitional Housing Initiative Oct 17 to November 15**

**Volunteers:** Joe Carlson [admin@epchvc.org](mailto:admin@epchvc.org) 405-326-2588

**Mentors (5 - Daily Contact)** \_\_\_\_\_ **Work (Daily) POC** \_\_\_\_\_

**Bus Passes 31 day (\$ 63)** \_\_\_\_\_ **20 ride (\$ 32)** \_\_\_\_\_ **Welcome Baskets** \_\_\_\_\_

**Meals:** Connie Connolly [connieconnolly415@msn.com](mailto:connieconnolly415@msn.com) 719-332-8830

**Evening Meal (32 meals each your location, Clarion, or restaurant) – 1800 hours**

Oct 17 _____	Oct 18 _____	Oct 19 _____	Oct 20 _____
Oct 21 _____	Oct 22 _____	Oct 23 _____	Oct 24 _____
Oct 25 _____	Oct 26 _____	Oct 27 _____	Oct 28 _____
Oct 29 _____	Oct 30 _____	Oct 31 _____	Nov 1 _____
Nov 2 _____	Nov 3 _____	Nov 4 _____	Nov 5 _____
Nov 6 _____	Nov 7 _____	Nov 8 _____	Nov 9 _____
Nov 10 _____	Nov 11 _____	Nov 12 _____	Nov 13 _____
Nov 14 _____	Nov 15 _____		

**Noon Meal (32 meals each at the Clarion) - 1200 hours**

Oct 22 \_\_\_\_\_ Oct 29 \_\_\_\_\_ Nov 5 \_\_\_\_\_ Nov 12 \_\_\_\_\_

**Activities: (Weekend 2 - 4 hours)**

Oct 21 _____	Oct 22 _____	Oct 28 _____	Oct 29 _____
Nov 4 _____	Nov 5 _____	Nov 11 _____	Nov 12 _____

**Night Supervisor ((1) Each night 1800 – 0800)** \_\_\_\_\_ **Van Driver ((1) Daily 0800 – 1700)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Joe Carlson – [admin@epchvc.org](mailto:admin@epchvc.org) 405-326-2588**