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of
Veterans Affairs*

FISCAL YEAR 2017 ANNUAL REPORT



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Commissioner

June 1, 2018

Governor Kay Ivey
Members of the State Board of Veterans Affairs
Citizens of the State of Alabama

Greetings:

Code of Alabama, 1975, Section 31-5-7, reads:

"The Commissioner of the Department of Veterans Affairs shall submit to the State Board of Directors the report of activities for the Alabama Department of Veterans Affairs. An annual report with reference to claims presented on behalf of veterans of this state, concerning veterans aided under federal, state, or local legislation and to otherwise report activities and accomplishments of the Department of Veterans Affairs."

In compliance with the above section, it is my distinct honor to present herewith the Annual Report of the Alabama Department of Veterans Affairs for FY 2017.

Respectfully,

A blue ink signature of W. Clyde Marsh, written in a cursive style.

W. Clyde Marsh
Commissioner

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STATE BOARD OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

The State Board of Veterans Affairs consists of the Governor, as chair, and representatives who shall serve for a term of four years from the date of their respective appointments. These representatives shall be selected from the memberships of the Alabama Department of the American Legion, American Veterans the United Spanish American War Veterans, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Disabled American Veterans, the Veterans of WWI of the USA, Incorporated, the Vietnam Veterans of America, AMVETS, the Military Order of the Purple Heart, American Ex-Prisoners of War, Inc., Marine Corps League and Military Officers Association of America as prescribed by Alabama Code §31-5-3.

Board Members for Fiscal Year 2017

Governor Kay Ivey - Chairman
Chad Richmond - Vice Chairman
Don Fisher
Bobby Browne
Patrick Downing
Matt Gaff
Scott Gedling
Willis Frazier
Seymour "Sy" Lichtenfeld

John R. New
Valentine R. Obregon
Ken Rollins
Charles Stephens
Carol Anne Toms
Sandra Thompson
Deborah Walker
Charles Waugh



Pictured Seated (left to right): Ken Rollins, Carol Anne Toms, Valentine Obregon, John New, Deborah Walker and Charles Stephens.

Standing (left to right): Bobby Browne, Matt Gaff, Chad Richmond, Clyde Marsh (state commissioner), Don Fisher, Willis Frazier, Scott Gedling and Patrick Downing.

Not Pictured: Seymour "Sy" Lichtenfeld, Sandra Thompson and Charles Waugh.

COMMISSIONER'S OVERVIEW



To the Governor of the State of Alabama and members of the State Board of Veterans Affairs, it my distinct honor to submit the 2017 Annual Report for the Alabama Department of Veterans Affairs (ADVA). This report highlights the significant accomplishments of an outstanding team of dedicated state employees and the solid support we receive from our partners at the U. S. Department of Veterans Affairs, as well as the veterans service organizations and community partners.

The ADVA's mission is to serve the 369,000+ veterans residing in Alabama, their dependents and survivors in all matters pertaining to veterans benefits. This responsibility falls into two basic tasks: informing veterans and their families about veterans benefits; and directly assisting and advising veterans and their families in securing the benefits to which they are entitled.

ADVA continues to provide veterans counseling and advocacy services throughout the State of Alabama. We are motivated to recognize our veterans service and to find ways to connect them with resources, services and information that could improve their lives.

The Veterans Service Offices (VSO), located throughout the state, provide direct assistance to veterans at the local level. The department representatives provide counsel and assist veterans in gathering the documents and information required to support their claims. The VSO's job is to obtain for a veteran or dependents the earned benefits to which they are entitled, to tell them when they are entitled, and to assist them in gathering and preparing evidence needed to justify a claim and prove their entitlement.

The Alabama GI Dependent Scholarship Program continues to be a great benefit for dependents of eligible disabled veterans. In 2017, Gov. Kay Ivey signed Senate Bill 315 that allows dependents of veterans to continue receiving educational benefits while helping to ensure fiscal responsibility within the state. The bill made vital changes that will keep the scholarship available for many. The legislation included several amendments including returning the threshold disability rating for veterans from 20 percent to 40 percent, added new residency requirements for both the veteran and the student as well as adding new educational requirements for the students. Additionally, the bill limits tuition up to the Department of Defense Tuition Assistance Cap, which is currently \$250 per semester hour and limits the amounts allowed for textbooks and fees at up to \$1,000 per student for each semester.

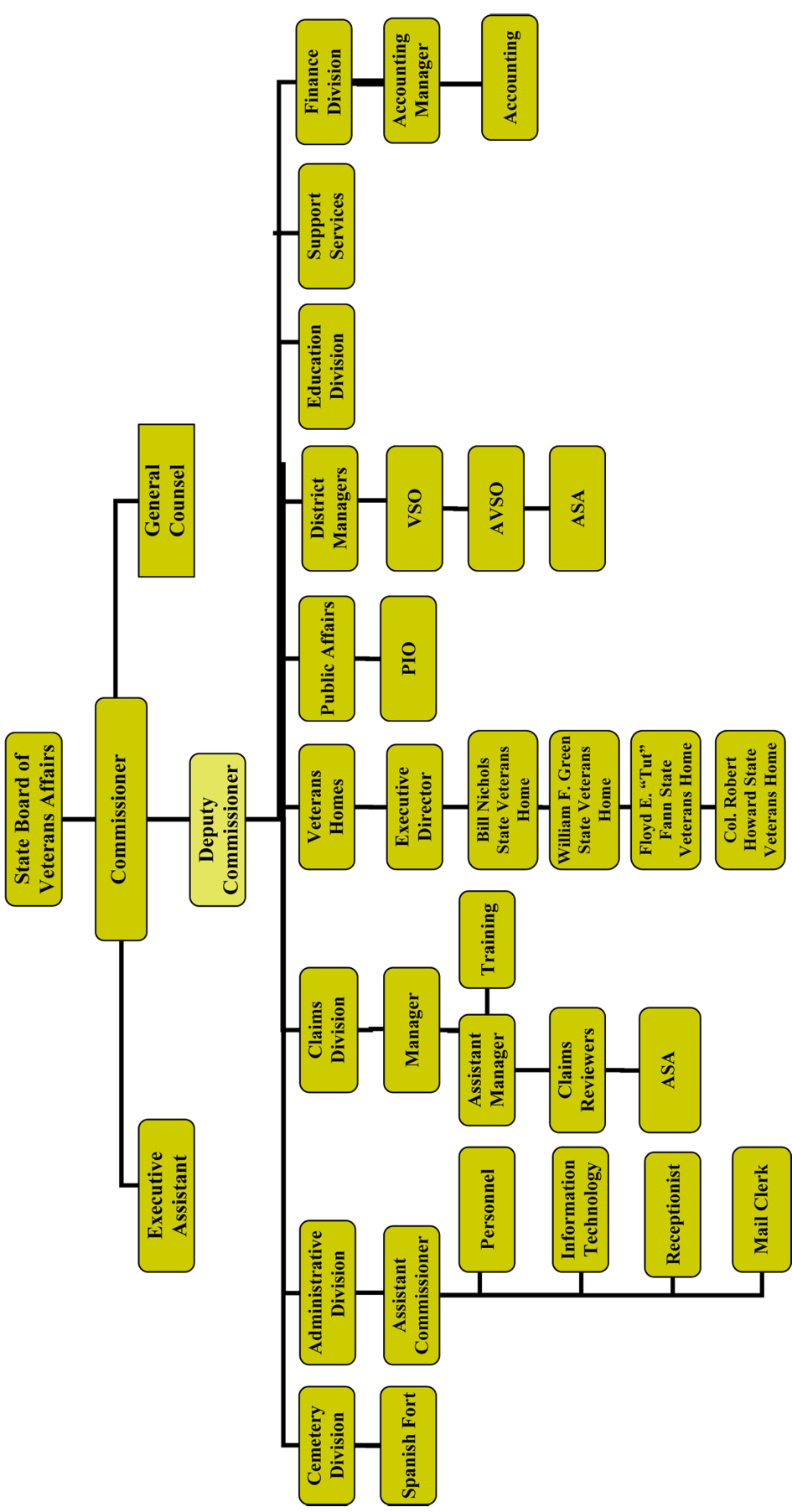
Alabama veterans had the opportunity to "shop" for benefits and services at the "Supermarket of Veterans Benefits" (SVB) in Florence. The SVB fair helps veterans and their families obtain information on state, federal and nongovernmental services that are designed specifically for them. State and federal VA officials, along with other service organizations, were on hand to provide veterans information on VA programs, health care benefits, claims, counseling, and a multitude of other services, such as social security, Medicaid and legal services.

Many Alabamians are not taking advantage of many federal, state and local benefits and services that they have earned. ADVA will strive to continue reducing that gap in the upcoming years. On behalf of the agency, it is our distinct honor and privilege to serve the veterans and their family members of the great State of Alabama.

Finally, I must acknowledge the outstanding work performed by the veterans homes long-term care directors, claims reviewers, cemetery employees, headquarters staff personnel and especially the veterans service officers and administrative assistants in our county offices throughout the state. This department and other state agencies could not provide the required services to our veterans and to the citizens of Alabama without our dedicated employees. It is my distinct honor and privilege to work with you as we together serve our veterans and their family members.

ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



COUNTY VETERANS AFFAIRS OFFICES

PERSONNEL DIRECTORY

COUNTY	ADDRESS, TELEPHONE, FAX	DAYS SERVED
AUTAUGA Vacant	218 North Court Street Prattville, AL 36067 Phone: (334) 358-6746 FAX: (334) 361-4821	Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday
BALDWIN Raymond Williamson Vickie K. Prewett	201 East Section Street Foley, AL 36535 Phone: (251) 937-0218 FAX: (251) 972-8535	Monday–Friday
BARBOUR David Sharpe	303 East Broad Street Ste. 102 Eufaula, AL 36027 Phone: (334) 619-1511 FAX: (334) 619-1512	Monday and Thursday
BIBB David M. Edwards	35 Court Square East, Ste. 105 Centreville, AL 35042 Phone: (205) 926-3116 FAX: (205) 926-3126	Wednesday
BLOUNT Itinerant	1004 2nd Avenue E, RM 13 Oneonta, AL 35121 Phone: (205) 274-2287 FAX: (205) 274-7611	Monday
BULLOCK	The Bullock County office has relocated to the Montgomery County location.	
BUTLER Tammie R. Rice	201 S. Conecuh Street, Ste. 102 Greenville, AL 36037 Phone: (334) 382-3231 FAX: (334) 382-6595	Monday, Tuesday and Friday
CALHOUN Annette J. Rainge Johnnie S. Whitehead Edward K. Lewis	1702 Noble Street, Ste. 109 Anniston, AL 36202 Phone: (256) 241-2950 FAX: (256) 231-1893	Monday–Friday

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COUNTY	ADDRESS, TELEPHONE, FAX	DAYS SERVED
CHAMBERS	The Chambers County office has relocated to the Lee County location.	
CHEROKEE	The Cherokee County office has relocated to the Etowah County location.	
CHILTON	The Chilton County office has relocated to the Shelby County location.	
CHOCTAW F. Dwight McBride	117 S. Mulberry St., RM 126 Butler, AL 36904 Phone: (205) 459-2111 FAX: (205) 459-2116	Monday–Friday
CLARKE Rhonda K. Jackson	120 Court Street Grove Hill, AL 36451 Phone: (251) 275-3374 FAX: (251) 275-1060	Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday
CLAY	The Clay County office has been relocated to the Randolph County location.	
CLEBURNE Rochelle I. Osbourn	120 Vickery Street, RM 106 Heflin, AL 36264 Phone: (256) 463-7765 FAX: (256) 463-1015	Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday
COFFEE Meria H. Nelson	1065 E. McKinnon Street New Brockton, AL 36351 Phone: (334) 894-5858 FAX: (334) 894-6506	Monday–Friday
COLBERT	The Colbert County office has been relocated to the Lauderdale County location.	
CONECUH Tammie Rice	111 Court Street, Ste. 108 Evergreen, AL 36401 Phone: (251) 578-7036 FAX: (251) 578-2835	Wednesday and Thursday
COOSA	The Coosa County office has been relocated to the Tallapoosa County location.	

