

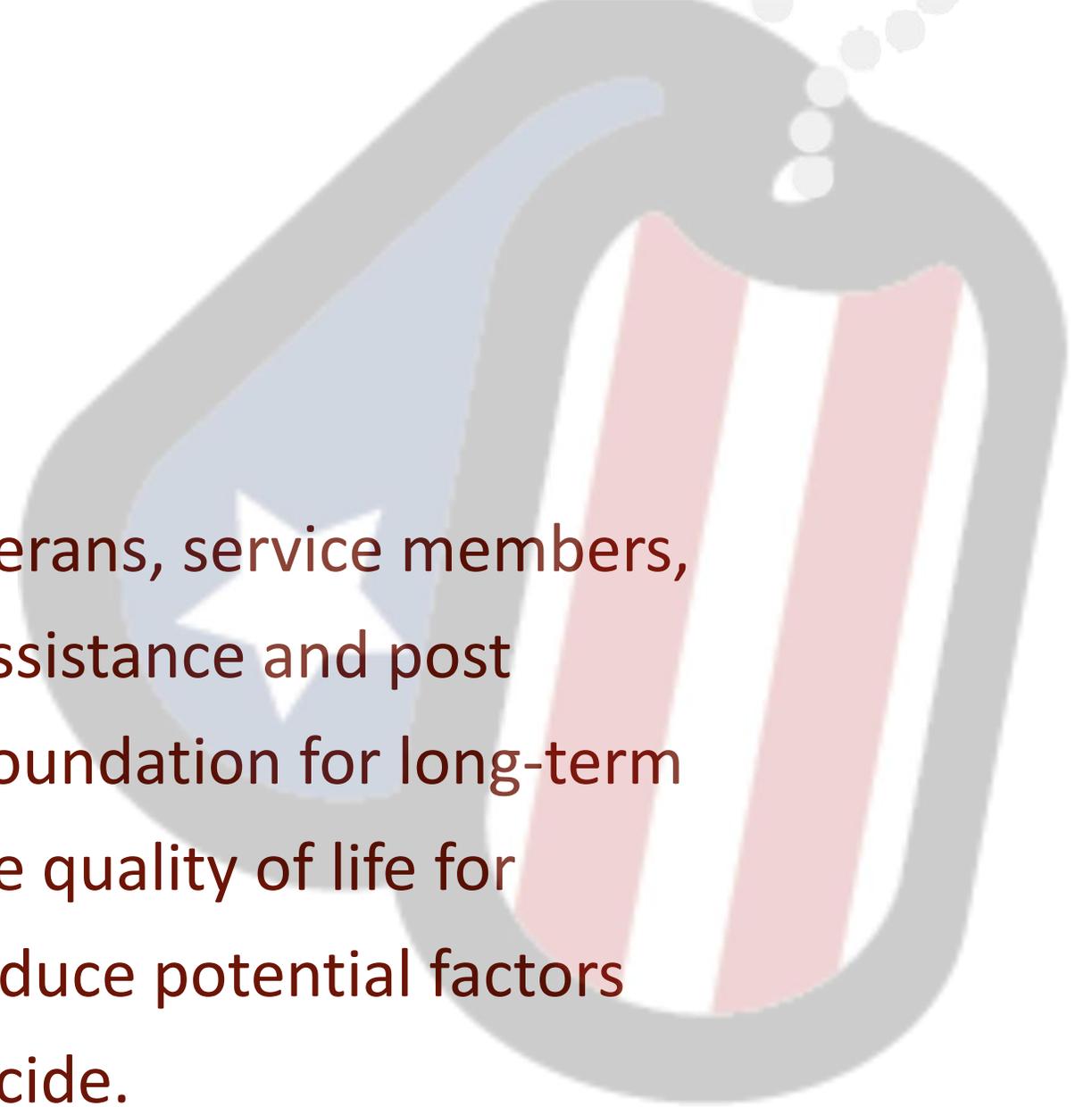
USA CARES™



VETERAN & FAMILY SUPPORT SYSTEM

# Mission

To provide post- 9/11 military veterans, service members, and their families with financial assistance and post service skills training to create a foundation for long-term stability. Our services improve the quality of life for veterans and their families and reduce potential factors that can contribute to veteran suicide.





