

REPORT OF THE VETERANS SERVICE COMMISSION

Port Washington, Wisconsin

February 16, 2004

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

OZAUKEE COUNTY, WISCONSIN

Ladies and Gentlemen,

The following is the report of the Veterans Service Commission for calendar year 2003.

The sum of \$2500.00 was restored on January 1, 2003, to the Veterans Relief Fund as part of the County Budget for FY '03. Of this amount \$1,276.23 was distributed as loans/grants during the past year. All of these funds were disbursed for emergency shelter/utilities and /or food.

The Veterans Service Office received donations (gift certificates) totaling \$200.00 from local veterans' service organizations, which were distributed to needy veterans around the holidays.

It is possible that the fund could receive repayments during the coming year, for loans that were granted during 2002 and 2003.

We closed out the year with a balance of \$1,223.77, which was augmented by monies from the general fund to bring the starting balance back to \$2,500.00 to begin FY'04.

We have continued to seek out other sources of aid for the veterans, as situations have dictated. We seek to qualify these individuals for State and Federal programs, which are better prepared, and better funded to deal with their long-term needs.

The Commission wishes to express its gratitude for the continuing support of the County Government, the Veterans Service Office, and the County's Veterans Organizations.

Respectfully submitted for the Commission,

Kenneth A. Brown

Executive Secretary