

HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING
VETERANS' SERVICES ~ PEER-TO-PEER AGENDA
January 23, 2023

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: – Chair of the Board shall serve as an Ex-Officio member when needed in accordance with Section C (4) of the Rules of the Board.

- I. Committee meeting called to order by Chair
- II. Approval of minutes of prior Committee Meeting
- III. Privilege of the floor
- IV. Action Agenda/New Business Items:
 1. Request:
Rationale:
 2. Request:
Rationale:
 3. Request:
Rationale:
- V. Discussion Items:
 1. Department Updates
 - 2.
- VI. Referrals/Pending Items: None
- VII. Privilege of the floor and public comment
- VIII. Motion to adjourn

Attachments:

- Department Updates
 - Outreach
 - Transportation
 - Adirondack Peer-to-Peer, Dwyer Program
 - Claims

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Outreach:

- September 14th, ARCC Suicide Prevention Walk in Glens Falls
 - Warren County American Legion Meeting
- September 19th, Queensbury VFW Post 6196 Meeting
- September 21st, Glens Falls Senior Center Expo at the Cool Insuring Arena
- September 24th, VFW 3rd District Officer Training Instruction (Instructor)
- September 26th, Queensbury VFW Post 6196 Veterans Luncheon
- October 1st, the first Leatherstocking Honor Flight since CoVID
- October 2nd, Lake George American Legion 100th Anniversary Celebration
- October 12th, Warren County American Legion Meeting
- October 17th, Queensbury VFW Post 6196 Meeting
- October 24th, Queensbury VFW Post 6196 Veterans Luncheon
- October Donation Drive in support of "You Are NOT Alone" ~ Military/Family Support Group
- October 28th, Attended Warren County Assessor Luncheon (Veterans/Surviving Spouse Property Tax Exemptions)
- November 9th, Warren County American Legion Meeting
- November 10th, Johnsbury Central School – Veterans Day Concert
- November 11th, Veterans Day Dinner at Lake Luzerne American Legion Post 862
- November 12th, Veterans Day Dinner at Lake George American Legion Post 374
- November 14th, Queensbury VFW Post 6196 Veterans Luncheon
- November 16th, Hosted Military Service Academy Interviews
- November 19th, VFW Post 6196 Senior Dinner (served dinners)
- November 21st, Queensbury VFW Post 6196 Meeting
- December 1st, "You are NOT Alone" Military/Family Support Group (helped fill care boxes)
- December 12th, Queensbury VFW Post 6196 Veterans Luncheon
- December 14th, Warren County American Legion Meeting
- December 17th, Attended Queensbury VFW Post 6196 Christmas Party
- December 18th, Visited Saratoga National Cemetery (social media post of Wreaths Across America)
- December 24th, SFC Coon's Christmas Eve Road March (marched and provided transportation to the non-ambulatory)

Upcoming:

- January 7th, 4th District American Legion Meeting
- Mailing letters to all Home Care Agencies, Assisted Living and Skilled Nursing Homes for their interest in attending a VA Pension Workshop during the 1st Quarter of FY 2023
- Mailing letters to all Veterans organizations to schedule Veterans benefits presentations at their post meetings

Continuation of Veterans' Services

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- January 11th, Warren County American Legion Meeting
- January 16th, Queensbury VFW 6196 Meeting
- January 18th, Adirondack Vet House Board Meeting
- January 19th, NYS Division of Veterans Services dedication of "Veterans Welcome Center" digital kiosk at Adirondack Welcome Center on I-87 (between exits 17 and 18 in Queensbury)
- January 23rd, Queensbury VFW Post 6196 Veterans Luncheon
- March 4th, Wreath retirement at Saratoga National Cemetery

Transportation:

- The passenger numbers are gradually rising post CoVID
 - **3-year passenger count: 2021** – 176 Passengers; **2022** – 292 Passengers; **2023** – 9 Passengers
 - Veterans' Services Van Drivers- **Mike Donohue, Gary Gifford & Dave Taft (Reg P/T)**, also **Mike Therio (per-diem)**

Warren and Washington County Peer-to-Peer, Joseph P. Dwyer Program:

- January 3rd, Initial overview meeting since SUNY ADK was awarded the Dwyer grant
 - In attendance: Jeremy Duers, Program Coordinator; Myself; Rob York, WW OMH Director; Ken Winchell, Washington County Veterans' Services Director; Taylor Testa, SUNY Supervisor
- Outreach
 - Coffee Meet-ups (Glens Falls, Chestertown, Whitehall and Greenwich)
 - January 12th, Bowling event at Lake George Bowl
 - January 26th, Sponsoring a Veterans dinner at Bolton Community Church w/guest speaker
 - Networking with local resources on housing and mental health
 - Working on the development of brochures and business cards

Committee Meeting January 2023 Claim Updates

YEAR	#CLAIMS	STARTING AMT	NEW AMT	DIFFERENCE	RETRO
2019 Current	148	36,978.93	97,597.52	60,618.59	763,438.84
Last reported Sept 2022	148	36,978.93	98,090.89	61,111.96	769,819.09
2020 Current	99	30,662.08	82,334.39	51,672.31	616,160.71
Last reported Sept 2022	98	30,662.08	81,841.04	51,178.96	609,780.46
2021 Current	100	74,507.89	144,330.18	69,822.29	661,746.79
Last reported Sept 2022	100	71,874.98	127,959.22	56,084.24	553,661.34
2022 Current	144	45,885.52	69,803.04	23,917.52	241,788.31
Last reported Sept 2022	93	29,442.84	40,382.18	10,939.34	118,995.37
2023 Current	1	327.99	0.00	0.00	0.00
Last reported				0.00	

*Any/all numbers listed above in "bold" represent the increased awarded claims since last reported