# Programs

## **Military Assistance Response Program**

- Provides emergency financial assistance to Veterans, Servicemembers and their families
- Assistance focused on housing, transportation, utilities, food

**Career Transition Assistance** - training and support for veterans reentering the civilian workforce;  
Resumes, Interview Skills, Networking

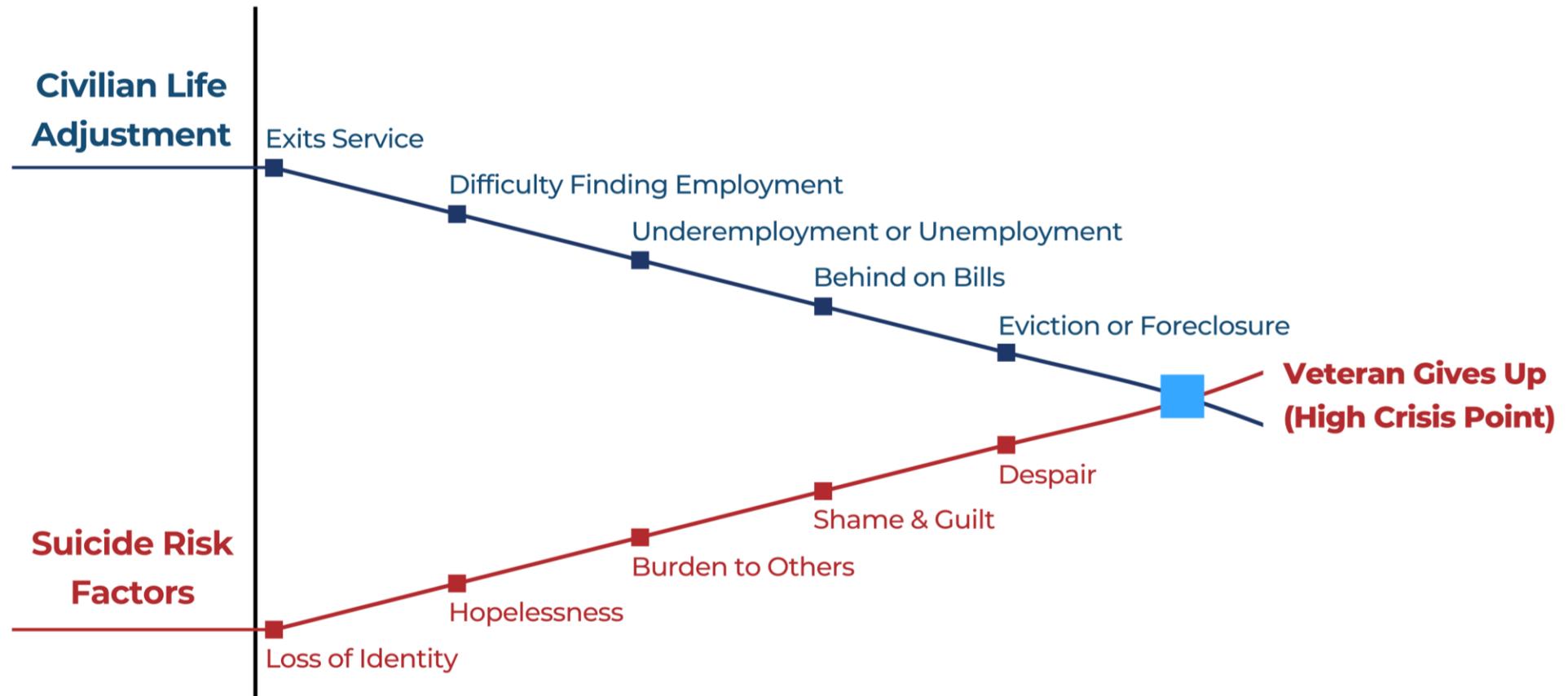
## **Career Skills Corporate Fellowship Program –**

- 8 Week Program
- Matches transitioning service members with employers for hands-on workforce experience

**Certified Military Housing Specialist Course**— nationally certified course designed for loan officers, realtors, and housing professionals to better serve military borrowers.