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COUNTY	ADDRESS, TELEPHONE, FAX	DAYS SERVED
COVINGTON Robert B. Foshee	250 Hillcrest Drive, RM 151 Andalusia, AL 36420 Phone: (334) 428-2687 FAX: (334) 428-2679	Monday–Friday
CRENSHAW	The Crenshaw Count office has been relocated to the Butler County location.	
CULLMAN Darell J. Brewer Candace Reppond	500 2nd Avenue SW, RM 109 Cullman, AL 35055 Phone: (256) 775-4662 FAX: (256) 775-4947	Tuesday–Friday
DALE Jerry L. Lucas Rachel M. Hauser	202 Hwy 123 South, Suite F Ozark, AL 36360 Phone: (334) 774-5550 FAX: (334) 774-5713	Monday–Friday
DALLAS Janelle DuBose	105 Lauderdale St., RM 132 Selma, AL 36702 Phone: (334) 874-2533 FAX: (334) 874-2599	Monday–Friday
DEKALB James E. “Jim” McIntire	500 Grand Avenue SW Ft. Payne, AL 35967 Phone: (256) 845-8572 FAX: (256) 845-8582	Monday–Friday
ELMORE Tracey L. Jackson	203 Hill Street Wetumpka, AL 36092 Phone: (334) 567-1175 FAX: (334) 514-5845	Monday
ESCAMBIA Gene A. Moore	8600 Highway 31 East, Box 4 Atmore, AL 35602 Phone: (251) 368-4223 Ext. 115 FAX: (251) 446-8610	Monday–Friday

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COUNTY	ADDRESS, TELEPHONE, FAX	DAYS SERVED
ETOWAH Kevin F. Martin Brian Evans Norma Jean Russell	800 Forest Avenue, Suite 202 Gadsden, AL 35901 Phone: (256) 549-5458 FAX: (256) 549-5449	Monday–Friday
FAYETTE Jon A. Doolittle, Sr.	103 First Avenue NW Fayette, AL 35555-0304 Phone: (205) 932-6262 FAX: (205) 932-5251	Monday, Thursday and Friday
FRANKLIN Itinerant Brenda Holaway	410 Jackson Street Russellville, AL 35653 Phone (256) 332-8845 Fax: (256) 332-8839	Monday–Friday VSO Thursday only
GENEVA Robert Gautney	200 North Commerce Street Geneva, AL 36340 Phone: (334) 684-5657 FAX: (334) 684-5656	Monday–Friday
GREENE Itinerant	20 South Commerce Street Eutaw, AL 35462 Phone: (205) 372-6977 FAX: (205) 372-6947	Wednesday
HALE	The Hale County office has been relocated to the Bibb County location.	
HENRY	The Henry County office has been relocated to the Barbour County location.	
HOUSTON Davy K. Daughtry Orlanda Grimsley	1685 Ross Clark Circle Dothan, AL 36301 Phone: (334) 677-4749 FAX: (334) 673-7550	Monday–Friday

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COUNTY	ADDRESS, TELEPHONE, FAX	DAYS SERVED
JACKSON		
Mike K. Maynor	102 E. Laurel St, Ste. 33 Scottsboro, AL 35768 Phone: (256) 259-1411 FAX: (256) 259-9019	Monday–Friday
JEFFERSON/BIRMINGHAM		
Angela F. Hunter	1515 6th Ave. South, Five West	Monday–Friday
Zanthia S. Matthews	Cooper Green Mercy Health	
Shanda R. Williams	Birmingham, AL 35233	
Daniel C. Dobson	Phone: (205) 521-7305	
Shameka Miles	FAX: (205) 521-7309	
Melodie Chancey		
JEFFERSON/BESSEMER		
James Threadgill	1801 3rd Avenue North, RM 105A Bessemer, AL 35020 Phone: (205) 481-4117 FAX: (205) 481-8015	Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday
LAMAR		
Jon A. Doolittle, Sr.	Courthouse Annex Bevill Bldg. West Columbus Avenue Vernon, AL 35592 Phone: (205) 695-7253 Fax: (205) 695-0023	Wednesday
LAUDERDALE		
Peggy Marquart	312 S. Court Street	Monday–Friday
Micheal A. White	Florence, AL 35630	
Felicia D. Jones	Phone: (256) 760-5845	
Breanna D. Phillips	Fax: (256) 767-0013	
LAWRENCE	The Lawrence County office has been relocated to the Morgan County location.	
LEE		
Sean Gathers	215 South 9th Street RM 120 Opelika, AL 36801 Phone: (334) 737-3626 FAX: (334) 745-9769	Monday–Friday
LIMESTONE		
Michael W. Davis	1109 W. Market Street Ste. B	Monday–Friday

COUNTY VETERANS AFFAIRS OFFICES

PERSONNEL DIRECTORY

COUNTY	ADDRESS, TELEPHONE, FAX	DAYS SERVED
	Athens, AL 35611 Phone: (256) 233-6459 FAX: (256) 233-6423	
LOWNDES	The Lowndes County office has been relocated to the Montgomery County location.	
MACON David C. Sharpe Betty Dubose	Tuskegee VA Medical Center Building 2, RM 109 Tuskegee, AL 36803 Phone: (334) 727-0550 FAX: (334) 724-6890	Monday–Friday
MADISON Harley F. Goble, Jr. Richard Epps Terrance Shearod Cynthia Johnson Wesley H. Conner	115-B Washington Street Huntsville, AL 35801 Phone: (256)532-1662 FAX: (256) 532-1562	Monday–Friday
MARENGO Sandra M. Wright	101 E. Coats Avenue, RM 123 Linden, AL 36748 Phone: (334) 295-2243 FAX: (334) 295-2268	Monday–Friday
MARION Donald G. Walls	First Avenue SW & Military Street Hamilton, AL 35570 Phone: (205) 921-3161 FAX: (205) 921-1742	Monday–Friday
MARSHALL Randall D. Watts	424 Blount Avenue Guntersville, AL 35976 Phone: (256) 571-7761 FAX: (256) 571-7856	Monday–Friday
MOBILE Hasten Taylor Virgil M. Wilson Shona M. Payne Darlene Corbin	1150 Government St., RM 107 Mobile, AL 36604 Phone: (251) 574-8578 FAX: (251) 574-5606	Monday–Friday

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COUNTY	ADDRESS, TELEPHONE, FAX	DAYS SERVED
MONROE Rhonda K. Jackson	65 North Alabama Avenue Monroeville, AL 36461 Phone: (251) 575-9832 FAX: (251) 575-9046	Thursday and Friday
MONTGOMERY Charles McCrary Brenda Eberly	125 Washington Avenue Montgomery, AL 36104 Phone: (334) 832-1392 FAX: (334) 832-7725	Monday–Friday
MORGAN Anthony M. Robinson Mary Brown	302 Lee Street NE, 1st Floor Decatur, AL 35601 Phone: (256) 351-4636 FAX: (334) 351-4664	Monday–Friday
PERRY	The Perry County office has been relocated to the Dallas County location.	
PICKENS Jon A. Doolittle, Sr.	Service Center Bldg. RM 302-B Highway 17 North Carrollton, AL 35447 Phone: (205) 367-2099 FAX: (205) 367-2265	Tuesday
PIKE Charles “Randy” Ross	120 Church Street Troy, AL 36081 Phone: (334) 566-1780 FAX: (334) 566-9141	Monday–Friday
RANDOLPH Rochelle Osbourne	One Main Street, RM 208 Wedowee, AL 36278 Phone: (256) 357-4775 Fax: (256) 357-4846	Thursday and Friday
RUSSELL David C. Sharpe James C. Holloway James Allred Natasha S. Sanks	1000 Broad Street Phenix City, AL 36867 Phone: (334) 298-7767 FAX: (334) 298-7297	Monday–Friday

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COUNTY	ADDRESS, TELEPHONE, FAX	DAYS SERVED
ST. CLAIR Hobert M. Thomas	1815 Cogswell Ave., Ste. 132 Pell City, AL 35125 Phone: (205) 338-7315 FAX: (205) 814-1509	Monday–Friday
SHELBY John D. Jones Timothy Waters Michelle Norton	54 Kelley Lane Columbiana, AL 35051 Phone: (205) 669-3835 FAX: (205) 669-8559	Monday–Friday
SUMTER	The Sumter County office has been relocated to the Choctaw County location.	
TALLADEGA Itinerant	132 North Court Street Talladega, AL 35160 Phone: (256) 761-2117 FAX: (256) 761-2144	Tuesday and Friday
TALLAPOOSA Nicole Goodman	395 Lee Street, RM 145 Alexander City, AL 35010 Phone: (256) 234-5246 FAX: (256) 234-5648	Tuesday–Friday
TUSCALOOSA Eric G. Ervin Rodney Stephens Amari A. Gunn	714 Greensboro Ave., RM 241 Tuscaloosa, AL 35401 Phone: (205) 349-3870, Ext. 360 FAX: (205) 758-6170	Monday–Friday
WALKER Johnny Benson Wendy Burleson	1803 3rd Avenue South, RM 106 Jasper, AL 35502 Phone: (205) 384-7277 FAX: (205) 384-7015	Monday–Friday
WASHINGTON	The Washington County office has been relocated to the Clarke County location.	
WILCOX	The Wilcox County office has been relocated to the Marengo County location.	
WINSTON	The Winston County office has been relocated to the Walker County location.	

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

FY 2017

SOURCE OF FUNDS

Act No. 2016-116	State General Fund	\$ 1,261,603
Act No. 2016-116	State General Fund (FY16 Reversion Reappropriated)	\$ 580,128
	Total State General Fund	\$ 1,841,731
Act No. 2016-199	ETF Administration	2,497,476
Act No. 2016-199	Education Trust Fund (AL G.I. Bill Education Benefits)	65,000,000
	Education Trust Fund (AL G.I. Benefits) - Supplementals	6,766,337
	Total Education Trust Fund	<u>74,263,813</u>
	TOTAL SOURCE OF FUNDS	\$ 76,105,544

EXPENDITURES

01	Personnel Costs	1,988,756
02	Employee Benefits	911,216
03	Travel (In-State)	105,388
04	Travel (Out-of-State)	1,973
05	Repairs and Maintenance	60
06	Rentals and Leases	237,922
07	Utilities and Communication	47,704
08	Professional Services	79,075
09	Supplies, Materials, and Operating Expenses	96,262
10	Transportation Equipment Operations	16,594
11	Grants and Benefits	142,634
	(AL G.I. Bill Education Benefits)	71,759,372
13	Transportation Equipment	71,859
14	Other Equipment Purchases	25,103
	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>\$ 75,483,918</u>
	Reverted to General Fund	\$ 610,190
	Reverted to Education Trust Fund (Administration)	\$ 4,471
	Reverted to Education Trust Fund (AL G.I. Bill Education Benefits)	\$ 6,965

ALABAMA VETERANS ASSISTANCE FUND

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

FY 2017

SOURCE OF FUNDS

Beginning Balance as of October 1, 2016

\$ 113,309,608

Transfer from Confederate Soldiers & Sailors Ad Valorem 9/28/17
 Federal Reimbursement (Nichols Dayroom/Columbarium)
 Federal Reimbursement (Pharmacy)
 Federal Reimbursement (Retroactive Per Diem)
 Federal Burial Awards
 Insurance Recovery
 Miscellaneous Tags
 Dependent Burials
 Surplus Property

36,482,404
 3,379,568
 795,457
 195,027
 179,636
 48,709
 30,542
 27,750
 943

TOTAL REVENUE

41,140,036

TOTAL SOURCE OF FUNDS

\$ 154,449,644

EXPENDITURES

	Administration	Nichols Home Alexander City	Green Home Bay Minette	Fann Home Huntsville	Howard Home Pell City	Capital Outlay Completion	Cemetery Spanish Fort
01 Personnel Costs	1,671,734						194,053
02 Employee Benefits	854,285						97,700
03 Travel (In-State)		7,188	40,200	37,606	71,935		1,466
05 Repair and Maintenance							3,690
07 Utilities and Communication							31,488
08 Professional Services (HMR of Alabama, Inc.)		4,360,995	4,390,826	4,377,349	385	(2,039,501)	960
09 Supplies, Materials, etc.	38,703						36,469
10 Transportation Equipment Op							2,759
11 Grants and Benefits		118,186	232,523	137,549	165,923		
12 Capital Outlay						(588,809)	
14 Other Equipment		113,101	534,139	560,733	47,487		6,465

TOTAL EXPENDITURES

(22,820,811)

