Military and Veteran Affairs Committee Hearing

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Department of Veteran Services

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- New Mexico's Aging Veterans
- Women Veterans Issues
- Veteran Call Center
- Military Retirement Tax Incentive

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- DVS is moving forward along with ALTSD and the VA Medical Center in Albuquerque.
- Identifying available beds under the Veteran Choice Act and ALTSD programs.
- Working with VAMC to move along contracts for local providers.

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- Currently, VAMC has 100 total veterans (both hospice care and rehabilitation) placed in community long-term care.
- 240 veterans currently enrolled in Home Based Primary Care. Of those, 97 veterans are located in rural communities.
- 19 veterans placed in Medical Foster Homes.
- 353 approved paid caregivers, 233 general caregivers, 24 applications pending in the caregivers support program.

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- Women Veteran Issues
- DVS has instituted a women veteran working group made up of both Active Duty and Veterans.
- Developed and implemented a survey to identify needs

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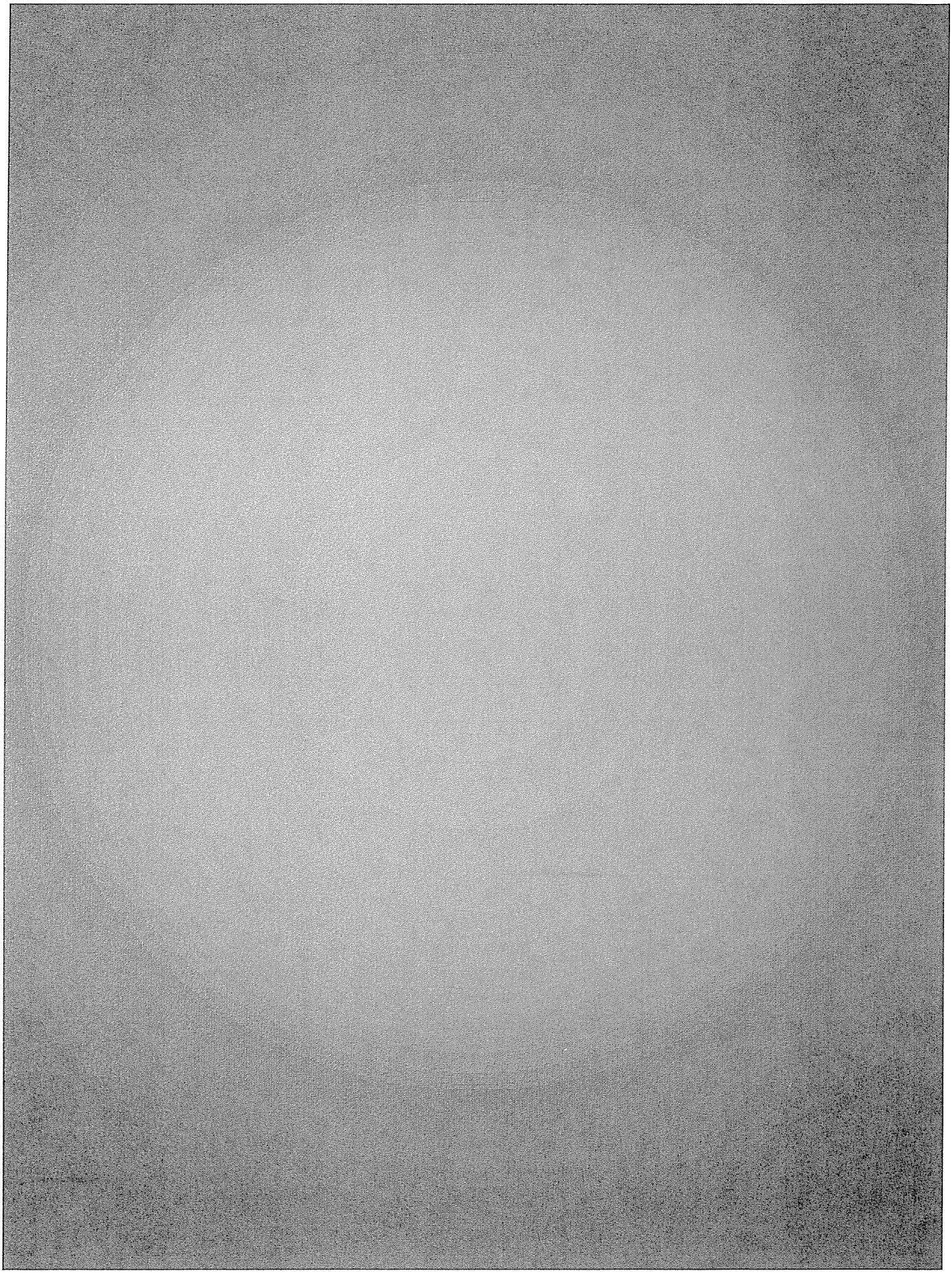
- Call Center
- DVS is working through the RVCP grant program to stand up a call center to provide information and referrals for veteran across New Mexico seeking information on transportation, mental health assistance, medical assistance, as well as other services available to veterans.
- Hope to implement by January 1, 2016.