

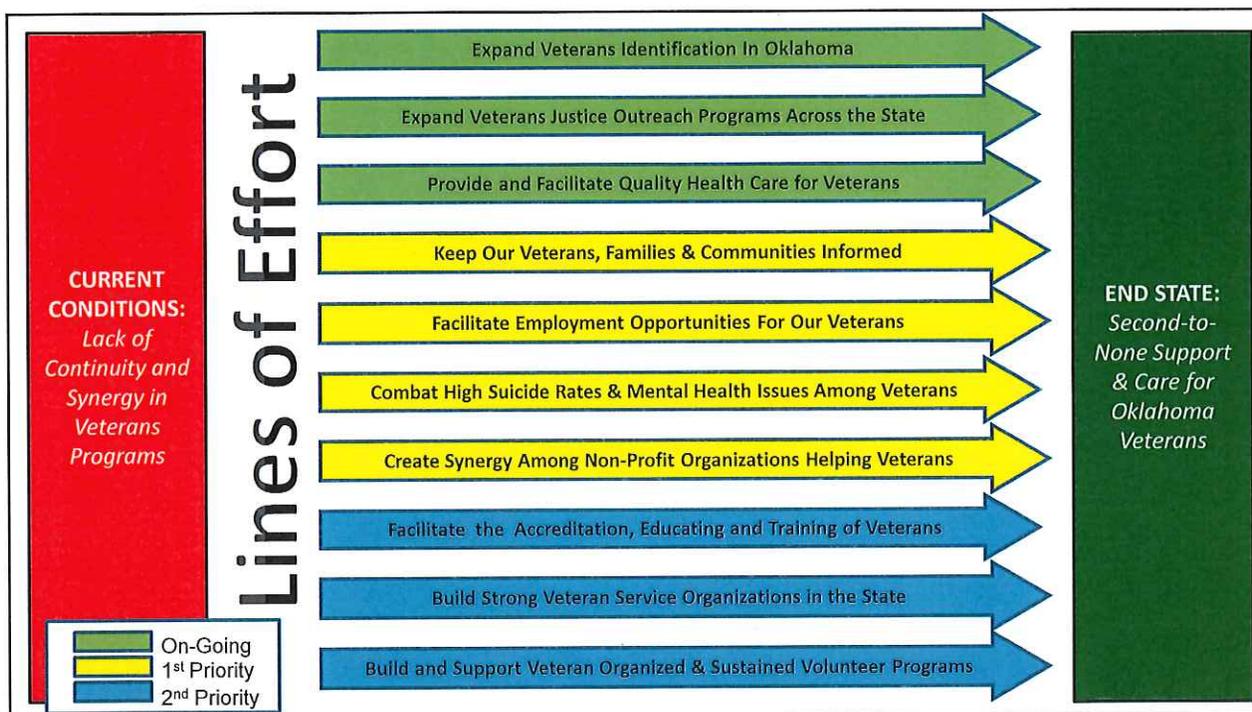
**ODVA**  
**Veterans Programs and Services**

- **Lines of Effort**
  
- **Create Synergy Among Organizations**
  - **Veterans Corner**
  - **Homeless Veterans Taskforces**
  - **Legal Aid**
  - **Tribal Events**
  
- **Mental Health Issues**
  - **John Wilson – Mental Health Liaison**
  - **Training Programs**
  - **Mental Health Conferences**
  
- **Other Initiatives**
  - **Education and Training Program Administrator**
  - **Oklahoma Works**
  - **Veterans Justice Outreach**
  - **Job Fairs**
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# ODVA

## Veterans Programs and Services

November 20, 2015



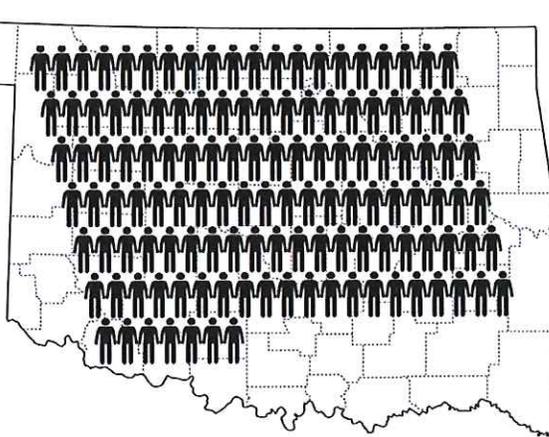
## Create Synergy Among Non-Profit Organizations Helping Veterans

