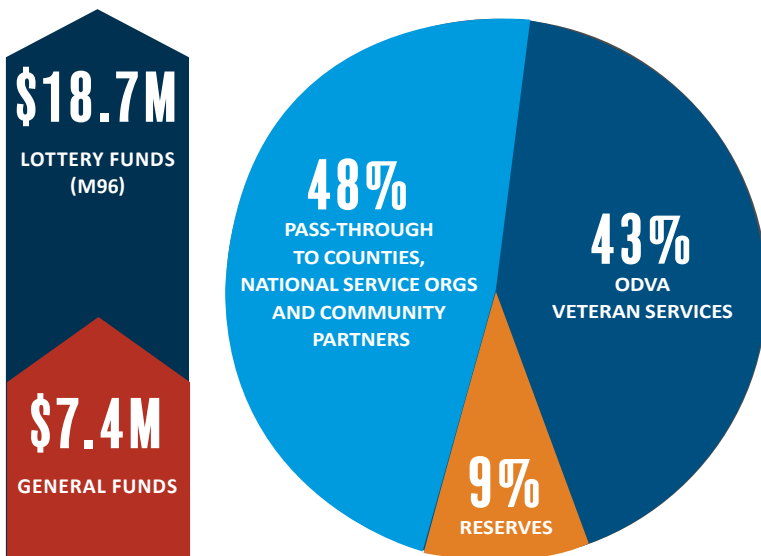


OREGON SALUTES OUR FOUR GENERATIONS OF VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES

Measure 96 passed last November with a resounding 84% approval by Oregonians and now dedicates 1.5% of net lottery revenues to better serve our veterans and their families. As a result of this broad citizen support and the bipartisan leadership of the Governor and Legislature this Session, Oregon is making historic investments in local and statewide veteran services.

Thank you to our veterans' community and partners, elected leaders and all Oregonians for their incredible advocacy and support – together, we will ensure that veterans and their families thrive in Oregon.

GENERAL FUND AND LOTTERY FUND FOR OREGON VETERANS



There is **\$26.1 million** in combined General Fund and Lottery Funds for services to veterans in the 2017-19 biennium (prior biennial funding for veteran services was \$10.4 million General Fund). These essential resources help fund statewide veteran services as well as pass through funding to local partners like County Veteran Service Offices, National Service Organizations and community non-profits.

NEW INVESTMENTS WITH MEASURE 96 LOTTERY FUNDS

- **\$4.5 million to double the current level of funding for county veteran service officers and national service organizations**
- **\$4.1 million to secure Oregon's veteran home loan program for future generations**
- **\$3.9 million to sustain county veteran service office funding and enhance statewide veteran services**
- **\$1.5 million to support veterans' housing and homelessness prevention efforts**
- **\$1.2 million to establish a grant fund to support student veteran success on campus**
- **\$555,000 to establish a grant fund to support non-profit and community partner efforts**
- **\$350,000 to support a veterans' crisis and suicide prevention hotline**
- **\$245,000 to establish a veteran volunteer program**
- **\$2.3 million to establish a reserve balance in the veteran services fund**



In addition to the existing General Fund and new Lottery Funds for veteran services, there are other significant investments made for Oregon's veterans and their families in this biennial budget. They include additional funding for mental health resources and capital construction projects.

MENTAL HEALTH

- **\$2.5 million** invested through Oregon Health Authority to improve veterans' access to mental health resources

CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION

- **\$2.5 million** authorized for Oregon Veterans' Home facility improvements in Lebanon and The Dalles
- **\$10.5 million** authorized for a third Oregon Veterans Home
- **\$250,000** authorized for the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall replica project in Southern Oregon

VETERAN POLICY BILLS

COMMUNITY SERVICES

HB 2891 — Establishes a new Veteran Services Grant Fund to better support non-profits and community partners serving veterans and their families

HB 2908 — Creates a veteran volunteer program

HEALTH CARE

SB 81 — Targets efforts to help veterans better navigate health care resources

HONOR AND RECOGNITION

HB 2100 — Designates Highway 20 as the Oregon Medal of Honor Memorial Highway

HB 2880 — Expands public buildings required to display the POW/MIA flag

SB 992 — Designates the third Friday in September as Oregon POW/MIA Recognition Day

SB 993 — Designates August 7th of each year as Oregon Purple Heart Recognition Day

HB 3207 — Designates part of Interstate 5 as Atomic Veteran Memorial Highway

LICENSE PLATES

HB 2149 — Sets one-time \$15 vehicle registration fee for former POWs

RECREATION

SB 116 — Eliminates state forest user fees for service connected disabled veterans

TRIBAL VETERAN

SB 80 — Focuses outreach and support to Oregon's tribal veterans

HB 2405 — Adds tribal governments to local and regional governments that are eligible to apply for state park grants to construct or restore veterans and war memorials

STUDENT VETERANS

HB 2565 — Streamlines process to ensure veterans receive priority registration at community colleges and universities

HB 3423 — Allows flexibility for Oregon National Guard service members to participate in Oregon Promise grants

SB 143 — Establishes a grant program to support student veteran success on college and university campus