



Veterans' Affairs Committee

Tuesday, February 7, 2023 2:00PM
40 McMaster Street, Ballston Spa, NY

Chair: Mike Smith

Members:

Scott Ostrander
Tom Richardson
Tom Wood
Mo Wright

- I. Welcome and Attendance
- II. Approval of the minutes of the October 4, 2022 meeting.
- III. Appointment of a Vice-Chair
- IV. Veterans Agency Annual Report
- V. Honoring Deceased Veterans Ceremony
- VI. Veterans Trust Fund Expenditures
- VII. Other Business
- VIII. Adjournment



SARATOGA COUNTY

AGENDA ITEM REQUEST FORM

TO: Steve Bulger, County Administrator
Ridge Harris, Deputy County Administrator
Michelle Granger, County Attorney
Therese Connolly, Clerk of the Board
Stephanie Hodgson, Director of Budget

CC: John Warnt, Director of Purchasing
Jason Kemper, Director of Planning and Economic Development
Bridget Rider, Deputy Clerk of the Board
Matt Rose, Management Analyst
Clare Giammusso, County Attorney's Office
Audra Hedden, County Administrator's Office

DEPARTMENT: Veterans Service Agency

DATE: 2/1/2023

COMMITTEE: Veterans' Affairs

RE: Veterans Agency Annual Report

1. Is a Resolution Required:

No, Discussion Only

2. Proposed Resolution Title:

3. Specific Details on what the resolution will authorize:

This column must be completed prior to submission of the request.

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Consulted

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- c. Details

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YES or NO (If yes, provide details)

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Effective date

Salary and grade

b. Is a new employee being hired? Y N

Effective date of employment

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Term

c. Is this a reclassification? Y N

Is this position currently vacant? Y N

Is this position in the current year compensation plan? Y N

Human Resources Consulted

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10. Remarks:

SARATOGA COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE AGENCY



2022 Annual Report

Frank McClement

Director

Saratoga County Veterans Service Agency

Mission Statement

“The Saratoga County Veterans Service Agency assists Veterans and their families with securing earned benefits and services through quality customer service and advocacy.”

Saratoga County is home approximately **15,343 Veterans** and their families. The Agency is staffed by Accredited Service Officers to assist in filing claims for Federal VA benefits which include:

- Disability Compensation
- Pension / Aid & Attendance
- Health Care
- Education and Training
- Home Loan
- Burial and Memorial
- Dependents and Survivors

Agency staff also provides additional services to include:

- Transition Assistance
- Homeless Outreach – Housing Assistance
- Military Records and Medals Requests
- Inter-County and Outside agency connections and referrals
- Employment connections and referrals to resources
- Van Transportation to Stratton VA Medical Center, Albany
- Support of Veteran Recognition Programs and Ceremonies
- Outreach Presentations and Education
- Veterans resource for local governments

Saratoga County has honored over 300 Veterans at the monthly **Honor Deceased Veterans Ceremony**. The ceremony has become a tradition here at Saratoga County, and includes participation from elected officials at all levels of government, as well as local Veterans organizations and supporters.

The **Saratoga County F.A.V.O.R. Program** is dedicated to educating and assisting Veterans record in the importance of recording their original DD-214 discharge document with the County Clerk’s office. By doing so, Veterans and their families are readily equipped to garnish a variety of benefits and programs available to them in honor of their service to our Country.

The **Saratoga County Veterans Trust Fund** accepts donations and makes disbursements to Saratoga County Veterans and Veteran’s organizations in need of assistance. The Fund provides grants to Saratoga County Veterans or their families for training, education, health care, housing assistance and essential services; and for the benefit of groups, organizations, programs, and projects dedicated to the welfare and support of the Saratoga County Veterans. Donations are tax deductible, and all funds stay local.

