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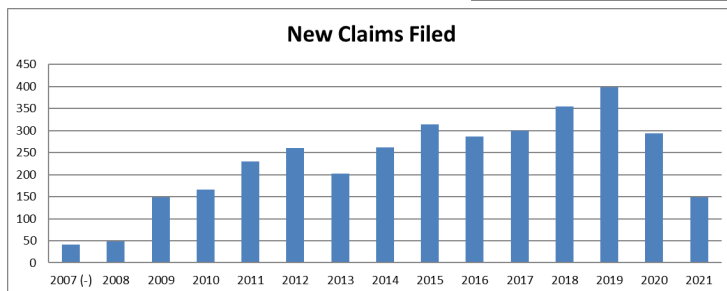
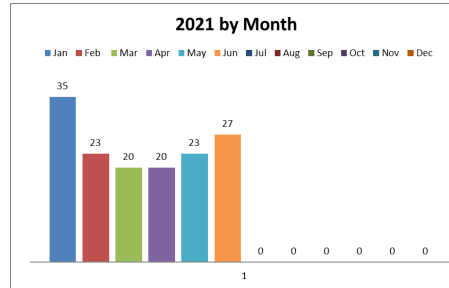
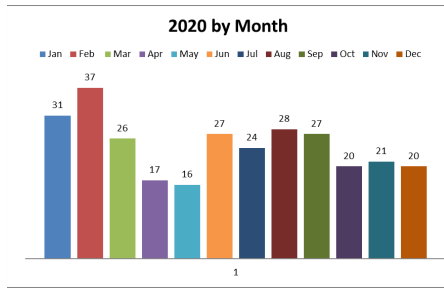
Medina County Veterans Service Office Report for CY 2021, 1st Half

July 10, 2021

Veterans claims with the Department of Veterans Affairs:

- We have filed 148 VA claims through the month of June this year.
- We have filed 64 medical, and ancillary VA benefits.
- Our current pending claims on inventory are 181 and 29 appeals.
- Average claims filed per month through June is 25.

Claims filed with the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) by year



	Clams Filed	Avg./Month
2007 (-)	42	3.50
2008	49	4.08
2009	149	12.42
2010	166	13.83
2011	230	19.17
2012	261	21.75
2013	202	16.83
2014	262	21.83
2015	314	26.17
2016	286	23.83
2017	300	25.00
2018	354	29.50
2019	398	33.17
2020	294	24.50
2021	148	24.67

Claim Status 2020	
Pending Claim	46
Closed Claim	344
Appeal	14
Not a Claim	54
Total:	458

Claim Status 2021	
Pending Claim	128
Closed Claim	66
Appeal	2
Not a Claim	16
Total:	212

Total Claim Inventory	
Pending Claim	181
Closed Claim	4176
Appeal	29
Not a Claim	544
Total	4930

Federal VA Dollars Spent Within Medina County Total

Geographical Distribution of VA Expenditures in Medina County

Medina County Veterans Service Office

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EXPENDITURES FOR VETERANS

FEDERAL VS. COUNTY 2010-2020

Federal VA Dollars Spent Within County ₂										
Prime Impact Areas									County Veterans Budget Information	
Fiscal Year	County Veteran Population,	Total Federal VA Dollars Spent Within County	Compensation & Pension	Education & Vocational Rehabilitation/ Employment	Insurance & Indemnities	Medical Care	General Operating Expenses	Construction	County Revenues authorized by ORC	County Revenues Spent _{3,4}
2010	13,858	\$ 35,497,773.48	\$ 16,321,349.81	\$ 2,805,492.85	\$ 1,027,596.50	\$ 15,343,334.32	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,392,590.00	\$ 1,023,387.30
2011	13,878	\$ 41,113,968.08	\$ 20,087,979.68	\$ 3,333,009.23	\$ 1,417,265.17	\$ 16,275,714.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,254,685.66	\$ 858,458.79
2012	13,908	\$ 39,611,546.67	\$ 18,487,542.00	\$ 3,000,400.00	\$ 941,696.02	\$ 17,181,908.66	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,273,439.01	\$ 871,342.74
2013	13,677	\$ 48,443,316.91	\$ 23,467,866.00	\$ 3,211,599.00	\$ 1,069,515.34	\$ 20,694,336.56	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,273,439.01	\$ 867,843.87
2014	13,609	\$ 57,146,933.32	\$ 30,640,493.00	\$ 3,905,263.00	\$ 889,226.65	\$ 21,711,950.66	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,251,844.64	\$ 853,215.83
2015	13,420	\$ 55,392,969.45	\$ 29,476,754.00	\$ 3,622,672.00	\$ 673,200.00	\$ 21,620,343.45	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,273,439.01	\$ 766,837.36
2016	12,421	\$ 63,483,852.50	\$ 33,609,021.50	\$ 3,772,249.00	\$ 1,062,202.00	\$ 25,040,380.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,251,844.60	\$ 688,524.25
2017	12,157	\$ 65,439,674.47	\$ 33,074,100.78	\$ 3,866,726.52	\$ 1,554,901.00	\$ 26,943,946.17	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,251,844.64	\$ 759,705.75
2018	11,890	\$ 69,238,217.54	\$ 32,496,438.00	\$ 4,561,658.00	\$ 1,112,475.00	\$ 31,067,646.54	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,591,316.74	\$ 746,634.32
2019	11,351	\$ 75,194,230.98	\$ 39,216,959.00	\$ 4,744,732.00	\$ 781,261.00	\$ 30,451,278.98	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,251,844.64	\$ 740,477.67
2020	11,285	\$ 80,232,000.58	\$ 41,451,000.67	\$ 4,628,000.10	\$ 682,000.49	\$ 33,470,000.32	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,251,844.64	\$ 665,736.75