- Veterans Corner Inc. Outreach
- Oklahoma City Homeless Veterans Task Force
- Tulsa Community Services Council Veterans Initiative
- Legal Aid Services of Oklahoma (LASO)
- Tribal Resource and Benefits Fairs



## Combat High Suicide Rates and Mental Health Issues Among Veterans

**127**  
Per Year



Source: Oklahoma Violent Death Reporting System – Brief Report  
[http://www.ok.gov/health2/documents/OKVDRS\\_Brief\\_Suicide\\_Among%20Veterans.pdf](http://www.ok.gov/health2/documents/OKVDRS_Brief_Suicide_Among%20Veterans.pdf)

## **Combat High Suicide Rates and Mental Health Issues Among Veterans**

- **John Wilson – Veterans Mental Health Liaison at ODMHSAS**
- **Mental Health First Aid**
- **Question, Persuade, Refer (QPR)**
- **VA Mental Health Summits**
- **ODMHSAS Conferences – (Suicide Prevention, Specialty Courts, Recovery)**



## **Other Initiatives**

- **Education and Training Program Administrator – January 2016**
- **Oklahoma Works – Workforce Development**
- **Job Fairs**
- **Veterans Justice Outreach**
- **Veteran Volunteers and Partnerships**



**Legislative Deadlines**

**Updated 6/1/15**

**Interim Deadlines, 2015**

- June 12, 2015: Deadline for House interim study proposals
- July 10, 2015: Deadline for approval/disapproval from Speaker of the House of House interim study proposals
- July 10, 2015: Deadline for interim study requests in the Senate. Release of approved requests TBD.

**First Regular Session, 2015**

- December 12, 2014: Final date for requesting the drafting of bills and joint resolutions
- January 6, 2015: Legislature will convene to perform the duties in Section 5 of Article VI of the Oklahoma Constitution.
- January 22, 2015: Deadline for introduction of bills and joint resolutions for consideration on the floor.
- February 2, 2015: The First Regular Session of the 55th Oklahoma Legislature will convene.
- March 12, 2015: Final day for third reading and final passage of bills or joint resolutions in the Chamber of Origin.
- April 9, 2015: Final legislative day for the Senate Chamber to report House bills and House joint resolutions from committee in the Senate.
- April 10, 2015: Deadline for the House Chamber for reporting Senate bills and joint resolutions from House committees
- April 23, 2015: Final day for third reading and final passage of bills or joint resolutions from the Opposite Chamber
- May 11, 2015 (Previously May 7): House deadline for rejecting Senate Amendments (SAs) to House measures and requesting conference
- May 19, 2015: Deadline for submitting all first Conference Committee Reports (CCRs) on House Measures no later than 4:30 p.m.

-May 21, 2015: Deadline for completion of all House standing conference committee meetings no later than noon.

-May 21, 2015: Deadline for submitting all second and subsequent CCRs on House measures no later than 2 p.m.

-May 29, 2015: The First Regular Session will adjourn sine die no later than 5:00 p.m.

### **Second Regular Session, 2016**

-December 11, 2015: Final date for requesting the drafting of bills and joint resolutions.

-January 21, 2016: Deadline for introduction of bills and joint resolutions for consideration on the floor.

-February 1, 2016: The Second Regular Session of the 55th Oklahoma Legislature will convene.

-February 25, 2016: The last date for the Senate to report Senate bills and Senate joint resolutions from committee in the Senate.

-March 10, 2016: Final day for third reading and final passage of bills or joint resolutions in the Chamber of Origin.

-April 7, 2016: Final day for the Senate to report a House bill or House joint resolution from committee in the Senate.

-April 21, 2016: Final day for third reading and final passage of bills or joint resolutions in the Chamber opposite of the Chamber of origin.

-May 27, 2016: The Second Regular Session will adjourn sine die.

\*\*Pursuant to Senate Rule 6-23, a Senator may file a piece of legislation at any time. If heard in committee, such legislation will then be authored by the committee and may be heard on the floor.



