

And that's the Ballgame! 3rd Mets Military Transition Summit is in the Books!



QUEENS, NY - When you look at an entire season of games, there are always those special few that have you telling everyone you know that you witnessed history - the Mets Military Transition Summit is surely one of them.

Coming back from a nice away game break, the Mets announcer Colin Cosell put on a show, firing 98 miles an hour to start the first inning, retire the side, and setup the outing to be a walk in the park for the Mets and Team DVS. As they stood up to the plate, the starting lineup: Department of Veterans' Services Commissioner James Hendon, Department of Corrections Commissioner Louis Molina, and Department of Emergency Services Deputy Commissioner John Grimm smacked line drives to the outfield, talking about their military transition, and loading the bases.

With their iconic ominous bat wagging stance, stepping into the box was the panel's audience. All it took was one meatball of a pitch and the audience knocked it out of the park for a grand slam, asking vital questions about the Veteran community and the transition to civilian life!

Just when you thought it couldn't get any better, the entire roster of presenters in the Mets suites and auditorium, had the best defensive game of their lives and should be up for this year's Gold Glove award.

Coming in to close at the top of the ninth were the numerous tables who brought swag, information, and good vibes alongside Mr. and Mrs. Met and clubhouse tours for a standing ovation finish.

Thank you so much to the Mets and the Amazin' Mets Foundation as well as our panelists, tablers, and community for a stellar season/event. We can't wait to see you in the post-season!

Go Mets!

To learn more about NYC DVS's Transition Assistance Program and to stay up-to-date with future sessions, [CLICK HERE](#).

[Check out Big Apple TAP here!](#)

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Event 21+.

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AmeriCorps/ NYC VISTA Program



What is AmeriCorps?

AmeriCorps is the federal agency for national service and volunteerism. AmeriCorps provides opportunities for Americans of all backgrounds to serve their country, address the nation's most pressing challenges, and improve lives and communities.

What is AmeriCorps Vista?

VISTA members serve at New York City government agencies (known as host sites) full-time from **July 31, 2023 to August 2, 2024** to address critical city issues related to poverty by engaging in capacity-building work. Capacity building refers to tasks and activities that create, expand or strengthen the systems and processes that help an organization carry out its anti-poverty work. These tasks and activities include the transfer of knowledge/skills, products, and relationships.

For more info about AmeriCorps VISTA, visit [here!](#)

DVS VISTA Job Opening:

The **NYC Veterans Support VISTA Member** will manage the DVS/NYC Cares Mission:

VetCheck program. The program connects Veterans to fellow New Yorkers through supportive check in calls. The VISTA Member will manage a robust volunteer effort where trained volunteers provide information on essential public services and other resources to Veterans.

For more info on DVS's job, visit our posting [here!](#)

Who is eligible?

- Must be a U.S. Citizen, U.S. National, or Lawful Permanent Resident of the United States
- Have successfully obtained a High School diploma or its equivalent prior to the start of the program
- Agree to and pass a criminal background check
- Ability to serve full time for the program term (generally M-F 9AM - 5PM)

How to apply:

To apply, create an [AmeriCorps account](#) and select apply now on our [job listing](#).

To learn more about **NYC Service**, visit their website [here](#).

To learn more about benefits of working for **AmeriCorps** visit their website [here](#).

VETERAN NEWS

White House \$3.1 billion homeless program includes help for vets



A homeless Vietnam War veteran passes time in his tent set up in downtown Los Angeles on Dec. 1, 2017.
(Jae C. Hong/AP)

By [Leo Shane III](#)

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White House officials are pairing new legal support and job training programs for veterans with a \$3.1 billion investment in general community support grants in an effort to further reduce the [number of veterans facing homelessness](#).

Administration officials unveiled the plans on Thursday, calling them “the single largest investment in communities’ homelessness response systems in history.” The move comes as [Veterans Affairs officials](#) said they are on pace with their goal of [permanently housing 38,000 at-risk veterans](#) this year.

“Homelessness is a challenge we face as a nation, but importantly it is also a solvable one,” said White House Domestic Policy Advisor Neera Tanden in a press conference on the new initiatives.

