

TALKING SERVICE

A Reading and Discussion Program for Veterans

Talking Service is for men and women of all ages who have served in the armed forces and for their families, friends, and care providers. This reading and discussion program is an especially good fit for veterans making the transition from the military back to civilian life.

In discussions that focus on powerful literature by writers who have a deep understanding of military service, participants reflect on their own past experiences, present concerns, and future aspirations. Talking Service discussions are conducted by skilled leaders who help participants connect the literature and the author's meaning to their own lives. All readings for Talking Service are included in the Great Books Foundation's anthology, *Standing Down: From Warrior to Civilian*.

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