



# The Salute Report

Keeping Us Connected!

# PUBLIC COUNSEL

Public Counsel's Center for Veteran's Advancement is providing FREE discharge upgrade assistance.

A confidential online intake is required at:

<https://form.jotform.com/200965124821047>

For more information contact the Center for Veterans' Advancement

213-385-2977 ext. 304.



## Attention Veterans

**Do you need assistance with a discharge upgrade?**

Public Counsel's Center for Veterans' Advancement  
Is providing FREE discharge upgrade assistance.

Veterans will remotely (by phone or webcam)  
work with a volunteer attorney who  
will assist them pro per (self-represented) with  
filling out the discharge upgrade application  
and drafting a personal statement.

A confidential online intake is required at:  
<https://form.jotform.com/200965124821047>

**For more information or intake help, please contact the  
Center for Veterans' Advancement at 213-385-2977 ext. 304.**

\*All legal services, provided by Public Counsel or Public Counsel-affiliated volunteer attorneys, are free of charge. Representation is not guaranteed.



# HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Is now partnering with residents who reside in Inglewood, Pico Rivera, Whittier, the Watts neighborhood and for US Veteran Homeowners.

The Los Angeles County Development Authority has funding for Unincorporated areas of Los Angeles County [LACDA](#), 626-262-4511

If you would like to be placed on our HOME PRESERVATION INTEREST LIST please Email your name, complete address and phone number where you may be reached. Being placed on the INTEREST LIST does not guaranteed that funds will be available nor do we have an ETA of when they will be received.

Habitat LA Programs Department  
Habitat for Humanity of Greater Los Angeles  
8739 Artesia Blvd.  
Bellflower, CA 90706  
[homepreservation@habitatla.org](mailto:homepreservation@habitatla.org)

# Community Veteran Justice Project

***CVJP is dedicated to helping all current and former military members regardless of discharge status by using California Penal Codes 1001.80, 1170.9, and 1001.36 to acquire alternative sentencing, diversions, and leniency for their misdemeanor and felony criminal cases. We also connect them with any other services they may need including but not limited to VA benefits, discharge upgrades, citizenship, housing, expungements, resolving tickets, and family law matters.***

***Click on the link below or on the flyer for more information:***

***<https://files.constantcontact.com/b9c24335101/1ff33de4-e9aa-4bd8-91d9-f0b7cd2651dd.pdf>***

## Community Veteran Justice Project



### OUR MISSION:

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### OUR PROCESS:

Clients with pending criminal cases need to fill out our Statute Intake form [HERE](#) and our Release of Information form [HERE](#). Clients with all other concerns must fill out our General Intake Form [HERE](#) and our Release of Information Form [HERE](#). Clients must then email the Release of information form to [office.cvjp@gmail.com](mailto:office.cvjp@gmail.com) and we will respond promptly. Please note: it is especially important on our end to have our clients' contact information, attorneys' information, charges, and scheduled court date and for the information to be legible.

OUR WEBSITE: [www.cvjp.org](http://www.cvjp.org)

### CORONAVIRUS RESOURCES:

- [Help for veterans](#)
- [Food](#)
- [Housing](#)
- [Health](#)
- [Transportation](#)
- [Education](#)
- [Business](#)
- [Mental Health Youth Services](#)



# Free Grocery and Delivery Program for Seniors and People with Disabilities

County-Wide Program

Items may be delivered 24 hours a day,  
seven days a week

No Application Process

Schedule Deliveries by calling :

**1-888-863-7411**

For additional details click [here](#)

A free grocery delivery program for seniors and people with disabilities was launched in Los Angeles County to help residents who are more vulnerable to the novel coronavirus.

The countywide program, called [Critical Delivery Service](#), will deliver groceries, household items and other vital necessities to those unable to leave their homes due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Here's what to know.