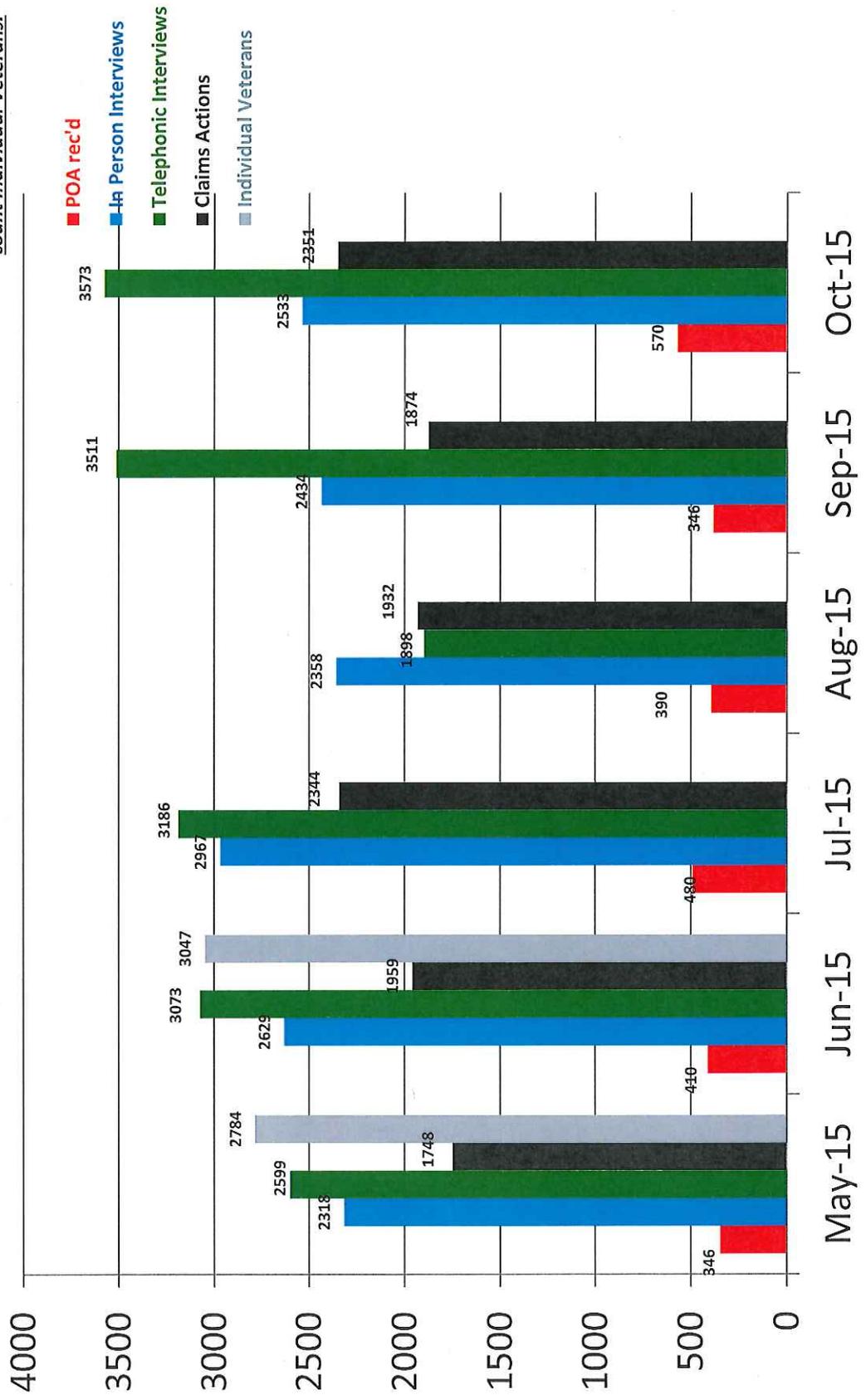
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# **Veterans Services Report**

