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**VETERANS COMMUNITY PROJECT TO RECEIVE 2.2 MILLION  
FROM MISSOURI VETERANS COMMISSION TO BUILD  
TINY HOUSE VILLAGE IN ST. LOUIS**

*VCP to provide housing and support services for Veterans in need*

**KANSAS CITY, MO (February 3, 2021)** – In a unanimous vote, the [Missouri Veterans Commission](#) awarded [Veterans Community Project](#) (VCP) \$2.2 million to construct a village of tiny houses for veterans experiencing homelessness and a Veterans Outreach Center to provide walk-in support services for any veteran in the St. Louis metro area.

Drawn from the Missouri Veterans Care and Health Fund (created by the state's new medical marijuana law), the grant marks a major step toward making Missouri the first state in the nation to effectively end veteran homelessness.

Veterans Community Project first approached the Missouri Veterans Commission in 2019 about a possible partnership to serve veterans in St. Louis. The Governor's office then added the project to the budget it submitted to the legislature, and State Senators Jamillah Nasheed and Jill Schupp advocated on behalf of the project in the General Assembly and at the Missouri Veterans Commission.

Land for the Veterans Community Project campus, located on a 4-acre site along Adeline Avenue, west of North Grand, was dedicated on October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

"Everywhere VCP goes, we save lives," said Afghanistan veteran and former Missouri Secretary of State Jason Kander, who now serves as President of Veterans Community Project. "And thanks to Governor Parson, the Missouri General Assembly, and the members of the Missouri Veterans Commission, we will soon serve our brothers and sisters in St. Louis, as well."

VCP was founded in Kansas City, Missouri by a group of combat veterans who resolved to stand in the gaps of a broken system that leaves too many service members behind. They serve any veteran who took the oath to defend our Constitution regardless of discharge status, length of service, or type of service. The Kansas City campus has already served more than 4,100 at-risk veterans and successfully transitioned more than 40 formerly homeless veterans into permanent housing since its opening in 2018.

Located on a 5-acre property in the heart of St. Louis, the Veterans Community Project campus will consist of 50 tiny homes, ranging from 240 – 320 square feet, and the VCP Village Community Center. The community center will serve as “base camp,” providing case management services, education, health and wellness programming, and social activities for the Veterans who live in the Village.

The Veterans Outreach Center will be a comprehensive resource for any veteran requiring support services such as emergency rent and utility assistance, food and hygiene kits, employment supports, military documentation and benefits navigation, and case management.

Veterans Community Project – St. Louis is developed in partnership with The City of St. Louis, Missouri, The Missouri Veterans Commission, and Veterans United Foundation.

Veterans Community Project is expected to begin housing veterans in late 2021.

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### **About Veteran’s Community Project (VCP)**

Veterans Community Project is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation founded by a group of combat Veterans in Kansas City, Missouri who resolved to stand in the gaps of a broken system that left too many of their brothers and sisters behind. By providing critical support services and an innovative transitional housing model, VCP has served thousands of at-risk and homeless Veterans since 2016. Using Kansas City as a blueprint, VCP is expanding its program to 8 cities by 2022 starting with Longmont, Colorado and St. Louis, Missouri. VCP’s long-term goal: ending veteran homelessness nationwide. For more information, visit [www.veteranscommunityproject.org](http://www.veteranscommunityproject.org).



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