

## CHAPTER 9055

### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

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#### 9055.0015 DEFINITIONS.

*[For text of subps 1 to 17, see M.R.]*

Subp. 17a. **Under honorable conditions.** "Under honorable conditions" as used in Minnesota Statutes, section 197.447, means that the discharge or release from active duty military service is not under conditions which constitute a bar to the payment of benefits under Code of Federal Regulations, title 38, section 3.12.

*[For text of subps 18 to 21, see M.R.]*

**Statutory Authority:** *MS s 197.608*

**History:** *21 SR 460*

#### 9055.0020 STATE SOLDIERS ASSISTANCE FUND.

*[For text of subps 1 to 6, see M.R.]*

Subp. 7. **Inpatient chemical dependency treatment; eligibility.** Applicants admitted to an approved inpatient chemical dependency treatment program may be eligible to receive temporary financial assistance in the form of shelter and utility payments, if they qualify for financial assistance under department income and asset limitations, as specified in the schedule of allowances, while the applicant is in an approved inpatient chemical dependency treatment program. Applications made while the applicant is in an approved inpatient chemical treatment program must be made effective the date of admission.

Upon successful completion of an approved inpatient chemical dependency treatment program, applicants may be eligible to receive financial assistance for one 30-day assistance period. For continued assistance beyond 30 days, applicants must meet the eligibility criteria in subparts 1 to 6. Applications submitted under this part more than 30 days after completion of an approved inpatient chemical dependency treatment program must include a written justification for the delay. Successful completion of a prescribed treatment program must be verified in writing by the treatment facility

*[For text of subp 8, see M.R.]*

**Statutory Authority:** *MS s 197.608*

**History:** *21 SR 460*

#### 9055.0080 APPEAL PROCEDURE; DENIAL OF ASSISTANCE.

*[For text of subps 1 to 5, see M.R.]*

Subp. 6. **Determination.** The commissioner shall issue a determination to grant or deny the assistance sought, based upon the application or upon additional information or extenuating circumstances presented during the review process, within seven working days of the review or personal hearing. All determinations of the commissioner are final.

*[For text of subps 7 and 8, see M.R.]*

**Statutory Authority:** *MS s 197.608*

**History:** *21 SR 460*

#### 9055.0105 EDUCATION.

*[For text of subps 1 to 3, see M.R.]*

Subp. 4. [Repealed, 21 SR 460]

*[For text of subps 5 to 11, see M.R.]*

**Statutory Authority:** *MS s 197.608*

**History:** *21 SR 460*

**9055.0510 NOTICE.**

Subpart 1. **Notice of grant availability.** The department shall publish notice in the State Register of the time period during which applications will be accepted. The application period may not be less than 30 days, nor more than 60 days. Notices must also be sent to all Minnesota county veterans service officers and others who request notification.

Subp. 2. **Notice of intent.** At least 45 days before publication of the notice required in subpart 1, the department must provide to all county veterans service officers a written notice of the intent to publish that notice in the State Register.

**Statutory Authority:** *MS s 197.608*

**History:** *21 SR 460*

**9055.0520 ELIGIBILITY.**

*[For text of subps 1 and 2, see M.R.]*

Subp. 3 **Ineligible projects.** The following activities or expenditures are not eligible for funding:

A. projects which do not directly support or improve the operation of the county veterans service office;

B. projects or programs that would be used to supplement the salary of a county veterans service officer or employees of the county veterans service office;

C. projects or programs which would be used to supplement or supplant the normal operating budget of the county veterans service office, and

D. projects or programs that would be used to supplement or supplant existing federal, state, or county programs.

*[For text of subps 4 and 5, see M.R.]*

**Statutory Authority:** *MS s 197.608*

**History:** *21 SR 460*

**9055.0530 APPLICATION.**

Subpart 1. **Required elements.** An application must be submitted to the department for purposes of determining eligibility and priority of funding within the time frames provided in the notice. The application must be in a form and manner prescribed by the department and contain all information required by parts 9055.0500 to 9055.0610 and governing statutes, including the following:

A. name of applicant county;

B. statement of intended purpose of the grant;

C. signature of the county veterans service officer; and

D. name of individual authorized by the county board to enter into a spending plan between the county and the state.

Subp. 2. **Format of applications.** The application must contain the following:

A. a statement that explains the need for the grant;

B. a description of the activities that the grant will accomplish, identifying the intended results of the grant;

C. a detailed description of any capital equipment, including computer equipment or other hardware, or goods or services to be purchased by the grant recipient; and

D. a statement that any capital equipment purchased by the grant recipient will be retained by the grant recipient for the exclusive use of the county veterans service office.

**Statutory Authority:** *MS s 197.608*

**History:** *21 SR 460*

**9055.0540 APPLICATIONS; REVIEW, APPROVAL, REJECTION.**

Subpart 1. **Review.** The department has 30 days after receipt of an application to review it. Each application must be reviewed for compliance with parts 9055.0015 to 9055.0580. The department shall either approve and accept an application; request modification of the application; or reject the application within this 30-day period.

*[For text of subp 2, see M.R.]*

**Subp. 3. Rejection.** Ineligible applications will be rejected and returned to the applicant with a written statement of reasons for rejection. A rejected application may be resubmitted to the department. Resubmitted applications must be ranked by the date received by the department. Resubmitted applications must be received by the department within 30 days of date of receipt of the written rejection.

**Subp. 4. [Repealed, 21 SR 460]**

*[For text of subp 5, see M.R.]*

**Subp. 6. Modifications.** Applications that contain ineligible elements must be returned to the applicant with written reasons why the elements cannot be approved. Applicants may elect to accept a grant for only those elements of the application that are approved; may modify the application to meet all eligibility requirements, or may refuse the entire grant.

Applications that are modified must be received by the date indicated in the letter to the applicant that contains the reasons why the grant was not approved. Applications that are returned by the date indicated retain their priority ranking on the fund list.

**Statutory Authority:** *MS s 197.608*

**History:** *21 SR 460*

#### **9055.0560 GRANT SPENDING PLAN.**

**Subpart 1. Final step.** The final step in the awarding of a county veterans service officer operational improvement grant is the execution of a grant spending plan between the applicant and the department.

**Subp. 2. Spending plan contents.** The grant spending plan must specify the amount of the grant to the county for the improvement of the operation of the county veterans service office, the manner and process of making payments to the county, and the requirements for accounting, auditing, reporting required of the county by the department, and the time frame within which the intended purposes will be accomplished.

**Subp. 3. Amendments.** Amendments must be mutually agreed to by both parties and must be approved in writing by the department.

**Subp. 4. Resolution of support.** A spending plan may be accepted by the department only if accompanied by a resolution of support for the grant passed at an official meeting of the county board and signed by the county board chair.

**Statutory Authority:** *MS s 197.608*

**History:** *21 SR 460*

#### **9055.0580 REPORT REQUIRED.**

Within 180 days of the effective date of a grant award, each grantee shall submit to the department a written report containing:

A. a description of the grant project, to include actual costs incurred and expenses paid; and

B. paid receipts or paid invoices for all expenditures made under the grant spending plan.

**Statutory Authority:** *MS s 197.608*

**History:** *21 SR 460*