



# Many Who Served to Protect and Defend Now Need *Our* Help

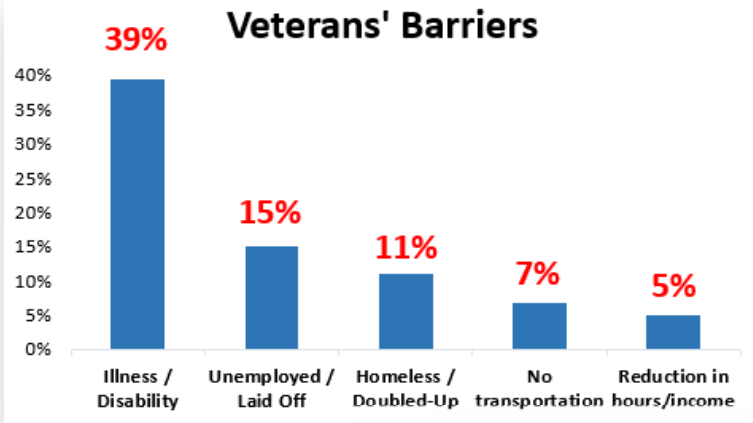
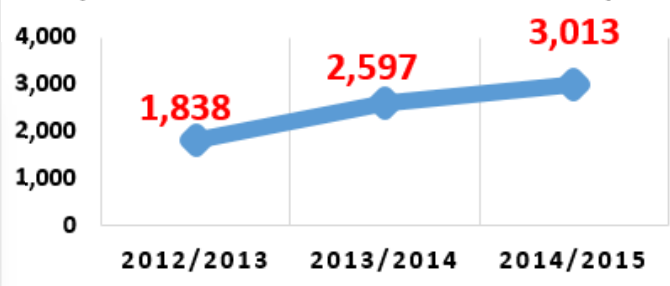


Joe\*, a 32 year old Army Veteran from Bloomington called Connect2Help211 because he had run out of his PTSD medication. His doctor needed to authorize the refills, but was on leave. The 211 Specialist contacted the Veterans Administration Hospital, who confirmed that if Joe could come in, he could be seen by another doctor who could issue the prescriptions for him. However, Joe had no transportation to get there. The 211 Specialist connected Joe to a veterans' organization that offered to provide a ride to the hospital. When the 211 Specialist followed up with Joe a week later, he reported that he had gotten his medication refilled and was feeling much better.



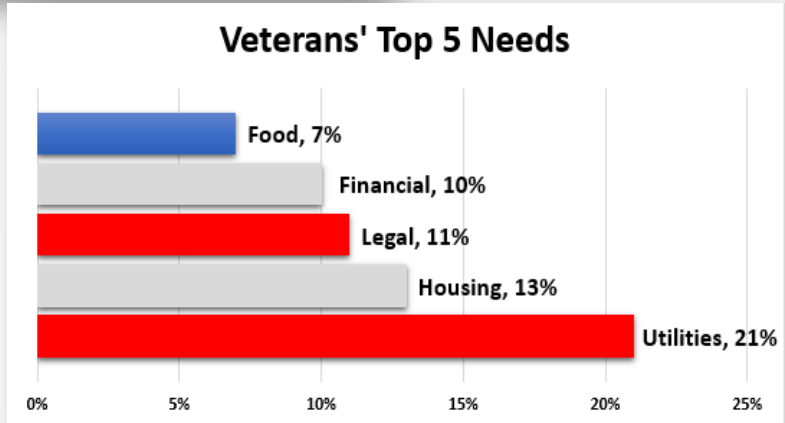
According to the VA<sup>1</sup>, there are **476,000 veterans living in Indiana**. We've seen a **61% increase** in veterans' calls in the last 3 years.

## VETERANS' CALLS (NOVEMBER THROUGH OCTOBER)

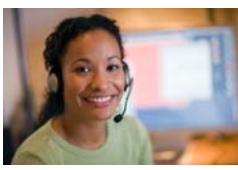


Many of these veterans faced barriers in their every day lives.

Service to their country did not guarantee these veterans protection from personal need.



10% of veterans' needs could not be met by existing programs.



211 Specialists made **5,950 referrals**, using our database of **4,899 agencies**, including nearly **100 programs** focusing specifically on **Veterans' needs**.

**Do you want to help veterans in your community?**

Dial 2-1-1 or visit [www.Connect2Help211.org](http://www.Connect2Help211.org) to find out how.



<sup>1</sup>[http://www.va.gov/vetdata/veteran\\_population.asp](http://www.va.gov/vetdata/veteran_population.asp)