



# Minnesota Veterans 4 Veterans Trust Fund

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

### **Minnesota Veterans 4 Veterans Trust Fund ( V4V ) approved \$40,000.00 in Grants to assist Minnesota Veterans**

At the November 2020 Minnesota Veterans 4 Veterans Trust fund monthly meeting, the following grants were approved by the eight-member board of directors:

**Armed Forces Airport Service Center at the Minneapolis Airport,** was awarded \$10,000.00 by V4V Trust Fund for its portion to help fund food products for service men and women. The Armed Forces Service Center (AFSC) is a nonprofit 24 hour military based facility located at MSP Airport, since 1970. The AFSC provides free food, shelter and various services for traveling military and their dependents; Active-Duty, Reserves, National Guard, Purple Heart and Medal of Honor recipients, military retirees and Department of Defense personnel

**Veterans for Veterans (V4V) Trust Fund** is awarding \$20,000.00 ( \$5,000 each ) to the auxiliary organizations of the Department of MN VFW, American Legion, Military Order of the Purple Heart and the DAV. The Auxiliary organizations were asked to identify a high impact project serving MN veterans and apply the grant money to it over the holiday season. They are to report back to the V4V as to where the grant was applied via report back to the V4V in month of January 2021. The V4V recognizes the importance these auxiliaries volunteer efforts and their projects and programs serving our veterans.

**Minneapolis Veterans Health Center Voluntary Services** was awarded

\$10,000.00 in needed gift cards ( gas, food, transit, etc. ) to be given out by the Voluntary Services at the Minneapolis VA. Board member. Board member Don Pankake has arranged for the American Legion Auxiliary to accept and administer the grant funds working with the the Mpls VAVS team to purchase the needed gift cards.

The Minnesota Veterans 4 Veterans (V4V) Trust Fund is a 501c (19) non-profit organization established as the result of the 2006 sale of Lake Minnetonka Big Island Disabled Veterans Camp. The non-profit organization has eight board members, two veterans each who are appointed by the DAV, VFW, MOPH, and American Legion. The board oversees the funds from the sale of the island to the City of Orono and has a grant application process on their website. Grants are made to organizations serving MN veterans in a way that conforms to the criteria the V4V has documented online at their website.....Website: [mnv4v.org](http://mnv4v.org)

To learn more about the history of the Big Island Veterans Camp  
see: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Big\\_Island\\_Amusement\\_Park](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Big_Island_Amusement_Park)  
And  
<https://www.minnehahacreek.org/project/big-island-restoration>

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