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**Minnesota
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Press Release



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

MN Veterans 4 Veterans Trust Fund (V4V) approved \$33,500.00 in Grants to assist MN Veterans

At the January 3,2013 Veterans 4 Veterans Trust fund monthly meeting, the following grants were approved by the eight member board of directors:

A \$14,500 grant was awarded for a Joint Outreach Program by the four organizations, the American Legion, Disabled American Veterans, Military order of the Purple Heart and the Veterans of Foreign Wars. This grant will be aimed at getting the "Veterans Message" throughout the state through a branding and publicity effort at various trade shows carried by a nationally known Walleye fisherman in an effort to reach veterans to inform them of the benefits available to them through the State and Federal agencies.

A grant for \$5000.00 was awarded to the VFW Department Auxiliary to provide furnishings and incidentals for the first woman veterans Structured Independent Living House operated by the Military Assistance Council for Veterans (MACV). This home will provide a "home-like" environment for the women veteran through pleasant and warm furnishings.

A third grant of \$14,000.00 was awarded to the Armed Forces Service Center . This grant will be used to replace the worn out furniture throughout the Service Center. The Armed Forces Service Center (AFSC) is an "all free" stop located at the

Minneapolis/St. Paul International Airport, for active-duty military personnel, their dependents, activated reservists and national guardsmen. As well as, Department of Defense and PHS employees (on orders), and other members of the uniformed services on active duty. In appreciation for all those who have served, military retirees and veterans are welcome to a cup of coffee, pastry and seating provided outside the AFSC. The center is located in Terminal 1- Lindbergh, on the mezzanine level above the main ticket area.

The MN 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: www.mnv4v.org

To review history of the Big Island Veterans Camp see:
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