Ending Balance- Alabama Veterans Assistance Fund as of September 30, 2017

\$ 131,628,833

VETERANS HOME TRUST FUND

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

FY 2017

SOURCE OF FUNDS

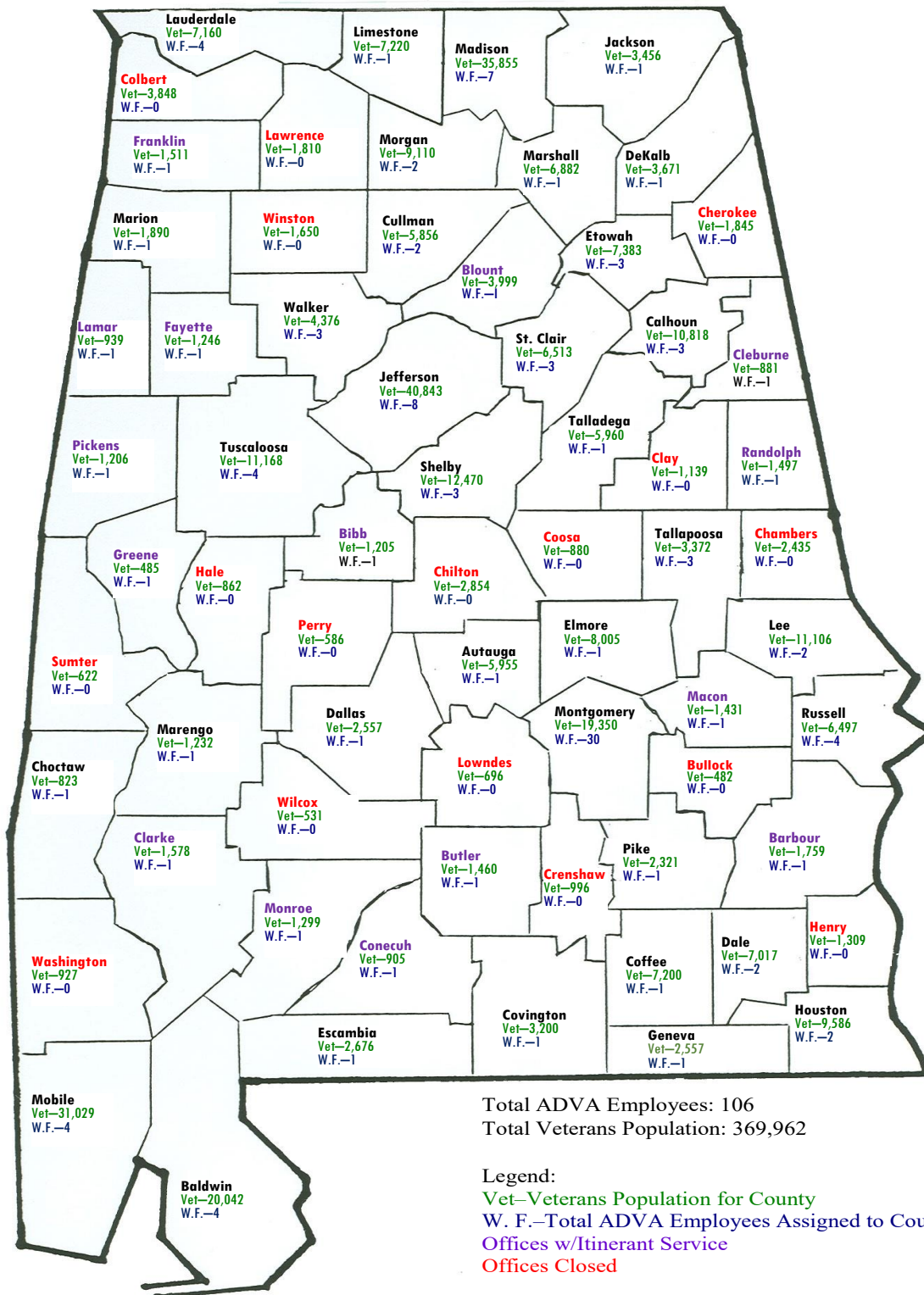
Beginning Balance October 1, 2016 (Donations and Interest)	\$ 1,627,379
VA Per Diem	31,840,631
Bed Lease (HMR of Alabama, Inc.)	1,027,840
Income Tax Check-Off	32,791
Interest	14,063
TOTAL REVENUE	<u>32,915,325</u>
TOTAL SOURCE OF FUNDS	<u>\$ 34,542,704</u>

EXPENDITURES

	Nichols Home Alex City	Green Home Bay Minette	Fann Home Huntsville	Howard Home Pell City
01 Personnel Costs	97,702	86,301	100,266	78,118
02 Employee Benefits	40,410	38,692	41,207	36,257
03 Travel (In-State)	1,620	1,352	1,950	1,575
04 Travel (Out-of-State)			196	
06 Rentals and Leases	1,248	1,237	1,233	1,237
07 Utilities and Communication	3,423	2,748	2,549	9,653
08 Professional Services				
(HMR of Alabama, Inc.)	7,180,986	7,202,499	7,579,767	9,720,639
09 Supplies, Materials, etc.	15,913	19,343	22,912	41,343
11 Grants & Benefits	23,274	89,174	139,530	50,723
14 Other Equipment	4,002	1,271	541	450
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	7,368,578	7,442,617	7,890,151	<u>(32,641,341)</u>
Ending Balance -Veterans Home Trust Fund as of September 30, 2017				<u>\$ 1,901,363</u>

State of Alabama Department of Veterans Affairs

Veterans vs. Employee Workforce Demographics



Alabama GI Dependent Scholarship Student Distribution by County

District	County	Students	Tuition	Book	Lab Fee	Total
I	BLOUNT	6	\$29,798.00	\$2,622.69	\$2,104.00	\$34,524.69
I	CHEROKEE	3	\$7,591.00	\$3,176.25	\$650.00	\$11,417.25
I	COLBERT	7	\$31,619.00	\$5,188.35	\$1,938.00	\$38,745.35
I	CULLMAN	92	\$479,887.25	\$73,478.95	\$31,203.00	\$584,569.20
I	DEKALB	68	\$298,545.36	\$50,669.73	\$14,087.00	\$363,302.09
I	ETOWAH	127	\$660,570.40	\$81,428.06	\$16,688.00	\$758,686.46
I	FAYETTE	22	\$152,701.38	\$19,622.50	\$5,313.00	\$177,636.88
I	FRANKLIN	12	\$43,794.00	\$8,424.83	\$3,346.00	\$55,564.83
I	JACKSON	22	\$123,796.00	\$16,897.88	\$6,748.00	\$147,441.88
I	LAMAR	2	\$37,833.75	\$2,393.75	\$850.00	\$41,077.50
I	LAUDERDALE	137	\$806,807.51	\$113,641.80	\$43,708.00	\$964,157.31
I	LAWRENCE	5	\$34,388.00	\$3,156.06	\$120.00	\$37,664.06
I	LIMESTONE	72	\$392,588.60	\$61,153.36	\$20,893.00	\$474,634.96
I	MADISON	637	\$4,205,256.50	\$523,637.71	\$165,638.90	\$4,894,533.11
I	MARION	32	\$154,270.50	\$22,867.67	\$7,836.00	\$184,974.17
I	MARSHALL	34	\$176,461.13	\$27,439.38	\$9,076.00	\$212,976.51
I	MORGAN	112	\$613,659.65	\$75,365.56	\$26,970.00	\$715,995.21
I	PICKENS	17	\$128,308.63	\$15,486.42	\$1,767.00	\$145,562.05
I	WALKER	60	\$240,003.50	\$52,821.15	\$13,147.00	\$305,971.65
I	WINSTON	3	\$15,171.00	\$3,397.95	\$1,442.00	\$20,010.95
II	AUTAUGA	197	\$1,479,834.91	\$162,952.59	\$36,259.00	\$1,679,046.50
II	BESSEMER	58	\$345,508.05	\$42,458.59	\$8,837.00	\$396,803.64
II	BIBB	18	\$86,189.25	\$9,498.37	\$566.00	\$96,253.62
II	CALHOUN	229	\$1,267,331.67	\$169,886.07	\$34,648.00	\$1,471,865.74
II	CHAMBERS	1	\$2,808.00	\$940.90	\$240.00	\$3,988.90
II	CHILTON	2	\$8,427.00	\$890.55	\$1,200.00	\$10,517.55
II	CHOCTAW	39	\$257,895.00	\$35,173.41	\$8,194.00	\$301,262.41
II	CLEBURNE	37	\$224,696.00	\$20,424.56	\$6,993.00	\$252,113.56
II	DALLAS	77	\$441,738.00	\$57,014.49	\$7,806.00	\$506,558.49
II	ELMORE	34	\$213,483.40	\$24,825.59	\$3,859.00	\$242,167.99
II	GREENE	4	\$16,866.00	\$2,856.44	\$1,500.00	\$21,222.44
II	HALE	6	\$14,754.00	\$2,087.10	\$290.00	\$17,131.10
II	JEFFERSON	669	\$4,620,842.38	\$503,729.59	\$164,118.51	\$5,288,690.48
II	LEE	281	\$1,812,605.16	\$193,859.42	\$38,288.00	\$2,044,752.58
II	MARENGO	63	\$463,380.08	\$52,840.98	\$12,437.00	\$528,658.06
II	PERRY	4	\$9,000.00	\$1,841.20	\$363.00	\$11,204.20
II	RANDOLPH	4	\$11,943.00	\$1,711.80	\$140.00	\$13,794.80
II	SAINT CLAIR	59	\$367,589.63	\$52,376.89	\$12,986.00	\$432,952.52
II	SHELBY	193	\$1,340,928.04	\$146,965.96	\$35,331.00	\$1,523,225.00
II	SUMTER	3	\$11,865.00	\$688.65	\$40.00	\$12,593.65

II	TALLADEGA	13	\$59,027.00	\$8,662.09	\$2,520.00	\$70,209.09
II	TALLAPOOSA	90	\$482,249.26	\$59,537.75	\$15,622.00	\$557,409.01
II	TUSCALOOSA	393	\$3,469,822.43	\$312,699.16	\$23,996.00	\$3,806,517.59
II	WILCOX	1	\$1,404.00	\$0.00	\$12.00	\$1,416.00
III	BALDWIN	126	\$927,058.72	\$107,926.02	\$23,942.50	\$1,058,927.24
III	BARBOUR	6	\$33,214.01	\$3,056.79	\$760.00	\$37,030.80
III	BUTLER	53	\$326,048.94	\$42,855.03	\$8,122.00	\$377,025.97
III	CLARKE	52	\$367,018.41	\$51,691.90	\$9,020.00	\$427,730.31
III	COFFEE	139	\$841,849.63	\$108,969.13	\$20,613.60	\$971,432.36
III	CONECUH	5	\$28,364.50	\$4,510.12	\$185.00	\$33,059.62
III	COVINGTON	46	\$214,727.50	\$28,526.35	\$6,472.00	\$249,725.85
III	CRENSHAW	2	\$18,210.00	\$1,048.95	\$60.00	\$19,318.95
III	DALE	142	\$765,138.66	\$107,815.91	\$24,715.00	\$897,669.57
III	ESCAMBIA	50	\$346,445.75	\$43,763.30	\$9,811.50	\$400,020.55
III	GENEVA	52	\$360,571.93	\$40,973.18	\$10,536.15	\$412,081.26
III	HENRY	1	\$805.00	\$0.00	\$70.00	\$875.00
III	HOUSTON	178	\$995,320.38	\$133,606.04	\$24,952.00	\$1,153,878.42
III	LOWNDES	1	\$10,080.00	\$899.25	\$0.00	\$10,979.25
III	MACON	51	\$301,436.50	\$33,623.65	\$5,151.00	\$340,211.15
III	MOBILE	634	\$4,093,742.20	\$582,723.54	\$106,060.43	\$4,782,526.17
III	MONROE	15	\$93,983.88	\$11,954.65	\$2,348.00	\$108,286.53
III	MONTGOMERY	636	\$4,966,095.60	\$496,541.93	\$91,751.50	\$5,554,389.03
III	PIKE	63	\$418,191.59	\$49,475.67	\$10,629.00	\$478,296.26
III	RUSSELL	319	\$2,093,829.08	\$239,885.12	\$43,632.24	\$2,377,346.44
III	WASHINGTON	2	\$9,676.00	\$741.59	\$183.00	\$10,600.59
	CLAIMS	3	\$27,451.50	\$1,982.69	\$110.00	\$29,544.19
	HEADQUARTERS	2,165	\$20,461,478.44	\$1,802,573.02	\$308,888.50	\$22,572,939.96
Report Total		8,686	\$63,343,976.64	\$6,921,936.03	\$1,497,783.83	\$71,763,696.50