According to the latest federal estimates, [about 33,000 veterans across the country lack reliable, permanent housing](#) on any given day. That figure is down about 11% since 2020 and down about 55% since 2010. [\[READ MORE\]](#)

More Veteran-related Headlines

VA | News: [Veterans set to see cost-of-living increase to their benefits](#)

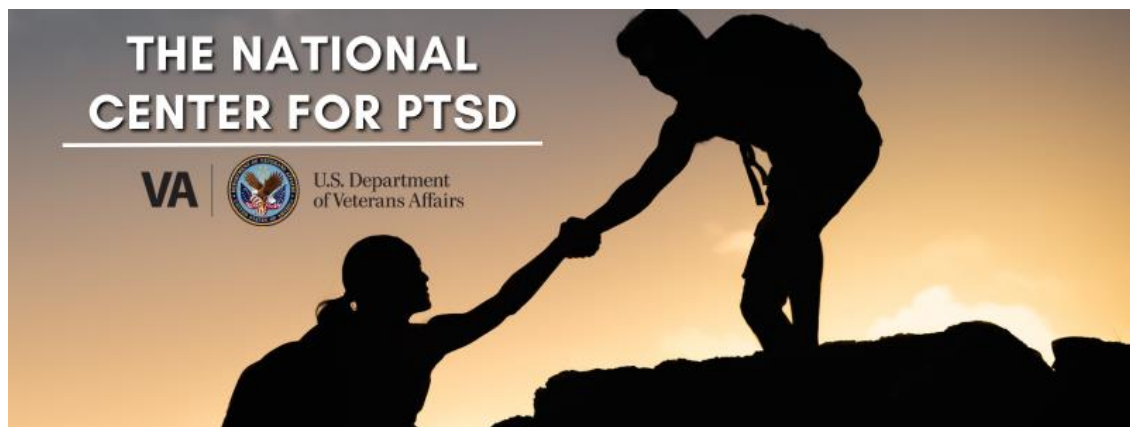
WABC-TV: [July 4th fireworks 2023 in New York City, New York, New Jersey and Connecticut](#)

AP: [Biden's brother says the president is 'very open-minded' about psychedelics for medical treatment](#)

WBAL: [Former Missouri lawmaker Jason Kander featured in new documentary about PTSD treatment for veterans](#)

WTOL11: [Vietnam veteran unexpectedly reunited with squad leader over 50 years later](#)

The National Center for PTSD — Always There for You



Even though PTSD Awareness Month is ending, the effort to raise awareness never ends. The National Center for PTSD works to support those experiencing trauma or PTSD-related symptoms. We have resources for Veterans, family members, and friends.

Resources for those experiencing trauma or PTSD:

- [Help for Veterans](#)
- [Care for Women Veterans](#)
- [Self-help and coping resources](#)
- [VA Mobile Apps](#)

Resources for friends and family:

- [Help a Veteran get needed care](#)
- [Help a family member with PTSD](#)
- [Cognitive Processing Therapy: Helping during treatment](#)
- [Prolonged Exposure: Helping during treatment](#)

If you know someone experiencing PTSD symptoms, we ask that you [share these resources with them](#). Everyone with PTSD needs to know that treatments do work and can lead to a better quality of life.



We are looking to highlight Veterans in the arts community! Whether it's an upcoming free exhibition, performance, or piece/installation you've created, we want to showcase your work and help spread the word. Submissions will be reviewed on a rolling basis and promoted at our discretion. We want this to be a space for Veteran artists to express themselves in an authentic way.

Please email submissions to connect@veterans.nyc.gov with a brief bio, an artist statement, art medium, and your affiliation to the Veteran community.

Journey Onward: Military Veterans' Experiences

A Veteran-curated exhibit of military Veterans' art and words



"Chrysl" Created by: Jessica Putnam-Phillips (U.S. Air Force) - Porcelain

As part of Salmagundi Club of New York's on-going dialogue with the military community, "Journeys Onward" is a powerful and inspiring exhibition that showcases the art and accompanying words of military Veterans or their family members, shedding light on their unique experiences, both shared and individual.

Curated by Omar Columbus, a U.S. Air Force Veteran and photographer, and Paul M. Murray, an award-winning photographer and son of two WWII Veterans, the 2023 exhibit includes about 100 works across many mediums from over 35 veteran artists. This year's

effort is a significant expansion of the successful 2020 and 2022 “Journeys Onward” shows hosted at the Salmagundi Club.

