

DeKalb County Veterans Assistance Commission

**American Legion Posts 66, 99, 181, 337, 654
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President Celeste Latham, Vice-President Jim Cox, and Treasurer Bob Coulter

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**2500 N. Annie Glidden Rd., Conference Room West
DeKalb IL**

November 18th, 2024 starting (tentatively) at 6:00pm

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance**
- III. Roll Call of Delegates/Alternates**
- IV. Public Comment**
- V. Reading & Approval of the September 2024 Meeting Minutes**
- VI. Treasurer's Report**
- VII. Superintendent's Report**
 - a. Approval of September 2024 Expenses**
 - b. Approval of October 2024 Expenses**
- VIII. Committee Reports**
- IX. Unfinished Business**
- X. New Business**
 - A. Nominations for Board Members**
- XI. For the Good of the Commission**
- XII. Adjournment**

DeKalb County Veterans Assistance Commission Meeting Minutes
September 9th, 2024
DCVAC Meeting

Meeting started at 6:00pm with President Celeste Latham presiding.

Board Members Present: President Celeste Latham, Vice President Jim Cox, Treasurer Bob Coulter, Director Ed McComb, Director Bob Bend and acting Secretary Tammy Anderson.

Delegate/Alternate: Gerry Drake (D), Don Brown (D), Joseph Hodder (D), Charlotte Hodder (A), Dwain Adkins (D), Dick Hilderbrant (D), and William Lambert (A).

Public Comment: N/A

Meeting Minutes: The August 12th 2024 minutes were reviewed. No changes were discussed – Motion made by Bill Lambert to accept the meeting minutes as read, seconded by Joe Hodder - Minutes passed.

Treasurer's Report: The beginning balance for August 2024 was \$5,863.30, \$100 paid for Fair fees, ending balance \$5,763.30. Motion was made by Ed McComb to accept the Treasurer's report as presented, seconded by Bob Bend subject to audit – Vote called – Motion passed.

Superintendent's Report:

<u>Meeting</u>	<u>Month Expenditures</u>	<u>Total Activity</u>	<u>Recoveries YTD</u>	<u>Financial Assistance</u>	<u>Transport</u>
09/09/2024	August/\$36,530.40	1,678	\$1,505,633.06	8/\$4,625.00	37 Trans/27 Trips

A motion was made by Jim Cox to approve August's monthly expenses as presented, seconded by Dwain Adkins – Roll Call Vote – Motion Passed.

Updated copy of the FY2025 budget was provided showing an increase of \$50,000.00.

Introduced our two new VSOs, Matthew Hurley & Adam Wallace, to the Commission.

Committee Reports: Flyer was presented in the meeting packet.

Unfinished Business: N/A

New Business: N/A

For the Good of the Commission: Charlotte Hodder reminded everyone of the Be the One event on 09/22/2024.

Dwain Adkins provided information on how Holocaust survivors deal with PTSD/Depression/Anxiety and how it should be provided to our Veterans. A discussion was held & completed.

Adjournment: Being no further business, a motion was made by Gerry Drake to adjourn, seconded by Bob Bend – Vote called – Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted by acting Secretary Tammy Anderson.

**DEKALB COUNTY VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION
REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2024
STATE OF THE BUDGET**

Communication	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Phone	386	4908
Office Visit	120	1499
Outreach/Home Visits	400	434
Email/Mail	214	2717
Direct Submit	42	559
Fax	4	94
Other/General Contact	239	4693
Total Employee Communications	1405	14930
<u>Total Employee Activity</u>	1434	22203
VA AWARDANCE	<u>MONTHLY</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Monthly	\$ 54,716.59	\$ 344,759.54
Retro	\$ 555,769.33	\$ 1,803,043.43
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$ 610,485.92</u>	<u>\$ 2,116,118.98</u>

EXPENDITURES		<u>MONTHLY</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Salaries and Benefits		\$ 32,172.66	\$ 329,604.88
Training and Meetings		\$ 2,971.78	\$ 10,224.24
Office Expenses		\$ 750.34	\$ 8,760.45
Building Space/Maintenance		\$ -	\$ 6,200.00
Direct Assistance to Veterans	<u>Number Assisted</u>		
Shelter	8	\$ 4,625.00	\$ 42,350.00
Other	0	\$ -	\$ -
Drivers Per Diem		\$ 270.00	\$ 4,000.00
Disaster Assistance	0	\$ -	\$ -
Vehicle Expense			
Vehicle Purchase/Insurance			\$ -
Fuel Cost		\$ 695.06	\$ 3,309.70
Maintenance		\$ 36.46	\$ 3,681.32
Totals		<u>\$ 41,521.30</u>	<u>\$ 408,130.59</u>