District	Students	Tuition	Book	Lab Fee	Total
I	1,470	8,633,051.16	1,162,870.00	373,525	10,169,446
II	2,475	17,010,187.26	1,863,922.00	416,246	19,290,355
III	2,573	17,211,808.28	2,090,588.00	399,015	19,701,411
Report Total	8,686	\$63,343,976.64	\$6,921,936.03	\$1,497,783.83	\$71,763,696.50

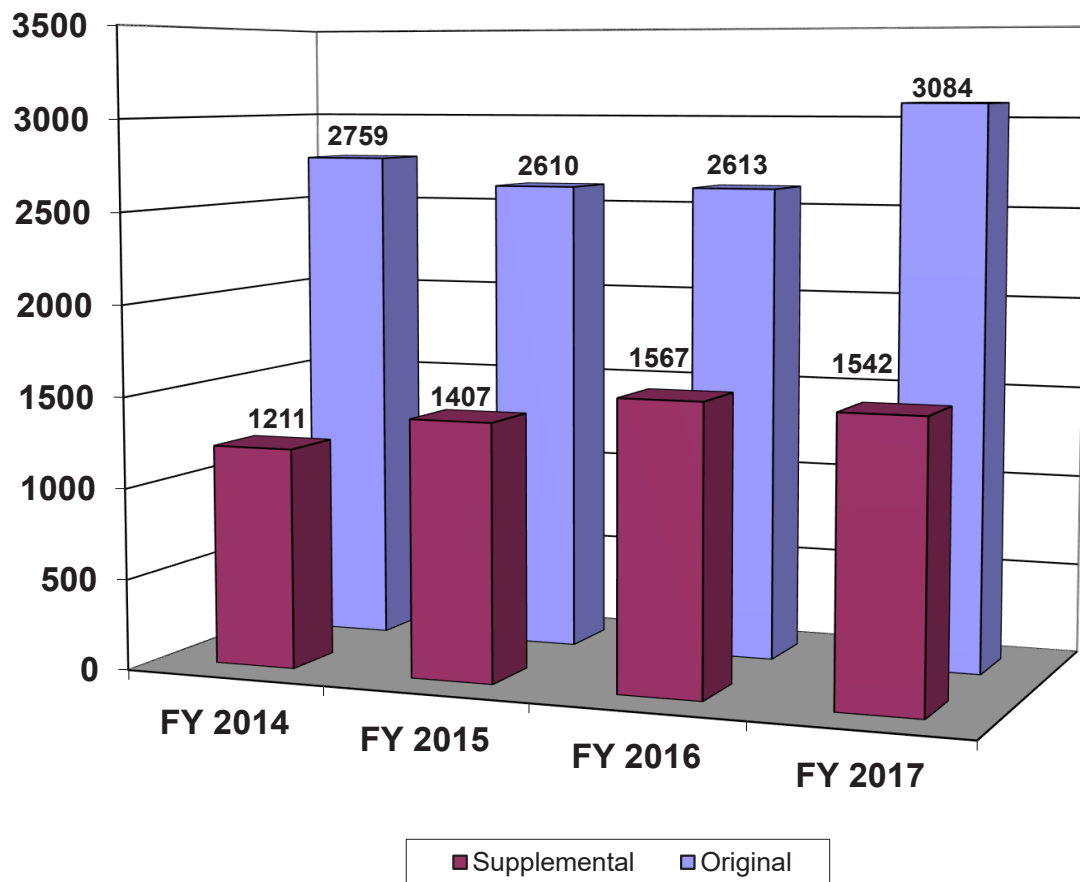
Alabama Department of Veterans Affairs

Activity by Quarter FY 2017

Activity Type	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	Total Type
DENIED	5	7	9	31	52
ORIGINALS	346	566	1,168	1,004	3,084
SUPPLEMENTALS	235	216	505	586	1,542
Total by Date	586	789	1,682	1,621	4,678

Growth Index Graph

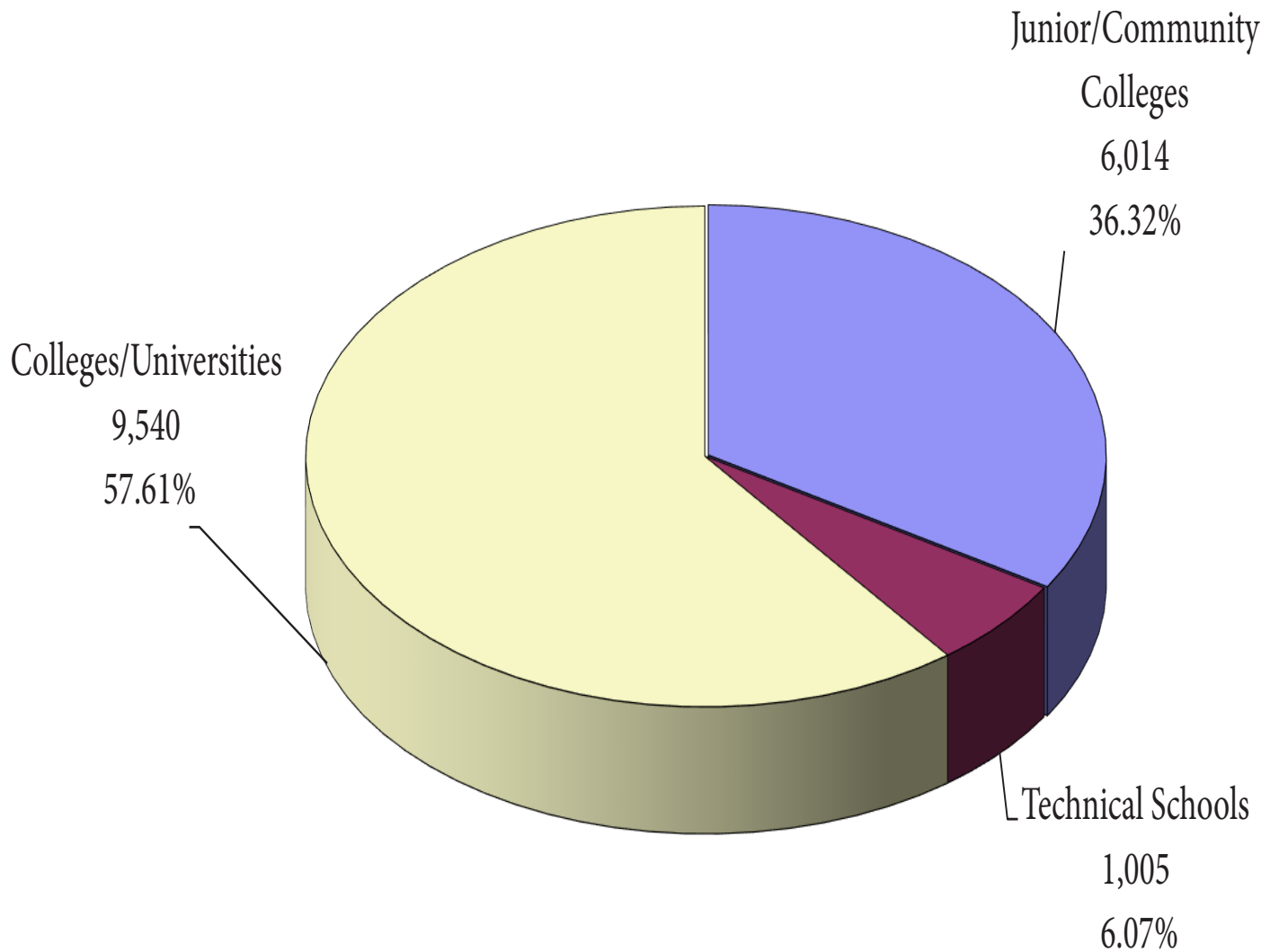
Original and Supplemental Applications



Student Distribution by School Type

October 1, 2016 - September 30, 2017

Total Students Enrolled
17,250



Alabama GI Dependent Scholarship Program FY 2017

Expenditures By School

University	# of Legacy Students	ACT 2014–177 Students	Total # of Students	Expenditure	2016 13th	Total
Alabama A&M	158	229	387	\$ 3,856,918.42		\$ 3,856,918.42
Alabama State	166	194	360	\$ 3,426,648.85		\$ 3,426,648.85
Athens State	55	27	82	\$ 398,156.48		\$ 398,156.48
Auburn	318	327	645	\$ 5,399,022.24	\$ 3,010.00	\$ 5,396,012.24
Auburn at Montgomery	174	193	367	\$ 2,890,655.40		\$ 2,890,655.40
Jacksonville State	130	145	275	\$ 1,476,827.12		\$ 1,476,827.12
Troy	440	461	901	\$ 6,668,938.73		\$ 6,668,938.73
Alabama	698	607	1,305	\$ 22,172,987.38	\$ 2,577.00	\$ 22,170,410.38
Alabama at Birmingham	302	306	608	\$ 6,292,920.21		\$ 6,292,920.21
Alabama at Huntsville	123	109	232	\$ 2,278,828.92		\$ 2,278,828.92
Montevallo	49	68	117	\$ 1,233,215.10		\$ 1,123,215.10
North Alabama	91	111	202	\$ 1,582,234.77		\$ 1,582,234.77
South Alabama	251	254	505	\$ 4,975,094.95		\$ 4,975,094.95
West Alabama	58	57	115	\$ 860,948.80		\$ 860,948.80
University Total	3,013	3,088	6,101	\$63,513,397.37	\$ 5,587.00	\$ 63,507,810.37

Community/Tech College						
Alabama Southern	10	40	50	\$ 168,729.72		\$ 168,729.72
Bevill State	32	69	101	\$ 286,320.28		\$ 286,320.28
Bishop State	79	101	180	\$ 523,966.23		\$ 523,966.23
Calhoun	129	177	306	\$ 819,647.70		\$ 819,647.70
Central AL	13	30	43	\$ 126,972.59		\$ 126,972.59
Chattahoochie Valley	29	74	103	\$ 290,438.82	\$ 14,197.26	\$ 276,241.56
Enterprise State	43	60	103	\$ 298,166.44		\$ 298,166.44
Gadsden State	79	105	184	\$ 509,550.05		\$ 509,550.05

ADVA Claims Division

FY 2017

Claims Reviewers	
VBMS/Rating Reviews	5960
Terminal/Hardship/Homeless Claims	197
Incomplete Claims/Errors	482
Hearing Prep	1114
646 Intake	1187
VSO/AVSO/RO Inquiries	1571
Walk-Ins/Phone Calls/E-Mails/Faxes	16,501
Correspondence	213
Retro Awards/VA Regional Office (VARO) Level	\$17,122.22
Appeals Resolved at VARO Level	972
Appeals Resolved at Board of Veterans Affairs (BVA) Level	118
BVA Remanded Cases	157
Total Appeal Decisions Reviewed	1341
Process 646's	19
646's Completed	1170
Hearings Scheduled	867
Hearings Held	567
SEP Requests	4
Copy/Scanned Documents	5002
D2D Submissions	14,175
D360 Portal Uploads	425
GI Bill Handouts	184
Ratings Decisions	3775
Create Vetraspec Shell	448
Update Vetraspec Record	3934
Retro DRO	\$11,513,736
Retro BVA	\$5,590,487

Actions and Services Rendered by ADVA County Offices During FY 2017

County	Letters Sent/ Received	Contacts in Person/ Phone/Fax/Email	Compensation and Pension Claims Filed	Medical Claims Filed	Insurance Claims Filed	Education Claims Filed	Misc Actions and Homeowners Benefits
Autauga	469	1,003	79	22	0	59	668
Baldwin	5,675	7,496	310	15	2	43	4,163
Barbour	1,010	822	194	23	0	15	1,080
Bibb	145	656	84	0	2	2	1,353
Blount	233	584	74	9	0	8	730
Bullock	CLOSED						
Butler	120	556	83	15	1	24	408
Calhoun	2,233	7,694	684	87	11	127	9,313
Chambers	CLOSED						
Cherokee	CLOSED						
Chilton	CLOSED						
Choctaw	191	1,551	124	14	0	8	59
Clarke	420	1,983	184	24	5	19	861
Clay	CLOSED						