The **Saratoga County Veterans Peer Connection** provides an opportunity for local Veterans who have reintegrated to civilian life to assist fellow Veterans who may experience post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) or other re-acclimation challenges. Personalized and informal, these pairings yield relationships intended to ease the transition from military to civilian life. Funding is made possible through the PFC Joseph P. Dwyer Peer Support Program for Veterans www.veteranpeertopeer.org

Contact information: phone, 518-884-4115; fax – 518-884-4290; e-mail veterans@saratogacountyny.gov

VSA 2022 by the Numbers:

- **Veteran Population** – According to VA VetPop figures from FY2020, Saratoga County is home to **15,343 veterans**, ranking **14th** in NYS. For comparison; Albany County -15,261 Rensselaer County –10,049; Warren – 4,416; Washington County – 4,312; Schenectady County – 8,244. https://www.va.gov/vetdata/veteran_population.asp
- **Veterans Transportation** – The Saratoga County VSA provided **209 Veterans rides** to VA medical appointments, logging over **9817miles** between January and December 2022. This number is down significantly due to COVID19. (Appendix A)
- **VA Expenditures** - Department of Veterans Affairs Total Expenditures for FY 2021 equaled **\$102,525,000** in Saratoga County. See attached for breakdown. (Appendix B)
- **Peer to Peer Program** – Saratoga County Veterans Peer to Peer Mentoring Program continued to expand and currently has **141 active Peers involved**. While this number is down from last year, this is an accurate representation of individuals who are involved and engaged in the program. Our new Program Coordinator has made a big effort in the last 2 months of contacting all Veterans involved, past and present, to determine status. The decrease in participants accounts for those who have moved away, moved on in life, or have not responded to contact.
- **Electronic Claim Development** – **100%** of all claims that pass through this office are electronically developed and archived. This allows for an integrated service network internally, and more efficient service and record keeping. We also submit all claims electronically, with few exceptions due to extremely large medical files, etc. that exceed our ability to submit electronically. In April 2020, we upgraded our contact/case management software system to the “VetPro” platform. This platform allows for fully web-based access, along with remote signature capabilities, and fully electronic submission direct to the VA’s VBMS system. We also maintain electronic access and partnership with NYS Division of Veterans Services and utilize their “VetOps” system. We maintain access to VA Information Systems, which allows us to seek information regarding clients claims, payments, dependents, etc.
- **Veterans ID Card (FAVOR)** – The VSA continues to partner with, and assist the Saratoga County Clerk and Saratoga County Board of Supervisors with the FAVOR Veterans ID card program. This program has also contributed to the VSA conducting over **61 official requests for records in 2022 and over 2300 since the beginning of the program** for those Veterans who did not have proper service documentation in their possession. These requests will facilitate future benefits delivery for either financial and/or end of life benefits for Veterans and their surviving family members.

VSA 2022 Highlights:

- **Staff Training** – The Staff of the Saratoga County VSA participates in ongoing professional development and training to ensure constant adherence to VA laws and regulations. In 2022, this included:
 - Quarterly Veteran Service Officer Conference - (Zoom/Teams)
 - VA Information Security Awareness - Privacy Policy Training (e-learn)
 - NYS Division of Veterans Affairs Training – (web-based monthly trainings offered in 2022)
 - National Association of County Veterans Service Officers - Web -based and in person
 - Director McClement attended annual training conference in San Antonio, TX.

- **Honor Deceased Veteran Ceremonies** – The Program returned to a consistent schedule in 2022. This program continues to be a success, and working in partnership with the Board of Supervisors, as well as county, state, and congressional elected officials, and local Veterans organizations we have been able to tell some great stories and highlight the military service and lives of some of Saratoga County's best. - Appendix E

