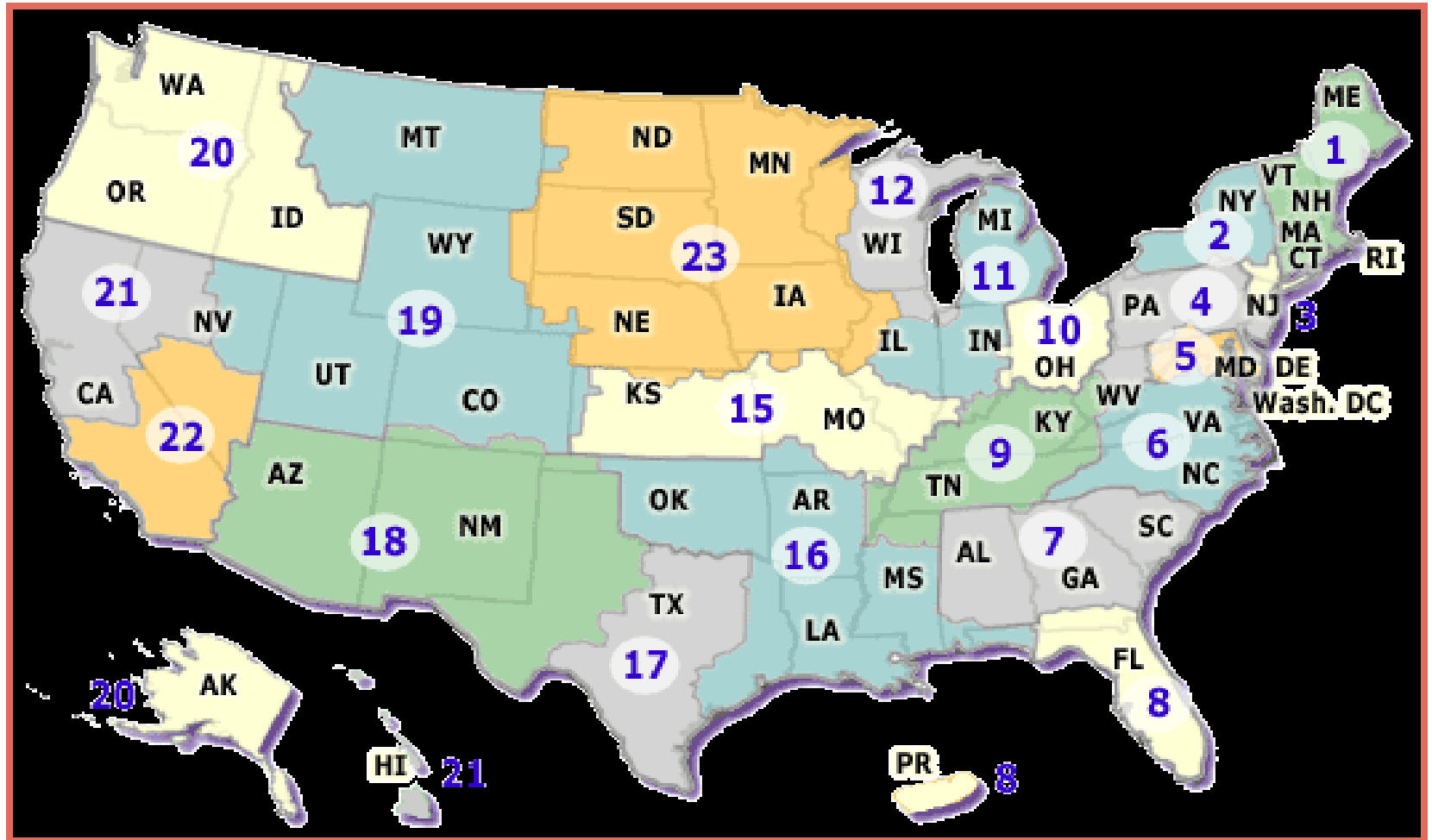


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Homeless Program Overview

Ending homelessness is a top priority

- *“...we will provide new help for homeless Veterans because those heroes have a home—it’s the country they served, the United States of America. And until we reach a day when not a single Veteran sleeps on our nation's streets, our work remains unfinished.”*

President Barack Obama, March 16,
2009

Point In Time Count

2009 – 2012 -17.2%

- Point-in-Time (PIT) estimates offer a snapshot of homelessness—of both sheltered and unsheltered homeless populations—on a single night.
- **62,619** veterans were homeless on a single night in **2012**. Homelessness among veterans has declined by 17.2 percent since 2009.
- Note: Additional CoC-level detail on Point-in-Time estimates of veteran homelessness can be found at: www.hudhre.info.