Actions and Services Rendered by ADVA County Offices During FY 2017

County	Letters Sent/ Received	Contacts in Person/ Phone/Fax/Email	Compensation and Pension Claims Filed	Medical Claims Filed	Insurance Claims Filed	Education Claims Filed	Misc Actions and Homeowners Benefits
Cleburne	1,491	1,598	78	12	0	4	821
Coffee	5,424	2,630	363	62	3	110	1,709
Colbert	CLOSED						
Conecuh	135	383	33	17	0	9	207
Coosa	CLOSED						
Covington	352	3,572	261	50	1	44	6,434
Crenshaw	CLOSED						
Cullman	899	3,230	381	50	7	31	3,940
Dale	2,619	4,159	633	89	17	140	4,023
Dallas	805	2,282	641	7	10	33	499
DeKalb	2,296	2,973	423	72	9	53	2,244
Elmore	319	686	93	26	6	23	294
Escambia	345	1,810	109	17	2	10	481
Etowah	2,007	7,713	1,025	151	14	82	9,579

Actions and Services Rendered by ADVA County Offices During FY 2017

County	Letters Sent/Received	Contacts in Person/ Phone/Fax/Email	Compensation and Pension Claims Filed	Medical Claims Filed	Insurance Claims Filed	Education Claims Filed	Misc Actions and Homeowners Benefits
Fayette	789	1,133	448	79	0	3	743
Franklin	488	1,083	59	11	4	2	246
Geneva	669	3,292	336	37	8	47	897
Greene	150	231	83	0	0	4	159
Hale	CLOSED						
Henry	CLOSED						
Houston	2,835	6,412	367	57	8	115	2,740
Jackson	1,778	3,301	257	64	3	38	3,021
Jeff/Bess	456	2,639	298	7	0	43	2,273
Jeff/B'ham	6,329	14,473	2,190	30	0	429	3,460
Lamar	488	714	365	54	0	2	673
Lauderdale	7,559	9,690	1,529	222	48	85	6,857
Lawrence	CLOSED						
Lee	696	3,321	316	57	3	137	1,246

Actions and Services Rendered by ADVA County Offices During FY 2017

County	Letters Sent/Received	Contacts in Person/Phone/Fax/Email	Compensation and Pension Claims Filed	Medical Claims Filed	Insurance Claims Filed	Education Claims Filed	Misc Actions and Homeowners Benefits
Limestone	1,237	2,144	183	36	0	15	763
Lowndes	CLOSED						
Macon	3,683	2,753	409	11	3	18	1,944
Madison	6,502	11,320	2,045	146	18	318	7,272
Marengo	1,645	1,848	921	80	1	80	349
Marion	2,535	3,407	121	8	0	18	1,093
Marshall	1,186	3,076	330	53	4	21	6,181
Mobile	1,458	8,225	771	18	8	203	1,906
Monroe	571	1,328	133	10	6	18	521
Montgomery	2,901	3,785	163	52	0	184	4,151
Morgan	2,999	4,168	416	40	2	51	619
Perry	CLOSED						
Pickens	467	772	389	55	0	0	684
Pike	1,379	2,671	330	30	1	45	1,154

Actions and Services Rendered by ADVA County Offices During FY 2017

County	Letters Sent/ Received	Contacts in Person/ Phone/Fax/Email	Compensation and Pension Claims Filed	Medical Claims Filed	Insurance Claims Filed	Education Claims Filed	Misc Actions and Homeowners Benefits
Randolph	864	1,349	60	11	0	4	515
Russell	5,069	4,190	651	45	12	194	5,001
Shelby	507	9,829	1,156	71	1	85	3,216
St. Clair	88	2,533	388	22	1	24	1,348
Sumter	CLOSED						
Talladega	216	991	152	26	1	11	1,474
Tallapoosa	229	2,213	272	21	3	22	1,012
Tuscaloosa	941	2,269	331	3	6	201	1,279
Walker	82	5,520	378	16	1	35	2,877
Washington	CLOSED						
Wilcox	CLOSED						
Winston	CLOSED						
TOTAL	83,984	174,061	21,703	2,134	232	3,296	114,450

FY17 Geographic Distribution of VA Expenditures (GDX)

FY17 Summary of Expenditures by State Expenditures in \$000s										
County/ Congressional District	Veteran Population*	Total Expenditure	Compensation & Pension	Construction	Education & Vocational Rehabilitation/ Employment	Loan Guaranty#	General Operating Expenses	Insurance & Indemnities	Medical Care	Unique Patients**
AUTAUGA	5,955	\$ 56,704	\$ 36,019	\$ -	\$ 4,790	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 308	\$ 15,587	1,510
BALDWIN	20,042	\$ 119,900	\$ 74,023	\$ -	\$ 7,760	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,447	\$ 36,670	4,805
BARBOUR	1,759	\$ 17,978	\$ 12,079	\$ -	\$ 652	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 51	\$ 5,196	611
BIBB	1,205	\$ 12,792	\$ 7,936	\$ -	\$ 354	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 28	\$ 4,473	457
BLOUNT	3,999	\$ 24,648	\$ 11,085	\$ -	\$ 856	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 79	\$ 12,628	1,116
BULLOCK	482	\$ 8,596	\$ 4,564	\$ -	\$ 233	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 31	\$ 3,769	203
BUTLER	1,460	\$ 16,114	\$ 9,799	\$ -	\$ 374	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 68	\$ 5,873	472
CALHOUN	10,818	\$ 93,674	\$ 64,215	\$ -	\$ 3,329	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 431	\$ 25,699	3,313
CHAMBERS	2,435	\$ 27,324	\$ 16,784	\$ -	\$ 1,043	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 170	\$ 9,326	867
CHEROKEE	1,845	\$ 13,570	\$ 8,392	\$ -	\$ 352	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 115	\$ 4,711	533
CHILTON	2,854	\$ 29,213	\$ 17,416	\$ -	\$ 929	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 52	\$ 10,816	856
CHOCTAW	823	\$ 10,225	\$ 7,139	\$ -	\$ 176	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 62	\$ 2,848	333
CLARKE	1,578	\$ 15,964	\$ 9,900	\$ -	\$ 503	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 125	\$ 5,436	536
CLAY	1,139	\$ 7,400	\$ 4,725	\$ -	\$ 181	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 6	\$ 2,488	281
CLEBURNE	881	\$ 6,880	\$ 3,797	\$ -	\$ 175	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 60	\$ 2,849	256
COFFEE	7,200	\$ 79,384	\$ 60,207	\$ -	\$ 7,591	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 450	\$ 11,136	1,953
COLBERT	3,848	\$ 37,058	\$ 24,931	\$ -	\$ 1,072	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 283	\$ 10,772	1,373
CONECUH	905	\$ 11,770	\$ 6,863	\$ -	\$ 388	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 36	\$ 4,484	396
COOSA	880	\$ 9,271	\$ 5,793	\$ -	\$ 165	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 22	\$ 3,291	286
COVINGTON	3,200	\$ 27,096	\$ 17,838	\$ -	\$ 895	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 169	\$ 8,194	829
CRENSHAW	996	\$ 9,347	\$ 6,518	\$ -	\$ 359	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 36	\$ 2,433	289
CULLMAN	5,856	\$ 44,765	\$ 26,524	\$ -	\$ 1,793	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 333	\$ 16,115	1,512
DALE	7,017	\$ 66,174	\$ 47,731	\$ -	\$ 4,631	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 295	\$ 13,516	1,904
DALLAS	2,557	\$ 29,718	\$ 17,153	\$ -	\$ 935	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 219	\$ 11,411	1,007
DE KALB	3,671	\$ 29,608	\$ 17,163	\$ -	\$ 951	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 420	\$ 11,075	1,093

FY17 Geographic Distribution of VA Expenditures (GDX)

FY17 Summary of Expenditures by State Expenditures in \$000s										
County/ Congressional District	Veteran Population*	Total Expenditure	Compensation & Pension	Construction	Education & Vocational Rehabilitation/ Employment	Loan Guaranty#	General Operating Expenses	Insurance & Indemnities	Medical Care	Unique Patients**
ELMORE	8,005	\$ 84,541	\$ 56,268	\$ -	\$ 5,388	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 803	\$ 22,083	2,273
ESCAMBIA	2,676	\$ 20,814	\$ 13,886	\$ -	\$ 638	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 82	\$ 6,207	757
ETOWAH	7,383	\$ 71,048	\$ 43,534	\$ -	\$ 1,864	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 350	\$ 25,300	2,501
FAYETTE	1,246	\$ 12,711	\$ 6,822	\$ -	\$ 379	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 73	\$ 5,437	533
FRANKLIN	1,511	\$ 11,821	\$ 7,655	\$ -	\$ 337	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 108	\$ 3,720	400
GENEVA	2,557	\$ 25,272	\$ 18,168	\$ -	\$ 985	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 149	\$ 5,970	836
GREENE	489	\$ 6,590	\$ 3,767	\$ -	\$ 70	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 27	\$ 2,726	258
HALE	862	\$ 13,895	\$ 7,869	\$ -	\$ 431	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 61	\$ 5,534	391
HENRY	1,309	\$ 13,225	\$ 9,245	\$ -	\$ 492	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 44	\$ 3,444	426
HOUSTON	9,586	\$ 80,120	\$ 53,254	\$ -	\$ 4,443	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 826	\$ 21,597	2,779
JACKSON	3,456	\$ 21,702	\$ 13,683	\$ -	\$ 819	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 110	\$ 7,089	805
JEFFERSON	40,843	\$ 477,857	\$ 206,420	\$ 858	\$ 21,419	\$ -	\$ 2,147	\$ 4,392	\$ 242,622	15,306
LAMAR	939	\$ 9,352	\$ 5,932	\$ -	\$ 260	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 26	\$ 3,134	409
LAUDERDALE	7,160	\$ 47,768	\$ 32,779	\$ -	\$ 2,243	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 514	\$ 12,232	1,819
LAWRENCE	1,810	\$ 10,760	\$ 6,468	\$ -	\$ 371	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 109	\$ 3,813	456
LEE	11,106	\$ 132,002	\$ 83,420	\$ -	\$ 14,604	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 929	\$ 33,049	3,338
LIMESTONE	7,220	\$ 56,156	\$ 38,130	\$ -	\$ 5,572	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 445	\$ 12,008	1,798
LOWNDES	696	\$ 8,135	\$ 4,424	\$ -	\$ 195	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 22	\$ 3,493	237
MACON	1,431	\$ 37,457	\$ 13,914	\$ -	\$ 828	\$ -	\$ 842	\$ 79	\$ 21,794	841
MADISON	35,855	\$ 272,034	\$ 186,300	\$ -	\$ 27,515	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,206	\$ 56,012	8,660
MARENGO	1,232	\$ 16,190	\$ 9,997	\$ -	\$ 507	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 94	\$ 5,592	634
MARION	1,890	\$ 13,260	\$ 8,289	\$ -	\$ 365	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 54	\$ 4,551	575
MARSHALL	6,882	\$ 46,539	\$ 28,662	\$ -	\$ 1,879	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 468	\$ 15,529	1,821
MOBILE	31,029	\$ 225,879	\$ 130,275	\$ -	\$ 16,144	\$ -	\$ 125	\$ 2,023	\$ 77,311	8,642
MONROE	1,299	\$ 14,430	\$ 7,796	\$ -	\$ 361	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 48	\$ 6,226	523

FY17 Geographic Distribution of VA Expenditures (GDX)

