



SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION OF MACON COUNTY, INC.

26 JULY 2023

STALEY CREDIT UNION ACCOUNT-

CHECKING \$60,153.38 SAVINGS \$25.00

TREASURERS CD - \$511,009.27 +\$11,009.27

DAV VAN: 75 TRIPS 154 RIDERS 13,500 MILES

VAC VAN: 84 TRIPS 9,800 MILES

2023 CLAIMS REPRESENTATION - NACVSO PACT ACT

- ✓ 378 CLAIMS AND/OR APPEALS SUBMITTED
- ✓ \$656,358.00 IN BACKPAY FY 2023
- ✓ \$1,750,317.72 IN NEW YEARLY BENEFITS FY 2023
- ✓ \$2,406,675.72 TOTAL BROUGHT INTO MACON COUNTY FY 2023
- ✓ ECONOMIC IMPACT (X5) IN MACON COUNTY \$12,033,378.60

NEW BENEFITS & INFO:

1. VAC COUNTY EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE - 18 APPLICATIONS \$7964.14 FY 2023
2. CHARITY EXPENSES - INDIGENT SPOUSE AT FAIRHAVEN'S \$410 ON INCONTINENCE . WE ALSO PURCHASED AN INOGEN ONE G5 OXYGEN CONCENTRATOR TO LOAN OUT \$2780.00
3. HYGIENE & FUEL GIFT CARDS \$4050.00 FY 2023
4. SOCIAL ISOLATION -IF WE HAVE SENIOR VETERANS THAT ARE NOT GETTING OUT OF THEIR HOME A LOT AND WOULD BENEFIT FROM A FREE TABLET/IPAD. MACON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT HAS TABLET OR IPAD FOR ISOLATED SENIORS. THERE ARE NO INCOME RESTRICTIONS ON THIS PROGRAM. THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT WILL ACTUALLY GO OUT AND TRAIN THE SENIOR ON HOW TO USE THE TABLET, IF NEEDED. PHONE NUMBER IS ON THE FLYER. THE ONLY CHARGE WOULD BE INTERNET IF THEY DO NOT ALREADY HAVE IT OR INCOME BASED COULD RECEIVE IT FREE, AS WELL.
5. CHARITY - SO THE CHARITY CAN BE ADMINISTRATED BY A VETERAN. WE NEED TO HAVE A BOARD OF 3, 5 OR 7 MEMBERS. THE HONOR GUARD WILL ALSO FALL UNDER THIS CHARITY TO BE AUDITED AS A PART OF THE CHARITY. WE ARE WORKING ON BY-LAWS. BEING AS THIS CHARITY IS HERE TO SUPPORT THE OFFICE AND THE HONOR GUARD.



Agenda - 26 Jul 2023

Veterans Assistance Commission of Macon County, Inc.

1. **Call to order**
2. **Pledge to the Flag**
3. **Prayer - Chaplain**
4. **Roll Call of Delegates**
5. **Recognize new Commission members or guests:**
6. **Approval of the minutes for April 26, 2023 meeting**
7. **Superintendents/Treasurers Reports**
8. **Post Delegates Reports & Activities**
9. **Honor Guard Report**
10. **Old Business:**
 - A) None Currently
11. **New Business:**
 - A) Select 501C3 Leadership Team
 - B) County Budget - discussion and vote (roll call)
12. **Good Of Organization /Announcements**
13. **Prayer - Chaplain**
14. **Closed Session: If Needed**
15. **Adjournment**



MEETING MINUTES – 04/26/2023
Veterans Assistance Commission of Macon County, Inc.