Transportation Logs	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Trips	27	252
Hours Donated	150.50	1456.5
Transported	41	347
Miles	4046	37690
Fuel (\$3.23 gallons)	135.0	1019.7

SUMMARY	<u>PERCENTAGE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Budget	100%	\$ 577,750.00
Previous YTD Expenditures	-63%	\$ 366,609.29
Current Month Expenditures	-7%	\$ 41,521.30
Balance	29%	<u>\$ 169,619.41</u>

Restricted Fund Balance \$ 1,133,582.00

DEKALB COUNTY VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION
VETERANS ASSISTANCE/ TRANSPORTATION REPORT
MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2024 ASSISTANCE/AUGUST 2024 TRANSPORTATION

	Shelter		Transportation
Towns	Amount	# of Vets	# of Vets
Cortland			
DeKalb	\$ 3,425.00	6	31
Fairdale			
Genoa			2
Hinckley			
Kingston			
Kirkland			
Lee			
Malta			2
Sandwich			1
Shabbona	\$ -		
Somonauk	\$ -		
Sycamore	\$ 1,200.00	2	5
Waterman			
Total	\$ 4,625.00	8	41

**DEKALB COUNTY VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION
REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2024**

STATE OF THE BUDGET

Communication	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Phone	495	5403
Office Visit	168	1667
Outreach/Home Visits	4	438
Email/Mail	248	2965
Direct Submit	48	607
Fax	13	107
Other/General Contact	409	5102
Total Employee Communications	1385	16315
<u>Total Employee Activity</u>	1868	24071
VA AWARDANCE	<u>MONTHLY</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Monthly	\$ 38,970.22	\$ 383,729.76
Retro	\$ 130,204.40	\$ 1,933,247.83
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$ 169,174.62</u>	<u>\$ 2,285,293.60</u>

EXPENDITURES		<u>MONTHLY</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Salaries and Benefits		\$ 32,241.35	\$ 361,846.23
Training and Meetings		\$ 4,867.95	\$ 15,092.19
Office Expenses		\$ 1,191.64	\$ 9,952.09
Building Space/Maintenance		\$ -	\$ 6,200.00
Direct Assistance to Veterans	<u>Number Assisted</u>		
Shelter	10	\$ 5,425.00	\$ 47,775.00
Other	0	\$ -	\$ -
Drivers Per Diem		\$ 570.00	\$ 4,570.00
Disaster Assistance	0	\$ -	\$ -
Vehicle Expense			
Vehicle Purchase/Insurance		\$ -	\$ -
Fuel Cost (\$ per gal)		\$ 408.01	\$ 3,717.71
Maintenance		\$ 381.85	\$ 4,063.17
Totals		<u>\$ 45,085.80</u>	<u>\$ 453,216.39</u>

Transportation Logs	<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Trips	29	281
Hours Donated	153.50	1610
Transported	39	386
Miles	4038	41728
Fuel (gallons)	141.9	1161.6

SUMMARY	<u>PERCENTAGE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Budget	100%	\$ 577,750.00
Previous YTD Expenditures	-71%	\$ 408,130.59
Current Month Expenditures	-8%	\$ 45,085.80
Balance	22%	<u>\$ 124,533.61</u>

Restricted Fund Balance \$ 1,133,582.00

DEKALB COUNTY VETERANS ASSISTANCE COMMISSION
VETERANS ASSISTANCE/ TRANSPORTATION REPORT
MONTH OF OCTOBER 2024 ASSISTANCE/SEPTEMBER 2024 TRANSPORTATION

	Shelter		Transportation
Towns	Amount	# of Vets	# of Vets
Cortland			1
DeKalb	\$ 3,425.00	6	27
Cortland			1
Genoa			1
Hinckley			
Kingston			
Kirkland			2
Lee			
Malta			
Sandwich	\$ 800.00	2	1
Shabbona	\$ -		
Somonauk	\$ -		1
Sycamore	\$ 1,200.00	2	4
Waterman			1
Total	\$ 5,425.00	10	39

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2025 DCVAC Meeting Schedule

2500 N. Annie Glidden Rd., Five Seasons Room
DeKalb IL (tentatively) at 6:00pm

January 13th

February 10th

March 10th

April 14th

May 12th

June 9th

July 14th

August 11th

September 8th

October – No Meeting

November 10th

December 8th

Approved: 08/12/2024

Celeste Latham, DCVAC President:

