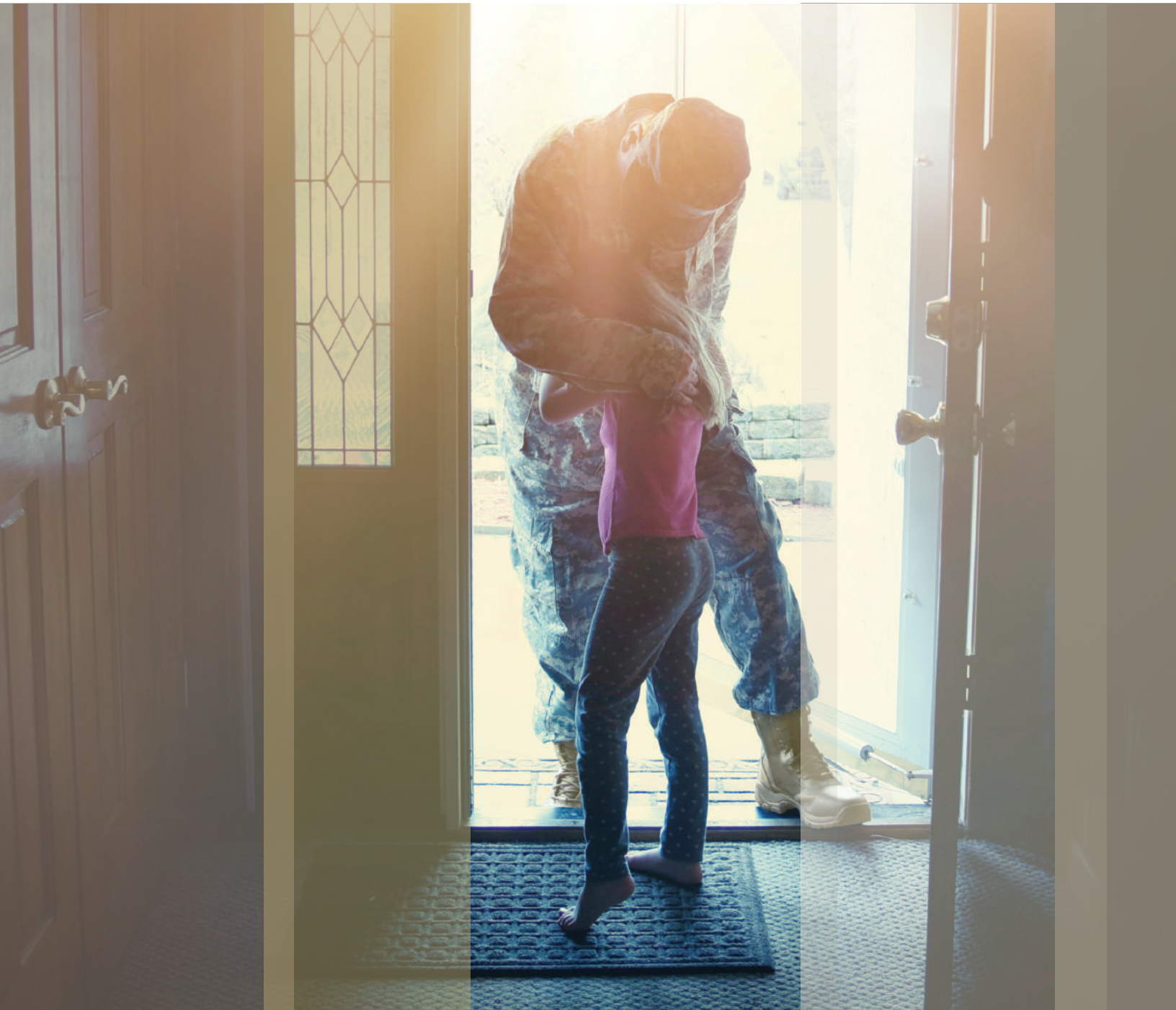




**AMERICA'S
WARRIOR
PARTNERSHIP**
EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES
TO EMPOWER VETERANS

COMMUNITY INTEGRATION

ANNUAL SURVEY REPORT 2018



OVERVIEW

America's Warrior Partnership is committed to empowering communities to empower veterans. We fill the gaps that exist between current veteran service organizations, as well as those nonprofits that serve the general population, by helping nonprofits connect with the veterans, military members and families in need: bolstering their efficacy, improving their results and empowering their initiatives. America's Warrior Partnership is a force multiplier for warrior community integration that enhances communities where great Americans choose to live and contribute.

From city to city and town to town across America, there is no one organization or platform in place to ensure each unique veteran is fully and holistically supported. Each city, county, and state is different; some are equipped to handle the return of hundreds and thousands of post-service veterans. In most places, however, scattered services are provided by disconnected agencies.

America's Warrior Partnership is the connection that brings local veteran-centric nonprofits together through coordination and collaboration, ensuring consistent information is obtained and relevant services are provided. We attack inefficiency and amplify the work of established nonprofits and government agencies. America's Warrior Partnership brings the necessary and unifying resources to communities and makes it easier for those who served our nation to lead the lives they deserve.

Our Affiliates



Goodwill of Orange County's Tierney Center for Veteran Services is a global approach to serving veterans and their families, serving all veterans in Orange County, California, including immediate family members, and military personnel and families.



Panhandle Warrior Partnership empowers warriors of Northwest Florida through a holistic program of community collaboration designed to connect warriors and their families to the local community through benefits, services, education, jobs, and housing.



Palmetto Warrior Connection empowers warriors and their families utilizing collaboration, advocacy and education by promoting relentless quality care in the Low Country of South Carolina.



Upstate Warrior Solution, serving Greenville, and the upstate of South Carolina, connects warriors and their families to resources and opportunities, leads them through the process of self-empowerment, and inspires the community to embrace local warriors and their families as valued neighbors and friends.



Veterans One-stop Center of Western New York, Inc. (VOCWNY) is the area's premier, community-based, independent, nonprofit collaborative, offering U.S. veterans, service members, and their families the convenience of a barrier-free One-stop Center in which to access a coordinated and individualized suite of services for veterans.

The purpose of the America's Warrior Partnership annual survey is to ascertain the ways in which communities across the United States are assisting veterans and their families so that needed changes can be implemented to make all efforts more effective. The survey was completely anonymous, and warriors were given an option (upon completion of the survey) to provide contact information for a chance to win one of five \$100 gift cards. All contact information was kept separate from annual survey results ensuring responses were kept completely confidential.