Salmagundi Club of New York

Rockwell Gallery

📍 47 Fifth Avenue @ 12th Street in Greenwich Village, NYC

📅 June 26th - July 28th (2023)

🕒 Weekdays: 1 PM - 6 PM Weekends: 1 PM - 5 PM

Exhibiting Artists

Jesse Albrecht; Kasse Andrews-Weller; Alex Angel; Gayle Blumenthal; Paul Bouchard; Steve Bowersock; Omar Columbus; Peter Damon; Sean Davis; Michael Day; David DeMelim; Robert Easton; Ron Erickson; Jim Fallon; Gina Herrera; Beth Johnston; Todd Kruse; Paul Landgraf; Angelo Marinosci, Jr.; Joseph McKay; Elize McKelvey; Philip Milio; Phyllis Thomas Miller; Ian Mohon; Laura Moorehead; Walt Nygard; Mark Oldland; Jessica Putnam-Phillips; Skip Rohde; Bill Schinsky; Ken Steinkamp; Michael Stricklin; Scott Suitts; Ehren Tool; Jason Turner; Clark Williamson

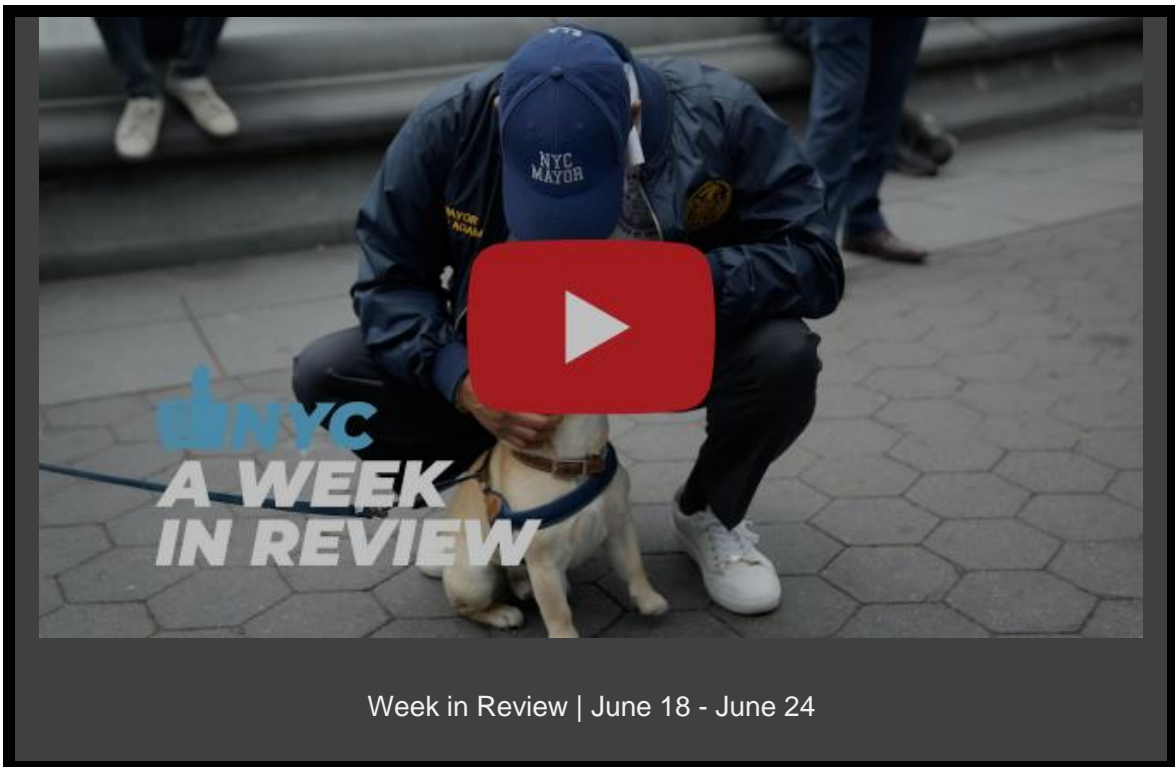


The art of exhibiting veteran artists Laura Moorehead, Jessica Putnam-Phillips, Ian Mohon, Steve Bowersock, Elize McKelvey, Jason Turner, Mark Oldland, Ehren Tool, and Todd Kruse is shown above from the top left.

[More Information from the Salmagundi Club Here](#)

A Message From Mayor Adams:

Each week DVS will share a short update about how our administration is getting stuff done for New Yorkers.



The Adams administration is dedicated to cutting through the noise and delivering information directly to you and all New Yorkers.

Sign up to "Hear From Eric" and get direct messages from City Hall, tailored to your interests and neighborhood, sent directly to your inbox – at [nyc.gov/hearfromeric!](https://nyc.gov/hearfromeric)

Join Our Team! Be Part of the Mission!



Current DVS Job Openings

Being part of our team is a great way to continue to serve.

