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Subject: Executive Summary to Department of Military and Veterans Affairs Report on the Colorado Veterans Affairs Trust Fund for FY 11-12.

The Veterans Trust Fund (VTF) received a Long Bill appropriation of \$861,789 at the beginning of FY 11-12. The appropriation for FY12-13 is \$982,957. The Division of Veterans Affairs was authorized to expend \$40,589 (5% of the funds) for administration of the grant; however the actual expenditures were \$32,582 (4.1%) for administration. Fitzsimons State Veterans Nursing Homes expended \$5674 for exercise equipment based on a request submitted by the director of the state and veterans nursing homes. Of the \$808,280 of trust fund monies provided for grants, \$765,088 was expended.

Grants were provided to American Legion Posts the American Legion Department of Colorado, Disabled American Veterans Chapters, the Regional Office of the Disabled Veterans of America, National Association of Black Veterans, Inc., Vietnam Veterans of America, The Retired Enlisted Association, Veterans of Foreign Wars Posts and State Veterans Nursing Homes.

Veterans in the front-range urban corridor, the Grand Junction area and ten (10) communities outside of these metropolitan areas were assisted via transportation, employment assistance and homeless programs that provided a means for veterans and dependents to meet medical appointments, find jobs and other needed services. The trust fund also provided funds for the purchase of three (3) vehicles to accommodate transportation programs and nursing home residents. Grants for vehicles provide for the continuance of programs with ongoing service to the veteran community for many years to come.

A total of 10,422 veterans were provided assistance by grantees awarded Veterans Trust Fund grants.

The attached report breaks down the numerous services provided by the grants. If there are any questions concerning this report, please contact my office.

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Encl: Veterans Trust Fund (VTF) Report