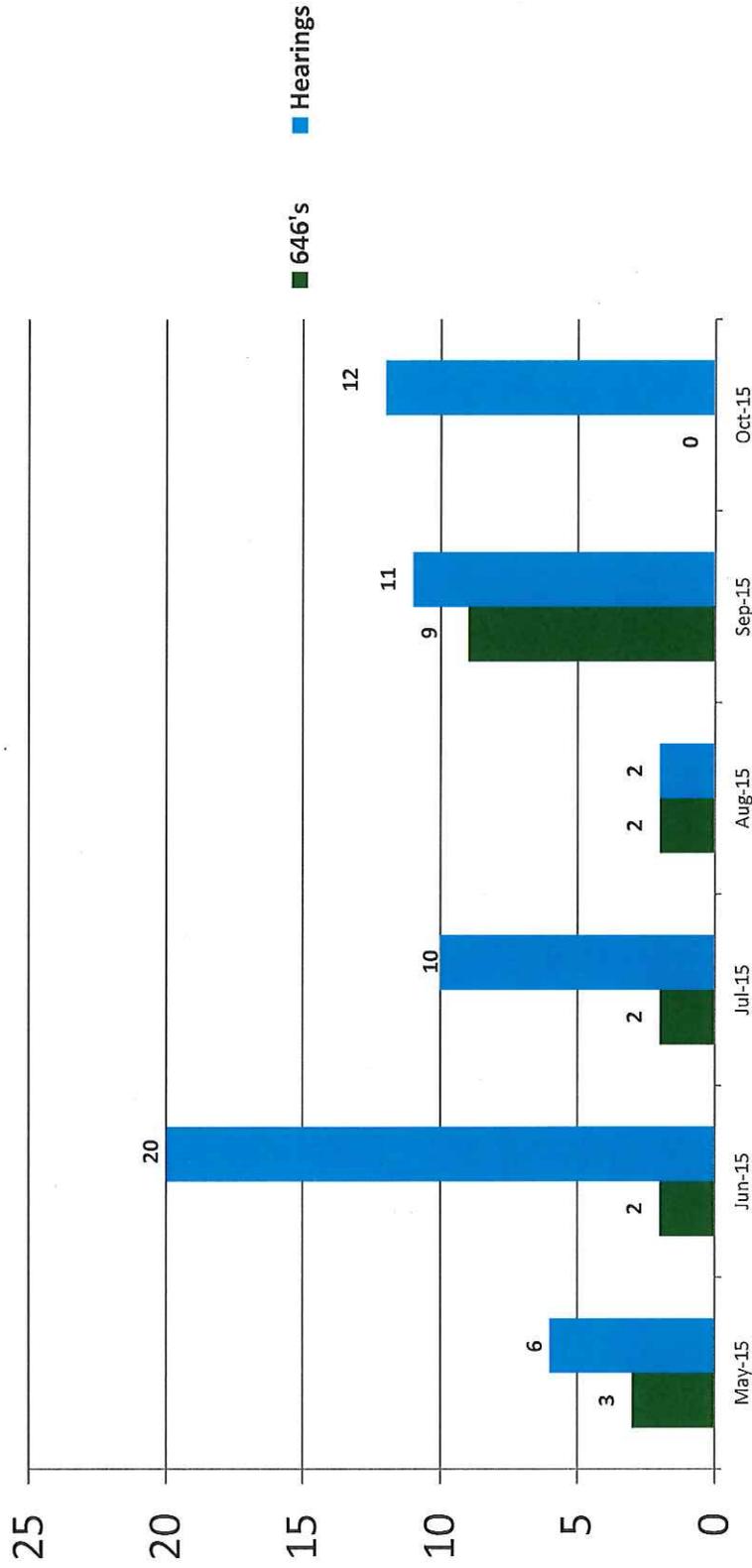
## **October 2015**

# Claims & Benefits

\*June 2015- last month to count Individual Veterans.