FY17 Summary of Expenditures by State Expenditures in \$000s										
County/ Congressional District	Veteran Population*	Total Expenditure	Compensation & Pension	Construction	Education & Vocational Rehabilitation/ Employment	Loan Guaranty#	General Operating Expenses	Insurance & Indemnities	Medical Care	Unique Patients**
MONTGOMERY	19,350	\$ 291,875	\$ 144,407	\$ 758	\$ 18,754	\$ -	\$ 30,045	\$ 1,765	\$ 96,146	7,037
MORGAN	9,110	\$ 60,964	\$ 40,470	\$ -	\$ 2,895	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 366	\$ 17,232	1,906
PERRY	586	\$ 7,317	\$ 3,765	\$ -	\$ 118	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 32	\$ 3,402	267
PICKENS	1,206	\$ 18,978	\$ 10,829	\$ -	\$ 409	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 217	\$ 7,522	665
PIKE	2,250	\$ 23,610	\$ 13,625	\$ -	\$ 3,072	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 88	\$ 6,826	622
RANDOLPH	1,497	\$ 12,420	\$ 7,806	\$ -	\$ 432	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 40	\$ 4,142	482
RUSSELL	6,497	\$ 115,251	\$ 78,239	\$ 0	\$ 13,958	\$ -	\$ 984	\$ 728	\$ 21,341	2,805
SAINT CLAIR	6,513	\$ 48,572	\$ 24,873	\$ -	\$ 2,094	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 209	\$ 21,396	1,859
SHELBY	12,470	\$ 95,413	\$ 54,156	\$ 1,678	\$ 7,207	\$ -	\$ 1,295	\$ 940	\$ 30,136	3,026
SUMTER	622	\$ 8,812	\$ 5,248	\$ -	\$ 215	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4	\$ 3,344	284
TALLADEGA	5,960	\$ 44,404	\$ 24,683	\$ -	\$ 1,733	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 328	\$ 17,660	1,918
TALLAPOOSA	3,372	\$ 32,518	\$ 20,044	\$ -	\$ 810	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 183	\$ 11,481	1,070
TUSCALOOSA	11,168	\$ 160,257	\$ 63,301	\$ 5,415	\$ 8,965	\$ -	\$ 1,230	\$ 1,214	\$ 80,132	5,263
WALKER	4,376	\$ 47,434	\$ 27,816	\$ -	\$ 1,100	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 156	\$ 18,362	1,549
WASHINGTON	927	\$ 8,799	\$ 5,149	\$ -	\$ 304	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5	\$ 3,341	320
WILCOX	531	\$ 6,336	\$ 4,045	\$ -	\$ 177	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 12	\$ 2,101	200
WINSTON	1,650	\$ 12,616	\$ 7,652	\$ -	\$ 426	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 89	\$ 4,449	483
CONG. DIST (01)	56,661	\$ 395,839	\$ 235,445	\$ -	\$ 25,427	\$ -	\$ 125	\$ 3,660	\$ 131,183	15,239
CONG. DIST (02)	65,644	\$ 720,529	\$ 448,910	\$ 36	\$ 46,855	\$ -	\$ 30,887	\$ 4,537	\$ 189,303	19,423
CONG. DIST (03)	56,240	\$ 605,184	\$ 371,813	\$ 850	\$ 42,313	\$ -	\$ 984	\$ 3,533	\$ 185,690	18,600
CONG. DIST (04)	44,680	\$ 385,638	\$ 230,731	\$ 53	\$ 13,393	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,822	\$ 138,639	14,087
CONG. DIST (05)	62,778	\$ 458,515	\$ 311,271	\$ -	\$ 39,040	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,641	\$ 104,563	14,984
CONG. DIST (06)	42,659	\$ 363,928	\$ 204,595	\$ 1,753	\$ 20,765	\$ -	\$ 1,211	\$ 3,438	\$ 132,166	11,834
CONG. DIST (07)	41,300	\$ 600,672	\$ 248,897	\$ 6,016	\$ 23,475	\$ -	\$ 3,461	\$ 4,085	\$ 314,739	19,398
ALABAMA (Totals)	369,962	\$ 3,530,305	\$ 2,051,662	\$ 8,709	\$ 211,269	\$ -	\$ 36,668	\$ 25,715	\$ 1,196,282	113,565

FY17 Geographic Distribution of VA Expenditures (GDX)

FY17 Summary of Expenditures by State Expenditures in \$000s										
County/ Congressional District	Veteran Population*	Total Expenditure	Compensation & Pension	Construction	Education & Vocational Rehabilitation/ Employment	Loan Guaranty#	General Operating Expenses	Insurance & Indemnities	Medical Care	Unique Patients**
Notes:										
* Veteran population estimates, as of September 30, 2017, are produced by the VA Predictive Analytics and Actuary Service (VetPop 2016).										
# Prior to FY 08, "Loan Guaranty" expenditures were included in the Education & Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (E&VRE) programs. Currently, all "Loan Guaranty" expenditures are attributed to Travis County, TX, where all Loan Guaranty payments are processed. VA will continue to improve data collection for future GDX reports to better distribute loan expenditures at the state, county and congressional district levels.										
** Unique patients are patients who received treatment at a VA health care facility. Data are provided by the Allocation Resource Center (ARC).										
Expenditure data sources: USASpending.gov for Compensation & Pension (C&P) and Education and Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (EVRE) Benefits; Veterans Benefits Administration Insurance Center for the Insurance costs; the VA Financial Management System (FMS) for Construction, Medical Research, General Operating Expenses, and certain C&P and Readjustment data; and the Allocation Resource Center (ARC) for Medical Care costs.										
1. Expenditures are rounded to the nearest thousand dollars. For example, \$500 to \$1,000 are rounded to \$1; \$0 to \$499 are rounded to \$0; and "\$ -" = 0 or no expenditures.										
2. The Compensation & Pension expenditures include dollars for the following programs: veterans' compensation for service-connected disabilities; dependency and indemnity compensation for service-connected deaths; veterans' pension for nonservice-connected disabilities; and burial and other benefits to veterans and their survivors.										
3. Medical Care expenditures include dollars for medical services, medical administration, facility maintenance, educational support, research support, and other overhead items. Medical Care expenditures do not include dollars for construction or other non-medical support.										
4. Medical Care expenditures are allocated to the patient's home location, not the site of care.										

Alabama State Veterans Homes

The State of Alabama Department of Veterans Affairs (ADVA) operates four veterans homes throughout the state. The Bill Nichols State Veterans Home opened in 1989 and is located in Alexander City. The home is licensed for 150 skilled nursing beds. The Floyd E. Tut Fann State Veterans Home opened in 1995 and is located in Huntsville. The home is licensed for 150 skilled nursing beds. The William F. Green State Veterans Home opened in 1995 also and is located in Bay Minette. The home is licensed for 150 skilled nursing beds. The fourth home is the Col. Robert L. Howard State Veterans Home which opened in November 2012 in Pell City. The home is licensed for 174 skilled nursing beds and 80 domiciliary/assisted living beds.

The ADVA contracts with a private management company to operate the homes. There is an on-site director at each of the homes for contract oversight on behalf of ADVA. The current healthcare contractor for Bill Nichols, Tut Fann and W.F. Green State Veterans Homes is HMR of Alabama, Inc. The contract period for this contract began July 1, 2014 and continues through June 30, 2019. The healthcare contractor for Col. Robert L. Howard State Veterans Home is also HMR of Alabama, Inc. The contract began March 1, 2012 and ended February 28, 2017. A request for proposal (RFP) was advertised and HMR of Alabama was selected by the Board. The new contract was approved by the Legislative Contract Review Committee and signed by the governor. The new contract period is March 1, 2017 through February 28, 2022.

The eligibility criteria to be admitted into the State Veterans Home Program include the following:

- Must be honorably discharged from military service with a minimum of 90 days of active service with at least one day during a wartime period (does not include training period).
- Must meet the qualifications as set forth by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs criteria for skilled nursing care.
- Must have been a resident of Alabama for the immediate past 12 months.
- Applicants may not have medical or nursing care needs that the home is not equipped to provide. This may include diagnosis/behavioral traits that may prove dangerous to the well-being of self or others.
- Peacetime veterans may be admitted on a space available basis, but will not be placed before a wartime veteran.
- Veterans listed on the Sex Offender Registry or in a felony fugitive status shall not be admitted to a State Veterans Home.

Applications are available by contacting the local county Veteran Service Officer, contacting the director at the veterans home, or by downloading from the department's website (www.va.alabama.gov).

For the period of October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017, the occupancy rates for the homes are as follows:

Bill Nichols State Veterans Home	99%
Tut Fann State Veterans Home	99%
William F. Green State Veterans Home	98%
Col. Howard State Veterans Home (skilled)	99%
Col. Howard State Veterans Home (Dom)	100%

Applications are received and reviewed by the Admissions Committee at the veterans home as well as the Federal VA for approval. Applicants are date stamped and added to the waiting list in the order they are received. At times, an applicant may be denied admission for several reasons; however, there is an appeals process in place to ensure full consideration is given every veteran.

	Bill Nichols	Tut Fann	W.F. Green	Colonel Howard	
Admissions	78	87	130	60	36
Discharges	15	8	32	5	32
Deaths	67	79	98	53	1
Applications Received	261	249	237	Total	275
				Skilled \ Dom	

The Bill Nichols State Veterans Home is beginning its 28th year of operation. William F. Green and Tut Fann State Veterans Homes are in their 22nd year of operation. The Col. Robert L. Howard State Veterans Home is beginning its 5th year of operation. The residents at each of the homes enjoy a full range of activities both on site and out of the facility. Special programs are dedicated to Veterans Day and Memorial Day and other veteran specific celebrations.

Some improvements made in the homes this year included the following:

Bill Nichols—purchased bath shower trolley and shower chair for new roll in shower room; heated cabinet for warming blankets; purchased outdoor projector for residents’ movie nights on the patio; steamtable for kitchen; roll in refrigerator; and new therapy equipment repairs were made to grease trap lining, garbage disposal and hot water storage tanks for the kitchen/laundry supply.

Tut Fann—purchased 150 extra wide electric patient beds and mattresses; office furniture for ADVA offices; replaced carpet in office areas; purchased new patient lifts; purchased steam tables and cabinetry for dayrooms; and new dayroom furniture. Repairs made to dampers and smoke doors, freezer door repair in kitchen, replaced domestic hot water boilers and some of the HVAC units.

WF Green—purchased 150 extra wide electric patient beds and mattresses; purchased steam tables and cabinetry for dayrooms; purchased dayroom and dining room chairs; medication carts and two new patient lifts. Repairs were made to the fire alarm system, garbage disposal and multiple HVAC units.

RL Howard—purchased additional medication carts; replaced some ice/water dispensers. Repair made to water damage caused by cooling condenser coil in entry lobby. The exterior water fountain also had extensive reworking to put back in operation.

The Expenditures for Repair / Maintenance and Equipment

Bill Nichols State Veterans Home	\$ 120,289.08
Tut Fann State Veterans Home	\$ 597,338.95
William F. Green State Veterans Home	\$ 574,338.75
Robert L. Howard State Veterans Home	\$ 119,422.32
TOTAL FY '17 EXPENDITURES	\$ 1,412,389.13

The Board approved work to begin for two pending VA State Home Construction Grants. The grants have been pending for a few years, so by fronting the project with state money we could get started and then collect the 65 percent match from the federal grant money once it's awarded. We submitted a request for qualifications for an architect firm to begin design work on the interior improvement projects at Tut Fann in Huntsville and William F. Green in Bay Minette. Williams-Blackstock Architects was awarded the contract. They conducted site visits to both locations to assess need, prioritize work and develop initial drawings.

A feasibility study was conducted 10 years ago in which recommendations were made to construct a new veterans home, which was the Col. Robert L. Howard State Veterans Home in Pell City. It also made recommendations to improvements which we have completed: Bill Nichols dayroom expansion project last year and now we are moving forward with the improvements to Tut Fann and William F. Green. We will be advertising an RFP for a new feasibility study beginning in October 2017. The study will assess if there is an unmet need in our state and the feasibility of constructing a 5th state veterans home.

Bill Nichols, Tut Fann, William F. Green and Col. Robert L Howard continue to have annual unannounced on-site inspections and are all fully licensed and in compliance with healthcare standards of the Federal VA and the Alabama Department of Public Health.



Kim Justice, National Association of State Veterans Homes (NASVH) president is pictured with Pres. Barack Obama at the White House on Veterans Day.



Kim Justice with NASVH Vice- President Sharon Mattia of Maryland at Veterans Day Wreath Laying Ceremony at the Arlington National Cemetery.



State veterans home staff attend training in Montgomery.



State veterans home directors receive a donation from the Veterans of Foreign War (VFW). Pictured left to right: Clyde Marsh, ADVA Commissioner; VFW representative Charles Stephens; Charlotte Eason, Tut Fann; Kim Justice, executive director-state veterans homes; Kathryn Fuller, Bill Nichols; Hiliary Hardwick, Colonel Robert L. Howard; and Kathleen Voll, William F. Green.



Patricia Cummins, a veteran at the Bill Nichols State Veterans Home, was thrilled to see Santa.



Robert (I.J.) Mobley, a veteran at the Bill Nichols State Veterans Home, enjoys gardening.

