

**Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs- 65000**

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FY'19 Projected Division/Program Funding By Source							
Dept	Appropriations	Federal	Revolving	Local	Other*	Total	
Administration							\$0
Division 6	Nursing Care	\$20,679,903.00	\$109,283,547	\$7,777,656		\$205,800	\$137,946,906
Division 10	Capital Lease	\$882,503.00			\$267		\$882,770
Division 11	Central Office	\$4,356,165.00		\$3,000	\$49,208		\$4,408,373
Division 20	Claims and Benefits	\$3,233,887.00		\$170,000			\$3,403,887
Division 30	State Accrediting Agency		\$570,620				\$570,620
Division 88	Information Technology	\$1,204,501.00	\$440,438	\$521,000	\$1,817,725		\$3,983,664
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$30,356,959</b>	<b>\$110,294,605</b>	<b>\$8,471,656</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$2,073,000</b>	<b>\$151,196,220</b>

\*Source of "Other" and % of "Other" total for each.  
 Payroll lapsed in FY18 was rebudgeted to fund one time CMS Certification Compliance Modifications.  
 Savings from Central Office move FY18 was rebudgeted to fund one time expenditures for the purchase of replacement vehicles, and an increase in single audit.  
 Information Technology rebudgeted FY18 Appropriations to fund reoccurring expenditures.

FY'18 Carryover and Refund by Funding Source							
	Appropriations	Federal	Revolving	Local	Other*	Total	
FY'18 Carryover	\$2,073,000	\$15,000,000	\$1,900,000				\$2,073,000

\*Source of "Other" and % of "Other" total for each.  
 The Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs (ODVA) has historically used class funding 220 for the Operating budget. ODVA transferred from 220 to 205 for capital projects. In accordance with statutory authority, ODVA has created Dept. 93 with class-funding 220 in FY19 for improvements to the Veterans Centers. ODVA also created Dept. 93 with class-funding 400 for major repairs and maintenance and one-time projects and distributed the cost in several years as depreciation expense for the calculation of the cost of care. As the Veterans Centers age, there will be need for major improvements and remodeling. Hence, there will be a reduction in the use of 220 in the operating budget and an increase in the capital budget. There will also be an increase of class-funding 400 in the Operating budget and a decrease in the Capital budget.

What Changes did the Agency Make between FY'18 and FY'19?	
<b>1.) Are there any services no longer provided because of budget cuts?</b>	No services have been discontinued.
<b>2.) What services are provided at a higher cost to the user?</b>	No increases in any fees. Agency continues to maintain occupancy rates as high as possible.
<b>3.) What services are still provided but with a slower response rate?</b>	None.
<b>4.) Did the agency provide any pay raises that were not legislatively/statutorily required?</b>	None.

FY'20 Requested Division/Program Funding By Source							
	Appropriations	Federal	Revolving	Other	Total	% Change	
Division 6	Nursing Care	\$19,671,426	\$102,241,062	\$16,034,418		\$137,946,906	0.00%
Division 10	Capital Lease	\$73,255			\$267	\$73,522	-91.67%
Division 11	Central Administration	\$4,356,165				\$4,356,165	-1.18%
Division 20	Claims & Benefits	\$3,233,887		\$170,000		\$3,403,887	0.00%
Division 30	State Accrediting Agency		\$570,620			\$570,620	0.00%
Division 88	Information Technology	\$3,022,226	\$440,438	\$521,000		\$3,983,664	0.00%
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$30,356,959</b>	<b>\$103,252,120</b>	<b>\$16,725,418</b>	<b>\$267</b>	<b>\$150,334,764</b>	<b>-0.57%</b>

\*Source of "Other" and % of "Other" total for each.  
 FY'19 Carryover

FY'20 Top Five Appropriation Funding Requests		
Request 1: Description		\$ Amount
The repurpose of funds from the retirement of the Lawton Bond in August 2019 for Information Technology. This will not be an increase in funds for the agency, ad will be keeping our total appropriatons flat.		\$808,741
<b>Total Increase above FY-19 Request</b>		<b>\$ 808,741</b>

Does the agency have any costs associated with the Pathfinder retirement system and federal employees?	
(If so, please describe the costs and provide an estimate for FY '20, FY '21, and FY '22.) None.	