Additional partner organizations who participated in our survey include The Warrior Alliance (TWA) in Atlanta, GA, Northeast Ohio Foundation for Patriotism (NEOPAT) in Cleveland, OH, and Clear Path for Veterans in Syracuse, NY.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Community Integration, the signature program of America's Warrior Partnership, gives communities proven tools and methods to customize their programs to meet veterans' needs more effectively. Based on holistic, individualized care and community-wide collaboration, Community Integration benefits both the communities that implement it and the veterans they serve.

Each year, America's Warrior Partnership conducts a survey in order to measure a variety of factors relating to the Community Integration program and the veterans served. The results of the survey help us evaluate veterans' strengths, needs, growth and satisfaction while allowing us to make the respective programmatic and community adjustments. This year, the survey was opened up to additional community partners across the United States increasing the sample size by nearly 73% more participants including veterans, active duty service members, family members, caregivers, and community members. Overall, our survey results show contrary to public perception, the majority of veterans are not homeless and are in fact doing well in those communities that make them a priority.

As a result of the 2017 survey, the affiliates (service providers) emphasized their efforts on recreation, opportunities to connect with others and volunteerism. From this campaign, we saw a positive increase in veterans' perception of their community:

- 36% of veterans actively participate in community events as opposed to 30% the previous year.
- Veteran's perception that they can thrive in their community increased by 8%.
- 81% of veterans believe they have the resources they need within their community as opposed to 75% last year.
- There was an 8% increase in veterans believing there are opportunities within their community.

Again this year, resources veterans seek are typically not the urgent assistance most would expect. The top six resources sought are: recreation; connections with other veterans; volunteer opportunities; access to health benefits; and access to better employment.

This year, America's Warrior Partnership continued their Adult Hope Scale⁺⁺ analysis. We compared the Hope Scale to quality of life* which showed that as a Hope Scale score increases, the feeling of being able to adapt to changes and bounce back from illness, injury, or hardship increases as well. We also found the majority of the veterans continued to receive a score of "thriving". We determined that more veterans who are seeking short-term financial assistance and housing scored in the "stuck" (lower level of hope) category.

In the analysis of 2018 and the 2017 surveys, we have seen an increase in the level of veteran engagement, but it could be higher. In this year's results, approximately 67% of veterans feel there is a strong network of support for active military and veterans in their community. By focusing on the Community Integration model and the holistic approach, together we can strengthen the support for veterans.

America's Warrior Partnership's mission, empower communities to empower veterans, is one of active engagement between communities and veterans. Through a proper balance of outreach, follow-up, and continuous engagement, we strive to create communities where veterans have the support they need. Through this insight, communities may create a strong network of support. Collaboration is the key to success for both the veteran and the community.

Footnote:

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DEMOGRAPHIC DETAILS

SURVEY DEMOGRAPHICS DETAILS

88.2%  SERVED IN THE MILITARY

8.9%  MILITARY CAREGIVER/
FAMILY MEMBER

2.9%  COMMUNITY MEMBER

1,623 TOTAL SURVEY PARTICIPANTS

OF THE APPROXIMATELY 20 MILLION VETERANS WITHIN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA¹,

1,432 COMPLETED THE SURVEY*

*STATISTICALLY SIGNIFICANT, 95% CONFIDENCE LEVEL WITH A 3% MARGIN OF ERROR

MILITARY SERVICE STATUS

74.2%  RETIRED, SEPARATED OR DISCHARGED

11.4%  ACTIVE DUTY

14.4%  NATIONAL GUARD/
RESERVE

NUMBER OF YEARS SERVED STATISTICS

AVERAGE:
13 YEARS

STANDARD DEVIATION:
10 YEARS

MINIMUM:
<1 YEAR

MAXIMUM:
59 YEARS

NUMBER OF YEARS SINCE ACTIVE DUTY STATISTICS

AVERAGE:
19 YEARS

STANDARD DEVIATION:
15 YEARS

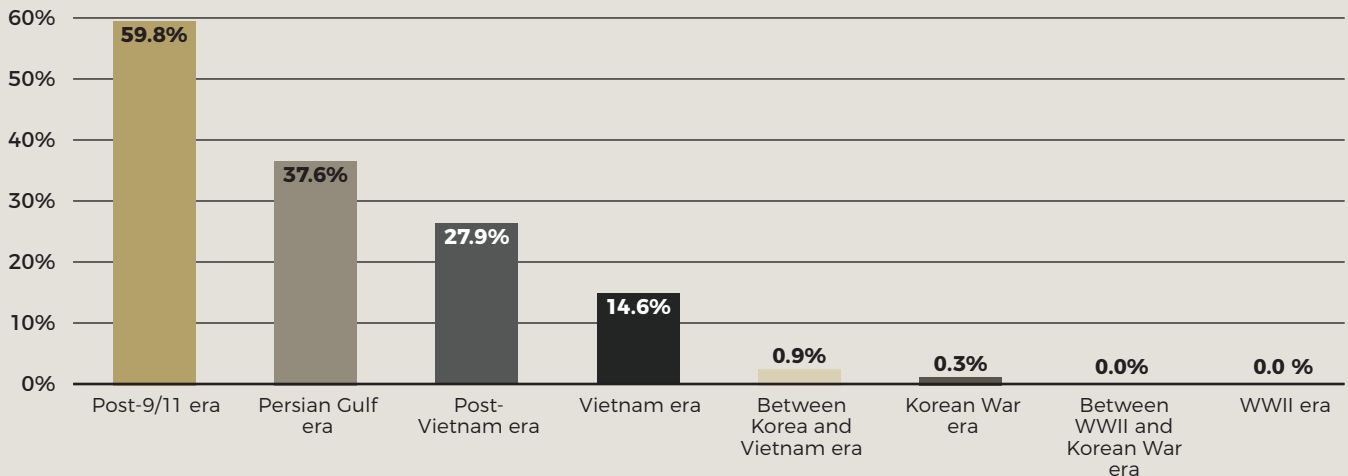
MINIMUM:
<1 YEAR

MAXIMUM:
65 YEARS

GENDER

70.0% MALE 29.9% FEMALE 0.1% OTHER

ERA OF SERVICE



More than half of warriors (59%) engaged by community organizations have served during the Post-9/11 era and nearly a one-third of warriors (37%) engaged by community organizations have served during the Persian Gulf era. Only 15% identified as having served during the Vietnam era or before. The number of Vietnam era veterans increased this year, but the number of pre-Korean War veterans were not represented in this population. Nearly 41% of warriors engaged served during more than one era.