- Items may be delivered 24 hours a day, seven days a week.
- There is no delivery cost to the client.
- No application process is required, but items must be pre-paid and ready for pickup.
- Deliveries may be scheduled by calling [1-888-863-7411](#) between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays.

# Veteran Peer Access Network (VPAN)

VPAN Information and Referral Line

Call : (213) 763-0300

Email: [veterans@dmh.lacounty.gov](mailto:veterans@dmh.lacounty.gov)

For more information visit the website:

<https://dmh.lacounty.gov/VPAN/>



## What is the Veteran Peer Access Network (VPAN)?

VPAN is a community-driven, peer outreach program that aims to alleviate pervasive issues such as homelessness, unemployment, substance abuse, incarceration and suicide that too often afflict service members transitioning to civilian life. The Network deploys 80 trained Veteran and Military Family Peers throughout LA County to pro-actively find veterans before a potential moment of crisis and connect them to earned benefits and services.

## Where is VPAN?

VPAN is in your community. Headquartered at Bob Hope Patriotic Hall in DTLA, the network has Rally Points across the county in El Monte, Compton, Antelope Valley and the VA Medical Centers in LA and Long Beach (by late-2020).

## If you are a veteran or family member in need:

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If you are a business, corporation, private foundation, other 501(c)(3) or a government agency and want to make a difference for LA County veterans:

Jim Zenner

VPAN Program Manager

[jzenner@dmh.lacounty.gov](mailto:jzenner@dmh.lacounty.gov)



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DEPARTMENT OF  
MENTAL HEALTH  
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# LAC- DMH- Veteran Peer Access Network (VPAN)

Are you a Veteran and want to become a volunteer with the Department of Mental Health Veteran Support Line?

For questions or more information send us an email at:  
[veterans@dmh.lacounty.gov](mailto:veterans@dmh.lacounty.gov)

Please visit our website at  
<https://dmh.lacounty.gov/veterans>

## You Matter.

### Veterans Support Line


Be there for other Veterans and Military family members by volunteering as a Peer Support Specialist!

**If you...**

- are a veteran or military family member
- want to make a difference in someone's life
- are searching for a new mission
- can dedicate 2 days a week, 8 hours a day
- want to gain valuable Peer Support work experience
- want 1:1 training with experienced consultants
- want to get access to ongoing high quality online trainings provided by UCLA/DMH Center of Excellence

**Then we are looking for you!**

To apply, click [here](#) and fill out the questionnaire today!




**THE VETERAN PEER ACCESS NETWORK**

if you have additional questions please visit our FAQs page or by emailing us at [veterans@dmh.lacounty.gov](mailto:veterans@dmh.lacounty.gov)

**SERVICES AVAILABLE**

- LA County DMH Veterans Helpline  
1.800.854.7771  
1.562.651.2549 (toll-free)
- Military/Veterans Crisis Line  
1.800.273.8255 ext. 1  
Confidential chat at [MilitaryCrisisLine.net](http://MilitaryCrisisLine.net) or text: 838255
- National Suicide Prevention  
1.800.273 (TALK) (8255)  
1.888.628.9454 (suavoice)
- Didi Hirsch's Suicide Prevention Center  
1.877.7.CRISIS  
1.877.727.4747
- California Youth Crisis Line  
1.800.852.8336  
Teen Line  
1.310.855.4673
- The Trevor Project (LGBTQ Youth)  
1.866.4.U.TREVOR  
1.866.488.7386



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<https://dmh.lacounty.gov>  
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# East LA (ELA) Vet Center is offering counseling and new groups via VA Video Connect

For questions or to schedule an appoint, please call:  
323-728-9966

East Los Angeles (ELA) Vet Center  
is offering  
VA Video Connect and Phone Appointments  
as well as  
New groups via VA Video Connect  
are being offered by  
Esperansa Perez, MSW, Registered ASW  
Readjustment Counseling Therapist

Call 323-728-9966  
to schedule your counseling appointment for:

INDIVIDUAL  
MARITAL AND FAMILY  
MILITARY SEXUAL TRAUMA  
BEREAVEMENT  
COURT MANDATED DOMESTIC VIOLENCE  
VA BENEFITS  
GROUPS



ELA Vet Center 5430 E Olympic Blvd Commerce, CA 90022



# Volunteers of America Los Angeles Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF)

VOALA received additional funding that helps homeless veterans in LAC & OC with quick linkage to temporary shelter and homeless prevention services during the COVID-19 pandemic.

