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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

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Mike Braun, Governor
Jacob D. Adams, Director

MEMORANDUM

TO: Chad Ranney, Director,
State Budget Agency

SUBJECT: *FISCAL YEAR 2026 STRATEGIC SPENDING REDUCTION PLAN*

Fund: 18200

Fund Description: Operation of Veterans' Cemetery

Appropriation Total: \$503,349.00

5% Reserve: \$25,167.45

For the Operation of Veterans' Cemetery, \$385,000 or 81% of the appropriation is spent on payroll. The payroll expense is expected to be close to the same total spent on payroll in FY25. There are no anticipated changes in payroll. The Veterans' cemetery also receives revenue. The cemetery averages approximately \$8,000.00 per month on state burial plot allowance from the US Treasury and \$600.00 per month on Headstone setting fees from the County Auditor's Office. These amounts vary because they are driven by the burial rate of each month. IVMC purchased some new equipment in FY25 and uses trade-in to add to cost savings of equipment. IVMC does not have any major procurement scheduled for FY26.

Fund: 59020

Fund Description: Grants for Veterans Services

Appropriation Total: \$1,250,000.00

The Grants for Veterans' Services program fund does not have any payroll expenses associated with the fund, so all the expenses to this fund are completed through grant agreements. The total amount of grants that would be awarded from this fund will be \$1,250,000. IDVA will process grant agreements and purchase orders to ensure that the total amount of grant agreements does not exceed the total appropriation.

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Fund: 12332

Fund Description: Veteran Suicide Prevention (VSP)

Appropriation Total: \$950,000.00

For the Veteran Suicide Prevention fund, approximately \$460,000 or 48.42% of the appropriation is expected to be spent on payroll. In FY25, approximately \$191,000 was spent on software, which is expected to be less in FY26. There was also approximately \$40,000 spent on new furniture, which will not be an expense in FY26. For the remaining expenses, IDVA will monitor the amount of money spent on equipment, supplies, travel, and grants to ensure that expenditures do not exceed the appropriation total.

Fund: 11460

Fund Description: Department of Veterans Affairs

Appropriation Total: \$2,968,891.00

5% Reserve: \$148,144.55

For the main operating fund, \$2,182,000 or 78% of the appropriation is spent on payroll. The payroll expense is expected to be higher in FY26 compared to FY25 by approximately \$100,000. This is due to multiple factors and positions changes and additional positions. IDVA will review all contract and grant agreements that will be processed to seek possibilities of obtaining cost savings without hindering service. IDVA will monitor and review software licenses/subscriptions, event sponsorships, and travel expenditures to ensure that expenses are necessary to IDVA's mission and that funds are being spent responsibly.

Respectfully,

Jacob D. Adams
Director, Indiana Department of Veterans Affairs



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Approved Fiscal Year 2026 Strategic Spending Reduction Plan

Agency Name: Indiana Department of Veterans Affairs

Pursuant to applicable state budgeting and financial management guidelines, the undersigned hereby affirm that the Fiscal Year 2026 Strategic Spending Reduction Plan submitted for the above-named agency has been reviewed and is approved for implementation. This approval signifies the plan submitted is in alignment with agency priorities, applicable legal requirements, and available funding levels.



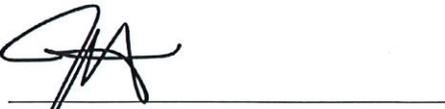
Chad E. Ranney
State Budget Director

Date: 8/29/25



Gloria Sachdev
Secretary of Health & Family Services

Date: 8/28/25



Jacob D. Adams
Director, Indiana Department of Veterans Affairs

Date: 8/26/2025

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