



VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION OF WINNEBAGO COUNTY

VACWC Commission
Terrell Lewis, President

Date: May 22, 2025

PUBLIC NOTICE AND NOTICE TO COMMITTEE MEMBERS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following Committee Meetings have been called by the
Chairperson and such Meetings will be held as follows:

Veterans Assistance Commission
of Winnebago County Finance Committee Meeting
Per: Chairman, Eric Willard

Location: Veterans Memorial Hall
211 N. Main St. Rockford IL 61101

Date: May 22, 2025

Time: 2:00 PM

AGENDA: Updated

1. Call to Order.....Chairman Eric Willard
2. Approval of Agenda..... Chairman Eric Willard
3. Approval of Minutes..... Chairman Eric Willard
4. Public Comments
5. Fiscal Year 2026 Budget Review..... Chairman Eric Willard
 - a. Review and Recommendation FY 2026 Budget
 - b. Review and Recommend Budget Resolution
6. Correspondence.....Deb Hoover
7. Unfinished Business..... Chairman Eric Willard
8. New Business..... Chairman Eric Willard
9. Announcements Deb Hoover
10. Adjournment Chairman Eric Willard



Projection: 25001 - FY2026 Winnebago Co.

Expenditures

Period: Memo

Expense Accounts

\$ (69,783.29)

Accounts				Dept Provided FY 2024 Projected	Admin Proposed FY 2026	Difference from FY 2025	
48100/P4810 VETERAN'S ASSISTANCE	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,653,303.01	1,426,783.29	-13.70%	
41 PERSONNEL				629,303.01	617,058.29	-1.95%	43.2482140%
<u>41110 REGULAR SALARIES</u>				523,644.00	556,294.05	6.24%	38.9893864%
<u>41120 TEMPORARY SALARI</u>				0.00	0.00	#DIV/0!	0.0000000%
<u>41221 LIFE INSURANCE-E</u>				600.00	364.00	-39.33%	0.0255119%
<u>41231 IMRF-EMPLOYER CO</u>				30,000.00	15,910.01	-46.97%	1.1150965%
<u>41241 FICA-EMPLOYER CO</u>				35,000.00	34,490.23	-1.46%	2.4173420%
<u>PAYROLL TAXES</u>				40,059.01	10,000.00	-75.04%	0.7008773%
42 SUPPLIES & SERVICES	0.00	0.00	0.00	889,000.00	697,225.00	-21.57%	48.8669165%
<u>42110 SUPPLIES</u>				10,000.00	7,000.00	-30.00%	0.4906141%
<u>42240 GASOLINE & OIL</u>				5,000.00	3,380.00	-32.40%	0.2368965%
<u>42250 FOOD & BEVERAGE</u>				5,000.00	5,000.00	0.00%	0.3504386%
<u>43159 EXPS. - GUEST, EVENT & SPEAKER</u>				8,000.00	5,000.00	-37.50%	0.3504386%
<u>43167 SOFTWARE SUBSCRIPTION</u>				6,000.00	9,600.00	60.00%	0.6728422%
<u>43183 VAC-PROF SVC SALARY REIMB</u>				0.00	0.00	#DIV/0!	0.0000000%
<u>43190 OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES</u>				100,000.00	107,200.00	7.20%	7.5134045%
<u>43212 CELL PH. WIRELESS SERVICES</u>				10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00%	0.7008773%
<u>43220 POSTAGE</u>				5,000.00	4,000.00	-20.00%	0.2803509%
<u>43310 TRAVEL</u>				20,000.00	10,000.00	-50.00%	0.7008773%
<u>43420 ADVERTISING</u>				30,000.00	20,000.00	-33.33%	1.4017546%
<u>43731 AUTOMOBILE REPAIR</u>				19,000.00	5,000.00	-73.68%	0.3504386%
<u>43510 INSURANCE(s) - All</u>				6,000.00	9,965.00	66.08%	0.6984242%
<u>43810 BUILDING RENTAL</u>				130,000.00	77,500.00	-40.38%	5.4317990%
<u>43941 DUES & MEMBERSHIPS</u>				15,000.00	3,000.00	-80.00%	0.2102632%
<u>43942 INSTRUCTION & SCHOOLING</u>				20,000.00	20,580.00	2.90%	1.4424055%



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<u>43991 VETERAN'S ASSISTANCE PAYMENTS</u>				500,000.00	400,000.00	-20.00%	28.0350914%
<u>44235 ADMINISTRATIVE & SUPPORT</u>				0.00	0.00	#DIV/0!	0.0000000%
<u>RESERVE FUND FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS</u>				0.00	0.00	#DIV/0!	0.0000000%
48 ADMIN SUPPORT	0.00	0.00	0.00	135,000.00	112,500.00	-16.67%	7.8848695%
<u>48211 HEALTH INSURANCE EMPLOYER CONT</u>				135,000.00	112,500.00	-16.67%	7.8848695%

