



# Veterans Affairs May Commissioner Meeting

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## Mission Statement



“Assist Veterans and their Dependents  
needs to which they are Entitled”

June 5, 2025



# Veterans Honor Guard

- Please consider joining your local VFW, Legion, AMVETS Service Post Honor Guard. They can use the help providing final rights for Veteran Families.



# Veterans Affairs Relocation PROJECT TIMELINE



## MILESTONE 1

Design

Project Team

## MILESTONE 2

Contracts

Project Team

## MILESTONE 3

Procurement

Contractor

## MILESTONE 4

Delivery

Contractor

Proposal

06/5/2024

Design Review

10/15/2024

Bid Date

11/15/2024

Preconstruction  
Meeting

Award Dated 12/20/2024  
12/03/2024

Foundation  
insulation

Siding  
Drywall  
Continues

Walk Through

June 26

Move In Date  
Tentatively  
July 2025

Commence  
Design  
06/05/2024

BOS Approval  
10/15/2024

Commence  
Remodel  
1/3/2025

Project  
Update  
Ongoing

STAGE 1

STAGE 2

STAGE 3

STAGE 4

# Veterans Affairs Remodel





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## May Staff and Commissioner's Participation

- 5/2 Military Honors for Peacetime Veteran Homer Wilson (**Director Loveless**)
- 5/3 Military Honors for Vietnam Veteran Dana Anderson (**Director Loveless**)
- 5/6 Attending AMVETS Post 49 Monthly Meeting (**Commissioner Korf**)
- 5/10 ABATE Motorcycle Fundraiser (**Director Loveless, CVSO Mendoza**)
- 5/14 Coffee and Comradery at the Grout (**Commissioners Butler, Korf**)
- 5/15 East High JROTC presentation (**Commissioner Butler**)
- 5/17 Cedar Falls VFW clean up at CF Veterans Park (**Commissioner Butler**)
- 5/20 Attending American Legion Monthly Meeting (**Commissioner Korf, Director Loveless**)  
Attended Cedar Falls VFW Post Monthly Meeting (**Commissioners Korf, Butler**)
- 5/21 Garden of Memories Cemetery Flag Placement (**Commissioner Korf, Director Loveless**)  
Coffee and Comradery at the Grout (**Commissioners Butler, Korf**)
- 5/22 Garden of Memories Cemetery Flag Placement (**Commissioner Korf, Director Loveless**)  
Waterloo Veteran's Banner Program (**Director Loveless**)  
Cedar Falls Veteran's Banner Program (**Commissioners Korf and Butler**)
- 5/24 Participate in Memorial Day Observance at Old German Cemetery (**Commissioner Butler**)
- 5/27 Garden of Memories Cemetery Flag Pick Up (**Commissioner Korf, Director Loveless**)  
Delivered Gift Baskets to Bickford Senior Living and Pinnacle Specialty care (**CVSO's Michelle**)
- 5/28 Coffee and Comradery at the Grout (**Commissioners Butler, Korf**)
- 5/31 Military Honors for Korea War Veteran R. Kent Standish (**Director Loveless**)  
Military Honors for Vietnam Era Veteran Richard Rubendall (**Director Loveless**)

# May Production



Veterans and Surviving Spouses received the following retro amounts:

**Monthly Total: \$260,885.63 Federal dollars paid to Veterans and Surviving Spouses in May.**

<b>Stacy's Clients Retro</b>	<b>\$76,137.63</b>
<b>Michelle's Clients Retro</b>	<b>\$113,672.00</b>
<b>Director's Clients Retro</b>	<b>\$71,076.00</b>



**\* Previous 5 months combine \$1,016,389.47**





## Top 8 Running Awards for Beneficiaries in Iowa by County

***As of April 2025***

<u>County</u>	<u>Veteran Population</u>	<u>Receiving Benefits</u>	<u>Monthly Grand Total</u>
<b>Black Hawk</b>	<b>7,158</b>	<b>2,045</b> 	<b>\$3,700,714</b> 
Dubuque	5,104	1,566	\$2,952,106
Johnson	5,697	1,574	\$2,975,281
Linn	13,897	3,644	\$6,914,512
Polk	24,300	9,434	\$17,279,271
Pottawattamie	6,224	2,490	\$4,206,791
Scott	11,609	3,407	\$6,734,371
Woodbury	5,584	1,805	\$2,920,026