For LA Screenings call: (323) 657-5550

For OC Screenings call: (714) 426-9834



## Volunteers of America<sup>®</sup> LOS ANGELES

### Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF)

#### CARES Act

VOALA is excited to announce that we have received additional funding to expand services and provide additional assistance to homeless and at risk veterans in the community (LA & OC) to get veterans quickly off the streets and keep veterans from becoming homeless during the COVID-19 pandemic. This funding is for a limited time only.

Services:

- Case Management Services
- Emergency housing placement and food assistance for homeless veterans
- Transportation Assistance
- Rental assistance for homeless prevention (eviction/3 day notice not required)

To receive services, veterans must meet general SSVF Requirements:

- Homeless or at risk of being homeless
- Under 50% Area Median Income
- Veteran status cannot be dishonorable or General Court Martial

Average Median Income Chart 50% or under

Orange County  
(1 person) \$44,850 (2) \$51,250 (3) \$57,650 (4) \$64,050

Los Angeles County  
(1) \$39,450 (2) \$45,050 (3) \$50,700 (4) \$56,300

**OC Screening Line: (714) 426 - 9834**  
**LA Screening Line: (323) 657 - 5550**



**Contact Information:**  
Phone Number | Email: (714) 719-3714 | [jfajota@voala.org](mailto:jfajota@voala.org)  
Locations: 2100 N. Broadway Suite 300 Santa Ana, CA 92706  
240 N. Breed St. Los Angeles, CA 90033  
Division Manager: Jessica Fajota, MSW

# Stay Cool

Emergency cooling centers are open across LA County to help residents cool off during the coming heat wave.

If you are planning to visit one of these Cooling Centers, it is advisable that you call in advance to make sure there is still seating available. For locations, hours and more information, call 211 for LA County or 311 for LA City or visit us at :

<https://ready.lacounty.gov/heat/>

# Emergency Cooling Centers



Visit [ready.lacounty.gov/heat](https://ready.lacounty.gov/heat)  
for more information

# L.A. County Department of Public Social Services Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) During the Coronavirus Pandemic

<https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/CALACOUNTY/bulletins/2856b4c?reqfrom=share>



# **FREE LA County drive COVID- 19 thru testing.**

## **Details:**

The link for scheduling an appointment went live today:

**<https://lacovidprod.service-now.com/rrs>**

**Should the person not have internet access, to they may also call 2-1-1 who can make the appointment for them.**

## **Free COVID-19 Testing**

The City of Los Angeles, in partnership with the County of Los Angeles and CORE (Community Organized Relief Effort), is providing free COVID-19 testing to Los Angeles County residents.

At this time, testing is only for people with symptoms, such as fever, cough, and shortness of breath. Anyone with COVID-19 symptoms can now book a same or next day appointment.



# **Volunteer Opportunities with the VA**

**The West LA VA campus is preparing to open its gates to homeless veterans to take temporary emergency shelter via camping this week. On that front, they're seeking volunteers for a myriad of support opportunities and supplies (see attached letter). They've also requested 40-50 emergency cots and 20-40 tents and sleeping bags.**

Please message VA Chief of Voluntary Services Alexia Lunningham (310) 268-3994 and contact her directly at [alexia.lunningham@va.gov](mailto:alexia.lunningham@va.gov)

