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VA Resource, Referral Center Moves to South Omaha

OMAHA, Neb., Aug. 28, 2013 — The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs is moving its services for Veterans who are homeless or those at risk of becoming homeless to a new location at 825 Dorcas Street, Ste. 200, Omaha, Neb., Sept. 3.

The Community Resource and Referral Center and the Mental Health Specialty Services Program are moving its services closer to where they will be more accessible for Veterans.

Staff at the CRRC provides an array of services for these Veterans that include job skills assistance and case-management services through the VA Nebraska-Western Iowa Health Care System. Veterans must be eligible for VA health care benefits.

The CRRC also provides Veterans amenities including access to washers and dryers and showers on a limited basis.

The operating hours are from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday, excluding federal holidays.

An additional service available through the CRRC is a VA Pantry. The pantry is open on the first and third Wednesdays of every month from 10 a.m. to noon. Veterans with a need, especially those who are low-income, near homeless, or homeless who are not living in a shelter are eligible to use the pantry.

The pantry provides items that include canned foods, grains, meats and bread. Fresh produce is available when it is in season. Hygiene products are also available upon request.

Veterans who wish to use the pantry must show a valid state identification card or a piece of mail postmarked within the past 60 days that contains their name and Nebraska address.

For more information about the CRRC and the VA Pantry, call 402-995-4010.

About VA Nebraska-Western Iowa Health Care System

The VA Nebraska-Western Iowa Health Care System's mission is to honor America's Veterans by providing exceptional health care that improves their health and well-being. VA NWIHCS employees serve more than 161,000 Veterans in Nebraska, western Iowa and portions of Kansas and Missouri. The system includes a tertiary medical center in Omaha and a Community Living Center in Grand Island, Neb. Community-based outpatient clinics are located in Lincoln, Grand Island, North Platte, Norfolk, and Bellevue, Neb., and Shenandoah, Iowa; and a contract outreach clinic in O'Neill, Neb. For more information, visit <http://www.nebraska.va.gov>

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