



BVS POC Report

Justice Involved Veterans and Veteran Treatment
Dockets

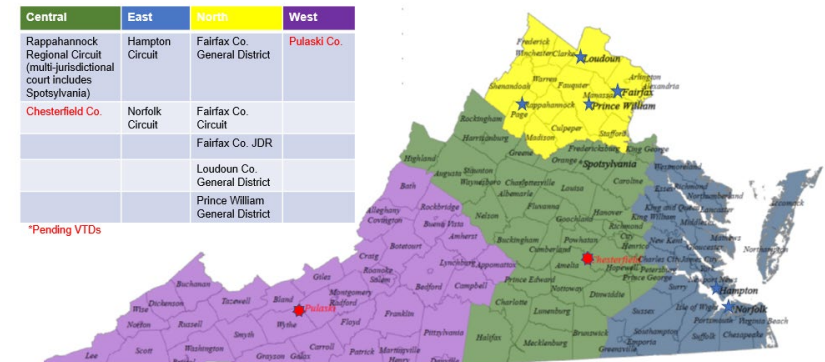
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VVFS Justice Involved Services (JIS) Mission

The VVFS JIS provides services and resource connections for justice-involved veterans (JIVs) across the continuum of the criminal justice system from diversion to incarceration to re-entry and community supervision.

JIV data

- 174 justice-involved veteran clients (thru June 2024); doubled in comparison to last FY (82 clients served in FY23).
- Housing/homelessness assistance is the number one need (71%).
- 9 Veteran Treatment Dockets in Virginia (**Chesterfield Co. Circuit**, Fairfax Co. Circuit, Fairfax Co. GDC, Fairfax Co. JDR, Loudoun Co. GDC, Norfolk, Prince William GDC, **Pulaski Co. Circuit**, Rappahannock Regional Circuit)
- VADOC population:
 - Institutions-1,513 (6.50% of incarcerated population)
 - Community supervision-2,241 (3.67% of state supervision population)
 - Jail -65 (state responsible)
- Jail data-Unknown
- Arrest/court data-Unknown
- 94 Justice-related outreach events conducted



Challenges

- HOUSING, HOUSING, HOUSING! (71% requested housing/homelessness assistance)
- Veteran identification-at all intercept points (arrest, courts, jails)
- Justice service needs-more capacity needed to serve expanding VTDs, increasing client caseloads
- Re-entry barriers for individuals being released from incarceration
- Local and regional jail discharge planning gaps

New CJ Initiatives/Innovative Solutions

- JIS program page on new DVS website (coming soon!)
- Collaboration with VADOC Probation and Parole Districts/Reentry Optimization initiative (Chief Transformation Office)
- Incarcerated veteran outreach (local jail-focused)
- Veteran deflection

What can BVS do to help?

- Enhance marketing of the JIS program to your networks
- Support veteran identification including legislation
- Advocate for more VJS positions (2 in additional regions-East, West, Central regions) to assist with caseload increases