Footnote: ¹https://www.va.gov/vetdata/docs/Demographics/New_Vetpop_Model/Vetpop_Infographic_Final31.pdf

AMERICA'S WARRIOR PARTNERSHIP APPROACH

INTEGRATION STATUS



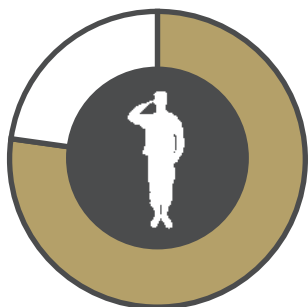
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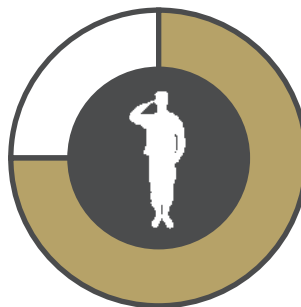
40.7%

expressed a need to be connected to a resource within their communities to help them overcome barriers or challenges they are currently experiencing.

COMMUNITY QUALITY OF LIFE*



77.4%
of warriors feel they are able to adapt when changes occur



75.2%
of warriors tend to bounce back after illness, injury, or hardships

SATISFACTION WITH COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS



93%

Satisfied, Extremely Satisfied or Neutral

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AMERICA'S WARRIOR PARTNERSHIP APPROACH



OUTREACH
67%

VS.

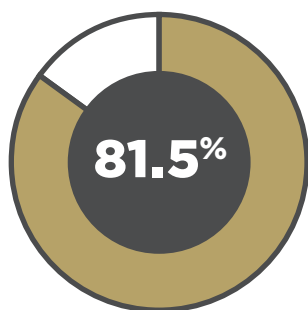
WALK-INS
33%



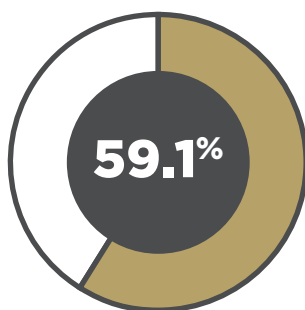
On average, a ratio of **2 to 1** warriors engaged and seeking resources are found through outreach efforts as opposed to walk-ins.

Women are more likely to be referred to a community organization by a veteran/active duty military member, whereas men are more likely to be referred by a representative from an organization.

PERCEIVED COMMUNITY SUPPORT TO BEING AN ACTIVE PARTICIPANT IN THE COMMUNITY



of warriors that regularly participate in community events feel supported by the community



of warriors that do not participate in community events feel supported by the community

Warriors that participate in community events regularly are

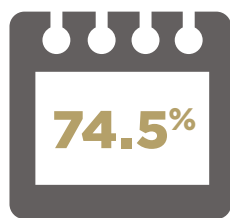
1.4 times

more likely to feel supported by their community.

HOW MUCH SUPPORT DO WARRIORS NEED TO HAVE A SENSE OF WELLBEING?



0-3 Months

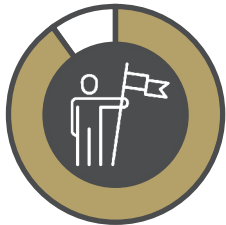


3+ Months

On average, nearly **25%** feel a sense of wellbeing within the first 3 months of engagement with a community organization. Warriors' sense of wellbeing increased to **75%** after 3 months of engagement and having established a trusting relationship with the community organization.

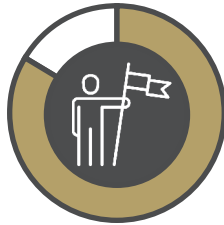
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FREQUENCY OF ENGAGEMENT TO FEELING OF EMPOWERMENT*



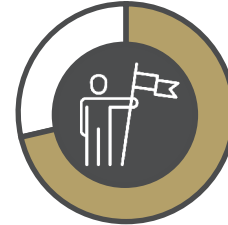
90.0%

of warriors engaged **once a week/a few times a week** feel empowered



83.8%

of warriors engaged **once a month/a few times a month** feel empowered



71.5%

of warriors engaged **a few times a year** feel empowered

Veterans who were engaged once a week or a few times a week are **25%** more likely to feel empowered by their community than ones who were engaged just a few times a year.

Women are more likely than men to feel empowered by the support they receive from community organizations.

*Empowerment is defined as actions community organization has taken to empower the veteran.

FREQUENCY OF ENGAGEMENT TO FEELING CONNECTED*



90.8%

of warriors engaged **once a week/a few times a week** feel connected



79.5%

of warriors engaged **once a month/a few times a month** feel connected



75.0%

of warriors engaged **a few times a year** feel connected

Veterans who were engaged once a week or a few times a week are **21%** more likely to feel connected to their community than ones who were engaged just a few times a year.

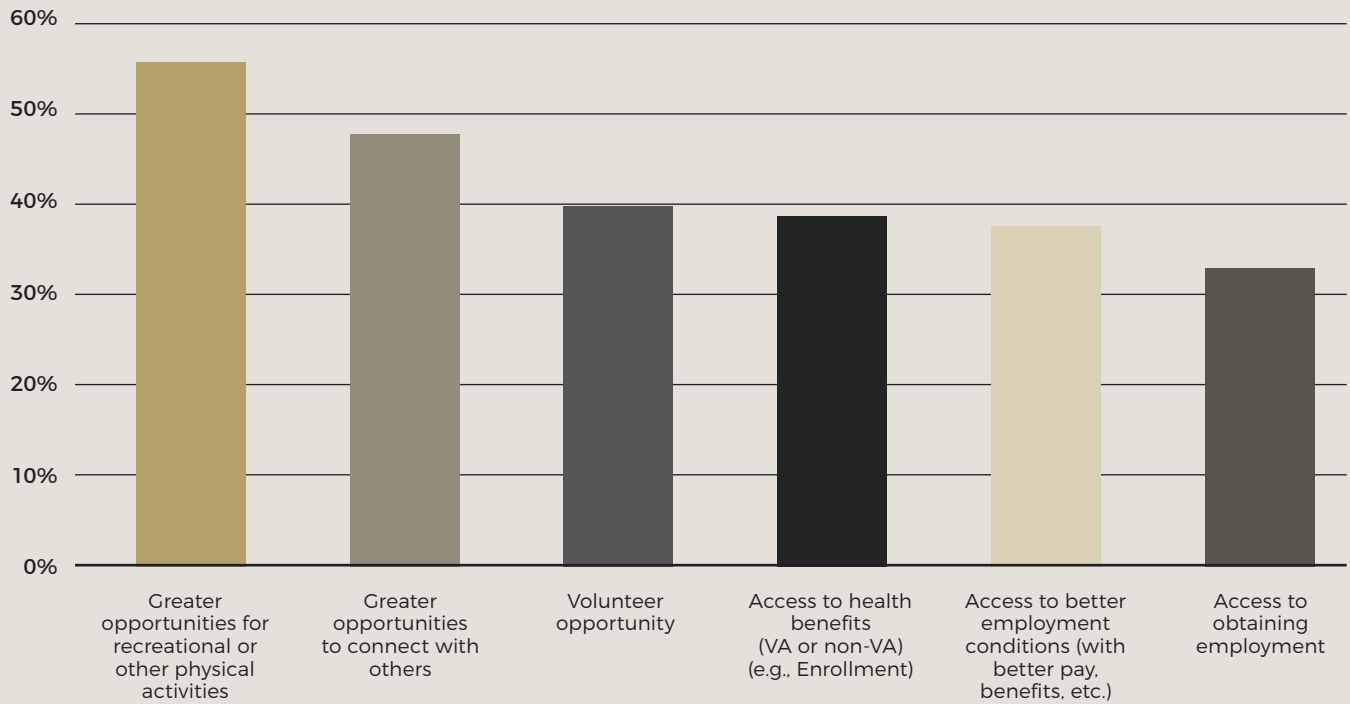
*Connected is defined as actions the community organization has taken to improve warrior connection.

