

# Help offered for veterans and their families

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An outreach to help veterans and their families avoid becoming or staying homeless is part of an ongoing effort by the Community Action Agency. A special effort is planned for Tuesday, July 29, in Lenawee County.

The Lenawee County CAA will be part of a community outreach event for veterans and their families from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Representatives from the Jackson CAA office, the Veterans Administration hospital in Ann Arbor and from the private organization Veterans Matter will be going into the community to meet with veterans who may need the services.

Laura Leslie, veterans housing advisor for the Community Action Agency office in Jackson, said a similar effort took place last Tuesday in the Jackson area.

"We will be visiting homeless camps and abandoned buildings to talk with (veterans) to see what we can do to help," Leslie said. "We also want to talk with veterans who may be having other issues, such as foreclosures and other problems. We want to help them."

Burt Fenby, executive director of the Lenawee County CAA office, said the effort locally has already helped a number of veterans get the support and find the resources they need. But he agreed with Leslie that more needs to be done and can be done.

"We've got some money to help veterans with homelessness or at-risk issues," he said. "We are doing what we can, but more can be done."

Information can be found on the CAA website and Facebook links at [www.caajlh.org](http://www.caajlh.org). Leslie said anyone with questions can call her at 517-745-1890. The number for the Lenawee County office of Community Action Agency is 263-7861, and the office is at 400 W. South St. in Adrian.