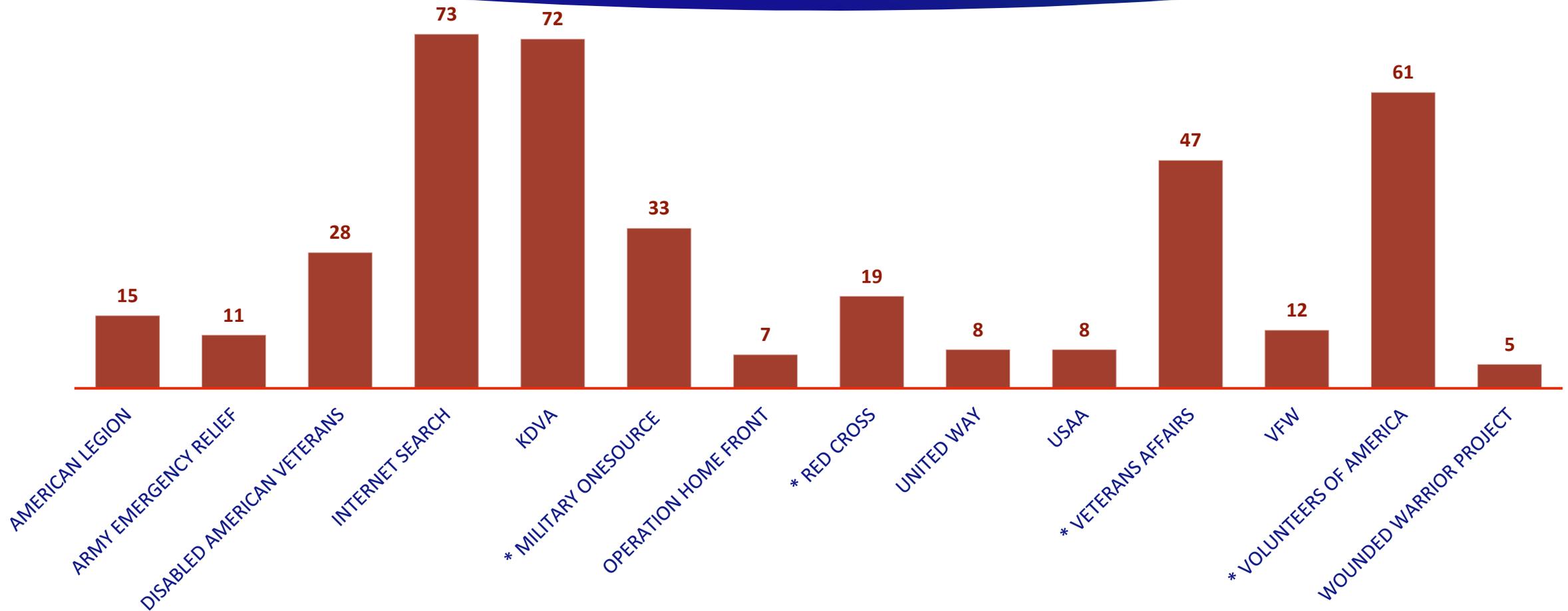


# Factors that Lead to Veteran Suicide





# Kentucky Referral Sources - 2025



\* Denotes Recipient of Federal Funding



# Kentucky State Funds - Total Spending July 2024 through December 2025

Total Allocation for Current Budget	\$2,000,000
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Funds Allocated thru Dec 2025	\$1,500,000
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Funds Spent - Assistance Programs	\$1,493,174
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Funds Spent - Administrative	\$51,551
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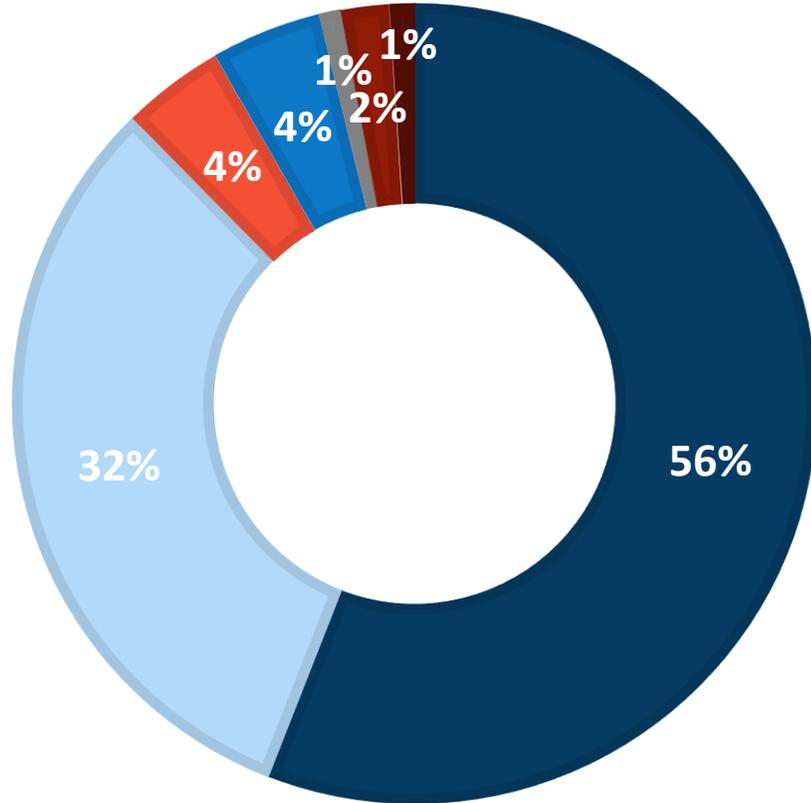
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<b>Total Spent thru Dec 2025</b>	<b>\$1,544,725</b>
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<b>Projected Spend thru Jun 30, 2026</b>	<b>\$2,059,633</b>
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# Assistance by Need



Housing

Auto

Utilities

Food

Other quality of life

Phone

Fuel

# Kentucky Funding Impact July 2024-December 2025



- Assisted 364 Families
  - 404 Children
  - 150 spouses / significant others
- 308 mortgage / rent payments made to prevent eviction or foreclosure
- 283 auto repair / insurance / loan payments made to ensure reliable transportation
- 267 utility payments made to provide stable electricity / water / gas



# Impact Story

The Kentucky Veteran honorably served on active duty and was discharged on November 2, 2011. The Veteran is currently separated and has two dependent children. They are in the process of pursuing a VA claim.

As of November 2025, the Veteran was employed full time as an Air Traffic Controller but was forced to leave employment in order to escape a domestic violence situation. To ensure their safety and the safety of their children, the Veteran relocated to a different area of Kentucky and is currently residing in safe housing away from the abusive spouse. A Temporary Protective Order is in effect.

The sudden relocation created a significant financial hardship, leaving the Veteran unable to cover first month's rent and the required security deposit for stable housing.

USA Cares provided assistance with the first month's rent, security deposit, and a food card to help stabilize the Veteran and their children during this transition and support their path toward long-term safety and stability.



# Funding Request for FY 26-28

Requesting \$2,000,000 for FY 26-28

Average request to stabilize Veteran household in need: \$4,097

Enables USA Cares to support up to 435 Kentucky military families in need



# Discussion