- **Veterans Transportation Service** – Service use continued to be down significantly from pre-Covid numbers due to many programs closed at the VAMC due to COVID restrictions still in place. Van ridership did begin to slightly increase as more services were restored at the VA, and with a full cadre of drivers we were glad to be able to return to our normal schedule of 4 days a week. Our current van has now been in service since April 2015. and currently has 145,738 miles on the odometer. In 2021, we received a surprise bequest in the Last Will of a former Veteran rider who had recently passed away. As a thank you for our service provided to him and other Veterans, he left the Agency \$20,000 toward the purchase of a new bus. Additional funds were approved in the 2022 Budget, but we have experienced difficulty in ordering a replacement due to supply chain issues. We expect to be able to place an order in 2023. In the interim, DPW mechanics went through and serviced and spruced up our vehicle, and we also took possession of the 12-passenger van from the BOS. We will be able to provide service for our riders until a new vehicle is procured. - Appendix A

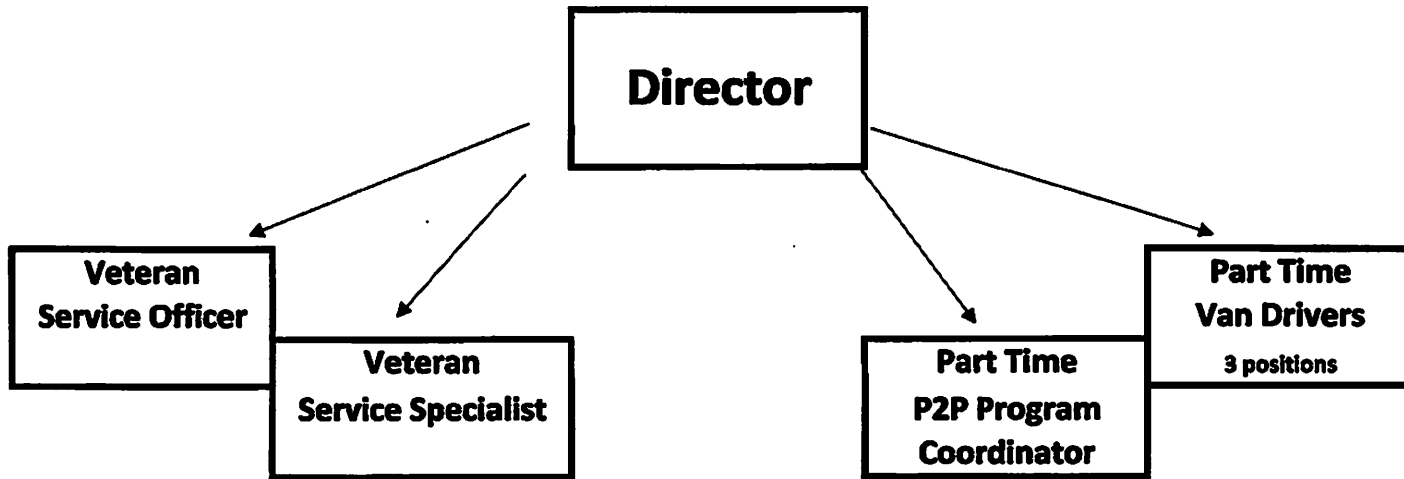
- **Saratoga County P2P Veterans Program** – 2022 was a bit of a challenging year for our program. Though we experienced staff changeover, and some difficulty in participation due to the aftermath of the pandemic, the Peer to Peer Program pushed forward during 2022. We were able to renew some of our programming, especially our popular drop-in Coffee Night. We also closed the year strong with a well-attended Christmas Party, which was our biggest yet! NYS funding for the program was also granted as permanent, alleviating much of the uncertainty and pressure experienced in previous years.

