

ABOUT



SHALLOW SUBSIDY

For eligible Veterans, Shallow Subsidy pays 50% of your rent for up to 24 months. Shallow Subsidy equips the Veteran with the necessary support to increase self-sufficiency and further promote housing stability through light case management services and temporary financial assistance.

BACKGROUND

The SSVF Program Office conducted a review of longer-term rental assistance efforts in 2018. Through this review, the SSVF Program Office identified promising practices in a new type of rental subsidy arrangement known as a shallow subsidy.

A shallow subsidy offered rental assistance at a fixed rate for a longer time in comparison to traditional SSVF. The expectation was that this sustained support would expand housing options and increase the Veteran households' ability to meet other costly living expenses. As a result, the SSVF Program Office embarked on an initiative in October 2019 to offer the Shallow Subsidy service in select communities. WestCare's SSVF program was awarded the Shallow Subsidy grant in 2021.

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SUPPORTIVE SERVICES
FOR VETERAN FAMILIES



SHALLOW SUBSIDY



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"They let me **choose** the path and provided the means. They instantly took the **unbearable** load off my back. The great staff at WestCare bought me **time**."

– Shallow Subsidy Participant

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OUR SERVICES

- 50 % Rental Assistance
- Case Management Services
- Facilitate access to community resources
- Temporary Financial Solutions
 - Utility assistance
 - Child Care
 - Transportation Assistance
 - Security/Utility Deposit
 - Moving Assistance
 - General Housing Stability Assistance

*Limitations apply

HOW IT WORKS

ENROLLMENT & REFERRAL

Eligible veterans must be enrolled in the Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) program and referred to Shallow Subsidy through their assigned Veteran Advocate. A Case Manager will then determine Veteran eligibility and complete their transition into the Shallow Subsidy service.

TARGET POPULATION

Are you a Veteran living on a fixed income? In a shared living situation? On a waitlist for affordable housing? Experiencing rent burden? Ability to pay for 50% of your rent? Then, the Shallow Subsidy service may be a good fit for you.

CLIENT EXPECTATIONS

Once transitioned into Shallow Subsidy, a Case Manager will conduct monthly check-ins with the Veteran household to offer connections to community resources and ensure housing stability. Veterans will also work with their Case Manager to create a housing stability plan in order to achieve their long-term housing goals.

GOAL

At the end of Shallow Subsidy services, Veterans will have the necessary financial resources and support networks to sustain their housing independently.