How can we address and prevent veteran homelessness?

Veterans should never be homeless. When people are discharged from the military they should be assigned veteran housing for the first three to five years. The government could renovate old, unused homes and apartments make them safe for veterans. People in the neighborhood could welcome the veterans by bringing them food and showing them around the neighborhood. They could also build new housing specifically for veterans. Veterans would not have to worry about housing. They could use their time to find jobs or go to school and get used to being home.

The homes would only be for veterans. The government could have doctors, nurses and social workers visit the veterans and help them get used to being home. The veterans could help by keeping the homes in good shape. They could plant vegetables and share them. They could help each other because they would be neighbors. When a veteran was ready to leave, he or she would help a new veteran take their place. These veteran’s homes would show that the government and the American people care about our veterans.