

SPECIALLY ADAPTIVE HOUSING

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WOUNDED WARRIOR
PROJECT®

For many of America's wounded veterans, everyday tasks can be a burden. Their own homes may even present mobility and accessibility challenges. To adapt homes to accommodate disabled veterans' needs, the **Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) provides Specially Adaptive Housing (SAH) grants to veterans with certain permanent and total service-connected disabilities.** VA SAH grants allow veterans with disabilities to purchase or construct an adapted home, or modify an existing home, to accommodate a disability.

WWP URGES CONGRESS TO:

- **Improve the VA SAH grant process through congressional action** to broaden eligibility to help support a larger number of service-disabled veterans.
- **Implement full SAH benefit reinstatement every 10 years.** As younger veterans grow, get married, and grow their families, their needs in an adapted home change drastically.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE:

Veterans eligible for VA SAH grants include those who lost the use of both arms and/or both legs, those who are blind in both eyes and those who have certain severe respiratory injuries or certain severe burns.

As young veterans age, **their needs in an adapted home change drastically.** This is also true for those whose **disabilities get worse over time.** A veteran with a prosthetic leg might be fine to walk around their home when they are in their 30s, but they may require a wheelchair as they age.

WWP EFFORTS TO SUPPORT DISABLED VETERANS

Through our Independence Program (IP) and our Veterans Disability Benefits Services Team, WWP assists veterans and service members in need of home modifications for daily living if they do not qualify for VA Specially Adaptive Housing (SAH) grants.