1. **CALLED TO ORDER** – At 17:30 on 26APR 2023

2. **PLEDGE TO FLAG** led by Greg Collins

3. **ROLL CALL** – Quorum Present 7 Post

Officers in Attendance	Post Delegate - Alternant
President Bill Hanes	AL #72 Bob Rutherford
Vice President Richard Cairns	AL #105 William Hanes
Treasurer Burl Stoner	MCL #799 Bob Kimmons
Sergeant-At-Arm Ivery Chambliss	AL #660 Stoy Bliss
Chaplain Bob Rutherford	AL #1972 Chaplin DL Humphrey
Superintendent Greg Collins	AL # 1972 Carnele Bond
	VFW# 99 Bill Peveler
	VFW # 99 Richard Cairns
	VFW #730 Ivery Chambliss
	VFW # 730 Burl Stoner

4. **RECOGNIZE NEW COMMISSION MEMBERS OR GUESTS**

Blain Smith Executive Director Macon County Court Appointed Special Advocates

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES 26 JANUARY 2023**

Motion Richard Cairns 2nd Burl Stoner All Present approved

6. **SUPERINTENDENT REPORT / Treasurer Report**

A) Report Attached

8. **POST DELEGATES REPORTS AND ACTIVITIES**

None Currently

9. **HONOR GUARD REPORT**

A) Report Attached

10. **OLD BUSINESS**

FY 2024 Macon County Budget Pr

087 - VAC

		<u>Ending</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>(Over) Under</u>	<u>FY 2023 %</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>FY 2024 vs FY</u>
		<u>Balance</u>	<u>05/31/2023</u>	<u>11/30/2023</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Used</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>2023 Budget</u>
4110	CURRENT TAXES	-	-	289,400.00	(289,400.00)	0.00%	289,400.00	-
4119	INTEREST ON CHECKING	665.67	104.12	1,000.00	(895.88)	10.41%	1,000.00	-
4120	INTEREST ON INVESTMENTS	-	10,352.68	-	10,352.68	#DIV/0!	10,000.00	10,000.00
4970	DONATIONS	150.00	8,630.00	5,000.00	3,630.00	172.60%	2,000.00	2,000.00
Total 4xxx		815.67	19,086.80	295,400.00	(276,313.20)	6.46%	302,400.00	7,000.00
Total Revenues		815.67	19,086.80	295,400.00	(276,313.20)	6.46%	302,400.00	7,000.00
5001	ELECTED OFFICIAL/OFFICE I	32,245.43	33,543.91	74,542.00	40,998.09	45.00%	76,362.00	1,820.00
5040	EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	20,461.43	40,730.93	85,000.00	44,269.07	47.92%	50,000.00	(35,000.00)
5080	OFFICE MANAGER	-	-	50,000.00	50,000.00	0.00%	58,000.00	8,000.00
Total 5xxx		52,706.86	74,274.84	209,542.00	135,267.16	35.45%	184,362.00	(25,180.00)
6010	GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE	9,804.00	14,706.00	39,216.00	24,510.00	37.50%	29,412.00	(9,804.00)
6011	SOCIAL SECURITY	4,256.11	5,957.82	16,030.00	10,072.18	37.17%	14,103.69	(1,926.31)
6012	IMRF RETIREMENT	4,578.28	4,585.49	10,477.00	5,891.51	43.77%	8,333.16	(2,143.84)
Total 6xxx		18,638.39	25,249.31	65,723.00	40,473.69	38.42%	51,848.86	(13,874.14)

