

The Dalles Leadership Meeting Notes

See separate list for participants

The community would like to see the State provide general fund dollars for the Veterans' Home. It feels it has done its part, but the State has not supported the Home. There is a need for maintenance that State should fund.

The Expansion and Enhancement money for CVSOs came too late for Wasco County to act on, but has formulated a plan that has been approved by ODVA.

Outreach to veterans is difficult, especially to homeless. Cannot stay in contact with them, especially through the paperwork process.

The ODVA Emergency Grant fund needs more money. Always runs out within weeks of each quarter.

The County and City do not ask if a person is a veteran, but understand the concept for outreach purposes.

Local Community College has office space for CVSO.

College president interested in providing more help to veterans returning to school, but in a way that does not affect their GI Bill or other federal payments. Ideas include using part of an old building as a dormitory for veterans that would be free (partnership with National Guard).

Housing, education and employment are three state partnership keys. Need work in all three areas with State.