- **Facebook** - The Saratoga County Veterans Facebook page allows us to reach out to individuals and groups with up to date information. This has proven to be a valuable, non-traditional, and no-cost tool to use for outreach. We have utilized this platform to also promote our events, especially the Run for Veterans. **The page currently has 1,041 followers, with over 75,000 friends of fans, which is the total potential population that can be reached with a post.** www.facebook.com/SaratogaCountyVeterans
- **Electronic Claim Development** – No major changes in 2022. We continue to maximize efforts to be as “paperless” as possible. While we had been exploring new and improved options for case/contact management software, the pandemic created a sense of urgency for the upgrade. In April 2020, we upgraded our contact/case management software system to the “VetPro” platform. This platform allows for fully web-based access, along with remote signature capabilities, and fully electronic submission directly to the VA VBMS system. The software platform continues to grow and improve as has our experience and knowledge working with it. We hope to continue to make daily operational changes to maximize its use and capability as the software allows.
- **Equipment** – We continue to upgrade equipment as recommended by IT. We also continue to utilize our software platform, VetPro, which allows us to work remotely if necessary in emergency situations.
- **Veterans Outreach**– We were happy to be able to participate in some in-person outreach events in 2022. Notably, staff attended the Saratoga County Fair, Farmers Markets, as well as speaking at Veterans breakfasts and luncheons. We also continue to rely on word of mouth referrals due to maintaining close liaison with outside agencies and organizations that interact with Veterans, as well as leveraging social media.
- **Affiliate Organizations** – Agency Director and staff are either members or maintain close liaison with over 20 outside groups and organizations. - Appendix F
- **Veterans Trust and Agency Fund** - Our fund continues to remain healthy. In 2022, the BOS Veterans Committee voted a grant program for local Veteran posts efforts to adopt and support local families during the Christmas holiday season. Funds were also leveraged to purchase gift cards for needy Veteran families for Christmas, as well as assist with prizes for our Annual Veterans Christmas Party. – Appendix D
- **Revolutionary Run for Veterans** – We were excited to able to plan and execute a successful event in 2022 after a 2-year hiatus. Even though sponsorships were a little down from previous years, we were able to build awareness for our programs and raise over \$5000 for the Veterans Trust Fund.

- **BOS Veterans Grant Program – Board Resolution 107-2021** directed the creation of a **Grant Program Honoring Saratoga County Veterans**. Funding for this program was provided for in the Veterans Agency budget, and local municipalities submitted reimbursement requests to the VSA for processing. An amendment to this resolution provided that any unused funds be transferred to the Veterans Trust Fund at the end of 2021. This program was not renewed for 2022, however, 1 municipality was able to submit for a grant through the funds transferred to the Trust Fund as their event and efforts were stalled in 2021 due to COVID.

Major Legislation Highlights

- **NYS Budget – PFC Joseph Dwyer Grant Program** – Funding for the PFC Joseph Dwyer Peer program has been made permanent and has been rolled out statewide in the 2022-2023 NYS Budget. This will alleviate significant amount of uncertainty regarding the program and allow Director McClement and the Program Coordinator to focus on program improvements and expansion.
- **Pact ACT – Sergeant First Class Heath Robinson Honoring Our Promise to Address Comprehensive Toxics (PACT) Act of 2022.** Signed into law in October 2022, this legislation is arguably the largest piece of federal Veterans legislation in the last 10-20 years. The PACT Act expands VA health care and benefits for Veterans exposed to burn pits, Agent Orange, and other toxic substances including Camp Lejeune water. Due to the high -profile nature of the law, phone calls and inquiries about this law and associated benefits have significantly increased since it's passing. The law affects generations of Veterans and families, and will have an impact for years to come. Along with that comes the additional need for training as well as the possibility for additional staff to address the needs of more Veterans than ever before.
- **Commitment to Veteran Support and Outreach Act - The CVSO Act** would provide critical federal resources to help us meet our growing caseloads by awarding competitive grants worth \$250 million over five years for states to create, expand, or support CVSOs or similar government entities, such as state, municipal and tribal VSOs. This has not been signed into law as of yet, but we look forward to opportunities for federal funding for our programs and efforts.



Conclusion

Overall, 2022 was a successful year for our Agency. We strived to serve as many clients as possible, and continued to also focus on those most in need. In 2022, we were able to continue to move in the right direction of getting back to pre-pandemic activity, and we hope 2023 will be a tremendous year for our efforts to serve.

