

Veterans' Service

This office functions under the direction of the Veterans' Service Officer, who is appointed by the County Administrator. Policy guidance is provided by the Veterans' Service Commission

MISSION

To work with the Veterans of Jefferson County to provide information and expertise to help them navigate through the bureaucracy and cut through red tape when necessary. Our goal is to get to know the Veterans and answer questions for them, their families and survivors.

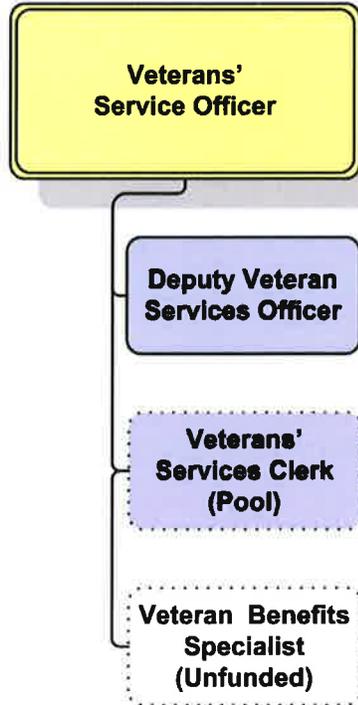
PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

- Assists Veterans in establishing eligibility and securing benefits from both the Wisconsin and the Federal Department of Veterans Affairs
- Refers Veterans to other agencies that may provide assistance
- Acts as a referral point for Veterans experiencing homelessness through the Supportive Service for Veterans Families (SSVF) program which is administered through the Community Action Coalition (CAC)
- Provides assistance to Veterans and dependents experiencing temporary financial emergencies with funds from the Veteran's Service Commission
- Assists Veterans in filing Service-Connected Disability Compensation claims
- Helps individuals apply for Non-Service Connected Pensions in the case that they have become too disabled to work (or are at least age 65) and have income/assets below the Federal guidelines—or are experiencing extraordinary medical costs that exceed their ability to pay
- Expedites Veterans enrollment in VA Healthcare and advocates for them when necessary
- Provides transportation of Veterans to the Madison VA Hospital through a General Service Administration (GSA) van lease, volunteer drivers and scheduling by Jefferson County Transportation Office
- Provides Vet Center counselors in our office on a weekly or bi-weekly basis for clients needing mental health services
- Refers Veterans directly to the Madison and/or Milwaukee Vet Centers and VA Hospitals for ongoing mental health needs
- Assists Veterans in applying for and maximizing their Federal and State education benefits
- Hosts weekly access to a job services specialist from the Department of Labor/ Workforce Development
- Processes veterans' death claims, assists in processing dependent claims, including government insurance, Presidential Certificates, flag-holders and VA Grave markers. When requested, we facilitate access to the State Veterans Cemeteries
- Helps locate military service records

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- Helps acquire medals for Veterans
- Encourages veterans recently discharged from active military duty to contact our office to have their separation documents recorded with the County Register of Deeds. This results in a permanent, safeguarded record of their military service

PERFORMANCE MEASURES	2013	2014	Change	Projected Trend in 2015
Total Federal VA Benefits coming into Jefferson County	\$28,460,000	\$32,641,000	\$4,181,000	Steady
Total State VA Benefits coming into Jefferson County	\$23,573	\$12,948	(10,625)	Decrease
Approximate # of Veterans/Widows/Families provided information and/or assistance	1,225	1,250	25	Steady



