



Minnesota Veterans 4 Veterans Trust Fund

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Minnesota Veterans 4 Veterans Trust Fund (V4V) approved/disbursed \$37,000.00 in two grants to assist Minnesota Veterans.

At the March 16, 2022, monthly Minnesota Veterans 4 Veterans Trust fund meeting, the following grants were approved by the eight-member board of directors:

- **Sherburne County Veterans Service Office** was awarded **\$10,000**
The Sherburne County Veterans Service Office has raised funds to replace their two county veterans' transportation vans and as previously committed, the V4V Trust Fund would grant the last \$5,000 needed for the purchase of each van. The vans are used to transport veterans in need of a ride to and from their medical appointments.
- **The Fergus Falls Veterans Home** was previous awarded a commitment for up to **\$30,000** for their greenhouse project and the V4V Trust Fund challenged them to campaign for the remaining funds needed to fund the project. They completed their campaign and requested \$27,000 needed to begin construction. The board approved the disbursement.
- **The 87 MN County Veteran Service offices** at our **February** meeting, was awarded a board-initiated grant of \$26,000 for the purchase of 1000 Hurrycanes to be distributed evenly to each of the counties to be given to veterans they serve who are in need of a cane. **The Hurrycanes have arrived, and distribution will begin shortly.**

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, mnv4v.org

To learn more about the history of the Big Island Veterans Camp see:

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Big_Island_Park

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<https://minnehahacreek.org/sites/minnehahacreek.org/files/Big%20Island%20Fact%20Sheet.pdf>

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