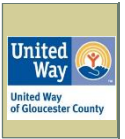


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A Success Story About...Charles

Previously homeless Marine, Charles, connected with VetAbility through our collaboration with Catholic Charities. Charles was alone, frightened and unsure where to turn for assistance. VetAbility helped Charles secure housing in Gloucester County as well as clothing, navigate the VA Hospital System where he qualified for the Comprehensive Work Therapy Program, was offered part-time employment as a janitor; and taught how to develop budgeting skills.



With family reunification a top priority, VetAbility helped Charles save enough money to travel to California to reunite with a daughter he had not seen in over 30 years, and celebrate Thanksgiving with family. Not wanting to burden his daughter, Charles has also prepaid his funeral expenses.

Still active in VetAbility, Charles still utilizes Gill's Closet for food to make ends meet, and also delivers food to other food insecure veterans in his apartment complex. He encourages others to reach out to VetAbility for support. He recently commented "Working with the VetAbility program affords me the opportunity to pay it forward and help my fellow veterans."

VetAbility continues to assist Charles in his employment search. With a new resume, continued counseling through VA and some interviews on the horizon, Charles has a bright future!