Bill Nichols State Veterans Home

FY 2017 Resident Demographics

By Age:

40-49: 00 80-89: 64
 50-59: 01 90-99: 35
 60-69: 13 100+ : 01
 70-79: 32

By Sex:

Male 140
 Female 6
 Total 146

By Race:

White 115
 Black 31
 Other 00

Demographics by County of Residence:

Autauga	01	Coosa	04	Lowndes	01	Randolph	03
Barbour	02	Covington	01	Macon	06	Russell	03
Blount	03	Dale	01	Madison	01	Shelby	07
Butler	02	Dekalb	01	Marshall	02	St. Clair	00
Calhoun	02	Elmore	12	Mobile	01	Talladega	15
Chambers	02	Etowah	01	Montgomery	24	Tallapoosa	14
Cherokee	01	Jefferson	14	Morgan	02	Tuscaloosa	01
Chilton	03	Lawrence	00	Pickens	01	Walker	02
Coffee	00	Lee	12	Pike	01		

Admissions/Discharges by Month:

PFYs**	Admitted	2127	Discharged	363	Death	1615
Oct 2016	Admitted	02	Discharged	00	Death	04
Nov 2016	Admitted	06	Discharged	00	Death	06
Dec 2016	Admitted	08	Discharged	02	Death	05
Jan 2017	Admitted	05	Discharged	00	Death	04
Feb 2017	Admitted	02	Discharged	00	Death	02
Mar 2017	Admitted	08	Discharged	02	Death	09
Apr 2017	Admitted	09	Discharged	00	Death	07
May 2017	Admitted	11	Discharged	02	Death	11
Jun 2017	Admitted	07	Discharged	01	Death	05
Jul 2017	Admitted	06	Discharged	02	Death	05
Aug 2017	Admitted	07	Discharged	04	Death	04
Sept 2017	Admitted	07	Discharged	02	Death	06

TOTALS TO DATE:	2205	376	1683
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Wartime Era Service (Will exceed total numbers of residents due to service in multiple wartime eras.)

WWI: 00 WWII: 34 Korea: 66 Viet Nam: 56 Gulf War: 05 Ex-POW: 01

As of: September 30, 2017

Total Residents: 146

Floyd E. “Tut” Fann State Veterans Home

FY 2017 Resident Demographics

By Age:

40-49: 00	80-89: 64
50-59: 00	90-99: 43
60-69: 16	100: 01
70-79: 23	

By Sex:

Male	145
Female	3
TOTAL	148

By Race:

White	129
Black	17
Other	2

Demographics by County of Residence:

Blount	02	DeKalb	05	Lauderdale	05	Montgomery	02
Calhoun	01	Etowah	04	Lawrence	04	Morgan	16
Colbert	02	Houston	01	Limestone	09	St. Clair	01
Cullman	03	Jackson	04	Madison	74	Tuscaloosa	01
Dale	01	Jefferson	01	Marshall	08	Walker	03
						Winston	01

Admissions/Discharges by Month:

PFYs**	Admitted	1696	Discharged	250	Death	1298
Oct 2016	Admitted	05	Discharged	00	Death	03
Nov 2016	Admitted	05	Discharged	01	Death	04
Dec 2016	Admitted	07	Discharged	00	Death	08
Jan 2017	Admitted	07	Discharged	00	Death	07
Feb 2017	Admitted	08	Discharged	00	Death	08
Mar 2017	Admitted	05	Discharged	00	Death	04
Apr 2017	Admitted	04	Discharged	00	Death	06
May 2017	Admitted	08	Discharged	00	Death	07
Jun 2017	Admitted	06	Discharged	01	Death	05
July 2017	Admitted	07	Discharged	02	Death	07
Aug 2017	Admitted	10	Discharged	01	Death	08
Sept 2017	Admitted	15	Discharged	03	Death	12
TOTALS TO DATE:		1783		258		1377

Wartime Era Service (Will exceed total number of residents due to service in multiple wartime eras.)

WWII: 46 KOREA: 66 VIETNAM: 52 GULF WAR: 5 EX-POW: 1 PEACE TIME: 0

As of: September 30, 2017

Total Residents: 148

William F. Green State Veterans Home

FY 2017 Resident Demographics

By Age:

30-39: 0	70-79: 28
40-49: 0	80-89: 62
50-59: 1	90-100 38
60-69: 21	

By Sex:

Male: 145
Female: 5
Total 150

By Race:

White: 128
Black: 22
Hispanic: 0
Other 0

Demographics by County of Residence:

Autauga 00	Dale 02	Monroe 05
Baldwin 51	Elmore 02	Montgomery 03
Bibb 01	Escambia 04	Morgan 01
Blount 01	Fayette 00	Ozark 00
Butler 02	Henry 01	Pike 00
Calhoun 02	Jefferson 06	Shelby 01
Chambers 01	Lauderdale 01	St. Clair 02
Clarke 01	Macon 00	Talladega 00
Clay 00	Madison 02	Tuscaloosa 01
Coffee 02	Marshall 00	Washington 01
Coosa 01	Mobile 51	Walker 01
Covington 04		

Admissions/Discharges/Deaths by Month:

PFYs**	Admitted	1,807	Discharged	362	Deaths	1,306
Oct 2016	Admitted	13	Discharged	01	Deaths	11
Nov 2016	Admitted	08	Discharged	03	Deaths	07
Dec 2016	Admitted	03	Discharged	00	Deaths	01
Jan 2017	Admitted	09	Discharged	04	Deaths	07
Feb 2017	Admitted	14	Discharged	04	Deaths	10
Mar 2017	Admitted	08	Discharged	02	Deaths	04
Apr 2017	Admitted	15	Discharged	02	Deaths	12
May 2017	Admitted	16	Discharged	04	Deaths	06
Jun 2017	Admitted	12	Discharged	03	Deaths	09
Jul 2017	Admitted	06	Discharged	01	Deaths	04
Aug 2017	Admitted	14	Discharged	03	Deaths	10
Sept 2017	Admitted	09	Discharged	02	Deaths	06
TOTALS TO DATE		1,934		391		1,393

Wartime Era Service (will exceed total number of residents due to service in multiple wartime eras)

WWII: 48 KOREAN: 75 VIETNAM: 68 GULF WAR: 1 EX-POW: 0 GULF WAR: 0 OEF/OIF: 1
PEACETIME: 0

As of: September 30, 2017

Total Residents: 150

Col. Robert L. Howard State Veterans Home

Domiciliary

FY 2017 Resident Demographics

By Age:

40-49: 00	70-79: 11
50-59: 00	80-89: 32
60-69: 09	90-00: 28

By Sex:

Male	76
Female	4
Total	80

By Race:

White	76
Black	4
Total	80

Demographics by County of Residence:

Autauga	00	Cleburne	00	Henry	00	Randolph	00
Baldwin	00	Colbert	01	Jefferson	24	Shelby	11
Barbour	01	Coosa	00	Lee	01	St. Clair	17
Blount	01	Cullman	02	Madison	03	Talladega	05
Butler	00	Dallas	00	Marshall	00	Tallapoosa	00
Calhoun	07	Dekalb	00	Montgomery	01	Walker	00
Cherokee	00	Elmore	02	Morgan	00	Winston	00
Clay	00	Etowah	04	Pike	00		

Admissions/Discharges by Month:

PFYs**	Admitted	194	Discharged	102	Death	12
Oct 2016	Admitted	06	Discharged	04	Death	00
Nov 2016	Admitted	04	Discharged	03	Death	00
Dec 2016	Admitted	02	Discharged	02	Death	00
Jan 2017	Admitted	03	Discharged	04	Death	00
Feb 2017	Admitted	02	Discharged	02	Death	00
Mar 2017	Admitted	05	Discharged	04	Death	01
Apr 2017	Admitted	03	Discharged	03	Death	00
May 2017	Admitted	01	Discharged	01	Death	00
Jun 2017	Admitted	02	Discharged	02	Death	00
Jul 2017	Admitted	03	Discharged	03	Death	00
Aug 2017	Admitted	03	Discharged	03	Death	00
Sept 2017	Admitted	02	Discharged	01	Death	00

TOTALS TO DATE:	230	134	0013
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Wartime Era Service (Will exceed total numbers of residents due to service in multiple wartime eras.)

WWI: 00	WWII: 26	Korea: 33	Viet Nam: 24	Gulf War: 10	Ex-POW: 00
PEACETIME: 01					

As of: September 26, 2017

Total Residents: 80

Col. Robert L. Howard State Veterans Home

Skilled Nursing Facility

FY 2017 Resident Demographics

By Age:

40-49: 02	70-79: 19
50-59: 01	80-89: 77
60-69: 07	90-00: 67

By Sex:

Male	163
Female	10
Total	173

By Race:

White	150
Black	23
Total	173

Demographics by County of Residence:

Barbour	00	Colbert	01	Jefferson	61	Randolph	00
Blount	03	Coosa	01	Lee	03	Shelby	14
Butler	02	Covington	01	Limestone	01	St. Clair	25
Calhoun	22	Dale	00	Madison	04	Talladega	09
Cherokee	02	Dekalb	01	Marshall	00	Tallapoosa	01
Chilton	01	Elmore	02	Montgomery	03	Tuscaloosa	00
Choctaw	00	Etowah	12	Morgan	00	Walker	01
Clay	02	Jackson	01	Pike	00	Wilcox	00

Admissions/Discharges by Month:

PFYs**	Admitted	425	Discharged	43	Death	210
Oct 2016	Admitted	05	Discharged	01	Death	04
Nov 2016	Admitted	05	Discharged	00	Death	03
Dec 2016	Admitted	07	Discharged	01	Death	07
Jan 2017	Admitted	04	Discharged	00	Death	04
Feb 2017	Admitted	06	Discharged	01	Death	05
Mar 2017	Admitted	06	Discharged	01	Death	04
Apr 2017	Admitted	04	Discharged	01	Death	07
May 2017	Admitted	07	Discharged	00	Death	03
Jun 2017	Admitted	02	Discharged	00	Death	03
July 2017	Admitted	07	Discharged	00	Death	06
Aug 2017	Admitted	04	Discharged	00	Death	04
Sept 2017	Admitted	03	Discharged	00	Death	03
TOTALS TO DATE:		485		48		263

Wartime Era Service (Will exceed total numbers of residents due to service in multiple wartime eras.)

WWI: 00 WWII: 63 Korea: 73 Viet Nam: 38 Gulf War: 03 Ex-POW: 000
 Peacetime: 02

As of: October 4, 2017

Total Residents: 173

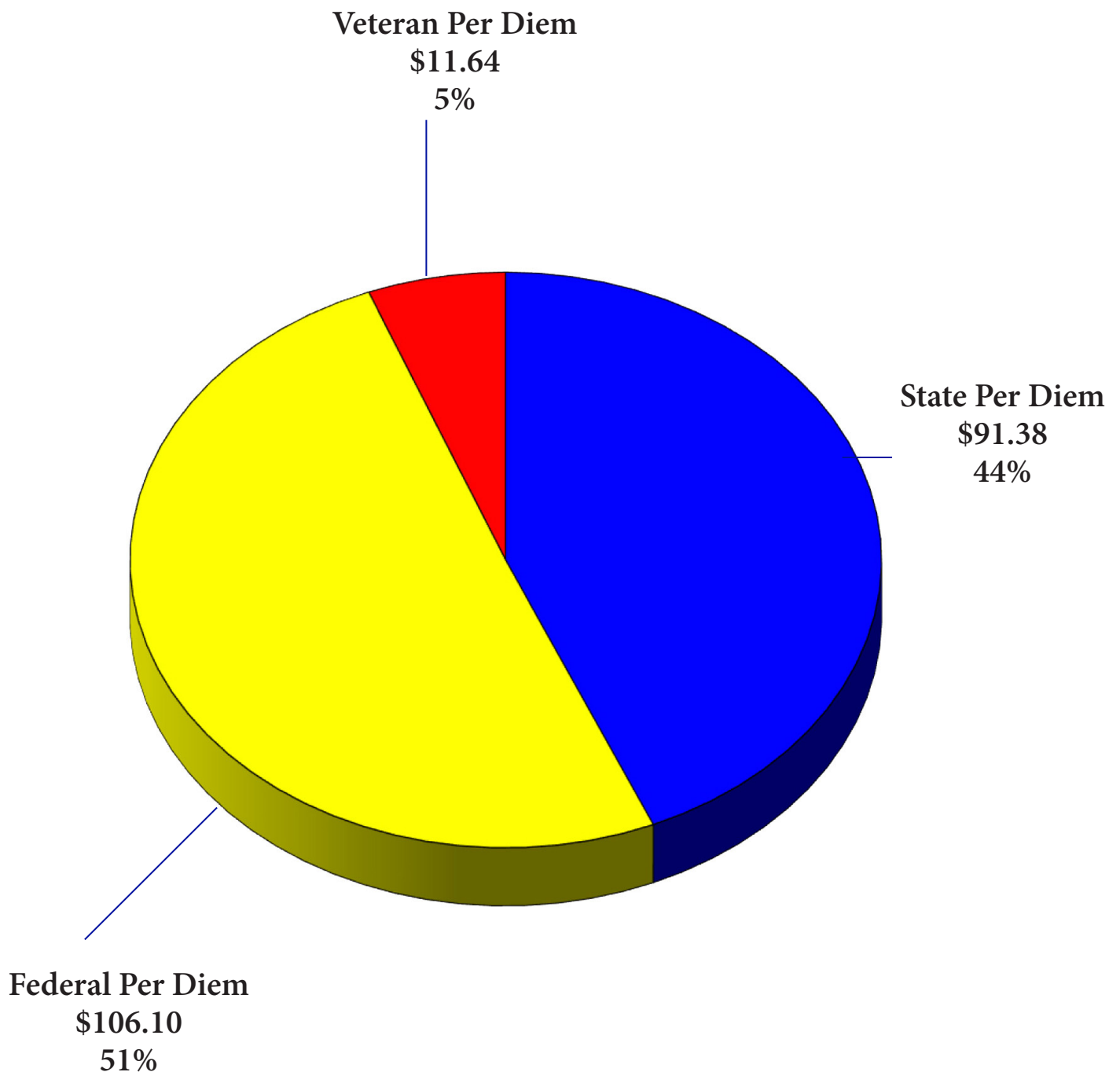
**Bill Nichols, Tut Fann, WF Green and
Col. Robert L. Howard
State Veterans Home
Daily Rate - FY 2017**