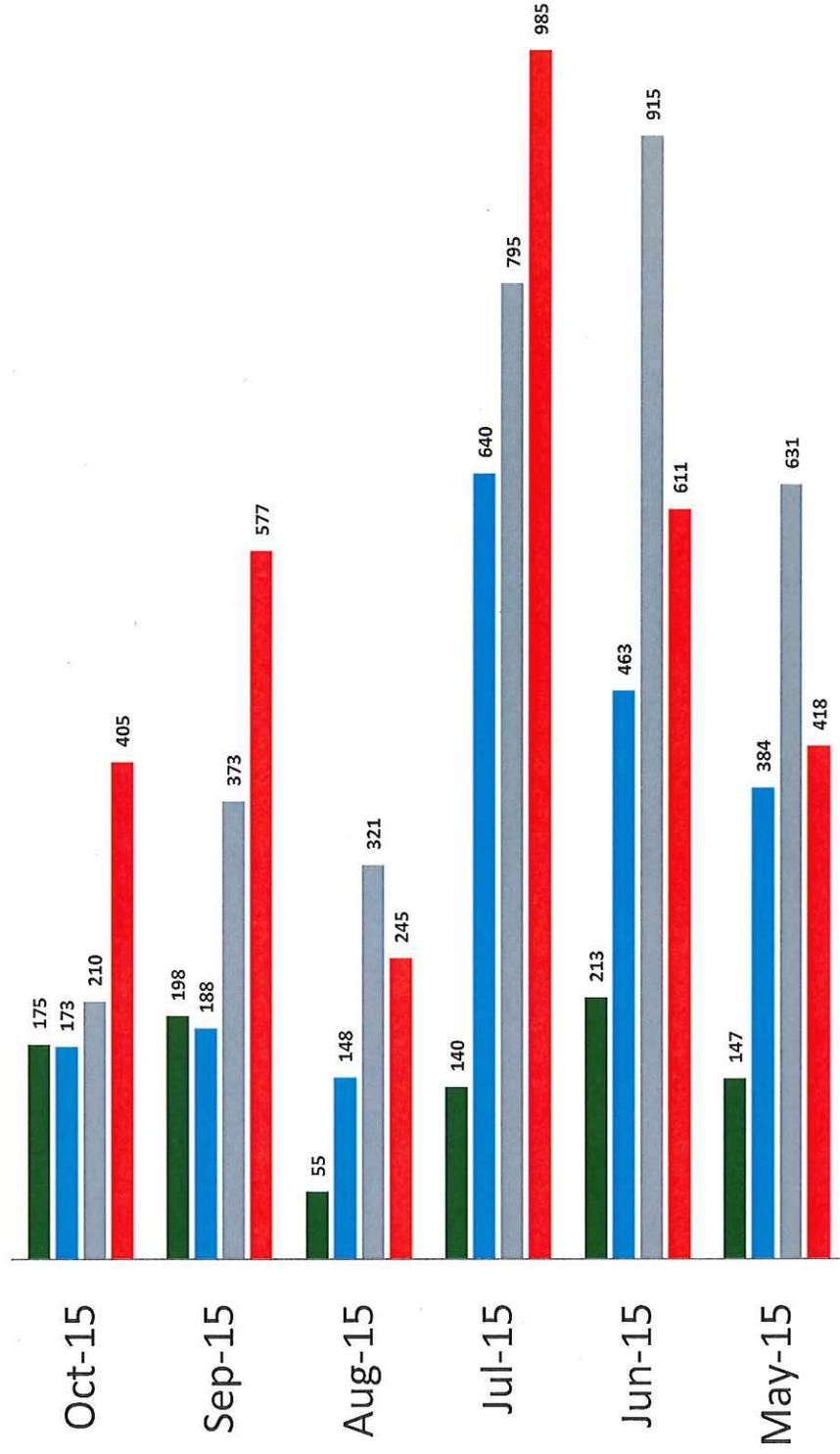
# Hearings and 646's



\*Yearly Board of Veterans Appeals hearings held in June.