[Visit NYC.gov/jobs](https://www.nyc.gov/jobs) and select “Veterans’ Services” from the agency menu to learn more [about and apply to the job below.](#)

Client Services Manager - DVS seeks a highly qualified candidate to join Community Services as a Manager. The Manager will be responsible for managing the day-to-day operations of a team responsible for performing intakes and sending referrals within the VetConnectNYC system, a multi-provider network of participating organizations, government agencies, and other partners that provide direct services to Veterans. The Manager will also be a subject matter expert in claiming VA benefits through accreditation by New York State Department of Veterans Services.

VA Work Study Positions at DVS

The NYC Department of Veterans' Services (DVS) supports VA Work-Study Positions! Here is a current list of available VA Work-Study openings:

- [Administrative Intern](#)
- [Benefit Intern](#)
- [Care Coordination Intern](#)
- [Data Analyst Intern](#)

- [Information Technology Intern](#)
- [IT Support Intern](#)
- [Legal Intern](#)
- [Outreach Coordinator Intern](#)
- [Veteran Business Promotion Intern](#)

If you are interested in applying for a DVS-specific Work-Study position and meet eligibility requirements, please submit the following to VAWorkStudy@veterans.nyc.gov:

- Resume
- Job Specific Cover Letter
- Supporting Documents found in the Job Description

[Check Here for VA Work-Study Postings](#)

NYC Civil Service Job Openings and Exams



Open Competitive Exams

New York City Bridge Exam Program - This examination is open to all candidates who wish to apply for and meet the requirements for any one or more of the titles indicated: Bookkeeper, Clerical Associate, Clerical Associate (PRO), Clerical Associate (NYC H+H), Clerical Associate (NYC H+H)(PRO), Computer Service Technician, Maintenance Worker (CUNY), Maintenance Worker (NYC H+H), Secretary, Staff Analyst Trainee.

City Assessor - City Assessors, under supervision, perform professional tax assessing responsibilities at various levels of complexity, involving the performance and/or review of assessments of Class I, II, III and IV real properties and/or supervisory responsibilities involving professional tax assessing.

City Tax Auditor - City Tax Auditors, under supervision, perform professional tax auditing work to ensure that taxpayers are in compliance with tax laws and regulations.

To receive monthly updates on upcoming civil service exams click the button below to be directed to the Subscribe to the DCAS Newsletter page. On the registration form, select "City Jobs and Civil Service Announcements".

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Programs and Initiatives

Affordable Housing For Veterans



The [NYC Department of Veterans' Services \(DVS\)](#) maintains a list of federal, state, and city programs that offers a limited, but selective list of affordable housing options for veterans seeking financial relief for their housing arrangements. Visit our [Affordable Housing for Veterans](#) page to learn more.

Empowering Veteran Business Owners



The primary mission of the [VBLA](#) is to serve Veterans seeking support and assistance with running a business and in their pursuit of New York City Government contracting opportunities. Our leadership association engages with the private sector, government, advisory board, and local partners to build a consortium that facilitates the growth and development of Veteran Businesses.

VetBizNYC: Supporting Veteran Entrepreneurship

DVS has launched [VetBizNYC](#), an interactive map that identifies Veteran-owned businesses across the five boroughs. New Yorkers can use our interactive map to find and support Veteran-owned businesses in their community.



Are You Getting the Benefits You Deserve?

The [NYC Department of Veterans' Services \(DVS\)](#) represents NYC Veterans in claims for benefits from the [U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs](#). Our team is also qualified to assist with PACT Act related claims. If you had a toxic exposure during your service, time is crucial for you to get the benefits you deserve. To file a claim, fill out the [VetConnectNYC.org](#) form and select **Benefits Navigation** as your preferred service.



VetConnectPro: A First-in-the-Nation Employment Tool



[VetConnectPro](#), is a new employment tool designed to help Veterans find employment within NYC government. The platform features a military skills translator that can match your service experience and Military Occupational Specialty (MOS) to City jobs and civil service exams. Upload your resume and get started today: nyc.gov/vetconnectpro.

Newsletter Sign-up

If you received this newsletter by way of a friend or colleague and have yet to sign-up on your own, click [here](#), and stay up-to-date with the latest news impacting the community, updates on city services, info on DVS programs, Veteran-specific resources & more.

Contact Us

- Complete a service request form at vetconnectnyc.org
- [Message the Commissioner](#)
- [Partner with DVS](#)
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- [Event Request Form](#)

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