## **RESOURCES**

# **SOUTH LOS ANGELES**

## **HOMELESSNESS/ GENERAL HELP**

**Doors of Hope** 529 N. Broad Ave. Wilmington, CA 90744 (310) 518-3667

**Beacon Light Mission** 525 N. Broad Ave. Wilmington, CA 90744 (310) 830-7063

**Harbor View House** 921 S. Beacon St. San Pedro St. CA 90731

**WEST LOS ANGELES** 

**Veteran Employment New Directions for Veterans** 11301 Wilshire Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90073 (310) 914-4045

**Community Career** Development 3550 Wilshire Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90010 (213) 365-9829

**Vocational Rehabilitation** and Employment www.vba.va.gov/bln/vre

### OUTSIDE

**Ocean Park Community** Center 503 Olympic Blvd. Santa Monica, CA 90401 (310) 450-4050

Step Up on Second 1328 2nd St. Santa Monica, CA 90401 (310) 394-6989

**Compton Welfare Rights** 211 E. Alondra Blvd. Compton, CA 90220 (310) 631-9835

Mental Health America -**Long Beach Wellness CTN** 100 W. Broadway, Ste. 5010 Long Beach, CA 90802 (562) 285-0149

(310) 547-3341 x361

LA County Dept. of Military and Veterans Affairs - West Los Angeles 11301 Wilshire Blvd. VA Bldg. 206. Rm. B-29 Los Angele, CA 90073 (310) 478-3711 x48425

**Veteran Employment New Directions for Veterans** 11301 Wilshire Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90073 (310) 914-4045

**VA Outpatient Clinic -**Gardena 1251 Redondo Beach Blvd. Gardena, CA 90247 (310) 851-4705

Whittier/Santa Fe Springs Clinic 10210 Orr & Dav Rd. Santa Fe Springs, CA 90670 (562) 466-6080

**VSO Long Beach I Century Villages at Cabrillo** 2001 River Ave., Bldg #28 Long Beach, Ca 90806 (562) 388-8000 X4

**East Los Angeles Vet Center** 5400 E. Olympic Blvd.. Ste 140. Commerce. CA 90222 (323) 728-9966

**VA Outpatient Clinic - East** Los Angeles 5426 Olympic Blvd. City of Commerce, CA 90040 (323) 725-7372

**West Los Angeles Vet Center** 5730 Uplander Way, Rm. 100 Culver City, CA 90230 (310) 641-0326

Los Angeles Vet Center -Gardena 1045 W. Redondo Beach Blvd. Gardena, CA 90247 (310) 767-1221

### **WEBSITES**

**U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Mental Health Services** www.mentalhealth.va.gov/ index.asp

National Alliance for the Mentally III www.nami.org

**Defense and Veterans Brain Injury Center** www.dvvic.org

**Veterans Crisis Line** http://veteranscrisisline. (800) 273-8255 (Press 1) TEXT:838255

**Army Emergency Relief Fund** (866) 878-6378

**Veteran Housing and Shelters HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing** (HUD-VASH) www.hud.gov/offices/pih/ programs/hcv/vash/

**Save a Warrior Project** PO Box 2416 Malibu. CA 90265 http://www/saveawarrior. org

**AMVETS** www.amvets.org **Human Potential** Consultants 600 E. Carson Plaza Dr. **Carson. CA 90746** (310) 755-1560

**U.S Vets Initiative Los** Angeles 733 South Hindry Ave. Inglewood, Ca 90301 (310) 348-7605

**VA Long Beach Healthcare** System 5901 E. 7th St. Long Beach, CA 90822 (562) 826-8000

**American Legion** www.legion.org

Semper Fi Fund Semperfifund.org

CalFresh (Food Stamp Program) www.c4yourself.com

**Disabled American Veterans** www.dav.org

**Veterans of Foreign Wars** www.vfw.org

**Healthy City** www.healthycity.org

**Vet Center Program** www.vetcenter.va.gov

FindLaw www.lawyers.findlaw.com

**National Center for PTSD** www.ptsd.va.gov

**Department of Veterans Affairs Home Loans** www.benefits.va.gov/ homeloans

Military Pro Bono Project www.militaryprobono.org

## LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT

This guide is distributed to assist officers and the public to better understand PTSD, TBI and Military Sexual Trauma. It also serves as a resource guide to provide information on local resources that assist veterans with these and other serious issues.



FOR ANY EMERGENCY REQUIRING **POLICE, FIRE OR MEDICAL SERVICES CALL 9-1-1** 

FOR NON-EMERGENCY POLICE RESPONSE (877) ASK - LAPD

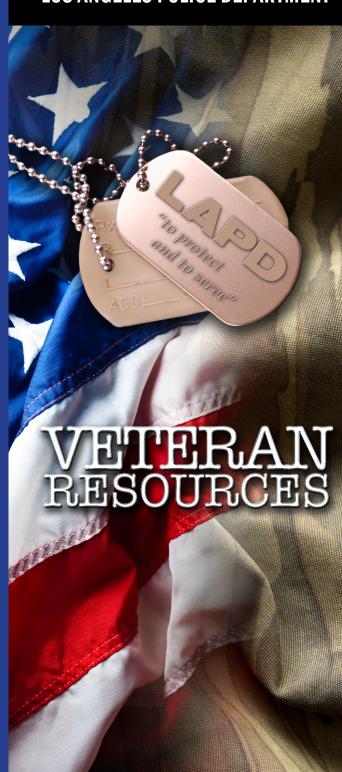
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**CRIME PREVENTION UNIT** 

100 West 1st Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012 (213) 486-6000

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PTSD is an emotional and behavioral response which may occur after exposure to an exceptionally stressful, threatening or catastrophic event, sexual assault and combat.

