

Dept of Veterans Affairs Budgets

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Veterans Affairs, Department of

Mission Statement

To provide a continuum of care to Iowa's veterans and their spouses in an environment focusing on individualized services to enhance their quality of life.

Description

Veteran Affairs is the department in state government that provides services to veterans and works to increase the public's awareness of veteran's issues. These services encompass two divisions (advocacy services and long-term health care). One division is the Iowa Department of Veterans Affairs administration office located at Camp Dodge. It provides services and support to veterans including education regarding their entitlements under state and federal laws and enhancing their awareness of outreach programs available to them. This division conducts two service schools of instruction each year for the Commissioners and County Directors of Veterans Affairs to update them on benefits for veterans. It also files all reports of

separation (Form DD 214), maintains 4 million records of Iowa veterans from the past four wars, maintains a database of veterans in nursing homes and determines if they have applied for federal Veteran's benefits, and processes and maintains all registration documents for Veterans buried in Iowa. A state aid program for War Orphans paid to a school of higher learning is provided. The second division located in Marshalltown is the Iowa Veterans Home. It delivers long-term health care services for eligible veterans and/or their spouses/widows. The Iowa Veterans Home has 575 operating beds comprised of three levels of care (nursing, domiciliary and infirmary) and offers 24 hour medical coverage. A full range of services is available including: Food and Nutrition Services; Pharmacy; Recreation Therapy; Transportation to medical appointments at the V.A. Hospitals and Clinics; Contract Services (dentist; optometrist; dermatologist); Speech Therapy; Audiology; Physical Therapy; Occupational Therapy; Wheelchair Services; Activity Centers (ceramics, woodworking, arts and crafts, and library); Social Work Services; Pastoral Care; Psychology Services; and Psychiatry Services.

Performance Measures

Measure	FY 2014 Actuals Achieved	FY 2015 Current Year Budget Estimate Target	FY 2016 Total Department Request Target	FY 2016 Total Governor's Recommended Target	FY 2017 Total Department Request Target	FY 2017 Total Governor's Recommended Target
Number of Veterans Assisted with Veterans Trust Fund	178	100	100	100	100	100
Number of Eligible Injured Veterans Receiving Grants	9	10	10	10	10	10
Number of Veterans Receiving Military Homeownership Grant	339	400	400	400	400	400
Number of Nursing Beds Filled	483	509	470	470	470	470
% of Residents w/Min of 5 Activities per Month	95.8	95	95	95	95	95

Financial Summary

Object Category	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2017
	Actuals	Current Year Budget Estimate	Total Department Request	Total Governor's Recommended	Total Department Request	Total Governor's Recommended
Resources						
State Appropriations	11,530,947	12,180,947	12,180,947	12,285,542	12,180,947	12,285,542
Receipts from Other Entities	24,647,575	23,629,175	23,617,843	23,617,843	23,617,843	23,617,843
Interest, Dividends, Bonds & Loans	55,121	40,150	40,150	40,150	40,150	40,150
Fees, Licenses & Permits	34,349	29,200	29,200	29,200	29,200	29,200
Refunds & Reimbursements	49,319,714	49,995,551	50,855,377	50,855,377	50,855,377	50,855,377
Sales, Rents & Services	405,402	407,400	407,400	407,400	407,400	407,400
Miscellaneous	20,155	10,687	10,687	10,687	10,687	10,687
Beginning Balance and Adjustments	23,293,777	23,653,359	23,629,248	23,722,750	25,507,139	25,600,641
Total Resources	109,307,041	109,946,469	110,770,852	110,968,949	112,648,743	112,846,840
Expenditures						
Personal Services	65,090,892	66,655,118	65,831,041	65,924,036	65,831,041	65,924,036
Travel & Subsistence	213,080	242,682	236,811	236,811	236,811	236,811
Supplies & Materials	6,021,845	6,083,112	6,065,051	6,065,051	6,065,051	6,065,051
Contractual Services and Transfers	11,016,549	11,550,000	11,376,865	11,388,465	11,376,865	11,388,465
Equipment & Repairs	2,396,473	1,486,126	1,597,425	1,597,425	1,597,425	1,597,425
Claims & Miscellaneous	178,320	91,170	91,085	91,085	91,085	91,085
Licenses, Permits, Refunds & Other	7,264	5,510	5,435	5,435	5,435	5,435
State Aid & Credits	729,000	110,000	60,000	60,000	60,000	60,000
Reversions	259	0	0	0	0	0
Balance Carry Forward	23,653,359	23,722,750	25,507,139	25,600,641	27,385,030	27,478,532
Total Expenditures	109,307,041	109,946,468	110,770,852	110,968,949	112,648,743	112,846,840
Full Time Equivalents	892	896	896	898	896	898

