"Serving Those Who Served"

In 2023, WDVA published a new Strategic Plan that aligns agency goals and objectives with the Governor's strategic framework. This plan outlines **four primary goals** to define both our successes of the last year and our intentions for 2024 and beyond.

WDVA Saves & Transforms Lives

- **\$10,478** raised for Suicide Prevention Community Grants through License Plate Emblems
- **72** LEARN Suicide Prevention trainings provided to **609** participants
- **40** Suicide Prevention Peer Support Interventions

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VETERANS

AFFAIRS

- **1200**+ Veterans and Families received **10,646** counseling hours (WDVA Counseling Program)
- **52** Veterans in **8** rural counties received direct services (SSG Fox Suicide Prevention Program)
- **115** Veterans placed into permanent housing through the Transitional Housing Program
- **\$500,000** Homeless Veterans Reintegration Program Grant
- \$826,650 AmeriCorps Grant supporting 41 Vet Corps Members. 311 volunteers recruited and 449 Veterans completed a mutually-agreed upon goal through peer support
- 2,540 pounds of fresh, organic produce grown and donated from 16 leased Orting Veterans Farm plots
- **54** Veterans Training Support Center events with 1164 attendees
- **350** participants in the annual Serving Those Who Served Conference

WDVA Respects, Empowers, & Inspires Everyone

- **6%** reduction in WDVA Nursing Assistant Certified (NAC) vacancy rate for permanent positions
- Six graduates from the WDVA NAC Academy, a 100% first-time pass rate for skills exams
- **28** staff completed NAC training through local college/training partnerships
- **150** WDVA NAC's received Recruitment & Retention incentives
- **Military Spouse Liaison Program** published research on Childcare for Military Families in WA, quantifying families' needs in the state.

WDVA Will be a Leading State in Veteran Service Delivery & Outcomes

2023 Year in Review

- **398** State Veterans Home Census, up from 385 in 2022.
- WWVH received a deficiency-free health survey
- WSH & SVH both received 4-star quality ratings
- 6 nonprofit VSOs These partners work with WDVA
 - 23 county VSOs Field Services to submit VA claims
- 7 Indian tribes to ensure quality claims are filed.
- 12,378 VA Disability, Pension, and Survivor Claims filed
- \$153.7 million in new VA funds received by Veterans and their families in 2023, total of \$3.4 billion statewide (FY22)
- **56** Veterans assisted through LGBTQ+ Program with access to benefits and services
- **2,338** Veteran-owned businesses certified through 2023
- **\$200,000** in funds received from DOH for Tobacco Cessation for Veterans
- 828 interments at the State Veterans Cemetery.
- **\$604,000** provided for State Veterans Cemetery Operations, programs for Veterans without homes and other vital services, through the Armed Forces License Plate sales.
- **1213** Veterans assisted with Digital Navigator Program

WDVA Operates Effectively & Efficiently

- **\$13.1 million** in CARES Capital Construction, funding **20** projects.
- **Two** VA grant per diem construction projects totaling **\$6 million**. An additional **\$31.1 million** in ARPA grants applied for.
- 24 team members certified as PROSCI change practitioners and 38 WDVA Lean Six Sigma Yellow Belt certifications.
- Established a 15-member Operational Leadership Team.



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WDVA Capital Program

Our construction projects team has been moving forward on completion of over \$19 million in 100 percent federally funded projects as well as several million dollars in other projects that were funded with both federal and state funds provided by the State Legislature's Capital Budget.

WSH	WVH
Washington Soldiers Home, Orting	Washington Veterans Home, Port Orchard
SVH	WWVH

Flooring Replacement wvh, wsh

Both Homes are updating floors inside the skilled nursing facilities in a phased approach that disrupts the Residents' lives as little as possible.





The specialized bathing tubs are being replaced in

three of four Homes, and the bathing rooms are being



WSH SVH

WVH

Bathing Facility Replacement





Servery Upgrade

WVH

A new food prep and distribution area has been constructed to ensure Residents receive punctual meals.







New Maintenance & Storage Building

WWVH

A new build on the site of the agency's newest Home is needed to secure materials, tools, and other maintenance-related necessities.

THP, Port Orchard

WVH

Rooms within the existing Building 10 facility are being converted from double- to single-occupancy, including private bathrooms and showers.

2023 Year in Review







THP, Orting

WSH

Double-occupancy rooms are being converted to single-occupancy, including private bathrooms and showers.







EV Charging Stations

WVH

The Port Orchard campus received two sets of chargers, and have acquired another Level 2 unit for placement in the near future.







Door Replacement

SVH

The Spokane Veterans Home is replacing many internal and external doors around the facility to increase security and safety of Residents and staff.



New HVAC

WVH

The new system will allow for better environmental control over the skilled nursing facility, and will be an energy efficient ESCO project.