

Effort to help homeless veterans held

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LOUISVILLE, Ky. (WDRB) -- It's called a "stand down." And it's all part of a community wide effort to help homeless veterans.

Several organizations took part in the event at Warder Park in Jeffersonville, Indiana.

The event helped veterans obtain ID cards, get health screenings and begin the job hunt process for those in need of work.

Volunteers say often times homeless or "at risk" veterans are difficult to find because of their military training. They tend to hide out and not want to be seen.

Organizers say some people just turn a blind eye to the problem.

"A lot of people just want to look the other way. We're not. We want to be out there in front, saying we are here," said Keith Hammon, Volunteers of America.

Keith Hammon says those veterans who attended were grateful for the service. The stand down and other events were made possible through a federal grant from the Department of Labor.