Appropriations from General Fund

Appropriations	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2017
	Actuals	Current Year Budget Estimate	Total Department Request	Total Governor's Recommended	Total Department Request	Total Governor's Recommended
General Administration	1,095,951	1,095,951	1,095,951	1,200,546	1,095,951	1,200,546
Vets Home Ownership Program	1,600,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000
Veterans County Grants	990,000	990,000	990,000	990,000	990,000	990,000
Total Veterans Affairs, Department of	3,685,951	4,585,951	4,585,951	4,690,546	4,585,951	4,690,546
Iowa Veterans Home	7,594,996	7,594,996	7,594,996	7,594,996	7,594,996	7,594,996
Total Iowa Veterans Home	7,594,996	7,594,996	7,594,996	7,594,996	7,594,996	7,594,996

Appropriations Detail

General Administration

General Fund

Appropriation Description

This appropriation funds the administrative staff located at Camp Dodge and the Iowa Veterans Cemetery to:

- 1) Educate Veterans on county, state, and federal entitlements.
- 2) Be the central point in the State governing veterans issues and the delivery of services.
- 3) Maintain 4 million records of Iowa veterans of the past five wars.
- 4) Increase the public's awareness of Veterans' issues.
- 5) Increase Veterans' awareness of the availability of outreach programming by various agencies in counties throughout Iowa.
- 6) Process and maintain all registration documents for Veterans buried in Iowa.
- 7) Conduct service schools of instruction each year for the Commissioners, County Directors and Administrators of Veterans Affairs.
- 8) File all reports of separation (Form DD 214), which are currently received for all Veterans discharged from the Armed Forces.
- 9) Provide a State aid program for War Orphans paid to a school of higher learning.
- 10) Maintain database of veterans in nursing homes and identify if federal benefits have been applied for.
- 11) Direct operation of the Iowa Veterans Cemetery.
- 12) Administer the Injured Veterans Grant Program.
- 13) Administer the Veterans County Allocation Program.
- 14) Administer the Iowa Veterans Trust Fund.
- 15) Approve applications for the Iowa Military Homeowners Program and Iowa Drivers License designations.
- 16) Provide administrative support for the Iowa Commission of Veterans Affairs.
- 17) Administer the Branstad/Reynolds Scholarship program.
- 18) Administer the Veterans License Plate fund.

General Administration Financial Summary

Object Class	FY 2014 Actuals	FY 2015 Current Year Budget Estimate	FY 2016	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2017
			Total Department Request	Total Governor's Recommended	Total Department Request	Total Governor's Recommended
Resources						
Balance Brought Forward (Approps)	6,103	0	0	0	0	0
Appropriation	1,093,508	1,095,951	1,095,951	1,200,546	1,095,951	1,200,546
DAS Distribution	2,443	0	0	0	0	0
Refunds & Reimbursements	350	11	11	11	11	11
Unearned Receipts	20	10	10	10	10	10
Total Resources	1,102,424	1,095,972	1,095,972	1,200,567	1,095,972	1,200,567
Expenditures						
Personal Services-Salaries	914,255	948,186	948,186	1,041,181	948,186	1,041,181
Personal Travel In State	782	870	870	870	870	870
State Vehicle Operation	3,974	4,800	4,800	4,800	4,800	4,800
Depreciation	3,540	3,540	3,540	3,540	3,540	3,540
Personal Travel Out of State	664	501	501	501	501	501
Office Supplies	5,652	3,700	3,700	3,700	3,700	3,700
Facility Maintenance Supplies	2,693	3,001	3,001	3,001	3,001	3,001
Equipment Maintenance Supplies	2,286	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800	2,800
Ag.,Conservation & Horticulture Supply	566	4,500	4,500	4,500	4,500	4,500
Other Supplies	2,644	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Uniforms & Related Items	1,006	750	750	750	750	750
Postage	1,171	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201	1,201
Communications	8,350	8,250	8,250	8,250	8,250	8,250
Rentals	770	700	700	700	700	700
Utilities	13,481	12,900	12,900	12,900	12,900	12,900
Professional & Scientific Services	310	0	0	0	0	0
Outside Services	3,330	2,001	2,001	2,001	2,001	2,001
Outside Repairs/Service	3,852	500	500	500	500	500
Reimbursement to Other Agencies	3,920	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500
ITS Reimbursements	2,800	2,643	2,643	2,643	2,643	2,643
Gov Fund Type Transfers - Auditor of State Services	11,593	0	0	11,600	0	11,600
Gov Fund Type Transfers - Other Agencies Services	106,110	90,600	90,600	90,600	90,600	90,600
Equipment	1,380	0	0	0	0	0
Equipment - Non-Inventory	2,180	2	2	2	2	2
IT Equipment	4,857	2	2	2	2	2
Licenses	0	25	25	25	25	25
Reversions	259	0	0	0	0	0
Total Expenditures	1,102,424	1,095,972	1,095,972	1,200,567	1,095,972	1,200,567