**To view additional details please click on the link below:**

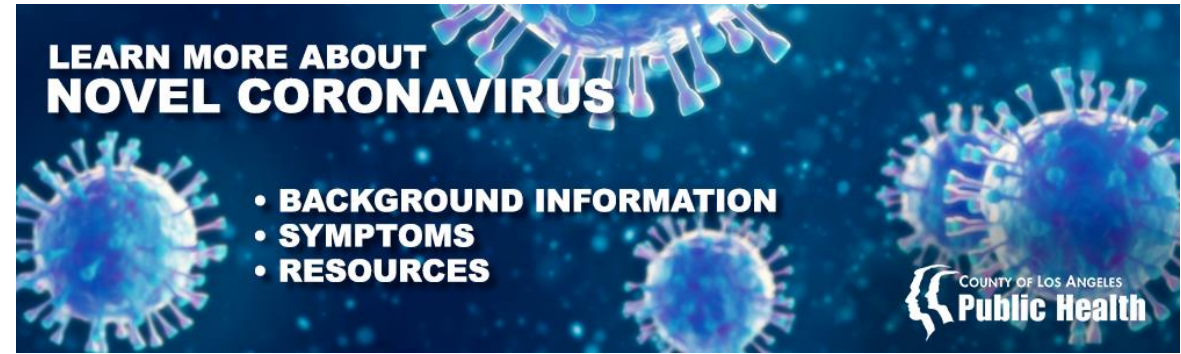
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# County of Los Angeles

## Covid-19 Resource Center

**This link will provide you with the latest information on immediate relief regarding traffic ticket relief:**

<https://files.constantcontact.com/b9c24335101/ab74f129-f778-434e-a773-0c4bdfa50250.png>



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
Department of Public Health

<http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/index.htm>

Los Angeles County Resources

<http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/resources.htm>

# New homes for seniors and senior veterans. 12 apartments are set aside for homeless senior veterans

For Homeless Senior Veterans contact New Directions at : (310) 914-4045

General information Line: 323-302-4264

For more information and to download application go to: <https://www.mercyhousing.org/california/pico-robertson/>

## NEW HOMES FOR SENIORS AND SENIOR VETERANS

**COMING  
SOON**  
ACCESSIBLE UNITS  
AVAILABLE



**AMENITIES:**

- Community Room
- Recreational Room
- Two Courtyards with Views of the Hollywood Hills
- Laundry Rooms on Each Floor
- On Site Service Partner New Directions for Veterans
- Parking Spaces Available for Residents in Addition to Public Parking

### PICO ROBERTSON SENIOR COMMUNITY

8866 W Pico Blvd Los Angeles, CA 90035

Temporary Leasing Address:  
8906 W Pico Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90035  
Information Line: 323-302-4264  
TTY: \*711

For more information and to download an application:  
[www.mercyhousing.org/picorobertson](http://www.mercyhousing.org/picorobertson)

#### 12 Apartments are Set Aside For Homeless Senior Veterans

Contact New Directions at 310-914-4045 to determine eligibility for veteran units.

This housing is offered without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, religion, ancestry, genetic information, source of income, age, marital status, familial status, sexual orientation or preference, gender identity, or disability, or any other basis prohibited by law.

# **FULL GOSPEL BAPTIST CHURCH—LA**

**6900 COMPTON AVE.**

**LOS ANGELES, CA. 90051**



## **FREE GRAB “N” GO LUNCHES**

**MONDAY—FRIDAY**

**12:00PM—1:30PM**

*(first come first served)*



**No income/registration requirement**





UCLA/VA

Veteran Family Wellness Center

VFWC has provided us updated Veteran and Family resource list (including some great financial resources), a self care guide from VFWC and another resource guide from TELACU.

