




Kentucky Department of Veterans Affairs
Overview Briefing for:

JECVO

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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.)
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KDVA Budget

Additional Budget Requests - Unfunded

	<u>FY19</u>	<u>FY20</u>
Nurse aide wage increase	\$3,500,000	\$3,600,000
One additional – Benefits Rep	\$65,800	\$67,500
VetConnect - Transportation Program	\$100,000	\$100,000
Homeless Assistance Program	\$70,000	\$70,000
Women Veterans Program	\$40,000	\$40,000
KYVets - Vets Employment Program	\$25,000	\$25,000
Total Additional Budget Requests Needed	\$3,800,800	\$3,902,500

Kentucky Veterans Cemetery South East

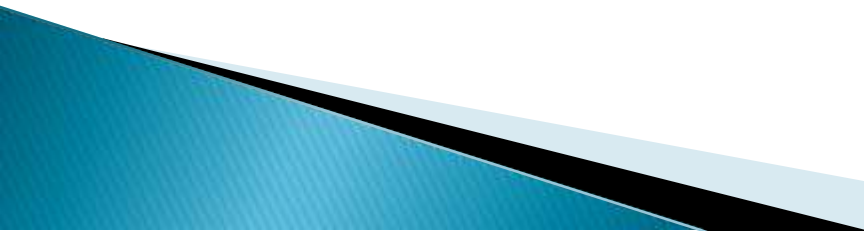
Completed construction in Leslie County, Kentucky.



- 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.
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Bowling Green Project

Next Steps:

- ▶ Bowling Green application will be processed August 1, 2018 for Priority One consideration.
 - ▶ Makes site selection/confirmation more critical.
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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