Iowa Veterans Home

General Fund

Appropriation Description

This appropriation funds 575 operating beds of the Iowa Veterans Home, which enables delivery of the following services:

1) Provide two levels of care (nursing and domiciliary)

2) Full range of services including: Nursing & Medical Care; Food and Nutrition Services; Pharmacy; Recreation Therapy; Transportation to medical appointments at the V.A. Hospitals & Clinics; Contract Services (dentist, optometrist, dermatologist, podiatrist and orthopaedic); Speech Therapy; Audiology; Physical Therapy; Occupational Therapy; Wheelchair Services; Activity Centers (ceramics, arts and crafts, and library); Social Work Services; Pastoral Care; Psychology Services; Psychiatry Services; Lab and X-ray.

Iowa Veterans Home Financial Summary

Object Class	FY 2014 Actuals	FY 2015 Current Year Budget Estimate	FY 2016 Total Department Request	FY 2016 Total Governor's Recommended	FY 2017 Total Department Request	FY 2017 Total Governor's Recommended
Resources						
Balance Brought Forward (Approps)	2,677,590	1,606,057	0	0	0	0
Appropriation	7,525,714	7,594,996	7,594,996	7,594,996	7,594,996	7,594,996
DAS Distribution	69,282	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Support	21,418,307	21,018,943	21,013,932	21,013,932	21,013,932	21,013,932
Reimbursement from Other Agencies	3,462	3,463	3,463	3,463	3,463	3,463
Gov Fund Type Transfers - Other Agencies	0	6,000	0	0	0	0
Fees, Licenses & Permits	4,200	4,200	4,200	4,200	4,200	4,200
Refunds & Reimbursements	49,282,411	49,993,539	50,853,365	50,853,365	50,853,365	50,853,365
Sale Of Equipment & Salvage	3,799	3,510	3,510	3,510	3,510	3,510
Rents & Leases	19,370	19,600	19,600	19,600	19,600	19,600
Other Sales & Services	46,600	47,650	47,650	47,650	47,650	47,650
Other	165	175	175	175	175	175
Total Resources	81,050,901	80,298,133	79,540,891	79,540,891	79,540,891	79,540,891
Expenditures						
Personal Services-Salaries	64,003,578	65,518,119	64,694,042	64,694,042	64,694,042	64,694,042
Personal Travel In State	31,072	52,920	58,380	58,380	58,380	58,380
State Vehicle Operation	113,766	100,310	100,310	100,310	100,310	100,310
Depreciation	51,935	65,000	65,000	65,000	65,000	65,000
Personal Travel Out of State	986	12,591	1,260	1,260	1,260	1,260
Office Supplies	135,842	116,160	116,180	116,180	116,180	116,180
Facility Maintenance Supplies	205,043	205,465	188,185	188,185	188,185	188,185
Equipment Maintenance Supplies	336,008	350,760	350,760	350,760	350,760	350,760
Professional & Scientific Supplies	902,728	882,425	882,510	882,510	882,510	882,510
Housing & Subsistence Supplies	398,222	461,510	461,010	461,010	461,010	461,010
Ag., Conservation & Horticulture Supply	4,123	3,600	3,600	3,600	3,600	3,600
Other Supplies	157,814	139,845	139,775	139,775	139,775	139,775
Drugs & Biologicals	1,745,414	1,748,000	1,748,000	1,748,000	1,748,000	1,748,000
Food	1,874,638	1,908,495	1,908,488	1,908,488	1,908,488	1,908,488
Uniforms & Related Items	12,150	11,840	11,830	11,830	11,830	11,830
Postage	11,954	9,225	9,225	9,225	9,225	9,225

Iowa Veterans Home Financial Summary (Continued)