### **UCLA\_VA VFWC Virtual Resources 4-3**

<https://files.constantcontact.com/b9c24335101/5c8b8e8c-c5da-4de0-b2fe-3c3afb229b08.pdf>

### **UCLA-VAVFWC Provider\_ Caregiver\_ Child \_ Adult Resources**

<https://files.constantcontact.com/b9c24335101/87f54aed-c446-4b73-96fe-eb6ada2cc259.pdf>

### **COVID-19 Resources GuideTELACU**

<https://files.constantcontact.com/b9c24335101/a5fda8a4-90b2-4a0b-8f66-b4e649e11c56.pdf>

# Covid19 Los Angeles Community Resources

This document was created by people who are committed to our community's health :-). As long as it is done to help others, you are welcome to add resources or copy them. Please e-mail [theebighonk@gmail.com](mailto:theebighonk@gmail.com) if you see any inaccurate info or if you'd like to add something.

**Click on the link below to view the resource list:**

**<https://files.constantcontact.com/b9c24335101/d72957c8-83ad-46ae-bb5e-9cca914422a0.png>**

# The Los Angeles County America's Job Centers of California (AJCCs) are hosting a Virtual Town Hall Meeting for Businesses

Thursday, June 11<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm

Topic: LA County's Roadmap to Recovery- assisting your business adapt to the new normal and guidelines for safety reopening your business

Must RSVP using below Eventbrite:

<https://bit.ly/2X9Jm5V>

Contact: Laine Hadnott, Veteran's AJCC  
[veterans@jvs-socal.org](mailto:veterans@jvs-socal.org)



## LA COUNTY'S ROADMAP TO RECOVERY - ASSISTING YOUR BUSINESS ADAPT TO THE NEW NORMAL

### About this Event:

The Los Angeles County America's Job Centers of California (AJCCs) are here to assist your business with specialized services to ensure your success as we transition through our next phases in reopening our economy. Attend this upcoming Virtual Town Hall Meeting to learn more about key services for businesses during this economic recovery.

### The following topic will be covered during the town hall meeting:

Guidelines for safely reopening your business in Los Angeles County.

### Contact:

Laine Hadnott, Veteran's AJCC  
[veterans@jvs-socal.org](mailto:veterans@jvs-socal.org)

Must RSVP using below Eventbrite:

<https://bit.ly/2X9Jm5V>

**If you SEE something  
SAY Something!**

**If you have any concerns  
regarding any licensed care  
facility. Please contact the  
California Department of Social  
Services! This includes Adult  
and Senior living centers.**

**1-844-538-8766**

# **If You SEE Something, SAY Something**

To report a complaint or concern  
regarding any licensed care facility,  
contact the Hotline at:

**1-844-LET-US-NO**  
(1-844-538-8766)

**IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY  
CALL 9-1-1**

You may also contact us at **LetUsNo@dss.ca.gov**  
or by mail:



California Department of Social Services  
Community Care Licensing Division  
Centralized Complaint and Information Bureau  
744 P Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814