HELP FEED OTHERS DURNIG THE HOLIDAYS

WLBK 1360AM, 98.9FM

Let's Talk Turkey

Friday, November 22, 2024, 6am-5pm
DeKalb, Illinois, Salvation Army

WLBK 1360AM, 98.9FM

Freezin For Food

Thursday, Friday & Saturday
December 5, 6 & 7, 2024

6:00am Thursday to Noon on Saturday
Sycamore, Illinois, HYVEE Parking Lot

Genoa Veterans Home

ARMY NAVY FOOTBALL GAME DAY

December 14, 2024 at the Genoa Veterans Home, 311 South Washington Street, Genoa, Illinois 60135. Luncheon from noon to 2:00pm, 50/50 Raffle from noon to the end of the game, Army Navy Game starts at 2:00pm. Pick your team to win, eat peanuts and throw the peanut shells on the floor and then watch the fans with the lowest score sweep and clean up. A great day for veterans and non-veterans to gather and have a whole lot of comradery and fun.

Frank F. Beierlotzer, 40&8 Public Relations Officer, 815-901-3834

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illfortyandeight.com

ArmyNavyGame2024-11-15.001

Veterans and Community Activities List for 2024 - 2025 as of Saturday, November 9, 2024

To receive information about veteran or motorcycle activities please email ffb66@juno.com

Almost Every Sat	Noon	2:00pm	Luncheon, Genoa Veterans Home, 311 S. Washington St., Genoa, IL 60115
Almost Every Sat	Noon	2:00pm	50/50 Raffle almost every Saturday at the Genoa Veterans Home
Mon	2nd Mon	6:00pm	6:30pm
<u>DeKalb County Veterans Assistance Commission (DCVAC) Meetings, 815-756-8129</u> 2500 North Annie Glidden Road, Suite A, DeKalb, IL 60115 (Anyone may attend the meetings but please call to confirm the meeting date and time) (Veterans) (Please call 815-756-8129 to make an appointment for help)			
Sat	2nd Sat	10:00am	11:00am
<u>DeKalb AMVETS Post 90 Meetings</u> at 421 East Oak St., (1st year membership is free)			
Sat	2nd Sat	Noon	12:30pm
<u>DeKalb Sons of the American Legion (SAL) Squadron 66 Meetings</u> in DeKalb			
Sat	2nd Sat	2:00pm	2:30pm
<u>Genoa American Legion Riders (ALR) Post 337 Meetings</u> at Genoa Veterans Home			
Sat	2nd Sat	2:30pm	5:00pm
<u>Weather permitting, a motorcycle ride (2:30pm) after the luncheon and meeting</u> (You do not need to be a veteran or member to ride with us) (RIDE FOR FUN)			
Sun	3rd Sun	4:00pm	5:00pm
<u>Northern Illinois Veterans Memorial (NIVM) Committee Meetings</u> at the Resource Bank (The current project is to replace all faded panels on the southeast side of the memorial) NIVM is an Internal Revenue Code tax exempt IRC Section 501(c)(3) organization. Donations can be sent to: Resource Bank, PO Box 464, Kirkland, IL 60146 Make checks payable to: Northern Illinois Veterans Memorial (Memo: NIVM Restoration) (For more information go to www.nivmkirkland.org/ or Call Guy Sparrow , 920-570-3434)			
Mon	4th Mon	5:00pm	6:00pm
<u>Genoa Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 8387 Meetings</u> at Genoa Veterans Home			

Genoa Veterans Home

Army Navy Football Game Day

Sat	12/14/24	Noon	
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Sat	12/14/24	Noon	2:00pm
Sat	12/14/24	Noon	
Luncheon, Genoa Veterans Home, 311 S. Washington St., Genoa, IL 60115			
50/50 Raffle from noon until the end of the Army Navy Football Game			

33rd Mayors' Memorial Day Breakfast

at the DeKalb Elks Lodge 765, \$10.00pp RSVP Pre-Paid

Mon	05/26/24	6:30am	7:15am
Mon	05/26/25	6:30am	7:15am
Mon	05/26/25	8:00am	12:30pm
Three Motorcycle Parade Escorts for the DeKalb, Sycamore and Genoa Memorial Day Parades			