Object Class	FY 2014 Actuals	FY 2015 Current Year Budget Estimate	FY 2016	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2017
			Total Department Request	Total Governor's Recommended	Total Department Request	Total Governor's Recommended
Communications	213,871	206,847	191,000	191,000	191,000	191,000
Rentals	78,510	87,230	87,210	87,210	87,210	87,210
Utilities	1,475,947	1,549,073	1,549,073	1,549,073	1,549,073	1,549,073
Professional & Scientific Services	457,726	534,665	452,830	452,830	452,830	452,830
Outside Services	3,098,722	3,216,047	3,301,147	3,301,147	3,301,147	3,301,147
Intra-State Transfers	86,924	118,000	118,000	118,000	118,000	118,000
Advertising & Publicity	29,852	29,290	23,300	23,300	23,300	23,300
Outside Repairs/Service	227,026	199,940	198,960	198,960	198,960	198,960
Reimbursement to Other Agencies	362,988	395,047	394,048	394,048	394,048	394,048
ITS Reimbursements	244,048	223,610	223,610	223,610	223,610	223,610
Workers Comp. Reimbursement	440,634	465,132	465,132	465,132	465,132	465,132
IT Outside Services	58,515	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
Gov Fund Type Transfers - Auditor of State Services	61,543	78,000	78,000	78,000	78,000	78,000
Gov Fund Type Transfers - Other Agencies Services	66,563	11,100	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000
Equipment	1,187,191	518,568	487,946	487,946	487,946	487,946
Office Equipment	14,225	54,001	91,180	91,180	91,180	91,180
Equipment - Non-Inventory	429,894	174,681	196,720	196,720	196,720	196,720
IT Equipment	741,063	734,872	817,575	817,575	817,575	817,575
Claims	81,749	2,980	2,980	2,980	2,980	2,980
Other Expense & Obligations	95,804	87,410	87,325	87,325	87,325	87,325
Licenses	6,521	5,365	5,290	5,290	5,290	5,290
Fees	255	0	0	0	0	0
Refunds-Other	0	10	10	10	10	10
Balance Carry Forward (Approps)	1,606,057	0	0	0	0	0
Total Expenditures	81,050,901	80,298,133	79,540,891	79,540,891	79,540,891	79,540,891

Vets Home Ownership Program

General Fund

through a \$5,000 entry cost assistance grant. These funds may be used in conjunction with the First Home and Homes for Iowans programs. Grants are subject to one-time use.

Appropriation Description

This program was created in 2005 to help eligible members of the armed forces purchase qualified homes in Iowa

Vets Home Ownership Program Financial Summary

Object Class	FY 2014 Actuals	FY 2015 Current Year Budget Estimate	FY 2016	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2017
			Total Department Request	Total Governor's Recommended	Total Department Request	Total Governor's Recommended
Resources						
Appropriation	1,600,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000
Total Resources	1,600,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000
Expenditures						
Intra-State Transfers	1,600,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000
Total Expenditures	1,600,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000

Injured Veterans Grant Program

General Fund

Appropriation Description

This appropriation provides for an injured veterans grant to military veterans seriously injured in a combat zone since September 11, 2001.

Injured Veterans Grant Program Financial Summary

Object Class	FY 2014 Actuals	FY 2015 Current Year Budget Estimate	FY 2016	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2017
			Total Department Request	Total Governor's Recommended	Total Department Request	Total Governor's Recommended
Resources						
Balance Brought Forward (Approps)	546,397	426,397	346,398	326,398	296,399	276,399
Unearned Receipts	0	1	1	1	1	1
Total Resources	546,397	426,398	346,399	326,399	296,400	276,400
Expenditures						
Aid to Individuals	120,000	100,000	50,000	50,000	50,000	50,000
Balance Carry Forward (Approps)	426,397	326,398	296,399	276,399	246,400	226,400
Total Expenditures	546,397	426,398	346,399	326,399	296,400	276,400

American Legion Post Grant

General Fund

Appropriation Description

American Legion Post Grant

American Legion Post Grant Financial Summary

Object Class	FY 2014 Actuals	FY 2015 Current Year Budget Estimate	FY 2016	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2017
			Total Department Request	Total Governor's Recommended	Total Department Request	Total Governor's Recommended
Resources						
Balance Brought Forward (Approps)	600,000	0	0	0	0	0
Total Resources	600,000	0	0	0	0	0
Expenditures						
State Aid	600,000	0	0	0	0	0
Total Expenditures	600,000	0	0	0	0	0

Veterans County Grants

General Fund

Appropriation Description

Matching funds up to \$10,000 are provided to counties to improve services for veterans.

