

	<p><b>“Be the Reason a Veteran Smiles Today” by “Having a Heart For Hospitalized Veterans.”</b></p>	<p><b>The Brick Road to the Department of Missouri Hospital Program</b></p>  <p>January/February 2025-2026</p>	<p><b>Karen Cypret</b>  <b>22222 Whiplash Lane</b>  <b>Washburn, Mo. 65772</b>  <b>417-342-7652</b>  <b><a href="mailto:mohospitalavvs.kcypret@gmail.com">mohospitalavvs.kcypret@gmail.com</a></b></p> <p><b>“From Sea to Shining Sea Honoring Veterans – Who Keeps Us Free” we should be “Caring For Our Veterans Like the Ocean Caring For the Waves.”</b></p>
<p><b>Veterans Affairs Voluntary Services Representatives and Deputies Promotional Material</b></p>			

### **The Criteria for the Missouri Veterans Homes.**

The Missouri Veterans Homes Program offers high-quality, compassionate care to Veterans who are in need of 24-hour long-term nursing care. Each of our Veterans Homes, are just that, the home of our nation's heroes. We pride ourselves on serving the Veterans by creating a community of care in a safe and dignified environment.

The 2025 monthly rate for residency is \$2,697. This rate is adjusted each year with an expected COLA increase each January.

To be eligible for admission into a Missouri Veterans Home an individual must:



- Meet criteria established by the VA for Veterans status
- Be a citizen of Missouri who has maintained a physical residency in Missouri for one hundred eighty (180) consecutive days immediately before application
- Physically living in the state of Missouri or proof of ownership of a residential home in the State of Missouri meets the eligibility requirements for the establishment of residency
- Not appear on any sex offender registry
- Not have a criminal history, including conviction or guilty plea/nolo contendere in any state (which, if committed in Missouri, would be) a Class A or B felony violation
- The Veteran must have documentation from a physician that he/she requires 24-hour skilled nursing care
- The Veteran's condition must be such that the Home has the resources to care for him/her

Eligibility and admission decisions are made by a team comprised of the Administrator, Physician, Director of Nursing, Social Worker, Veterans Service Officer, and other professionals as needed.



Reporting your hard work is essential for the organization to prosper.

**As we walk this yellow brick road toward veterans' healthcare needs, let us be ever mindful that they are more than deserving of our time and efforts by “having a heart for hospitalized veterans.” Until next time... Let us keep our hearts turned toward our veterans. Karen**