COMMUNITY PROGRESS REPORT

	2018 STATISTICS:		2017 STATISTICS:
Believe there are resources available	80.9%		75.4%
Believe veterans can thrive	79.7%	VS.	71.5%
Believe there are opportunities	75.2%		67.0%

COMMUNITY INTEGRATION HOLISTIC SERVICES

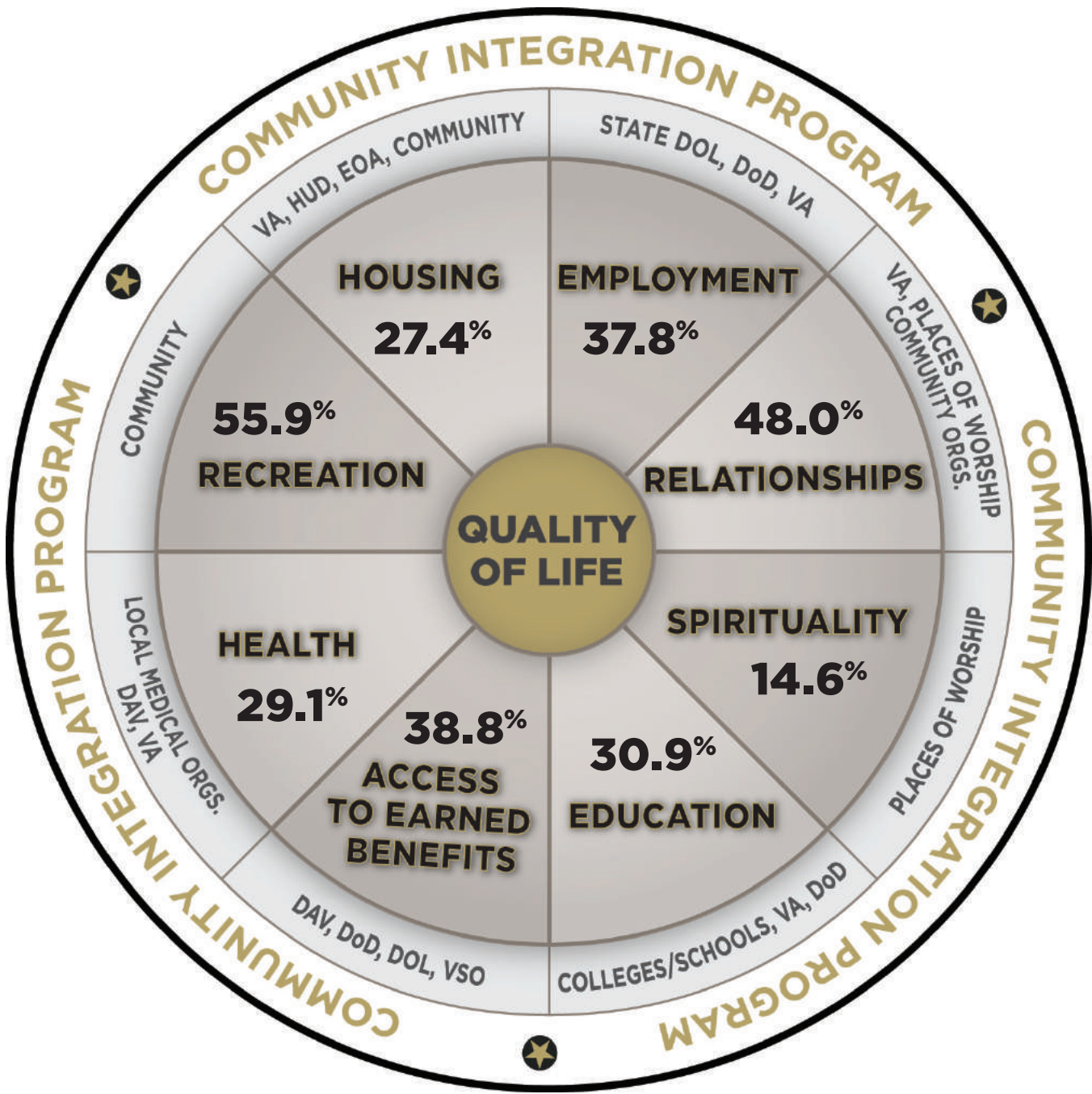
TOP 6 RESOURCES VETERANS ARE SEEKING



Veterans are mostly seeking access to networking opportunities, employment, and healthcare.

COMMUNITY INTEGRATION HOLISTIC SERVICES

% OF VETERANS SEEKING ACCESS TO EACH SERVICE PILLAR



RECREATION, STRONG RELATIONSHIPS, AND SPIRITUALITY

RECREATION, STRONG RELATIONSHIPS, AND SPIRITUALITY OVERVIEW

- 55.9%** are seeking opportunities for recreational activities,
- 48.0%** are seeking opportunities to connect with others,
- 39.8%** are seeking volunteer opportunities, and
- 14.6%** are seeking spirituality resources.

RECREATIONAL ACTIVITY STATUS



42.1% have injuries or disabilities preventing them from engaging in moderate physical activity

57.9% do not have any injuries or disabilities preventing them from engaging in moderate physical activity

EXERCISE ROUTINE

Of those that do not have any injuries or disabilities,



65.4% of warriors indicate they exercise regularly.