Attachments:

- **Appendix A: Contacts and Services for 2021**
- **Appendix B: VA Expenditures in Saratoga County FY2021***
*(2022 numbers have not been released by VA as of this report.)
- **Appendix D: Saratoga County Veterans Trust and Agency Fund Report EOY 2021**
- **Appendix E: Saratoga County Honor Deceased Veterans Program**
- **Appendix F: Veterans Service Agency Affiliate Organizations Overview**

2022 Veterans Service Agency Contacts and Services

- **Scheduled Appointments – Conducted 364 claim appointments. (2021 -242)**
- **Claims – Processed 429 new claims for VA benefits. (2021-401)**
- **Medicaid Pension Referrals – Reviewed and/or processed 3 referrals for Veterans or spouses in Medicaid covered nursing home care. (2021– 17)**
- **DSS Referrals – Contacted 26 Veterans referred from DSS for benefits review. (2021 -22)**
- **Record Requests –Submitted 61 requests for records from National Personnel Records Center. (2021- 27)**
- **Van Riders – Provided rides for 209 Veterans to the Stratton VA Medical Center, Albany, for a total of approximately 9817 miles (2021 -178 /Approx. 7458 miles)**

VA FY2021** Expenditures in Saratoga County

Total Expenditure	Compensation & Pension ¹	Education & Vocational Rehabilitation/ Employment ²	Insurance & Indemnities ³	Medical Care ⁴	Unique Patients ⁵
\$102,525,000	\$54,390,000	\$ 7,092,000	\$1,167,000	\$39,877,000	\$3,765,000

1-**Compensation and Pension**- Cash payments made directly to Veterans or dependents for the following programs: veterans' compensation for service-connected disabilities; dependency and indemnity compensation for service-connected deaths; veterans' pension for non-service-connected disabilities; and burial and other benefits to veterans and their survivors.

2- **Education and Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment**- Includes automobile and adaptive equipment, specially adapted housing, survivors' and dependents' educational assistance, Vocational Rehabilitation, Post-Vietnam Era Veterans educational Assistance, Montgomery GI Bill, Reserve Educational Assistance program, and Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance.

3- **Insurance and Indemnities**-includes: Death Claims, Matured endowments, dividends, cash surrender payments, total disability income provision payments, and total and permanent disability benefits payments.

4- **Medical Care**-Medical Care expenditures include dollars for medical services, medical administration, facility maintenance, educational support, research support, and other overhead items. Medical Care expenditures do not include dollars for construction or other non-medical support.

5- **Unique Patients**- A patient that is unique in each division from which they receive care at a VA health care facility.

** Source National Center for Veterans Analysis and Statistics:
https://www.va.gov/vetdata/veteran_population.asp

**Note – 2022 numbers have not been released as of the date of this report.

2022 Honored Veterans

Month	Town/City	Veteran Submitted
January	<i>No Ceremony - COVID</i>	
February	<i>No Ceremony - COVID</i>	
March	<i>No Ceremony - COVID</i>	
April	Malta	Doris and John Principe
May	Stillwater	Lawrence "Rex" Carney
June	Waterford	Raymond "Butch" Giroux
July	Corinth	John Seaman
August	Mechanicville	Christopher Sgambati
September	Moreau	Robert Shaw
October	Providence	Howard "Dick" Neahr
November	Milton	William E. Helman
December	Hadley	John Hughes

2023 Honor Deceased Veterans Ceremony Schedule

Month	Town/City	Veteran Submitted
January	Greenfield	Ronald E. Baker
February	Clifton Park	Allan P. Atwell
March	Saratoga Springs	Clarence Dart
April	Galway	TBD
May	Ballston	TBD
June	Halfmoon	TBD
July	Edinburg	TBD
August	Saratoga	TBD
September	Charlton	TBD
October	Day	TBD
November	Wilton	TBD
December	Northumberland	TBD

