

#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Melissa Mark-Viverito, Speaker of the City Council

Loree Sutton, Commissioner of the Department of Veterans' Services

Todd Haskins, Chair of the Veterans' Advisory Board

FROM: Mindy Tarlow DATE: March 28, 2017

SUBJECT: Veterans Services Report for 2016

Attached please find the Veterans Services Report for calendar year 2016. This report reflects the third yearly report following enactment of Local Law 23 in March 2015 and the second report since Mayor de Blasio signed the law creating the Department of Veterans' Services in December 2015. The annual figures are provided by agency and by category of benefit available to veterans. Agencies have also provided disaggregated information by veterans' borough of residence.

If you have any questions about this report, please feel free to contact Guenevere Knowles at <a href="mailto:GKnowles@cityhall.nyc.gov">GKnowles@cityhall.nyc.gov</a> or 212-788-1460.

Attachment

#### Veterans Services Calendar Year 2016

| Agency | Indicator Name   | CY2014 | CY2015 | CY2016 |
|--------|--|--------|--------|--------|
| DCA    | Applications for general vending licenses submitted by veterans  | 570    | 499    | 427    |
| DCA    | General vending licenses issued to veterans  | 447    | 348    | 297    |
| DCAS   | Civil service examination applications received from applicants claiming veterans' credit  | 3,475  | 1,887  | 2,843  |
| DOHMH  | Fee-exempt mobile food vending licenses issued to veterans   | 362    | 398    | 357    |
| DOHMH  | Food vending permits issued to veterans  | 158    | 190    | 181    |
| HPD    | Mitchell-Lama housing applications received from veterans, or their surviving spouses, who have identified themselves as heads of household on their applications                                | 71     | 76     | 95     |
| HPD    | Approved Mitchell-Lama applications for veterans, or their surviving spouses, who have identified themselves as heads of household   | 66     | 73     | 88     |
| HPD    | Veterans residing in rental units who use US Department of Housing and Urban Development/US Department of Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH) vouchers administered by HPD (snapshot) | 68     | 96     | 122    |
| NYCHA  | Veterans residing in housing operated by NYCHA who use HUD-<br>VASH vouchers administered by NYCHA   | 166    | 162    | 199    |
| NYCHA  | Veterans residing in rental units who use HUD-VASH vouchers administered by NYCHA  | 2,268  | 2,432  | 2,488  |

## Veterans Services CY2016 By Applicant's Borough of Residence

DCA
General vending license applications from veterans

| Borough of Residence | Approved | Rejected | Total |
|----------------------|----------|----------|-------|
| Bronx                | 70       | 24       | 94    |
| Brooklyn             | 95       | 30       | 125   |
| Manhattan            | 40       | 24       | 64    |
| Queens               | 26       | 27       | 77    |
| Staten Island        | 55       | 22       | 14    |
| Outside of NYC       | 11       | 3        | 53    |
| Total                | 297      | 130      | 427   |

DCAS
Civil service exam applicants claiming veterans' credit

| Borough of Residence | Applicants |
|----------------------|------------|
| Bronx                | 456        |
| Brooklyn             | 550        |
| Manhattan            | 179        |
| Queens               | 635        |
| Staten Island        | 159        |
| Outside of NYC       | 864        |
| Total                | 2,843      |

# DOHMH Licenses and permits issued to veterans

| Borough of Residence | Mobile food<br>vending<br>licenses | Food vending permits |
|----------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Bronx                | 77                                 | 38                   |
| Brooklyn             | 102                                | 43                   |
| Manhattan            | 59                                 | 35                   |
| Queens               | 92                                 | 49                   |
| Staten Island        | 9                                  | 5                    |
| Outside of NYC       | 18                                 | 11                   |
| Total                | 357                                | 181                  |

## Veterans Services CY2016 By Applicant's Borough of Residence

HPD Mitchell-Lama applications from veterans/surviving spouses heads of household

| Borough of Residence | Approved | Rejected | Total |
|----------------------|----------|----------|-------|
| Bronx                | 10       | 1        | 11    |
| Brooklyn             | 25       | 0        | 25    |
| Manhattan            | 36       | 4        | 40    |
| Queens               | 17       | 2        | 19    |
| Staten Island        | 0        | 0        | 0     |
| Total                | 88       | 7        | 95    |

NYCHA
Use of HUD-VASH vouchers administered by NYCHA

| Borough of Residence | Used in<br>NYCHA<br>housing | Used in rental units |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| Bronx                | 48                          | 1,264                |
| Brooklyn             | 90                          | 638                  |
| Manhattan            | 60                          | 278                  |
| Queens               | 0                           | 225                  |
| Staten Island        | 1                           | 64                   |
| Outside of NYC       | 0                           | 19                   |
| Total                | 199                         | 2,488                |