

# VETERAN AFFAIRS

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## Mission

To assist veterans with any facet of their military experience and the administration of laws resulting from such service as well as to assist their dependents and survivors through entitlement assistance and successful litigation of claims to the U.S. Government.

## Program Summaries

**Veteran Affairs**  
**Positions: 5.0 FTE**

**Total Appropriations: \$464,318**  
**Net County Cost: \$426,498**

Staff provides information, benefit counseling, application assistance, case management, intercession and appellate advocacy with any facet of State and Federal law providing for the relief and assistance of persons who served in the military as well as for their dependents and survivors. Assistance may include home loans, pension, compensation, insurance, medical and domiciliary care, education programs, work study, veterans preference, survivors benefits, military retirement benefits, and many others. Staff must be trained and knowledgeable in all aspects of Title 38 United States Code (U.S.C.), much of Title 10 U.S.C., the California Military and Veterans Code and changing legislation. Staff also provides administrative support to the Commission on Veterans Affairs and coordination between the County and the various veterans' communities.

## Fiscal Year 2007-08 Major Accomplishments

### *Develop Collaborative Solutions*

- Worked with CAO, Board of Supervisors, Veteran Affairs Commission, and the various Veterans Organizations to finalize a Veterans Memorial Management agreement.

## Fiscal Year 2008-09 Goals and Objectives

### *Maintain Vibrant and Healthy Communities and Maximize Funding Opportunities*

- Provide training and resources to meet the needs of returning war veterans from Iraq and Afghanistan
- Promote healthcare management through access to VA Health Care with the added benefit of removing people out of the Medi-Cal system by referring them to Federal sources
- Conduct Veterans Outreach event scheduled for November 8, 2008, to promote all veteran service and support organizations in El Dorado County.
- Successfully recruit volunteer drivers for the VA Van Service in the South Lake Tahoe basin.

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### Chief Administrative Office Comments

The Proposed Budget represents a decrease of \$5,131 in revenues and \$4,540 in appropriations resulting in an increase to Net County Cost of \$591 or less than 1% when compared to the FY 2007-08 Final Budget.

The decrease in revenues is primarily due to reduced revenues of \$5,596 from the license plate fund. FY 2007-08 revenues of \$10,446 were budgeted for the purchase of computer equipment. The Proposed Budget for FY 2008-09 includes \$4,850 from this fund for the purchase of a document scanner that will be used to archive and maintain files and for advertising expenses associated with the Veterans Outreach event scheduled for November 2008.

The decrease in appropriations of \$4,540 is comprised of \$12,336 increase in salaries and benefits that reflect the full year cost of the Sr. Veterans Service Representative position that was approved in FY 2007-08 as well as regularly scheduled salary increases and increased retiree health costs; a decrease of \$20,288 in services and supplies for reductions in minor equipment purchases and utility costs; and an increase in fixed assets of \$3,500 for the purchase of a scanner.

### Personnel Allocations

<b>Classification Titles</b>	<b>Adjusted 2007-08</b>	<b>Reqst'd 2008-09</b>	<b>Recm'd 2008-09</b>	<b>Diff from Adjusted</b>
Veterans Service Officer	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.00
Executive Assistant	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.00
Senior Veterans Service Representative	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.00
Veterans Service Representative	2.00	2.00	2.00	0.00
<b>Department Total</b>	<b>5.00</b>	<b>5.00</b>	<b>5.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>

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## Financial Information by Fund Type

FUND TYPE: 10 GENERAL FUND  
 DEPARTMENT: 51 VETERAN AFFAIRS

		PRIOR YR ACTUAL	CURRENT YR APPROVED BUDGET	DEPARTMENT REQUEST	CAO RECOMMENDED BUDGET	DIFFERENCE
<b>TYPE: R REVENUE</b>						
<b>CLASS</b>	<b>CLASS TITLE</b>					
05	REV: STATE INTERGOVERNMENTAL	26,314	28,205	28,670	28,670	465
10	REV: FEDERAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL	5,137	4,300	4,300	4,300	0
20	REV: OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	1,024	10,446	4,850	4,850	-5,596
<b>TYPE: R SUBTOTAL</b>		32,475	42,951	37,820	37,820	-5,131
<b>TYPE: E EXPENDITURE</b>						
<b>CLASS</b>	<b>CLASS TITLE</b>					
30	SALARY & EMPLOYEE BENEFITS	350,419	365,470	390,867	377,806	12,336
40	SERVICE & SUPPLIES	52,204	82,033	64,644	61,745	-20,288
50	OTHER CHARGES	80	353	453	100	-253
60	FIXED ASSETS	11,003	0	0	3,500	3,500
72	INTRAFUND TRANSFERS	19,951	21,002	21,057	21,167	165
<b>TYPE: E SUBTOTAL</b>		433,657	468,858	477,021	464,318	-4,540
<b>FUND TYPE:</b>	<b>10 SUBTOTAL</b>	401,181	425,907	439,201	426,498	591
<b>DEPARTMENT:</b>	<b>51 SUBTOTAL</b>	401,181	425,907	439,201	426,498	591

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Positions: 5