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Financial Summary

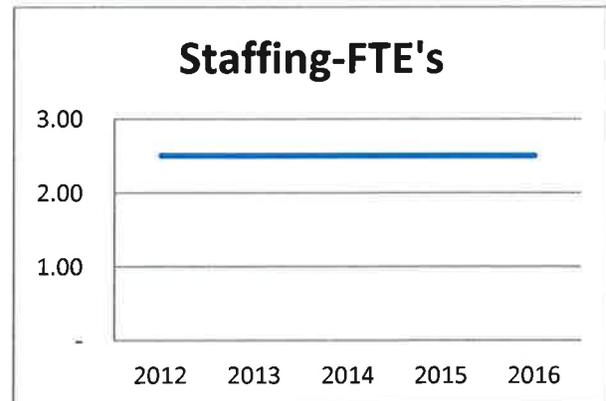
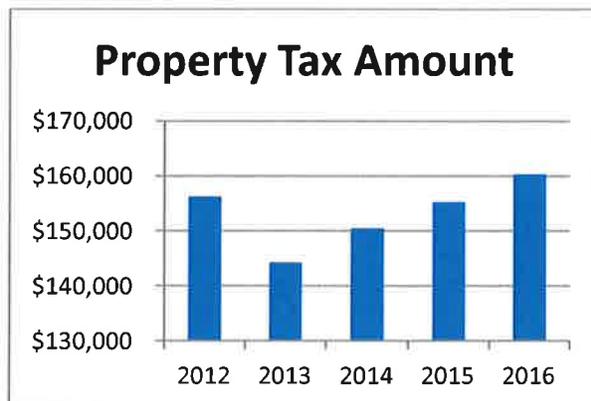
	2014 Actual	2015 Estimate	2015 Amended Budget	2016 Budget	Change from 2015 Amended Budget	
					\$	%
Revenues						
Intergovernmental Revenues	18,835	14,500	14,500	14,500	-	0.00%
Misc. Revenues	7,274	11,046	1,000	1,000	-	0.00%
Total Revenues	26,109	25,546	15,500	15,500	-	0.00%
Expenditures						
Personnel Expenses	139,995	142,333	142,608	147,340	4,732	3.32%
Purchased Services	1,197	1,197	1,197	1,197	-	0.00%
Operating Costs	16,718	11,268	11,160	11,326	166	1.49%
Interdept. Charges	9,989	11,917	11,917	11,718	(199)	-1.67%
Other Expenses	10,003	14,010	5,795	4,282	(1,513)	-26.11%
Total Expenditures	177,902	180,725	172,677	175,863	3,186	1.85%
Property Taxes	150,459	155,311	155,311	160,363	5,052	3.25%
Addition to (Use of) Fund Balance	(1,334)	132	(1,866)	-		

Summary Highlights:

The 2016 budget provides \$160,363 in tax levy, which is a \$5,052 increase in levy from the 2015 amended budget.

Summary of Capital Items:

None



VETERANS ADMINISTRATION-2016 BUDGET

Account Number	Sub	Description	2014 Actual	2015 6-Month Actual	2015 Estimated	2015 Amended	2016 Admin	2016 Adopted
5301-VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE								
REVENUES								
411100		GENERAL PROPERTY TAXES	-	75,795	151,591	151,591	156,163	156,163
421001		STATE AID VET SERVICE OFFIC	13,000	13,000	13,000	13,000	13,000	13,000
421087		STATE AID TRANSPORTATION	5,835	-	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
485100		DONATIONS - UNRESTRICTED	2,724	-	-	-	-	-
REVENUES TOTAL			21,559	88,795	166,091	166,091	170,663	170,663
EXPENDITURES								
511110		SALARY-PERMANENT REGULAR	56,936	31,115	67,253	67,253	69,547	69,547
511210		WAGES-REGULAR	34,658	20,488	40,521	40,521	41,934	41,934
511220		WAGES-OVERTIME	24	14	-	-	-	-
511240		WAGES-TEMPORARY	11,242	2,392	9,858	9,858	10,377	10,377
511310		WAGES-SICK LEAVE	1,704	1,459	-	-	-	-
511320		WAGES-VACATION PAY	4,608	461	-	-	-	-
511340		WAGES-HOLIDAY PAY	3,987	1,232	-	-	-	-
511350		WAGES-MISCELLANEOUS(COMP)	2,715	1,147	-	-	-	-
		SALARIES TOTAL	115,874	58,308	117,632	117,632	121,858	121,858
512141		SOCIAL SECURITY	8,676	4,387	8,997	8,997	9,279	9,279
512142		RETIREMENT (EMPLOYER)	7,991	3,965	7,999	7,999	8,043	8,043
512144		HEALTH INSURANCE	6,785	3,156	7,037	7,037	7,216	7,216
512145		LIFE INSURANCE	36	20	39	39	40	40
512148		UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	-	581	-	-	-	-
512150		FSA CONTRIBUTION	-	125	125	125	125	125
512173		DENTAL INSURANCE	464	245	504	504	504	504
		FRINGE TOTAL	23,952	12,479	24,701	24,701	25,207	25,207
		TOTAL SALARIES AND FRINGES	139,826	70,787	142,333	142,333	147,065	147,065
521219		OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERV	1,197	-	1,197	1,197	1,197	1,197
531243		FURNITURE & FURNISHINGS	2,931	510	510	-	-	-
531311		POSTAGE & BOX RENT	3,175	145	300	500	300	300
531312		OFFICE SUPPLIES	393	273	400	550	550	550
531313		PRINTING & DUPLICATING	1,773	111	500	500	500	500
531314		SMALL ITEMS OF EQUIPMENT	-	-	100	100	100	100
531324		MEMBERSHIP DUES	190	60	120	120	200	200
531326		ADVERTISING	422	-	500	500	500	500
532325		REGISTRATION	350	600	730	730	600	600
532332		MILEAGE	1,754	894	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
532334		COMMERCIAL TRAVEL	386	-	-	-	450	450
532335		MEALS	454	25	450	450	450	450
532336		LODGING	568	875	1,050	1,050	1,168	1,168
533225		TELEPHONE & FAX	260	101	300	400	300	300
536534		MACHINERY RENT & LEASE	2,808	2,808	2,808	3,000	2,808	2,808
571004		IP TELEPHONY ALLOCATION	389	274	548	548	595	595
571005		DUPLICATING ALLOCATION	(394)	174	349	349	1,411	1,411
571007		MIS DIRECT CHARGES	1,049	-	-	-	-	-
571009		MIS PC GROUP ALLOCATION	7,280	4,542	9,084	9,084	7,701	7,701
571010		MIS SYSTEMS GRP ALLOC(ISIS)	1,665	968	1,936	1,936	2,011	2,011
591519		OTHER INSURANCE	633	312	619	619	632	632
591521		OFFICIAL BONDS	-	-	125	125	125	125
		OPERATING EXPENDITURES	27,283	12,672	23,626	23,758	23,598	23,598
		EXPENDITURES TOTAL	167,109	83,459	165,959	166,091	170,663	170,663
		REVENUES	21,559	88,795	166,091	166,091	170,663	170,663
		EXPENDITURES	167,109	83,459	165,959	166,091	170,663	170,663
TOTAL BUSINESS UNIT-5301-VETERANS SERVICE OFFIC			145,550	(5,336)	(132)	-	-	-
5302-VETERANS RELIEF								
REVENUES								
411100		GENERAL PROPERTY TAXES	-	1,260	2,520	2,520	3,000	3,000
485200		DONATIONS RESTRICTED	4,550	11,046	11,046	1,000	1,000	1,000
REVENUES TOTAL			4,550	12,306	13,566	3,520	4,000	4,000

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Account Number	Sub	Description	2014 Actual	2015 6-Month Actual	2015 Estimated	2015 Amended	2016 Admin	2016 Adopted
EXPENDITURES								
512141		SOCIAL SECURITY	4	-	-	-	-	-
		FRINGE TOTAL	4	-	-	-	-	-
514151		PER DIEM	165	-	-	275	275	275
531312		OFFICE SUPPLIES	165	300	300	-	200	200
532332		MILEAGE	29	-	-	60	-	-
593719		OTHER DIRECT RELIEF INDIGENT	9,370	2,787	13,266	5,051	3,525	3,525
		OPERATING EXPENDITURES	9,729	3,087	13,566	5,386	4,000	4,000
		EXPENDITURES TOTAL	9,733	3,087	13,566	5,386	4,000	4,000
		REVENUES	4,550	12,306	13,566	3,520	4,000	4,000
		EXPENDITURES	9,733	3,087	13,566	5,386	4,000	4,000
TOTAL BUSINESS UNIT-5302-VETERANS RELIEF			5,183	(9,219)	-	1,866	-	-
5303-CARE OF VETERANS GRAVES								
REVENUES								
411100		GENERAL PROPERTY TAXES	-	600	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200
REVENUES TOTAL			-	600	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200
EXPENDITURES								
531365		GRAVE CARE MARKER PURCH	1,060	-	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200
		OPERATING EXPENDITURES	1,060	-	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200
EXPENDITURES TOTAL			1,060	-	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200
REVENUES			-	600	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200
EXPENDITURES			1,060	-	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200
TOTAL BUSINESS UNIT-5303-CARE OF VETERANS GRAV			1,060	(600)	-	-	-	-
REVENUES			26,109	101,701	180,857	170,811	175,863	175,863
EXPENDITURES			177,902	86,546	180,725	172,677	175,863	175,863
TOTAL VETERANS ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT			151,793	(15,155)	(132)	1,866	-	-