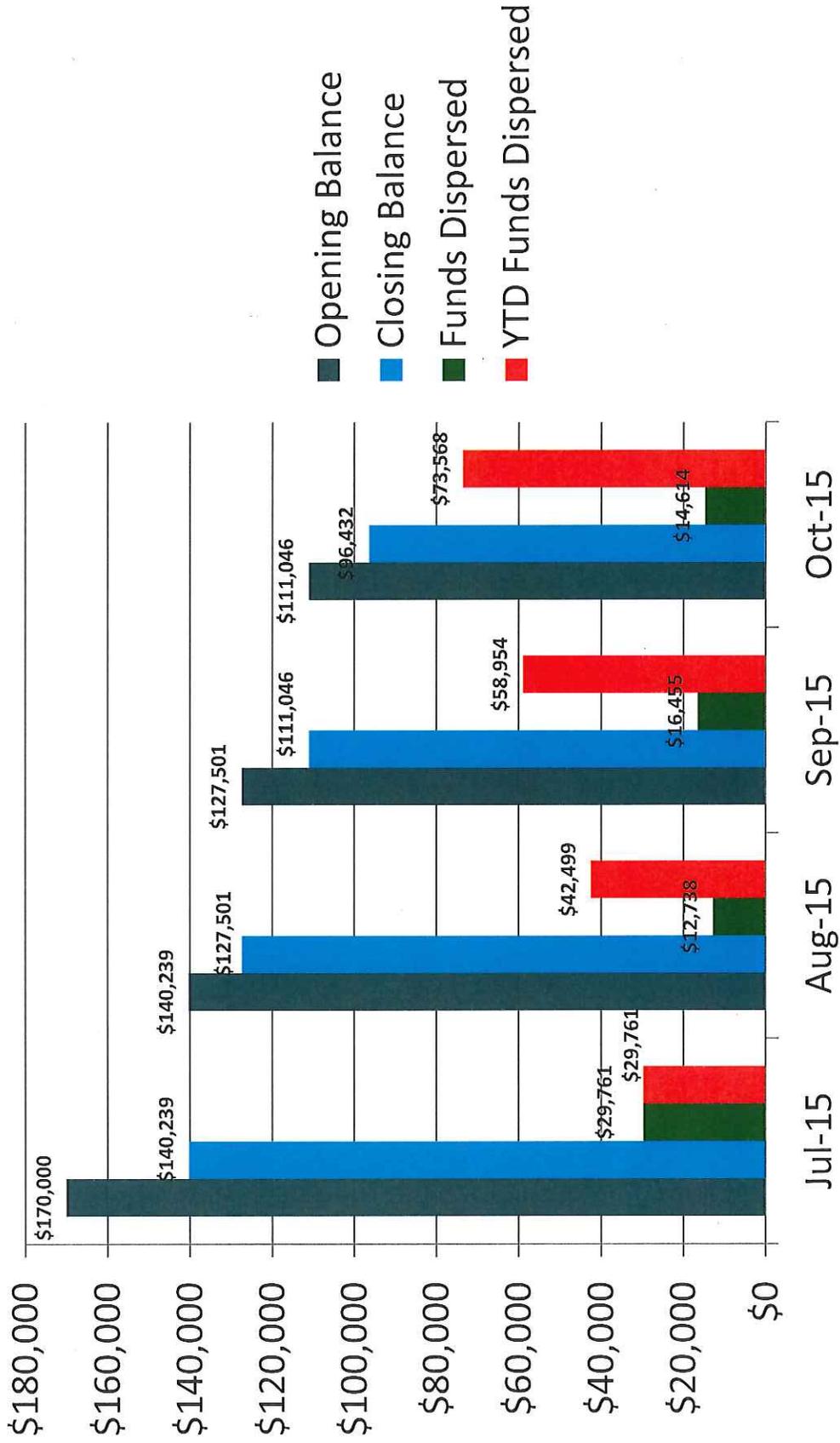
# State Benefits Issued

■ H/F Permits ■ Widow letters ■ Tax letters ■ Auto tag



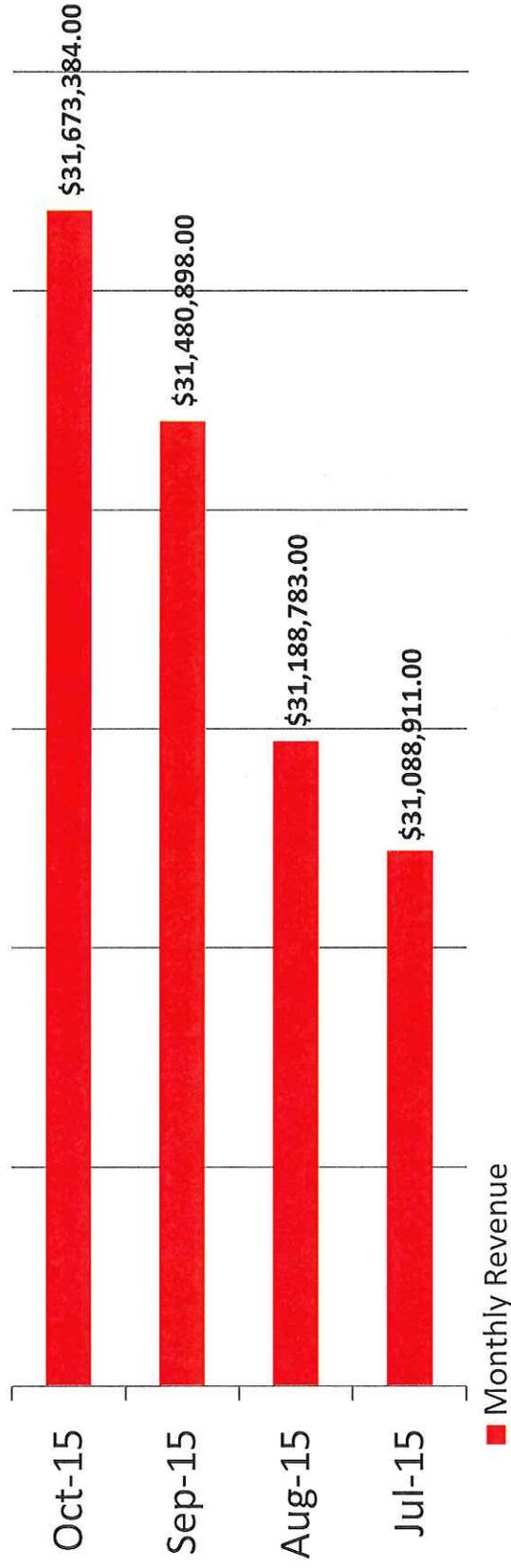
\* July numbers were higher because the VA assigned benefits letters to a group of employees instead of 1 employee for July only