Of those warriors,

- 60.5%** exercise 2 hours or less a week
- 13.7%** exercise between 2 and 2.5 hours a week
- 25.8%** exercise more than 2.5 hours a week

NOT ALL HAVE HIGH NEEDS



1 in 5 warriors (20%) engaged were only looking for either a connection to other military members, family members, recreational activities or simply ways to continue serving in a civilian capacity through volunteerism.

PARTICIPATION IN COMMUNITY EVENTS



35.8% of veterans are currently active participants in their community whereas **64.2%** are not.

Families are more likely than singles to participate in community events.

AVERAGE HOPE SCALE** OF COMMUNITY PARTICIPANTS VS. UNINVOLVED



Average Hope Scale of Those Who Participate in Events:

54.6 OUT OF **64**

vs.

Average Hope Scale of Those Who Do Not Participate:

48.3 OUT OF **64**

Those who regularly participate in community events are **13%** more hopeful on average than those who do not.

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EMPLOYMENT

EMPLOYMENT OVERVIEW



37.8%

OF VETERANS ARE SEEKING ACCESS TO BETTER EMPLOYMENT CONDITIONS AND

33.1%

OF VETERANS ARE SEEKING ACCESS TO OBTAINING EMPLOYMENT.

EMPLOYMENT STATUS

- 43.8%** Employed Full-time
- 12.3%** Retired
- 13.4%** Unable to work due to injury or illness
- 11.3%** Unemployed
- 9.9%** Employed Part-time
- 8.3%** Full-time Student
- 1.0%** Able to work but choose not to



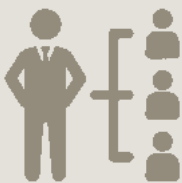
LENGTH OF EMPLOYMENT SEARCH



Of those actively seeking employment:

- 23.1%** have been searching for 1-4 weeks,
- 17.2%** have been searching for 1-2 months and
- 59.7%** have been searching for more than 3 months.

DO YOU CONSIDER YOUR JOB A CAREER?



64.1% of those who have a job consider their current job a career whereas **35.9%** do not consider it a career.

AVERAGE HOPE SCALE** OF CAREER VS. NOT CAREER

Average Hope Scale of Those With A Career:

54.2 OUT OF **64**

vs.

Average Hope Scale of Those Without A Career:

49.5 OUT OF **64**

Those who have a career are **9%** more hopeful on average than those who do not.

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HEALTHCARE AND BENEFITS

HEALTHCARE AND BENEFITS OVERVIEW

38.8%

of veterans are seeking access to health and benefits,

29.1%

of veterans are seeking support in filing a VA claim, and

28.8%

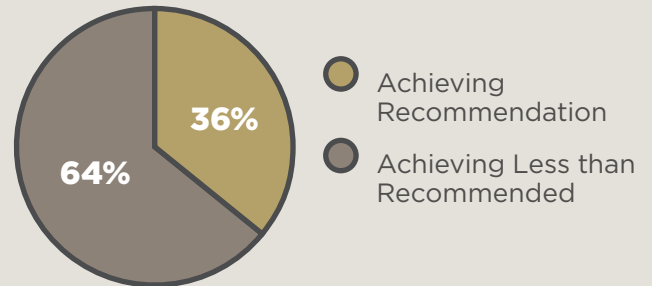
of veterans are seeking better access to physical health treatment resources and support

SLEEP HABITS



20.6% less than 5 hours
43.8% between 5-6 hours
33.0% between 7-8 hours
2.6% 9 or more hours

Veteran Sleep Habits



Less than 40% of veterans are receiving the recommended hours of sleep each night.²

INSURANCE COVERAGE STATUS



84.8% have health insurance coverage
15.2% do not have health insurance coverage

AVERAGE HOPE SCALE** OF INSURED VS. UNINSURED

Average Hope Scale of Those With Insurance:

51.3 OUT OF **64**

vs.

Average Hope Scale of Those Without Insurance:

46.2 OUT OF **64**

Those who have health insurance are **11%** more hopeful on average than those who do not.

Footnote:

²<https://www.mayoclinic.org/healthy-lifestyle/adult-health/expert-answers/how-many-hours-of-sleep-are-enough/faq-20057898>

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EDUCATION

EDUCATION OVERVIEW



33.1%
of veterans are seeking access to education benefits and

23.9%
of veterans are seeking help enrolling in school whereas

15.2%
are seeking support to stay in school

EDUCATION STATUS

- 26.5%** High School Diploma or GED
- 13.9%** Business, Technical or Vocational School with Certificate or Diploma
- 19.0%** Associate's Degree
- 22.8%** Bachelor's Degree
- 14.8%** Master's Degree
- 2.3%** Professional or Doctorate Degree

*Less than 1% have not completed any of these levels of school

AVERAGE HOPE SCALE** OF BACHELOR'S DEGREE OR HIGHER VS. NO BACHELOR'S DEGREE

Average Hope Scale of Those With A Bachelor's Degree or Higher:

53.6 OUT OF **64**

vs.

Average Hope Scale of Those Without:

48.6 OUT OF **64**

Those who have a Bachelor's degree or higher are **10%** more hopeful on average than those who do not.

DEGREE PURSUIT



29.5% are pursuing a degree where as

70.5% are not pursuing any degree

EDUCATION BENEFITS USAGE

Of those that have a degree or are pursuing a degree,

74.1% have used education benefits from the VA

24.6% have not used benefits from the VA, and

1.3% are unsure

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HOUSING

HOUSING OVERVIEW



27.4%

OF VETERANS ARE SEEKING ACCESS TO NEW HOUSING AND

22.4%

OF VETERANS ARE SEEKING BETTER HOUSING CONDITIONS

HOUSING STATUS

48.4% Own

35.8% Rent

7.8% Living with Family or Friends

4.7% Transitional Housing or Housing Assistance Program

3.3% Homeless or At Risk

HOUSEHOLD



53.0% support 1 or 2 people in their household

18.4% support 3 people in their household

26.6% support 4-6 people in their household

2.0% support more than 6 people in their household

AVERAGE HOPE SCALE⁺⁺ OF SELF-SUSTAINED VS. ASSISTED/UNSTABLE HOUSING

Average Hope Scale of Those With Self-sustained Housing:

51.3 OUT OF **64**

vs.

Average Hope Scale of Those With Assisted/Unstable Housing:

46.9 OUT OF **64**

Those who have self-sustained housing are **9%** more hopeful on average than those who have assisted/unstable housing.

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LIFESTYLE

FINANCIAL COUNSELING



26.7% OF VETERANS ARE SEEKING FINANCIAL COUNSELING CLASSES

MONEY MANAGEMENT

69.9% of warriors indicate that they have a budget. Of those, **81.2%** regularly follow their budget.