Veterans County Grants Financial Summary

Object Class	FY 2014 Actuals	FY 2015 Current Year Budget Estimate	FY 2016 Total Department Request	FY 2016 Total Governor's Recommended	FY 2017 Total Department Request	FY 2017 Total Governor's Recommended
Resources						
Balance Brought Forward (Approps)	233,638	249,137	200,750	239,886	191,500	230,636
Appropriation	990,000	990,000	990,000	990,000	990,000	990,000
Refunds & Reimbursements	36,953	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
Total Resources	1,260,591	1,241,137	1,192,750	1,231,886	1,183,500	1,222,636
Expenditures						
Personal Travel In State	149	150	150	150	150	150
Food	0	100	100	100	100	100
Rentals	4,780	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Professional & Scientific Services	15,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Outside Services	991,147	991,000	991,000	991,000	991,000	991,000
Intra-State Transfers	0	1	0	0	0	0
Refunds-Other	378	0	0	0	0	0
Balance Carry Forward (Approps)	249,137	239,886	191,500	230,636	182,250	221,386
Total Expenditures	1,260,591	1,241,137	1,192,750	1,231,886	1,183,500	1,222,636

DVA Capital/Improvements

Rebuild Iowa Infrastructure Fund

Appropriation Description

DVA Capital/Improvements

DVA Capital/Improvements Financial Summary

Object Class	FY 2014 Actuals	FY 2015 Current Year Budget Estimate	FY 2016 Total Department Request	FY 2016 Total Governor's Recommended	FY 2017 Total Department Request	FY 2017 Total Governor's Recommended
Resources						
Balance Brought Forward (Approps)	0	15,441	0	0	0	0
Appropriation	250,000	0	0	0	0	0
Intra State Receipts	(200,000)	0	0	0	0	0
Total Resources	50,000	15,441	0	0	0	0
Expenditures						
Gov Fund Type Transfers - Other Agencies Services	34,559	15,441	0	0	0	0
Balance Carry Forward (Approps)	15,441	0	0	0	0	0
Total Expenditures	50,000	15,441	0	0	0	0

Fund Detail

Veterans Affairs, Department of Fund Detail

Funds	FY 2014 Actuals	FY 2015 Current Year Budget Estimate	FY 2016 Total Department Request	FY 2016 Total Governor's Recommended	FY 2017 Total Department Request	FY 2017 Total Governor's Recommended
Veterans Affairs, Department of	22,712,137	23,968,228	25,694,002	25,768,368	27,631,142	27,705,508
Veterans License Plate Fund	456,185	530,761	597,691	612,651	679,581	694,541
Iowa Veterans Trust Fund	20,546,125	22,245,956	23,974,660	23,983,806	25,712,510	25,721,656
Iowa Veterans Cemetery	1,709,827	1,191,511	1,121,651	1,171,911	1,239,051	1,289,311
Iowa Veterans Home	384,591	401,159	400,838	400,838	400,838	400,838
Iowa Veterans Home Canteen	384,591	401,159	400,838	400,838	400,838	400,838

Iowa Veterans Trust Fund

Fund Description

The Iowa Veterans Trust Fund was established under Code section 35A.13 for benefits to veterans, such as college

tuition aid, job training aid, nursing facility costs, unemployment aid, etc. Benefits are paid once the fund has reached a balance of \$50 million.

Iowa Veterans Trust Fund Detail

Object Class	FY 2014 Actuals	FY 2015 Current Year Budget Estimate	FY 2016	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2017
			Total Department Request	Total Governor's Recommended	Total Department Request	Total Governor's Recommended
Resources						
Balance Brought Forward (Funds)	18,157,634	19,907,606	21,636,310	21,645,456	23,374,160	23,383,306
Adjustment to Balance Forward	50	0	0	0	0	0
Intra State Receipts	2,335,863	2,300,000	2,300,000	2,300,000	2,300,000	2,300,000
Interest	51,884	37,850	37,850	37,850	37,850	37,850
Unearned Receipts	694	500	500	500	500	500
Total Iowa Veterans Trust Fund	20,546,125	22,245,956	23,974,660	23,983,806	25,712,510	25,721,656
Expenditures						
Rentals	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Utilities	0	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Professional & Scientific Services	150,264	125,000	125,000	125,000	125,000	125,000
Outside Services	85,116	63,500	63,500	63,500	63,500	63,500
Intra-State Transfers	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000	300,000
Outside Repairs/Service	93,140	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
State Aid	9,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Balance Carry Forward (Funds)	19,907,606	21,645,456	23,374,160	23,383,306	25,112,010	25,121,156
Total Iowa Veterans Trust Fund	20,546,125	22,245,956	23,974,660	23,983,806	25,712,510	25,721,656