# Emergency Grants

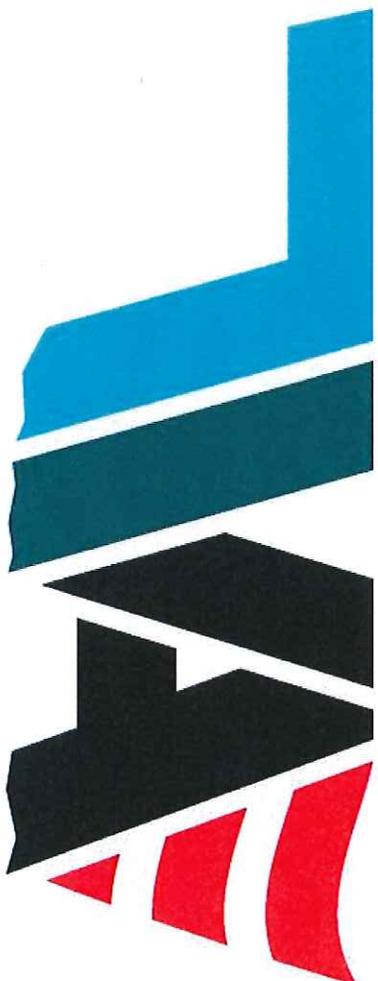


# VA Compensation/Pension for ODVA Veterans October 2016

- Increased monthly revenue for ODVA(POA'd) veteran residents: \$ 31,673,384.00
- Oklahoma FY 2016, Annual Revenue YTD \$125,431,976.00



\*these totals only include those veterans whom ODVA has power of attorney.



**OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

# November 2015 Commission Meeting

Financial Reports for the Month Ending October 31, 2015

# FY-16 Budget Projections

## As of October 31, 2015

| Description                               | Amount         |
|---|----------------|
| FY 2016 Budget Work Program               | \$ 155,159,376 |
| Year-To-Date Expenditure                  | 41,437,520     |
| Encumbrance                               | 20,760,041     |
| Pending Encumbrance                       | 53,587         |
| Balance as of October 31, 2015            | 92,908,229     |
| Less: Remaining Payroll Budget            | 85,523,985     |
| Less: Remaining Travel Budget (Estimated) | 226,505        |
| Restricted Funds                          | 362,016        |
| Available Balance                         | \$ 6,795,723   |

SAAs budget increased by \$20,500

## Expenditure Budget to Actual FY 16- As of October 31, 2015

| Location                 | Budget             | Expenses          | Encumbrance/      |  | Available         |
|--------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--|-------------------|
|                          |                    |                   | Pre-Encum.        |  |                   |
| Claremore                | 27,125,538         | 6,841,514         | 3,651,322         |  | 16,632,702        |
| Ardmore                  | 18,553,236         | 4,961,204         | 2,186,835         |  | 11,405,197        |
| Clinton Center           | 16,829,102         | 4,814,400         | 2,224,645         |  | 9,790,056         |
| Norman Center            | 27,038,930         | 7,426,239         | 3,499,295         |  | 16,113,396        |
| Sulphur Center           | 14,735,214         | 3,822,675         | 1,748,715         |  | 9,163,824         |
| Talihina Center          | 18,763,754         | 4,820,626         | 2,051,681         |  | 11,891,447        |
| Lawton Center            | 21,193,435         | 5,562,787         | 2,734,936         |  | 12,895,713        |
| Capital Lease            | 849,135            | 268,793           | 580,076           |  | 266               |
| Central Office           | 4,333,467          | 1,029,309         | 429,712           |  | 2,874,446         |
| Information Technology   | 2,785,530          | 1,130,992         | 1,526,154         |  | 128,384           |
| Claims and Benefits      | 2,442,805          | 627,953           | 113,645           |  | 1,701,207         |
| State Accrediting Agency | 509,230            | 131,028           | 66,612            |  | 311,590           |
| <b>Total</b>             | <b>155,159,376</b> | <b>41,437,520</b> | <b>20,813,628</b> |  | <b>92,908,229</b> |