49.2% of warriors have an emergency savings fund. Of those, **38.7%** have 1-3 months saved and **48.8%** have more than 3 months of expenses saved while **12.5%** indicated they have less than 1 month of emergency savings.

TRANSPORTATION

86.9% of veterans have a reliable mode of transportation, whereas **13.1%** do not have a reliable mode of transportation.



AVERAGE HOPE SCALE** OF RELIABLE VS. UNRELIABLE MODE OF TRANSPORTATION

Average Hope Scale of Those With Reliable Transportation:

51.6 OUT OF **64**

vs.

Average Hope Scale of Those Without:

45.0 OUT OF **64**

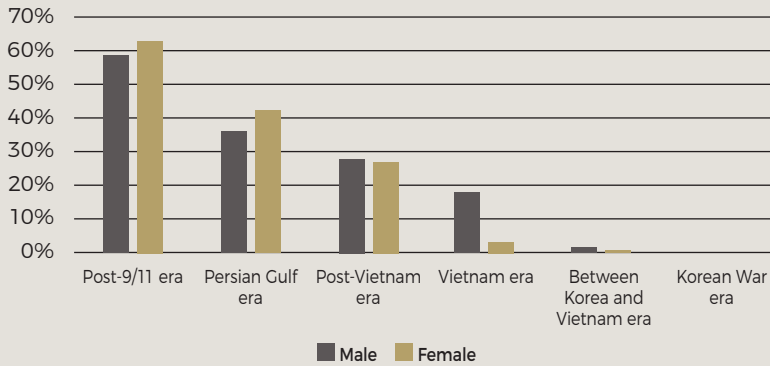
Those who have reliable transportation are **14%** more hopeful on average than those who do not.

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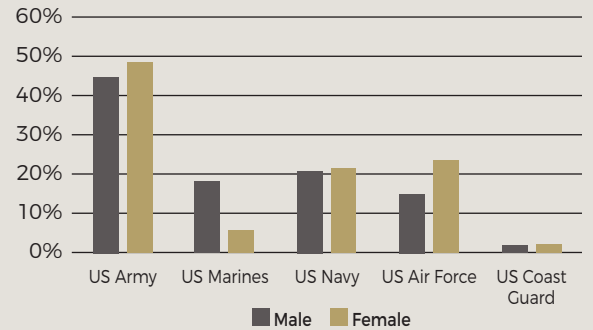
FEMALE VS. MALE

SERVICE AREA



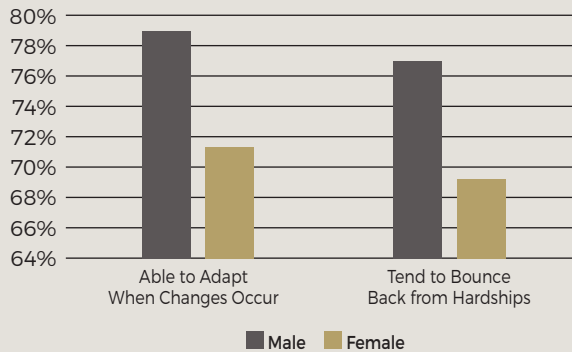
Women more likely served during post-9/11 era, Persian Gulf era, and post-Vietnam era.

BRANCH OF SERVICE



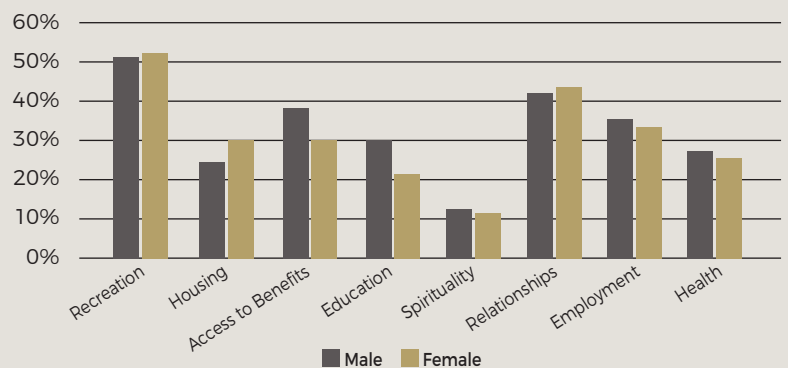
There was a higher female participation % than male for Army, Navy, and Air Force branches whereas there was a higher male participation % than female for the Marines.

QUALITY OF LIFE



Men are more likely than women to feel they are able to adapt when changes occur and tend to bounce back from illness, injury, or hardships.

SEEKING



Women are more likely than men to be seeking access to new or better housing. Men are more likely than women to be seeking access to education and benefits.

