



Illinois Veterans' Home



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A long-standing legacy

DEVELOPED IN 1886, the Illinois Veterans' Home at Quincy is the largest and oldest veterans' home in all of Illinois. The 210-acre campus has been called home by local heroes dating all the way back to the Civil War and currently houses nearly 400 veterans from WWII, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, and the Gulf War, as well as peace time veterans. In addition to military veterans, the home is open to spouses and Gold Star military families. Today, 11 couples and one Gold Star mother live on campus.

The home offers care ranging from domiciliary to skilled nursing and features two separate Alzheimer's and dementia units. With over 300 clinical staff members and 200 facility and maintenance employees, ensuring residents needs are met is a top priority.

While living on campus residents have the opportunity to take part in regular physical and cognitive activities. Among some of the residents' favorite amenities include the Lynn Deer Park, Lake Illinois, the Memorial Garden, and C.W.'s Cafe.

The Illinois Veterans' Home at Quincy truly is a historic and important piece of our community—one that should be cherished and preserved for years to come. ■



*** Did you know?

Gold Star families is a modern reference that comes from the Service Flag. During World War I families would fly flags with blue stars for every immediate family member serving in the United States Armed Forces. If that loved one died, the blue star was replaced with a gold star. It was an important way of sharing and honoring the sacrifice that family made in the cause of freedom.



Continued Commitment LEADS TO Continued Progress

EARLIER THIS YEAR, Governor Bruce Rauner spent one week living on campus of the Illinois Veterans' Home at Quincy. During his stay Governor Rauner had the opportunity to meet and spend time with several residents and clinical staff, participate in regularly scheduled resident activities, and experience life at the veterans' home first-hand. This visit symbolized the Governor's continued commitment to improve the veterans' home and the lives of our veterans. Armed with a first-hand perspective of life on campus, the Governor reiterated his desire to create a state-of-the-art facility not only for today's veterans, but for generations of veterans to come.

The creation of a Master Plan is the first step in fulfilling those visions. The team of experts convened to create that Master Plan will be working diligently over the next six months to create a document that improves the lives of our veterans today and into the future. ■

*** Did you know?

The city of Quincy, IL was one of 42 formal proposals submitted in 1885 vying to become the host city for the Illinois Veterans' Home.

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The Illinois Veterans' Home at Quincy is the oldest and largest veterans' home in Illinois, and one of the oldest veterans' homes in the nation!



We called in the experts... *and you!*

A TEAM OF PROFESSIONALS was convened to create the Master Plan for the future of the Illinois Veterans' Home in Quincy. This team, a mix of planners, architects, historians, engineers, and communication professionals, bring a breadth of talent and experience. Led by HOK, an architecture and engineering firm with over 60 years experience, the project team consists of an additional seven sub-consultants: BRIC Partnership, David Mason and Associates, GSG Consultants, HPZS, Images, Inc., KLOA, Inc., and Middleton Construction Consulting. Their combined expertise will be used to develop a comprehensive Master Plan that paves the way for Governor Bruce Rauner's call to make the Illinois Veterans' Home at Quincy "the best veterans' home in America!"

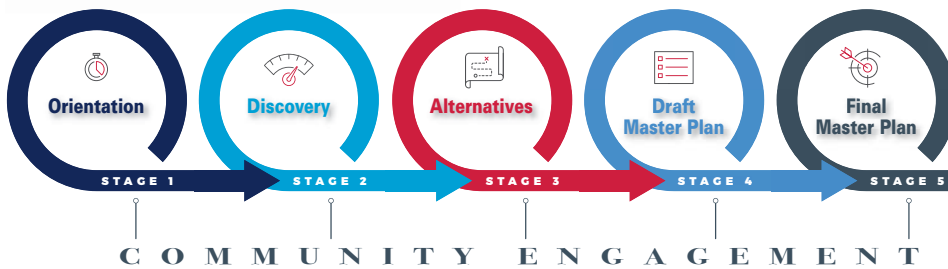
But we aren't just relying on professional opinion! A Steering Committee made up of representatives from the Capital

Development Board, Illinois Veteran's Administration, Quincy Veteran's Home management and leadership, and the Illinois Governor's office will drive critical decision-making throughout the process. This committee will be responsible for driving the creation of a successful Master Plan through their leadership efforts. In addition to a Steering Committee, an Advisory Committee was also created to weigh in throughout project milestones.

On Wednesday June 20, 2018 the Advisory Committee, a group of invested stakeholders including residents, clinical staff, government officials, and veterans' home leadership and facilities employees, gathered for their first meeting. This committee will provide a "boots on the ground" perspective that will ensure a variety of needs and opinions are incorporated into the Master Plan, making it a more robust and meaningful document.

Over the next six months the project team will be making many visits to the veterans' home. You may have seen them exploring the campus on their visit in mid-June. In addition to gathering input from you, their current focus is developing a report that outlines the campus existing conditions including site constraints, architectural character, topography, transportation needs, etc. This report will help create a baseline for recommendations to be included in the final Master Plan. ■

PROJECT TIMELINE





What's Next?

**RESEARCH, ANALYSIS, REPORTS
...and many more conversations
with interested people like you!**

OVER THE NEXT FEW WEEKS the project team will be gathering information to compile an 'existing conditions' report. After creating this report, the team will develop conceptual plans for the future of the veterans' home. These plans will be varied in nature, based on research and provide multiple solutions for the campus' top concerns.

However, we need your help! If you have thoughts about the Illinois Veterans' Home at Quincy, we want to hear from you! **Please take the following survey to provide your input on the development and creation of a Master Plan.** The data gathered from this survey will be used to inform recommendations in the Plan document.

You can access this survey by typing www.surveymonkey.com/r/VT6HC73 into your internet browser, or simply taking a picture of the below QR code with your phone. Upon snapping a photo, you will be prompted to open a survey link. ■

ONLINE SURVEY

**Take our survey to provide
input on the IVHQ Master Plan!
Snap a photo of the QR code
and the survey will pop up!**



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★ ★ ★ Did you know?

Memorial Garden, a favorite amenity of many residents, boasts countless different varieties of flowers.