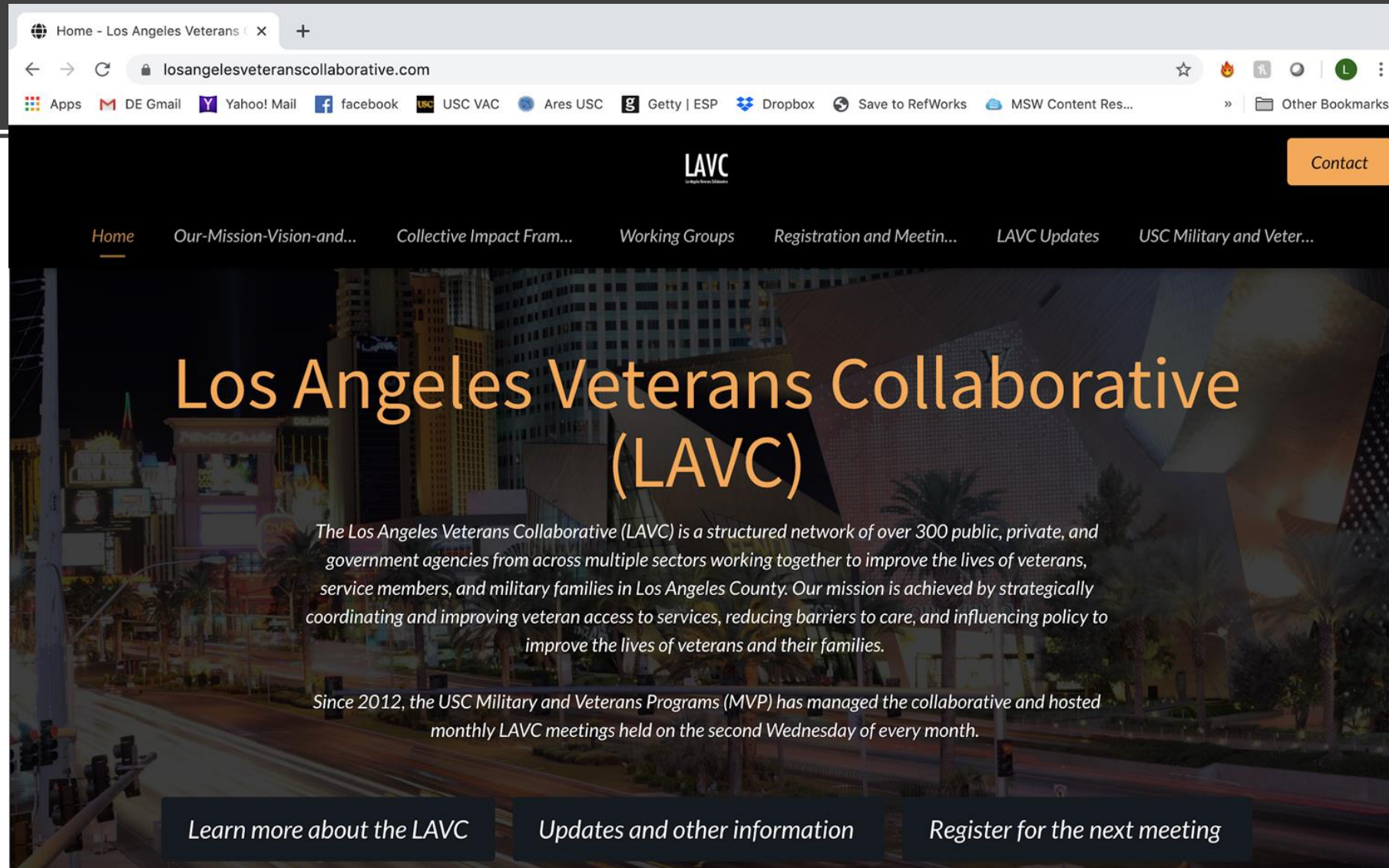
# Metro<sup>TM</sup>

Although we are facing a challenging time, Metro Veterans Program continues with its recruitment efforts and seeking qualified Veteran candidates; currently serving all branches including Army Reservist & National Guard men and women, and their spouses on our current employment opportunities. <https://www.metro.net/about/careers/>

Please keep in mind that we DO NOT have a HIRING freeze at Metro, so please email those Veteran Candidate resumes to [Veteranspgm@metro.net](mailto:Veteranspgm@metro.net) as we offer to assist military service members and their spouses on creating their profile, resume and interview preparations.

**Dennis Tucker Veterans Program Manager**

# Introducing the LAVC new website: [www.losangelesveteranscollaborative.com](http://www.losangelesveteranscollaborative.com)



# Connect With Us!

Website: [Los Angeles Veterans Collaborative: Home](#)

Twitter: @LAVetsCollab

Facebook: Lavc Usc

Instagram: lavcusc

Email: [lavetscollab@gmail.com](mailto:lavetscollab@gmail.com)



- Feel free to send information about upcoming veteran events or relevant services.
- Tag us in your posts regarding veteran events or relevant services.