WEIGHT



Male

Mean- **208.4 lbs.**
Standard Deviation- **36.1 lbs.**
Mode- **200 lbs.**



Female

Mean- **172.1 lbs.**
Standard Deviation- **36.2 lbs.**
Mode- **160 lbs.**

HEIGHT



Male

Mean- **5'10"**
Standard Deviation- **3.8"**
Mode- **5'10"**

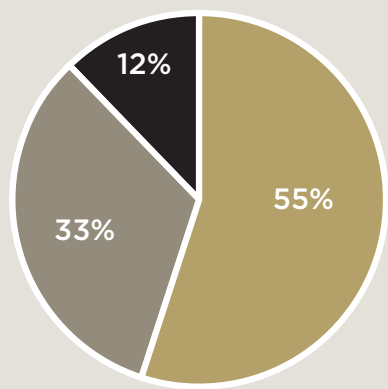


Female

Mean- **5'4"**
Standard Deviation- **2.5"**
Mode- **5'4"**

ADULT HOPE SCALE

VETERAN HOPE SCALE SCORE**

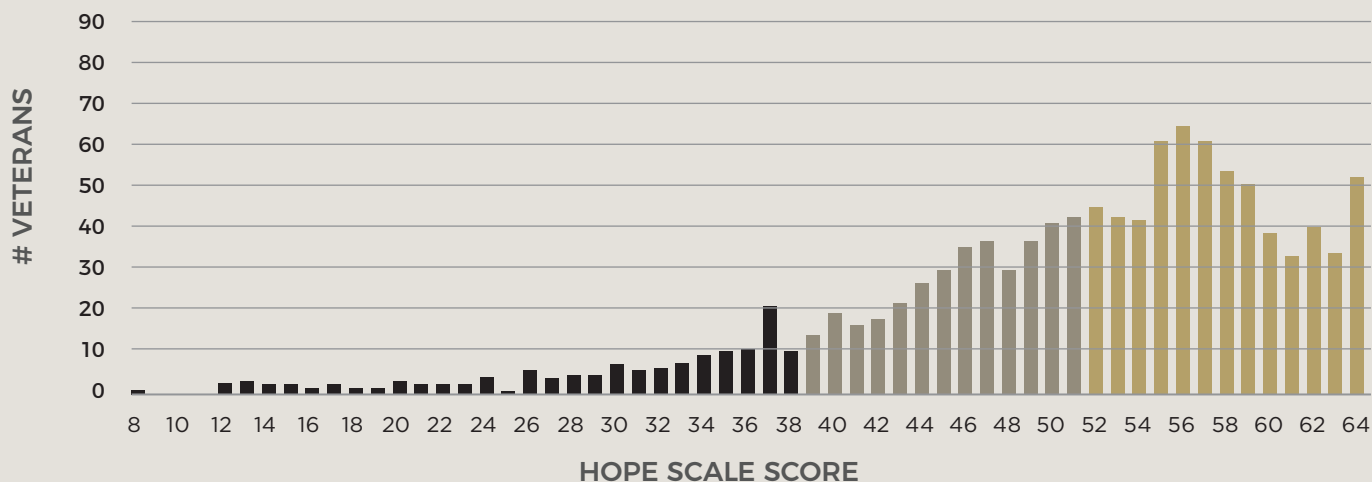


- Thriving
- In Transition
- Stuck

Statistics:

Average Score: 50
 Max Score: 64
 Minimum Score: 8
 Standard Deviation: 10
 Mode: 56

VETERAN HOPE SCALE SCORE**



PARTICIPATION IN COMMUNITY EVENTS

47.0% of those thriving participate in community events regularly whereas **27.0%** of those in transition participate and only **10.1%** of those stuck participate.

AVERAGE NUMBER OF RESOURCES VETERANS ARE SEEKING

4 Resources- **Thriving**
 6 Resource- **In Transition**
 7 Resources- **Stuck**

Footnote:

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ADULT HOPE SCALE

HOPE SCALE** VS. QUALITY OF LIFE*

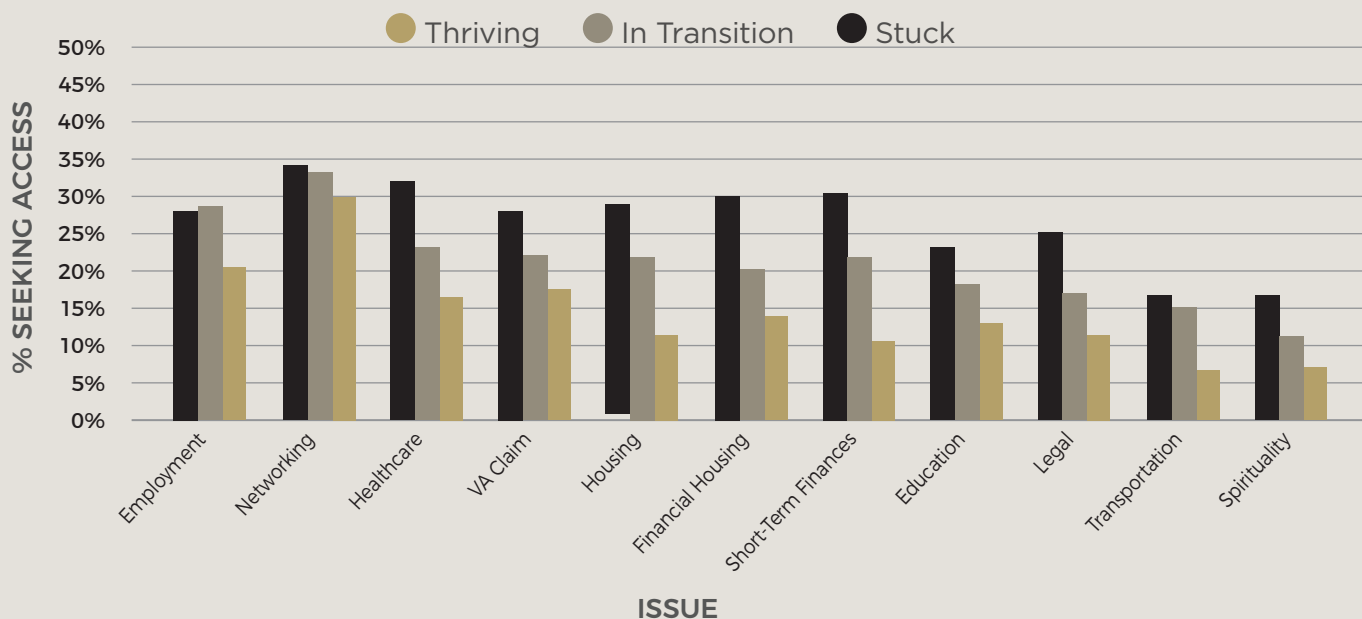


75% of those that are stuck feel they cannot adapt when changes occur, **33%** of those in transition feel they cannot adapt, whereas **14%** of those thriving feel they cannot adapt.

75% of those that are stuck feel they tend to not bounce back after illness, injury, or hardships, **36%** of those in transition feel they do not bounce back, whereas **17%** of those thriving feel they do not bounce back.

Those that feel they cannot adapt or tend to not bounce back after illness, injury, or hardships are more likely than those that can to be seeking mental health treatment, access to new/better housing, and short-term financial assistance.

RELATION OF STUCK, IN TRANSITION, AND THRIVING TO ISSUE



On the Adult Hope Scale**, veterans who are thriving, in transition, and stuck are almost equally seeking networking opportunities. Veterans who are stuck and in transition are seeking employment and transportation similarly.