How would the agency be affected by receiving the same appropriation for FY '20 as was received in FY '19? (Flat/ 0% change)	
There would not be a negative impact.	

**How would the agency handle a 2% appropriation reduction in FY '20?**

A 2% reduction of \$647,139.18 will have a negative impact on the agency.  
 Any appropriation reduction will have an adverse impact on the cost of care which has direct impact on federal revenue generated by the agency.  
 This reduction also would impact the Capital improvement projects that require 35% state match.

**Is the agency seeking any fee increases for FY '20?**

		\$ Amount
Increase 1	None	\$0
Increase 2	None	\$0
Increase 3	None	\$0

**What are the agency's top 2-3 capital or technology (one-time) requests, if applicable?**

Relocation of Talihina Center ODVA is requesting a \$23 million bond for the relocation of the Talahina Veteran Center. The agency will also be using \$12 million in revolving funds as well as \$65 million federal dollars by taking advantage of a 65% federal match.

**Federal Funds**

		FY 19 projected	FY 18	FY 17	FY 16	FY 15
<b>Federal Funding I</b>						
64.015 Veterans State Home Nursing Care USDVA Formula Grant (Reimbursement)		95,618,405.00	96,314,252.95	95,679,223.26	96,286,151.67	87,696,183.58
<b>Federal Funding II</b>						
64.124 State Accrediting Agency USDVA Reimbursement Grant		593,120.00	469,097.75	511,337.72	357,832.06	588,935.09
<b>Federal Funding III</b>						
65.005 Construction State Homes Grant 35% Match		6,318,092.00	2,055,434.49	4,500,955.00	4,857,381.93	1,805,764.12
<b>Federal Funding IV</b>						
64.035 Veterans Transportation		49,936.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

**Federal Government Impact**

**1.) How much federal money received by the agency is tied to a mandate by the Federal Government?**

State Veterans Home (SVH) Per Diem program standards and operational procedures are found in Title 38 of the US Code of Federal Regulations. VA per diem for nursing home care is paid for any Veteran who is eligible for such care in a VA facility (38 U.S.C. §1741). VA is also required to make higher nursing home per diem payments for certain Veterans with service-connected disabilities. (38 CFR §51.41) Hence, 100% of the federal revenue received by the agency is mandated by the federal government for the operation of all seven veterans centers.

**2.) Are any of those funds inadequate to pay for the federal mandate?**

Yes. The federal revenue covers only 79.28% of the cost of care provided to veterans at the centers. The rest of the cost is borne by state appropriations of (15.09%) and the agency revolving fund from the patient maintenance collections of 5.62%.

**3.) What would the consequences be of ending all of the federal funded programs for your agency?**

The mission of the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs is to ensure all Oklahoma veterans and their families receive all benefits to which they may be entitled and to provide excellent health services and long-term skilled care in a residential environment to all qualified veterans residing in the state. Legislative action many years ago established a system of payment for services that enables all honorably discharged veterans to receive quality care through the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs Veterans Centers regardless of their ability to pay. Through various agreements with the USDVA and federal law, pension, compensation and Aid and Attendance payments are made to veterans by the federal government that enables them to participate in the cost of their care without pauperizing their spouse who is left at home, thus allowing them to put money back into the economy of their local communities and live without the need for Medicaid assistance. Hence, ending all of the federal funded programs would result in closing all the veterans centers.

**4.) How will your agency be affected by federal budget cuts in the coming fiscal year?**

In addition to the above response:  
 Funding for ODVA construction projects, in general, is shared between the state and federal government.  
 The USDVA pays 65% of the cost of construction or renovation once the project is put on the federally approved construction priority list.

**5.) Has the agency requested any additional federal earmarks or increases?**

Yes, ODVA has been approved funding under the Grants for Transportation of Veterans in Highly Rural Areas for the amount of \$49,936. (Title 62 O.S. Section 7.2). While not a request, the annual federal basic per diem rate reflects cost of living adjustment rate increase.