(330 ILCS 45/10(g)) Employees / Levy

729,558.29

VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION OF WINNEBAGO COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RESOLUTION NO 2025 - ____

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE
BUDGET OF THE VETERANS ASSISTANCE
COMMISSION OF WINNEBAGO COUNTY
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026**

PASSED BY THE
VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION
OF WINNEBAGO COUNTY, ILLINOIS THIS
____ DAY OF _____, 2025

Published in pamphlet form
by the authority of the
Veterans Assistance Commission of
Winnebago County, Illinois this ____
day of _____, 2025.

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WHEREAS, the Veterans Assistance Commission of Winnebago County, Illinois (hereinafter referred to as the “VACWC”) as created pursuant to Section 9 of the Illinois Military Veterans Assistance Act [codified as 330 ILCS 45/9] (hereinafter, the “MVAA”) is a body politic and corporate and currently consists of eleven (11) members from the “posts, camps, chapters or detachments of military veterans organizations” located within the corporate boundaries of the County of Winnebago, Illinois to provide financial assistance to “military veterans, who served in the Armed Forces of the United States, whose last discharge from the service was honorable to be eligible for assistance, their families, and the families of deceased veterans”; and

WHEREAS, at all times relevant hereto there was in effect in the State of Illinois a certain statute, commonly known as Section 2(1) of the MVAA [codified as 330 ILCS 45/2(1)] which provides, in pertinent part, as follows:

“Sec. 2.

(1) The . . . county board shall provide such sums of money as may be just and necessary to be drawn by the . . . the superintendent of any Veterans' Assistance Commission of the county, **upon the recommendation of the assistance committee of that . . . Veterans' Assistance Commission.**” (bold-faced emphasis added)

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee (hereinafter referred to as the “Finance Committee”) of the Veterans Assistance Commission of Winnebago County, Illinois (hereinafter referred to as the “VACWC”) has reviewed and approved the attached budget for the VACWC for the Fiscal Year beginning on October 1, 2025 and ending on September 30, 2026 (hereinafter, “FY2026”); and

WHEREAS, Section 9(g) of the MVAA provides as follows, in pertinent part:

“(g) Each Veterans Assistance Commission shall, in writing, adopt all applicable policies already established and in place in its respective county, . . . and shall adapt those policies to fit its organizational structure. Those policies shall then be considered the policies of the Veterans Assistance Commission and they shall be implemented and adhered to, accordingly, by the superintendent and by the Commission”; and

WHEREAS, this VACWC has reviewed and hereby finds that the attached document entitled “VACWC Budget for FY2026” as drafted by the Superintendent of the VACWC and recommended for adoption by the VACWC's Finance Committee (a copy of which Budget is marked as “Exhibit A,” attached hereto and herewith incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein) lists the expenses required to provide the needed, necessary and just expenditures to eligible military veterans and their families as well as the operational costs of the VACWC; and

WHEREAS, the VACWC hereby finds that the adoption of the VACWC Budget for FY2026 (Exhibit A hereto) to be in the best interests of the health, safety, morals and general welfare of the citizens of Winnebago County as served by the VACWC.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Veterans Assistance Commission of Winnebago County, Illinois as follows:

Section 1. Recitals. The preliminary paragraphs set forth above are incorporated herein as part of this Resolution.

Section 2. Approval of Rules. The VACWC hereby approves the attached VACWC Budget for FY2026 (Exhibit A hereto) as recommended by the VACWC's Finance Committee.

Section 3. Conditional Authorization To Initiate Litigation. In the event that the Winnebago County Board should alter or reduce the amounts of expenses as listed in Exhibit A hereto, the Superintendent of the VACWC is hereby authorized to file civil litigation against Winnebago County Officials as may be necessary to restore the amounts altered or reduced in the Exhibit A attached hereto.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect after its passage and approval, and publication, if any, as may be required by law.

Section 5. Severability. In the event that any section, clause, provision, or part of this Resolution shall be found and determined to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, all valid parts that are severable from the invalid parts shall remain in full force and effect.

RESOLVED by the Veterans Assistance Commission of Winnebago County, Illinois on this the ____ day of _____, 2025.

Terrell Lewis, President
Veterans Assistance Commission of
Winnebago County, Illinois

ATTEST:

Debi Hoover, VACWC-A
Secretary
Veterans Assistance Commission of
Winnebago County, Illinois

AYES: _____

NAYS: _____

ABSENT: _____

PRESENT: _____

EXHIBIT A
VACWC BUDGET FOR FY2026