Symptoms

Many people experience symptoms which include restlessness, sleeplessness, hyperalertness, inability to relax, difficulty concentrating, avoiding reminders of the trauma including people, places, conversation and other stimuli. Some may experience mental replays and dreams in which one sees, hears, and smells aspects of the event. Symptoms may last long after the original trauma and significantly impact social, work, school and home life.

#### **Treatment**

Treatment includes medications such as antidepressants and Cognitive behavioral therapy designed to help the individual recognize and mitigate negative thinking patterns. Exposure therapy allows individuals to safely re-experience trauma. Eye Movement Desensitization and reprocessing which assists the brain in processing traumatic memories.

#### TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY

TBI is a physical change in the brain caused by a bump, jolt, or blow to the head or a concussive event. The effects of TBI can be temporary or permanent. Not all blows or jolts result in TBI.

#### **Symptoms**

Symptoms may be physical and present as a headache, lack of motor coordination,

difficulty with balance, blurred vision and changes in sleep patterns, among others.
Cognitive symptoms may include trouble with memory, concentration, anxiety, attention, reasoning or thinking. Communication difficulties and emotional changes such as depression and irritability may also manifest themselves.

#### **Treatment**

Treatment includes medications, physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy and other types of rehabilitation. In extreme cases surgery may be performed.

#### **MILITARY SEXUAL TRAUMA**

MST is a form of PTSD induced by bullying of a sexual nature or sexual trauma. It is non-gender specific and may be triggered by unwanted sexual attention, sexual harassment or sexual assault.

#### **Symptoms**

Symptoms may include shame, fear, anger, embarrassment or guilt. Avoidance symptoms include: avoiding places or things that are reminiscent of traumatic events and avoiding friends, family and other people. Other symptoms may include numbness, difficulties maintaining relationships, trouble sleeping or thoughts of suicide.

#### **Treatment**

Treatment may include individual or group counseling, marital and family counseling, substance abuse counseling, and other therapies targeted towards dealing with negative emotions and coping with trauma in more positive ways.

## **RESOURCES**

### DOWNTOWN HOMELESSNESS

Los Angeles House of Ruth Confidential (323) 266-4139

Midnight Mission 601 S. San Pedro St. Los Angeles, CA 90014 (888) 624-9258

Weingart Center Association 566 S. San Pedro St. Los Angeles, CA 90012 (213) 833-5020

U.S.VETS - National Office 800 West Sixth Street, Suite 1505 Los Angeles, CA 90017 (213) 542-2600

## **GENERAL HELP**

Veteran Financial Assistance Military Women in Need 1816 S. Figueroa St. Los Angeles, CA 90015 (310) 993-8463

VA Health Benefits (877) 222-8387 www.va.gov/health/ default.asp www.va.gov/healtheligibility

Managed Career Solutions 4211 Melrose Ave. Los Angeles, CA 90029 (323) 454-5104

Goodwill - Metro North 342 N. San Fernando Rd. Los Angeles, CA 90031 (323) 539-2000 VA Greater L.A. Healthcare System 11301 Wilshire Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90073 (310) 478-3711

Good Shepherd Center for Homeless Women 1671 Beverly Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90026 (213) 235-1460

Volunteers of America -Access Center 628 S. San Julien St. Los Angeles, CA 90014 (323) 231-1711

VA's National Call Center for Homeless Veterans (877) 424-3838

2-1-1 is a toll free phone number that provides information for health and social services.

Proyecto Pastoral at Dolores Mission 170 S.Gless St. Los Angeles, CA 90033 (323) 881-0018

VSO - Patriotic Hall 1816 S. Figueroa St. Los Angeles, CA 90015 (877) 452-8387

## **HEALTH/MENTAL HEALTH**

LA County Dept. of Military and Veterans Affairs -Outpatient Clinic 351 E. Temple St., Rm B-307 Los Angele, CA 90012 (213) 253-2677 x14605

Didi Hirsch - S. Mark Taper Foundation Center 1328 W. Manchester Ave. Los Angeles, CA 90044 (877) 727-4747

## Ambulatory Care Center 351 E. Temple St. Los Angeles, CA 90012 (213) 253-2677

**VA Outpatient Clinic - LA** 

Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health (213) 738-2408 www.Dmh.lacounty.gov

## **VALLEY**

Sepulveda Vet Center 9737 Haskell Ave. Sepulveda, CA 91343 (818) 892-9227

LA Family Housing 7843 Lankershim Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 91605 (818) 982-4091

San Fernando Valley Mission of Rescue Mission Alliance 13442 Saticoy St. North Hollywood, CA 91605 (818) 785-4476

VA Outpatient Clinic-Sepulveda 16111 Plummer St. North Hills, CA 91343 (818) 891-7711

Catholic Charities of LA - St. Mary's Center 4665 Willow Brook Ave. Los Angeles, CA 90029 (323) 662-4391 Volunteers of America -La Cienega 1765 S. La Cienega Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 90035 (323) 657-5550

St. Joseph Center 404 S. Lincoln Blvd. Venice, CA 90291 (310) 399-6878

San Fernando Valley Community Mental Health Center 14660 Oxnard St., Van Nuys, CA 91411 (818) 901-4836

San Fernando Valley Community Mental Health Center -Victory Wellness Center 14411 Vanowen St. Van Nuys, CA 91405 (818) 989-7475