VETERANS TRUST FUND

DATE	TRANSACTION DESCRIPTION	DISBURSEMENTS	DEPOSITS	ACTUAL BALANCE
	MONTH TOTAL: JULY 2021	\$ 692.00	\$ 13.52	\$ 97,401.70
8/10/2021	Bequest on behalf of Estate of Wesley Welenc		\$ 20,000.00	\$ 117,401.70
	MONTH TOTAL: AUGUST 2021	\$ -	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 117,401.70
	MONTH TOTAL: SEPTEMBER 2021	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 117,401.70
10/5/2021	Emergency Disbursement	\$ 1,250.00		\$ 116,151.70
	MONTH TOTAL: OCTOBER 2021	\$ 1,250.00	\$ -	\$ 116,151.70
11/1/2021	Emergency Disbursement	\$ 212.78		\$ 115,938.92
	Emergency Disbursement	\$ 584.51		\$ 115,354.41
11/9/2021	Emergency Disbursement	\$ 750.00		\$ 114,604.41
11/9/2021	Town of Greenfield Donation		\$ 3,000.00	\$ 117,604.41
	MONTH TOTAL: NOVEMBER 2021	\$ 1,547.29	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 117,604.41
12/16/2021	- Gift Card Purchases	\$ 3,000.00		\$ 114,604.41
12/23/2021	Spirit of Life Church, Corinth Donation		\$ 300.00	\$ 114,904.41
12/31/2021	Interest April - December 2021		\$ 41.71	\$ 114,946.12
	MONTH TOTAL: DECEMBER 2021	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 341.71	\$ 114,946.12
	MONTH TOTAL: JANUARY 2022	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 114,946.12
12/31/2021	Reallocation of unspent 2021 Honoring Veteran's Grant Funds per Bd Res 339-2021		\$ 27,264.24	\$ 142,210.36
1/26/2022	Emergency Disbursement	\$ 566.70		\$ 141,643.66
2/18/2022	HVCC Donation IMO Richard Lucas Sr.		\$ 50.00	\$ 141,693.66
	MONTH TOTAL: FEBRUARY 2022	\$ 566.70	\$ 27,314.24	\$ 141,693.66

VETERANS TRUST FUND

DATE	TRANSACTION DESCRIPTION	DISBURSEMENTS	DEPOSITS	ACTUAL BALANCE
3/11/2022	Operation Adopt a Soldier - IMO Red Lucas		\$ 100.00	\$ 141,793.66
3/22/2022	- IMO Thomas Harrington		\$ 250.00	\$ 142,043.66
	MONTH TOTAL: MARCH 2022	\$ -	\$ 350.00	\$ 142,043.66
4/1/2022	Town of Ballston Spa - Grant Approval	\$ 1,622.45		\$ 140,421.21
	Town of Waterford - Grant Approval	\$ 2,500.00		\$ 137,921.21
	Town of Moreau - Grant Approval	\$ 2,488.00		\$ 135,433.21
	Town of Galway - Grant Approval	\$ 2,500.00		\$ 132,933.21
	Town of Clifton Park - Grant Approval	\$ 2,500.00		\$ 130,433.21
4/21/2022	Emergency Disbursement	\$ 924.12		\$ 129,509.09
	MONTH TOTAL: APRIL 2022	\$ 12,534.57	\$ -	\$ 129,509.09
	MONTH TOTAL: MAY 2022	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 129,509.09
6/17/2022	IMO Jane Post		\$ 500.00	\$ 130,009.09
	MONTH TOTAL: JUNE 2022	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 130,009.09
	MONTH TOTAL: JULY 2022	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 130,009.09
	MONTH TOTAL: AUGUST 2022	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 130,009.09
	MONTH TOTAL: SEPTEMBER 2022	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 130,009.09
10/21/2020	5K Run Registrations		\$ 3,750.00	
	Flatley Manangement Company	\$ 700.00		
	Marc's VW Import Eepair Shop	\$ 750.00		
	Rosick Well Drilling LLC	\$ 1,200.00		
	MONTH TOTAL: OCTOBER 2022	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 130,009.09
11/4/2022	5K Sponsors		\$ 300.00	
11/8/2022	Same Day Registrations-5K Run		\$ 515.00	
11/8/2022	Donations		\$ 70.00	
11/28/2022	5K Sponsors		\$ 2,500.00	