The Six Pillars

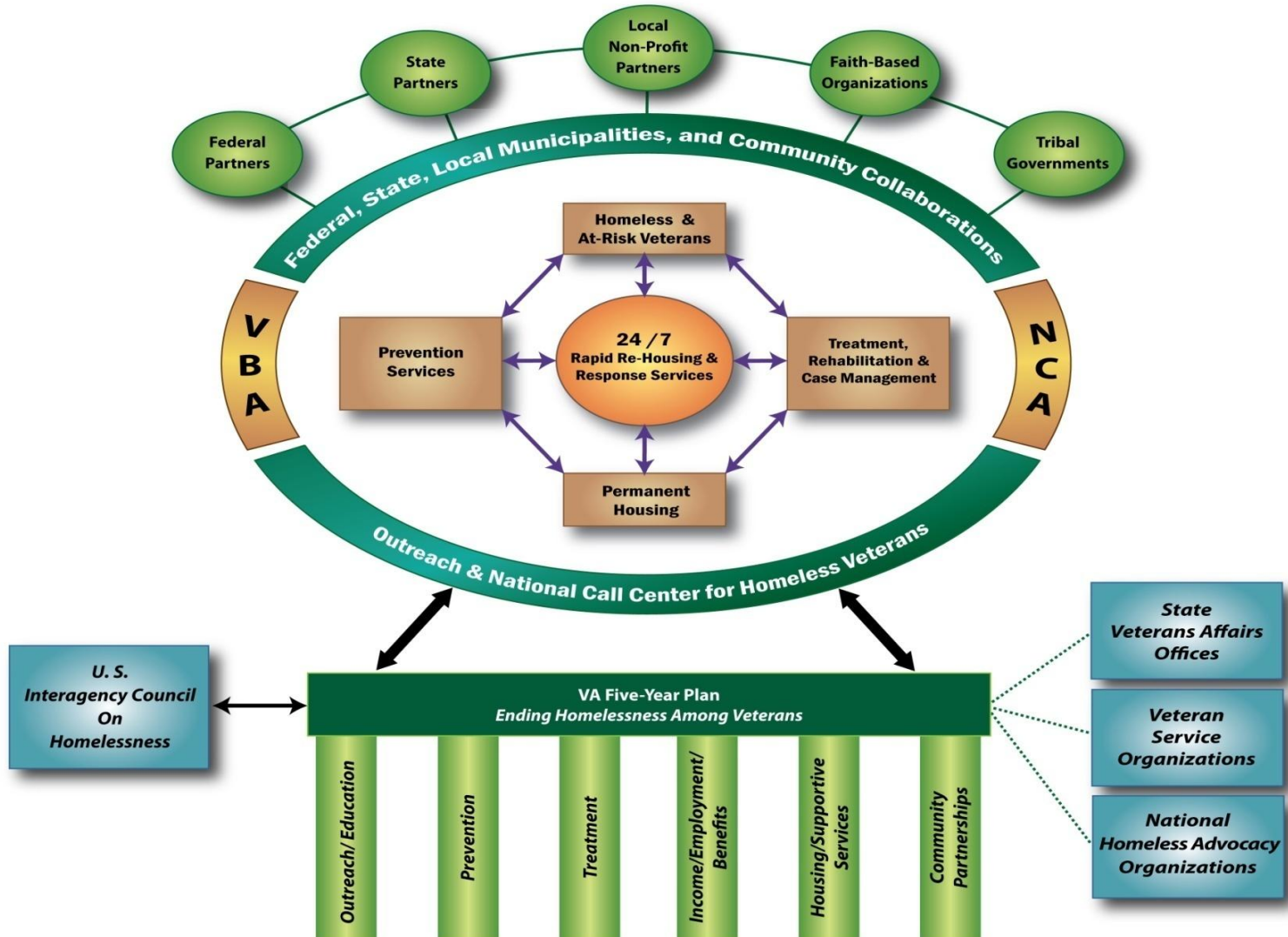




VHA

Transforming Homeless Veteran Programs & Services

Outreach~Prevention~Treatment~Permanent Housing



Homeless Program Overview

- Hud/Vash
- Grant and Per Diem (GPD)
- Contract Residential Facilities
- Safe Havens
- Permanent Supported Housing / Community Based
- Supportive Services Grants for Low Income Veterans and Families (SSVF)
- Justice programs

National Call Center



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