



Admission Criteria for Building 9 for Veterans

The Building 9 for Veterans (B9Vets) provides a unique opportunity for homeless male and female veterans to once again become self-sufficient and productive members of the community. In a structured, safe, and supportive environment, clients will receive client-centered case management services and life skills training to return to independent living, increased self-determination, and employment.

While clients work towards their goals and objectives, they will be provided additional services that may include traditional Chemical Dependency treatment and 12-step orientation, Cognitive Behavior Therapy, and Mental Health Counseling. The Puget Sound VA Health Care System at American Lake and Seattle will provide medical treatment for those clients who qualify for VA Healthcare. If ineligible for VA Healthcare, clients will be expected to apply for medical coupons through DSHS or obtain medical insurance through their employer.

Please Note: Clients of B9VETS are not residents of the Washington State Veterans Home at Retsil.

Eligibility:

- 1) Applicant must be a veteran with an honorable discharge or a general discharge (under honorable conditions).
- 2) Applicant must be homeless.
- 3) Applicant must have a minimum of 30 days of clean and sober time.
- 4) Applicant must not have the following convictions: violence, sex offence, arson. Applicants will receive criminal background checks prior to admission.
- 5) Applicant must have an income source or are working toward developing an income source.
- 6) Applicant must be employable or have the desire to obtain life skills leading towards independent living.

- 7) Applicant is required to provide unassisted self-care. Self-care includes, but is not limited to: waking up, getting into or out of bed, eating, bathing, using the toilet.
- 8) Applicant will take all medications as prescribed.
- 9) Applicant must be able to co-exist in a cooperative living environment and be able to respond positively to behavioral redirection.
- 10) Applicant will attend regular house meetings.
- 11) As part of the treatment plan, the applicant may be required to attend group and/or individual counseling with a Mental Health or Chemical Dependency professional.
- 12) As part of the case management plan, the applicant may be required to participate in job search activities, vocational assessment, resume preparation and volunteer work opportunities on-site and in the community.
- 13) As part of the case management plan, applicant is required to seek independent housing opportunities for future housing needs.
- 14) Applicant is required to save 20% of their net monthly income to facilitate their transition to independent living.
- 15) As part of the case management plan, applicant agrees to follow-up case management services for 180 days after completion of the program.

The applicant's signature indicates understanding of and willingness to follow the program rules and expectations set forth in this document.

Applicant Signature _____ **Date** _____