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Appendix D

VETERANS TRUST FUND

DATE	TRANSACTION DESCRIPTION	DISBURSEMENTS	DEPOSITS	ACTUAL BALANCE
	MONTH TOTAL: NOVEMBER 2022	\$ 122,735.15	\$ 257,229.24	\$ 134,494.09
12/5/2022	VFW #5836	\$ 1,000.00		
12/5/2022	American Legion #490	\$ 1,000.00		
12/5/2022	Town of Edinburg	\$ 2,293.80		
12/5/2022	- Gift Cards	\$ 3,000.00		
12/9/2022	5K Sponsors		\$ 50.00	
12/16/2022	Spirit of Life Church		\$ 300.00	
12/16/2022	Old Saratoga Post #278	\$ 1,000.00		
12/19/2022	Lt. Fred Clark Post #91	\$ 1,000.00		
12/20/2022	Town of Greenfield Golf Tournament		\$ 5,203.20	
	MONTH TOTAL: DECEMBER 2022	\$ 132,028.95	\$ 262,782.44	\$ 130,753.49
1/11/2023	NYSEG	\$ 242.24		
	MONTH TOTAL: JANUARY 2023	\$ 132,271.19	\$ 262,782.44	\$ 130,511.25

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Appendix D

Veterans Service Agency Affiliate Organizations Overview

Agency Staff Accreditations:

Department of Veterans Affairs – Accredited Veterans Service Officers

New York State Division of Veterans Services - VSO accreditation

Veterans of Foreign Wars- VSO accreditation

National Association of County Veteran Service Officers- VSO accreditation

NYS County Veteran Service Officers Association - Member

American Legion – Director McClement serves as County Service Officer for A.L. organization

In addition to the above memberships, VSA Staff liaison with the following groups and organizations:

Saratoga County Long-Term Care Coalition, Saratoga County Non-Profit Task Force, Enhanced Multidisciplinary Teams (E-MDT) to Combat Elder Abuse, Suicide Prevention Coalition, Veterans and Community Housing Coalition, Soldier On, Saratoga Veterans Business Council, We Are Dwyer Coalition, Saratoga County Assessor Association, Unified Military Affairs Council (UMAC), Employer Support of Guard and Reserves (ESGR), Capital Region Military Task Force (CRMTF), Naval Support Unit Saratoga Springs, Saratoga County 250th Commission, Saratoga County Aging Advisory Board, Malta Veterans Appreciation Program



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November	Wilton	TBD
December	Northumberland	TBD



SARATOGA COUNTY

AGENDA ITEM REQUEST FORM

TO: Steve Bulger, County Administrator
Ridge Harris, Deputy County Administrator
Michelle Granger, County Attorney
Therese Connolly, Clerk of the Board
Stephanie Hodgson, Director of Budget

CC: John Warnt, Director of Purchasing
Jason Kemper, Director of Planning and Economic Development
Bridget Rider, Deputy Clerk of the Board
Matt Rose, Management Analyst
Clare Giammusso, County Attorney's Office
Audra Hedden, County Administrator's Office

DEPARTMENT: Veterans Service Agency

DATE: 2/1/2023

COMMITTEE: Veterans' Affairs

RE: Veterans Trust Fund Expenditures

1. Is a Resolution Required:

No, Committee Approval Only

2. Proposed Resolution Title:

3. Specific Details on what the resolution will authorize:

A committee vote to authorize Revolutionary Run expenses paid. Funds will be transferred from the Trust Fund to the Veterans Agency budget to cover expenses for the event.