	Effective date	*10/1/2016
State VA *		\$91.38
Fed VA		\$106.10
+Cost to Veteran		\$11.64
Total Daily Rate		\$209.12
<i>*Increase in Federal per diem</i>		

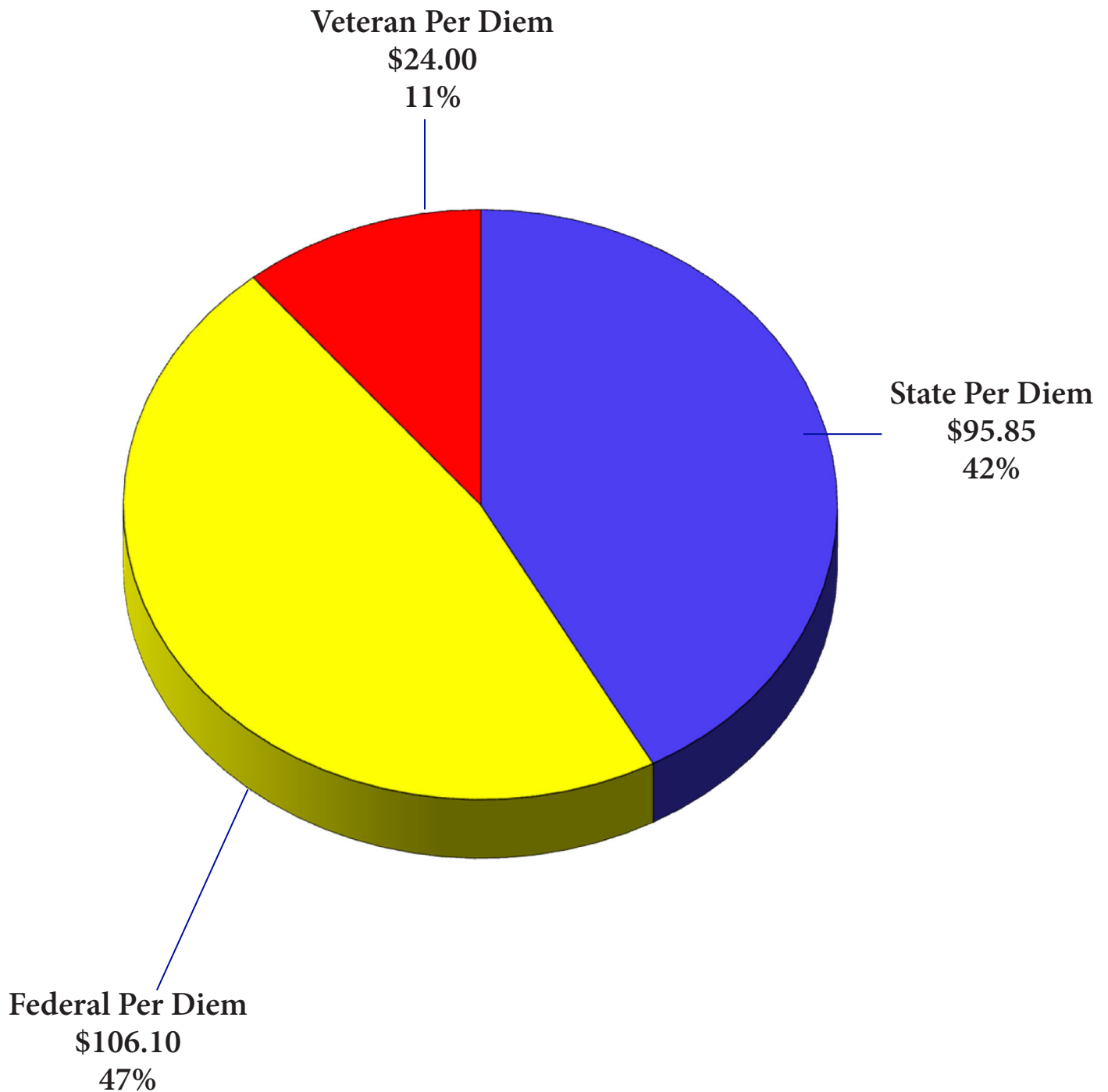
Col. Robert L. Howard State Nursing Home (Skilled Care Nursing)			
	Effective date	*10/1/2016	**3/1/2017
State VA		\$89.27	\$95.85
Federal VA		\$106.10	\$106.10
+Cost to Veteran		\$24.00	\$24.00
Total Daily Rate		\$219.37	\$225.95
<i>*Increase in Federal per diem</i>		<i>**New Contract start date</i>	

Col. Robert L. Howard State Veterans Home (Domiciliary)			
	Effective date	*10/1/2016	**3/1/2017
State VA		\$66.29	\$72.90
Federal VA		\$45.79	\$45.79
+Cost to Veteran		\$24.00	\$24.00
Total Daily Rate		\$136.08	\$142.69
<i>*Increase in Federal per diem</i>		<i>**New Contract start date</i>	

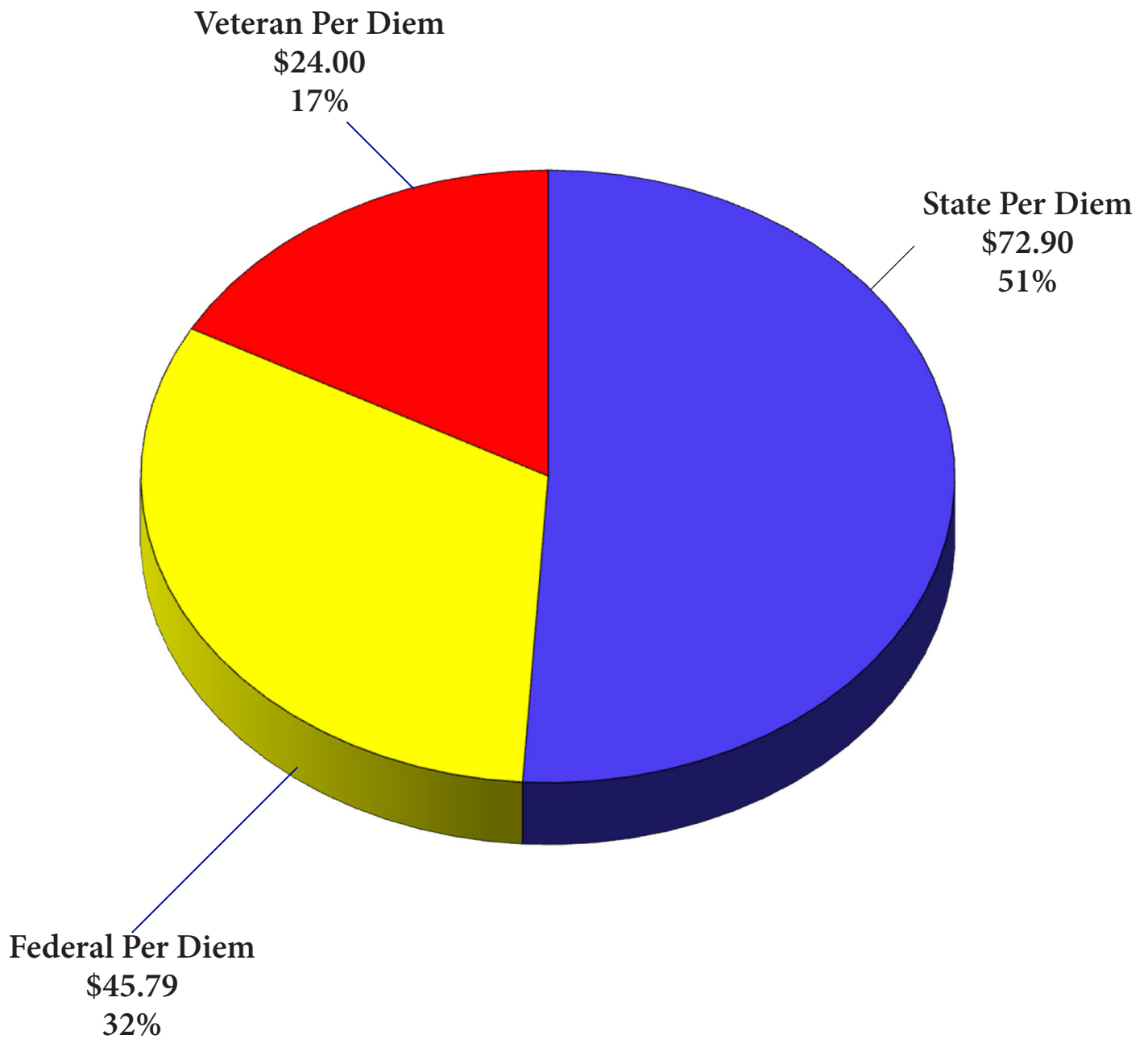
Bill Nichols, Tut Fann and WF Green
State Veterans Home
Cost Per Day - \$209.12
Effective October 1, 2016



Col. Robert L. Howard State Veterans Home
Skilled Nursing Facility
Cost Per Day - \$225.95
Effective March 1, 2017



Col. Robert L. Howard State Veterans Home
Domiciliary
Cost Per Day - \$142.69
Effective March 1, 2017



Alabama State Veterans Memorial Cemetery at Spanish Fort



Burials

October 1, 2016–September 30, 2017

Total Interments:	397
Total Veterans Interred:	313
Total Spouses Interred:	80
Total Casket Interments:	240
Total Cremains Interments:	157
Total Dependents Interred:	4

The Alabama State Veterans Memorial Cemetery at Spanish Fort, dedicated on December 7, 2012, serves as a reminder of the sacrifices made by Americans while defending the nation's freedom. The cemetery sits on over 120 acres of land and includes an administration building, maintenance facility, committal shelter and a memorial walk. There are a total of 5,000 graves with in ground crypts, traditional graves, columbarium niches and a scatter garden. The lifespan of the entire cemetery is 100 years.

The first veteran burial service was on April 19, 2013. Eventually the cemetery will be the final resting place for more than 190,000 veterans, their spouses, and their eligible dependents. In 2016, the columbarium was expanded from 128 to 768 vaults. Plans are underway for a 2018 expansion of the in ground Cremation Section with 400 new grave sites and the Memorial Wall and Scatter Garden with 100 new sites.

During Memorial Day, flags were placed on all burial sites and at the front entrance of the cemetery by dozens of Boy and Girl Scouts representing several troops and some members of the Patriot Guard Riders. This special recognition honored the veterans who paid the ultimate sacrifice in service of our country. The Boy and Girl Scouts also place a four-inch wreath on an American Flag on every grave the second Saturday in December.

STATE OF ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Our Mission

To promote awareness, assist eligible veterans, their families, and survivors to receive from the U. S. Federal and State Governments any and all benefits to which they may be entitled under existing laws or those to be enacted.

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Professionalism – Provide accurate and timely assistance and information in a manner consistent with the core values of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

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