



Veteran-Directed Home & Community Based Services

They sacrificed for our independence. VD-HCBS supports theirs.



Nearly 20% of Americans 65+ are veterans
30% of American veterans live with disabilities
→ More than 2x number of non-veterans

How VD-HCBS works:



Veterans Health Administration enters into agreements with ACL-funded aging & disability organizations

Veterans use a flexible service budget to hire family, friends, & neighbors to meet their unique needs



Aging & disability organizations assist veterans with managing their individual programs

More than
6,600
veterans

served by VD-HCBS



95%

say that the program helped them "a lot"*

ADVANTAGES

FOR VETERANS

- Live in communities of their choosing, not in nursing homes
- Veterans determine **what** they need and **who** provides it
- Flexibility and opportunities for innovation



FOR VA & ACL

- Higher quality of life and care for veterans
- Higher veteran satisfaction
- Fewer hospital admissions and ER visits
- Lower cost

*According to a survey of 240 program participants.