7110	EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE	-	-	500.00	500.00	0.00%	500.00	-
7115	TELEPHONE EXPENSE	221.54	248.31	600.00	351.69	41.39%	600.00	-
7120	TRAVEL	255.20	1,289.52	6,500.00	5,210.48	19.84%	6,500.00	-
7150	POSTAGE	75.35	180.98	600.00	419.02	30.16%	600.00	-
7180	IT SERVICES	1,808.66	1,417.21	6,000.00	4,582.79	23.62%	7,500.00	1,500.00
7210	DUES	674.00	145.00	670.00	525.00	21.64%	800.00	130.00
7250	CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	500.00	600.00	3,500.00	2,900.00	17.14%	4,000.00	500.00
7356	BUS TRANSPORT	1,912.83	3,366.88	20,000.00	16,633.12	16.83%	20,000.00	-
7357	VETERANS BURIAL	-	-	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00%	1,000.00	-
7358	VETERANS ASSISTANCE EXI	5,703.35	11,360.85	75,000.00	63,639.15	15.15%	75,000.00	-
		Ending	Actual	Budget	(Over) Under	FY 2023 %	Proposed	FY 2024 vs FY
		Balance:	05/31/2023	11/30/2023	Budget	Used	Budget	2024 Budget
7361	EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE	5,311.29	5,359.80	20,000.00	14,640.20	26.80%		-
	Total 7xxx	16,462.22	23,968.55	134,370.00	110,401.45	17.84%	136,500.00	2,130.00
8020	OFFICE SUPPLIES	284.03	3,864.65	4,000.00	135.35	96.62%		-
8200	MISCELLANEOUS	-	-	500.00	500.00	0.00%		-
	Total 8xxx	284.03	3,864.65	4,500.00	635.35	85.88%	4,500.00	-
	Total Expenses	88,091.50	127,357.35	414,135.00	286,777.65	30.75%	377,210.86	(36,924.14)
	Net Surplus/Deficit	(87,275.83)	(108,270.55)	(118,735.00)	10,464.45	91.19%	(74,810.86)	43,924.14

What is Social Isolation?

When an older adult has limited or no contact with others but would prefer more, they are socially isolated.

Social isolation can lead to loneliness and can impact physical and mental health.

Older adults are more likely than others to feel socially isolated because they have experienced life transitions such as:

- The loss of a spouse or partner
- A chronic or limiting medical condition
- Retirement
- Becoming a caregiver for a spouse or partner

Become more socially engaged by getting involved in your community!



Benefits for Socially EngAGED Older Adults

Staying connected contributes to a better quality of life for older adults because it leads to:

1. Improved emotional well-being and mental health
2. Better health and physical fitness
3. Renewed sense of purpose
4. Longer life spans

Communities Benefit When Older Adults are Socially EngAGED

Older adults who are socially engAGED in the community are able to share their **knowledge, talent, skills, experience and wisdom** when they:

- Perform caregiving activities and mentor others
- Make contributions to the local economy
- Become entrepreneurs and start small businesses
- Serve as experienced and resourceful employees
- Support community organizations through volunteerism



Older Adults Can EngAGE in the Community by:

- Using **technology** to connect to friends and family
- Rekindling **creative talents** or learning new ones
- Learning something new through **classes** designed for older adults
- Participating in **intergenerational programs** in the community
- Serving others through **volunteering** with local organizations
- Seeking part-time **work opportunities**, or starting their own business

To learn about other opportunities to connect, contact your local Area Agency on Aging.

Get & Stay Connected!

The overall goal of the Illinois Department on Aging, together with the 13 Area Agencies on Aging, is to reduce social isolation among older adults. There are many services available that play a vital role in reducing social isolation in your community, which may include:

- Home-Delivered Meals
- Community Dining Meals
- Information and Assistance
- Health Promotion and Disease Prevention Activities
- Caregiver Supportive Services
- Transportation

Contact your local Area Agency on Aging or the Senior Helpline at 1-800-252-8966 (1-888-206-1327 TTY) for more information about available services and programs in your community.



State of Illinois
Illinois Department on Aging



Contact the Macon County Health Department's Starting Point Division at 217-423-6550 to learn more about ways to reduce social isolation.



**OPPORTUNITIES
TO CONNECT
ARE WITHIN
YOUR REACH**



One Natural Resources Way, Suite 100
Springfield, Illinois 62702-1271

www.illinois.gov/aging

The Illinois Department on Aging does not discriminate in admission to programs or treatment of employment in programs or activities in compliance with appropriate State and federal statutes. If you feel you have been discriminated against, call the Senior HelpLine at 1-800-252-8966, 1-888-206-1327 (TTY).

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*Reducing social isolation
among older adults*