NOTES

1	In 2011, 2014, 2016, and 2018, the VA adjusted the Veterans Population Model to account for current projections of Veteran's life expectancies, gains, and population shifts. As a result, some Counties may show unanticipated increases and/or decreases in Veterans Populations.
2	Expenditures - National Center for Veterans Analysis and Statistics (va.gov)
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4	Percent of .5 Mil expended in: Year 2020 29.56% Year 2019 32.88%

COUNTY REVENUES SPENT IN 2020 COMPARED TO 2010 IS AN INCREASE OF:	\$357,650.55
TOTAL FEDERAL VA DOLLARS SPENT WITHIN COUNTY INCREASED FROM '10-'20 BY:	\$44,734,227.10
SINCE 2010, COUNTY VETERAN POPULATION HAS DECREASED BY:	2,573
2020 'FEDERAL VA DOLLARS SPENT' TO 'COUNTY DOLLARS SPENT' =	102 to 1
TOTAL FEDERAL VA DOLLARS SPENT WITHIN COUNTY INCREASED FROM 19-20 BY:	\$5,037,769.60

Compensation & Pension:

- Last year we saw an increase in Compensation & Pension (C&P) expenditures (\$39.2 to \$41.5 million dollars) from the Department of Veterans Affairs within Medina County.

Education, Voc. Rehab & Insurance:

- \$4.6 million dollars have been invested in our county's veterans through educational programs and payouts for insurance.

Medical:

- Last year \$33.5 million dollars in medical expenditures from the Department of Veterans Affairs within Medina County.

- We provided transportation to 551 veterans to the VA Medical Center in Cleveland, Parma and Akron. This is less than half of a typical year due to COVID. Currently we go to all three destinations five days a week.

***The VA spent \$80.2 million dollars on the Veterans of Medina County in 2020, which is an increase of almost \$5 million from the previous year.

Veterans Bonus Data for FY2020 & FY2021

County	FY2020		FY2021		FY2022	
	# Claims Paid	Total Paid	# Claims Paid	Total Paid	# Claims Paid	Total Paid
Medina County	18	\$10,611.67	14	\$8,216.66	-	

Military Injury Relief Fund data for FY2020 & 2021

County	2020		2021		2022	
	Claims	Paid	Claims	Paid	Claims	Paid
Medina	3	\$1,500.00	1	\$500.00		

Financial Assistance:

We have seen just 243 eligible clients this first half of 2020. We saw an increase in Financial Assistance at the beginning of the year with the government shutdown (only 14 less than 2019).

Financial Asst. Written	\$12,343.62	\$6,233.50	\$8,381.96	\$7,981.15	\$7,343.24	\$10,175.11							\$ 52,458.58
Financial Asst. Paid	\$11,362.16	\$6,412.62	\$8,288.45	\$7,743.86	\$8,850.05	\$9,055.47							\$ 51,712.61

Financial assistance remains relatively low so far this year.

Closing:

Our office continues to look for ways to help our Veterans and their families along with being financially responsible to the taxpayers of Medina County. We also continue to try to find new and innovative ways to assist our Veterans and their family members that are in the greatest need. We have seen 570 clients in the first half of 2021, which is close to what we were at last year but 75% less than the previous year before COVID. However, we were averaging 400-600 phone calls per month and are now starting to see a heavy increase in foot traffic and appointments.

COVID-19 and the pandemic have obviously changed the way we all operate. Our emergency operations were always based on a major catastrophe that involved the building being destroyed or the likes of moving our operations off site. We never thought about not being able to meet face-to-face with the very people we serve. So this posed a new problem. We however were able

to adapt and overcome and continue to serve the veterans and their families of Medina County. We have been able and continue to be able to provide every service we did prior to the pandemic. Our current operations are based on emergency assistance and medical necessity as well as ensuring our staff is safe and able to continue current operations.

The Veterans ride for free on Medina County Transit, which we started last year has been an extremely popular program and has increased ridership on the Medina County Transit. We are extremely happy to be able to continue this program and hope to be able to do so well into the future. It helps with getting those elderly and severely disabled veterans out into the community and improves their health and quality of life. It is mandatory that they have a Medina County Veterans Identification Card issued by the County Recorder's Office to ride for free.

Partnering with the Medina Health Department to provide dental care to low-income veterans has been a very successful program for the past two years now.

We have started to participate in a new program which allows video hearings from anywhere in the world by using secure internet and video technology from almost any device. Last year we purchased the technology to do this, and it seems to be paying off. Especially since all hearings at the VARO have been canceled due to the shutdown.

Our COOP program with the Parma Vet Center has expanded to two and a half days a week with two counselors and has moved from the Professional Building to the Human Service Center on the 1st floor.

We look forward to your continued support in supporting those that have earned it, the Veterans of Medina County.

Thank You

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Questions:

Notes: