Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs
Overview Briefing for:

JECVO

4 April 2018

Presented by BG Benjamin F. Adams, III
Commissioner KDVA
KDVA Highlights

- Original 6.2% budget reduction restored.
- Will be able to use restricted funds to continue normal operations within OKVC.
- May need assistance from the KY Veterans Program Trust Fund to fund programs (i.e. VetConnect, Homeless, etc.)
## Additional Budget Requests - Unfunded

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<td>Nurse aide wage increase</td>
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<td>One additional – Benefits Rep</td>
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<td>VetConnect - Transportation Program</td>
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**Total Additional Budget Requests Needed**  

$3,800,800  

$3,902,500
Kentucky Veterans Cemetery South East

Completed construction in Leslie County, Kentucky.

- Dedication ceremony scheduled
  - April 26, 2018 at 1:00 p.m.
- Operations to begin on May 1, 2018
Construction Grant Update/Bowling Green Project

- The Omnibus Act 2018 that passed included $595M for construction and will eliminate the backlog that has been a part of this program for many years.

- This escalates the timeline for the Bowling Green application by up to 6–8 years.

- FY18 funding list will be sent out within the next two weeks.
Next Steps:

- Bowling Green application will be processed August 1, 2018 for Priority One consideration.

- Makes site selection/confirmation more critical.
Upcoming Events & News

• April 9, 2018: House Bill 319 – Boots to Business – Receiving Ceremony

• April 12, 2018: Bill Signing – House Bill 64 – Hyperbaric treatment for veterans with traumatic brain injury

• April 26, 2018: Dedication of Kentucky Veterans Cemetery Southeast

• April 28, 2018: Elizabethtown Vietnam Wall Dedication

• May 17, 2018: Radcliff Veterans Center Memorial – Silhouette Ceremony