MONTHLY STATISTICS	JAN 2025	FEB 2025	MAR 2025	AVG. 3rd QTR	APR 2025	MAY 2025	JUN 2025	AVG. 4th QTR
Total # Veterans Served on Initial Visit	137	106	130	124	121	126		
# Veterans Served on Return Visits	21	16	23	20	12	21		
Office Visits - Service Work	90	58	92	80	78	87		
Office Visits - Relief	22	31	15	23	35	36		
Office Visits - Other	42	26	38	35	23	22		
Home Visits	5	6	4	5	4	2		
Incoming phone calls								
New Veterans	15	8	23	15	18	11		
Walk-Ins	79	67	78	75	67	74		
Female Veterans	10	4	6	7	11	13		
Van Rides	17	20	22	20	25	25		
Applications Completed								
Service-Connected Disability	30	15	29	25	17	25		
Pension/DIC (Survivors & Veterans)	13	5	9	9	5	11		
Health Care	18	15	14	16	14	12		
Burial/Grave Markers	3	1	3	2	6	5		
College/Education	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Appeals	9	5	7	7	6	21		
Veterans Home Applications	0	0	1	0	0	0		
Trust Fund Applications	2	2	3	2	5	4		
Food Pantry	16	25	20	20	29	25		
Relief Applications	8	8	5	7	16	4		
All other Federal Forms	86	104	120	103	109	144		
PTSD/MST Claims	3	4	7	5	4	5		
Military Service Periods:								
World War II	6	1	3	3	0	1		
Korean War	5	1	3	3	6	1		
Vietnam War	63	53	55	57	52	63		
Persian Gulf War	23	21	30	25	18	19		
Post-9/11	20	13	20	18	29	20		
Peacetime	20	16	14	17	16	21		
Non-veterans / NG, Res	0	1	4	2	0	1		
Waterloo/BHC Veterans	71	64	82	72	75	93		
Cedar Falls Veterans	31	13	17	20	18	27		
Other Iowa Counties Veterans	14	10	17	14	13	6		

## Additional Veterans Stats for May 2025

### Other Cities within Black Hawk

La Porte City	05
Evansdale	04
Washburn	01

**Total 10**

### Other Counties

Bremer	02
Buchanan	03
Butler	01

**Total 06**

### Service Component

Army	73
Marine Corp	19
Navy	26
Air Force	08
Space Force	00
Coast Guard	01

**Total 126**



**Goal is 200 Initial visits each month**



# Donations and Grants



## May Donations:

Pantry               \$315.00  
 General            \$200.00  
 Winter Gear       \$240.00  
  
 Total                \$755.00

FISCAL YEAR 2025			
PROJECTS SUMMARY			Black Hawk County
PROJECT	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	FUND BALANCE
AWAR	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00
GENERAL	7,280.00	14,695.40	22,178.58
PICNICS	300.00	169.02	160.03
PANTRY	315.00	2,968.73	315.00
PTSD	0.00	0.00	1,376.44
RAMPS	4,000.00	4,000.00	10,381.32
SDOWN	1,290.00	215.65	4,281.58
XMAS	6,701.18	903.41	201.18
			44,392.52

# General Service to Veterans



“Veterans helping Veterans”

<u>Transaction</u>	<u>Expense</u>	<u>Percent used</u>	<u>Balance</u>	<u>Prior Yr. Total</u>
Funeral Expense	\$10,768.10	47%	\$12,231.90	\$8,230.00
Shelter	\$5,186.97	26%	\$15,116.03	\$2,470.00
Utilities	\$771.00	15	\$4,229.00	\$1,487.75
Transportation	\$0.0	0%	\$3,000.00	\$1,140.00
Cemetery Expense	\$745.00	186%	(-\$345.00)	\$298.50
Grave Markers	\$1,116.96	112%	(-\$116.96)	\$1,238.40
Medications	\$0.0	0%	\$1,000.00	\$94.00
Total:	\$18,588.03		\$35,576.93	\$14,958.65







**May Helping Veterans**



Utilities	\$100.00	
Utilities	\$100.00	
Rent	\$500.00	
Rent	\$350.00	
Cremation	\$500.00	
Total	1,628.68	County Funds

Hy-Vee GC	\$20.00	
Hy-Vee GC	\$25.00	
Hy-Vee GC	\$20.00	
Walmart GC	\$75.00	
Walmart GC	\$50.00	
Total	\$190.00	Donated Funds

<b><u>Trust Fund Disbursement:</u></b>	
Home Repairs	\$17,840.00
Dental	\$3,296.00





# Pictures from May's Activities





# My Waterloo Days







# **VETERAN COOKOUTS**

## **THURSDAYS (June-August)**

### **11:00 AM- 12:00 PM**

# Warrior Expeditions

The 2025 Great American Rail-Trail Warrior Bike veterans begin their 3,700-mile ride from Washington D.C. to Washington state.

The cyclists are on their way! The veterans kicked off their Great American Rail Trail expedition yesterday morning. They will be reaching the Schoolhouse Inn in Oldtown MD tomorrow and then will be on their way to Pittsburgh. I'll be in touch with weekly updates so that you can track their progress.







# Question?

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