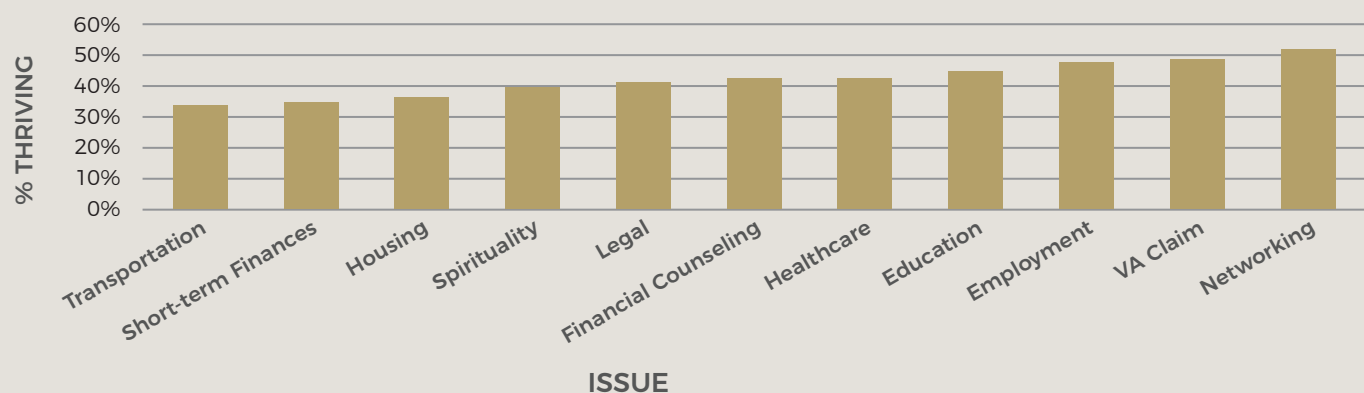
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*America's Warrior Partnership measures quality of life by a veteran's perception of their ability to adapt when changes occur and their ability to bounce back from injury, illness, and hardship. Those who agree and strongly agree are categorized as a able to adapt and bounce back. The questions are based on the Quality of Life Index. <http://www.isoqol.org/about-isoqol/what-is-health-related-quality-of-life-research>

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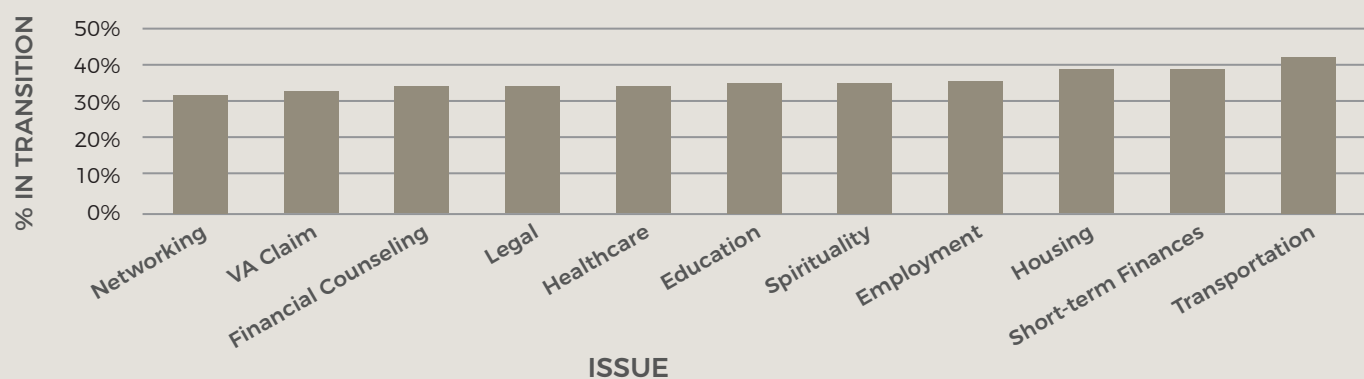
ADULT HOPE SCALE

% THRIVING VS. SEEKING SUPPORT WITH ISSUE



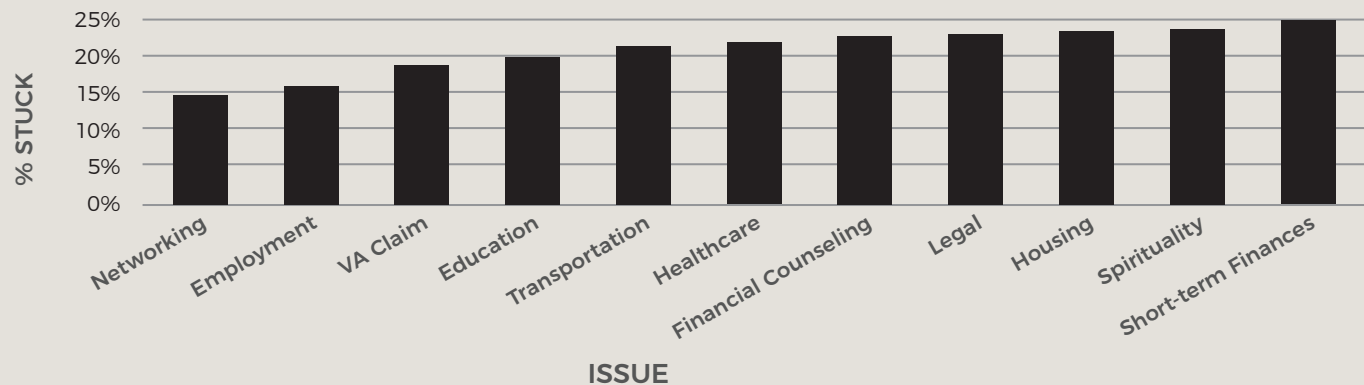
On the Adult Hope Scale**, more veterans who are seeking assistance filing a VA claim, networking, and employment are thriving than those seeking housing and transportation.

% IN TRANSITION VS. SEEKING SUPPORT WITH ISSUE



On the Adult Hope Scale**, more veterans who are seeking transportation, housing and employment are in transition than those seeking networking and a VA claim assistance.

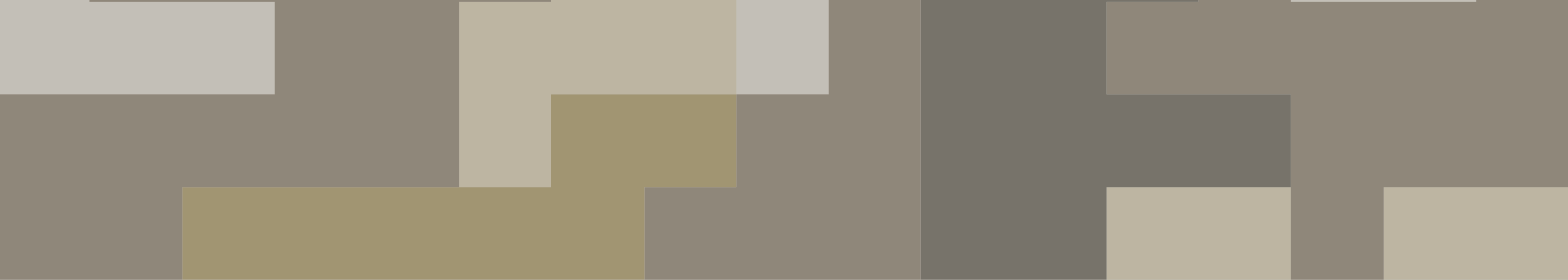
% STUCK VS. SEEKING SUPPORT WITH ISSUE



On the Adult Hope Scale**, more veterans who are seeking short-term financial assistance and housing are stuck than those seeking education benefits, employment, and networking.

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