This column must be completed prior to submission of the request.

County Attorney's Office
Consulted

4. Is a Budget Amendment needed: YES or NO
 If yes, budget lines and impact must be provided.
 Any budget amendments must have equal and offsetting entries.

County Administrator's Office
 Consulted

Please see attachments for impacted budget lines.
 (Use ONLY when more than four lines are impacted.)

Revenue

Account Number	Account Name	Amount

Expense

Account Number	Account Name	Amount

Source of Revenue

Fund Balance	State Aid	Federal Aid	Other Veterans Trust

5. Identify Budget Impact:

No Budget Impact

- a. G/L line impacted
- b. Budget year impacted
- c. Details

6. Are there Amendments to the Compensation Schedule?

YES or NO (If yes, provide details)

a. Is a new position being created? Y N

Effective date

Salary and grade

b. Is a new employee being hired? Y N

Effective date of employment

Salary and grade

Appointed position:

Term

c. Is this a reclassification? Y N

Is this position currently vacant? Y N

Is this position in the current year compensation plan? Y N

Human Resources Consulted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

7. Does this item require hiring a Vendors/Contractors: Y N

a. Were bids/proposals solicited: Y N

b. Type of Solicitation

c. Is the vendor/contractor a sole source: Y N

d. If a sole source, appropriate documentation has been submitted and approved by Purchasing Department? Y N N/A

e. Commencement date of contract term:

f. Termination of contract date:

g. Contract renewal and term:

h. Contact information:

i. Is the vendor/contractor an LLC, PLLC or partnership:

j. State of vendor/contractor organization:

k. Is this a renewal agreement: Y N

l. Vendor/Contractor comment/remarks:

Purchasing Office Consulted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

County Administrator's Office
Consulted

8. Is a grant being accepted: YES or NO

a. Source of grant funding:

b. Agency granting funds:

c. Amount of grant:

d. Purpose grant will be used for:

e. Equipment and/or services being purchased with the grant:

f. Time period grant covers:

g. Amount of county matching funds:

h. Administrative fee to County:

9. Supporting Documentation:

Marked-up previous resolution

No Markup, per consultation with County Attorney

Program information summary

Copy of proposal or estimate

Copy of grant award notification and information

Other Breakdown of event expenses and proceed:

10. Remarks:


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THERESE CONNOLLY
Clerk

January 9, 2023

Saratoga County Treasurer's Office
Andrew Jarosh, Treasurer
40 McMaster St.
Ballston Spa, NY 12020

Dear Mr. Jarosh,

Please see attached income and expenditure spreadsheet from the November 2022 5K Revolutionary Run for Veterans. All of the revenue from the run has or will be deposited into the Veterans Trust Fund. \$15112 of the run expenses were paid from the General fund and these expenses need to be reimbursed by the Trust Fund. This is an annual journal entry that has been done since the race began in 2011.

Regards,

Michael Smith
Supervisor, Town of Galway
Chair, Veterans Committee

<u>Sponsor/ Revenue</u>	<u>Level</u>
1st National Bank Scotia	\$ 250.00
Am Legion Post 490	\$ 500.00
Karren Heggen	\$ 500.00
Am Legion Post 1817	\$ 100.00
Am Legion Post 1450	\$ 100.00
Yardwork and More	\$ 1,000.00
Saratoga Elks Lodge 161	\$ 100.00
Bspa 2619	\$ 1,000.00
Waterford Clock	\$ 100.00
Am Legion Post 91	\$ 100.00
Momentive	\$ 5,000.00
VFW 358	\$ 200.00
Elks 1317	\$ 100.00
Malta Runabout Runner	\$ 2,500.00
Online Registration	\$ 8,052.46
On Site Reg/Donations	\$ 585.00

Expenses

FC4 \$ 13,343.15

Finish Right \$ 1,768.00

\$ 15,111.15

Total Revenue \$ 20,187.46

Total intake after expense \$ 5,076.31