**Division and Program Descriptions**

<b>Administrative Services</b>	
<b>Division 6</b>	<b>Nursing Care</b> The agency provides a home for eligible Veterans who can no longer be cared for in their own homes. The clients are provided with long-term skilled nursing care.
<b>Division 10</b>	<b>Capital Lease</b> Capital outlay for the Lawton Veterans Center bond.
<b>Division 11</b>	<b>Central Administration</b> The Central Administrative program for the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs provides administration, direction, and planning assistance to the seven long term care facilities and five Claims and Benefits division offices and field staff operated by the Department. It sets standards, policies and procedures, and goals for programs and monitors programs to ensure the required standards are met. The Administrative program consists of the following programs/functions: Administrative Services, Affirmative Action, Human Resources, and Fiscal Services. This program also provides administrative support for the office of the Executive Director as well as the Veterans Commission.
<b>Division 20</b>	<b>Claims and Benefits</b> This program provides assistance to veterans relative to obtaining benefits from state and federal agencies. Benefits include compensation, pension, medical benefits and education. This program also provides intermediary financial assistance to eligible veterans that are temporarily unable to obtain basic necessities
<b>Division 30</b>	<b>State Accrediting Agency</b> The purpose of this program is the approval of education and training establishments for veterans training in the State of Oklahoma and approving veterans for On-the-job-training and apprenticeship programs.

The Information Technology program is an OMES Information Services service. Program provides support for the information technology needs of all agency programs.

FY'19 Budgeted FTE							
		Supervisors	Classified	Unclassified	\$0 - \$35 K	\$35 K - \$70 K	\$70 K - \$\$\$
Administration							
Division 06	Nursing Care	248	1517	447	1168	724	72
Division 10	Capital Lease	0	0	0	0	0	0
Division 11	Central Office	12	15	20	0	25	10
Division 20	Claims and Benefits	10	34	9	4	37	2
Division 30	State Accrediting Agency	2	3	3	0	5	1
Division 88	Information Technology	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>272</b>	<b>1569</b>	<b>479</b>	<b>1172</b>	<b>791</b>	<b>85</b>

FTE History						
		2019 Budgeted	2018	2017	2015	2010
Administration						
Division 06	Nursing Care	1964	1982	1,931.51	1,863.00	1,884.60
Division 10	Capital Lease	0	0	0	0	0
Division 11	Central Office	35	32	30.81	27.20	24.10
Division 20	Claims and Benefits	43	45	39.19	28.00	24.30
Division 30	State Accrediting Agency	6	4	5.18	5.00	3.80
Division 88	Information Technology					
<b>Total</b>		<b>2048</b>	<b>2063</b>	<b>2,006.69</b>	<b>1,923.20</b>	<b>1,936.80</b>

Performance Measure Review						
		FY 18	FY 17	FY 16	FY 15	FY 14
<b>Measure I</b>	<b>Administration</b>					
	1. Percent of total budget	4.61%	4.29%	4.64%	4.15%	4.40%
<b>Measure II</b>	<b>Claims &amp; Benefits</b>					
	1. Claims/Actions/Submittals	120,372	95,308	56,172	47,501	42,967
<b>Measure III</b>	<b>Nursing Care</b>					
	1. Percentage of facilities receiving USDVA certification	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
	2. Monitoring Turnover rate	31.48%	38.97%	46.88%	39.33%	39.73%
	3. Statewide waiting list	682	795	745	810	423
	4. Average length of stay*	1.5	5.39	2.22	1.93	1.87
	5. Average out of pocket for veteran per year	29,519	29,526	28,692	29,628	28,728
	6. Average out of pocket for veteran per month	2,460	2,461	2,391	2,469	2,394
	7. Average age of veteran	78.62	77.14	78.63	77.90	77.40
*This is an average of those that have passed away within the fiscal year. We have quite a few residents that have been in our Centers for over 30 years.						

Revolving Funds (200 Series Funds)				
		FY'16-18 Avg. Revenues	FY'16-18 Avg. Expenditures	June '18 Balance
<b>ODVA Revolving Fund - 220</b>				
To pay the general operating expenses of the Veterans Centers, including the payment of salaries and wages of officials and employees, to pay for the employee safety programs and incentive awards provided for in Section 63.10a of this title, and to remodel, repair, construct, build additions, modernize, or add improvements of domiciliary or hospital buildings necessary for the care of veterans.		26,355,698	22,416,907	5,577,213
<b>ODVA Trust Fund- 205</b>				
Retirement of Bonds, State Match for Construction Projects		3,535,703	2,371,835	7,063,969
There is a certification requirement of \$3 million for FY20 construction projects. This is a pending encumbrance.				
Source is the transfer from ODVA Revolving Fund.				