18th Annual Veterans Weekend, Friday and Saturday

Fri	08/01/25	Friday and Saturday		18th Annual Veterans Weekend, Friday and Saturday
Fri	08/01/25	5:00pm	Until Close	Veterans Appreciation WEEKEND, Kick Off, at the DeKalb AMVETS Post 90, 421 E. Oak St. Food available after 5:00pm and a short veteran recognition ceremony at 6:30pm
Fri	08/01/25	Late Friday & Saturday		Living History Military Encampment , Late Friday and Saturday at the Genoa Veterans Home Genoa Veterans Home, 311 South Washington Street, Genoa, Illinois 60115
Sat	08/02/25	8:15am	2:30pm	Motorcycle/Motorcade Parade of Vehicles, Honoring Senior Veterans , sycamore.alr99@yahoo.com
Sat	08/02/25	8:15am	2:30pm	2 wheelers, 3 wheelers, 4 wheelers and all wheelers invited to participate.
Sat	08/02/25	8:15am	9:00am	Stage at DeKalb Recreation Center, 1765 S. 4th St., DeKalb, IL, Safety brief 8:55am
Sat	08/02/25	8:15am	10:15am	French Toast and Sausage Breakfast at the Genoa Veterans Home, 8:15am-10:30am (\$5pp)
		Noon	2:00pm	Luncheon , Genoa Veterans Home, 311 S. Washington St., Genoa, IL 60115
Sat	08/02/25	2:00pm	4:00pm	Veterans Awareness Fair , Genoa Veterans Home, 311 South Washington St., 60135
Sat	08/02/25	3:00pm	6:00pm	Corn Boil , Hosted by the Sons of the American Legion (SAL) from Belvidere and Genoa
Sat	08/02/25	3:00pm	6:00pm	Corn Boil will be at the Genoa Veterans Home, 311 South Washington St., 60135, (\$3pp)

Planning for October of 2025
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Seeking female veterans to go to Washington DC on Operation HerStory Flight
Contact Charlotte Hodder at 815-751-1805 or cashodder1976@comcast.net



DeKalb County Veterans Organizations Voting Monday November 18th, 2024

<i>Veterans of Foreign Wars</i>	Delegates & Alternates	Present	Superintendents Report Approval September 2024	Superintendents Report Approval October 2024	
<i>Post #1486 Sandwich.</i>	<i>D: H. James Cox (V.P.)</i> <i>A: Rebecca Ropp</i>				
<i>Post #5768 Sycamore</i>	<i>D: Gerald Drake</i> <i>A: Ernie McGee</i>	X	Y	Y	
<i>Post #8387 Genoa</i>	<i>D: Donald Brown</i> <i>A: Frank Beierlotzer</i>	X	Y	Y	

American Legion

<i>Post #66 DeKalb.</i>	<i>D: Joseph Hodder</i> <i>A: Charlotte Hodder</i>	X	Y	Y	
<i>Post #99 Sycamore.</i>	<i>D: Dwain Adkins</i> <i>A: Ed McComb (Dir 2025)</i>	X	Y	Y	
<i>Post #181 Sandwich</i>	<i>D: Celeste Latham (President)</i> <i>A: Joseph Kotalik</i>		Abstain	Abstain	
<i>Post #337 Genoa</i>	<i>D: Dick Hilderbrant</i> <i>A: William Lambert</i>	X	Y	Y	
<i>*Post #598 Hinckley</i>	<i>D:</i> <i>A:</i>				
<i>Post #654 Waterman</i>	<i>D: Robert Bend (Dir 2026)</i> <i>A: Nicole Begne</i>	X	Y	Y	
<i>*Post # 772 Somonauk</i>	<i>D:</i> <i>A:</i>				
<i>*Post #1010 Kingston</i>	<i>D:</i> <i>A:</i>				

<i>40 et 8 Voiture 207</i>	<i>D: Robert Coulter (Treasurer)</i> <i>A: Loren Monsess</i>	X	Y	Y	
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<i>*Marine Corps League Detachment #847 DeKalb Cty</i>	<i>D:</i> <i>A:</i>				
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<i>*AmVets Post #90 DeKalb</i>	<i>D:</i> <i>A:</i>				
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* Not Regular Attendees

NC= not coming

DCVAC Superintendent	Tammy Anderson	X	Abstain	Abstain	
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Sign in for DCVAC meeting on November 18th, 2024

Name & Organization

Circle One

1. William Lambert Driver/Passenger
2. Robert Coulter Driver/Passenger
3. Dick Hildenbrant Driver/Passenger
4. Dwain Adkins Driver/Passenger
5. Don Brown Driver/Passenger
6. Frank Beierlotzer Driver/Passenger
7. Charles H. H. H. Driver/Passenger
8. Joe Hodder Driver/Passenger
9. BOB BEND A.L. 654 Driver/Passenger
10. Ernie M. Mc 5768 Driver/Passenger
11. _____ Driver/Passenger
12. _____ Driver/Passenger