**FY 16- Revenue Projected to Actual  
As of October 31, 2015**

| <b>Fund</b>                      | <b>YTD<br/>Projected</b> | <b>YTD Actual</b> | <b>VA Portion<br/>Returned</b> | <b>Difference</b> |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|
| <b>196-<br/>General Revenue</b>  | <b>11,113,104</b>        | <b>11,113,104</b> |                                | <b>0.00</b>       |
| <b>220-<br/>Agency Revolving</b> | <b>9,072,595</b>         | <b>9,201,595</b>  |                                | <b>129,000</b>    |
| <b>400-<br/>Federal Per-Diem</b> | <b>29,635,400</b>        | <b>31,964,578</b> | <b>(351,831)</b>               | <b>1,977,347</b>  |
| <b>Total</b>                     | <b>49,821,099</b>        | <b>52,279,277</b> | <b>(351,831)</b>               | <b>2,106,347</b>  |

**FY 16 Revolving Fund Revenue**  
**As of October 31, 2015**

| <b>Category</b>                | <b>YTD Revenue</b> |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Food and Beverage Sales</b> | <b>86,755</b>      |
| <b>Maintenance</b>             | <b>8,902,352</b>   |
| <b>Housing Rent</b>            | <b>14,800</b>      |
| <b>Easement-Ardmore</b>        | <b>12,239</b>      |
| <b>Sale of Motor Vehicles</b>  | <b>28,553</b>      |
| <b>P – Card Rebate</b>         | <b>51,151</b>      |
| <b>Miscellaneous</b>           | <b>105,745</b>     |
| <b>Total</b>                   | <b>9,201,595</b>   |

**Basic and Service-Connected Per Diem Rates  
Effective October 1, 2015**

| CITY             | Urban/Rural | FY 15<br>PER DIEM | FY 16<br>PER DIEM | Inc./<br>(Dec.) |
|------------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Basic Per Diem   |             | \$102.38          | \$103.61          | \$1.23          |
| CLAREMORE        | Urban       | \$346.00          | \$345.73          | (\$0.27)        |
| ARDMORE          | Rural       | \$345.40          | \$341.08          | (\$4.32)        |
| NORMAN           | Urban       | \$376.43          | \$373.26          | (\$3.17)        |
| LAWTON           | Urban       | \$346.17          | \$333.69          | (\$12.48)       |
| CLINTON          | Rural       | \$345.40          | \$341.08          | (\$4.32)        |
| TALIHINA         | Rural       | \$345.43          | \$341.08          | (\$4.35)        |
| SULPHUR          | Rural       | \$345.40          | \$341.08          | (\$4.32)        |
| Average 70% Rate |             | \$350.03          | \$345.29          | (\$4.75)        |

**Average Occupancy Rate**  
As of November 3, 2015

| <b>Location</b> | <b>Number of Beds</b> | <b>Currently Enrolled</b> | <b>Occupancy Rate</b> |
|-----------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| Ardmore         | 175                   | 170                       | 97%                   |
| Claremore       | 302                   | 285                       | 94%                   |
| Clinton         | 148                   | 143                       | 97%                   |
| Lawton          | 200                   | 198                       | 99%                   |
| Norman          | 301                   | 297                       | 99%                   |
| Sulphur         | 122                   | 112                       | 92%                   |
| Talihina        | 175                   | 175                       | 100%                  |
| <b>Total</b>    | <b>1,423</b>          | <b>1,380</b>              | <b>97%</b>            |

# Total Days of Care As of October 31, 2015

| Location  | Basic Per Diem<br>Days of Care<br>10/31/15 | 70% Service Connected<br>Days of Care 10/31/15 | Percentage of 70%<br>Days of Care-10/31/15 |
|-----------|--|--|--|
| Ardmore   | 3,832                                      | 1,363  | 26%  |
| Claremore | 6,518                                      | 2,331  | 26%  |
| Clinton   | 3,236                                      | 1,201  | 27%  |
| Lawton    | 3,384                                      | 2,655  | 44%  |
| Norman    | 6,134                                      | 3,145  | 34%  |
| Sulphur   | 1,823                                      | 1,576  | 46%  |
| Talihina  | 3,970                                      | 1,415  | 26%  |
| Total     | 28,897                                     | 13,686   | 32%  |

# Agency Special Fund

## As of October 31, 2015

| Fund Location                 | Beginning |         | YTD     |             | Ending |         |
|-------------------------------|-----------|---------|---------|-------------|--------|---------|
|                               | Cash      | YTD     | Revenue | YTD         | Cash   | Balance |
|                               | Balance   |         |         | Expenditure |        |         |
| 701 Claremore Veterans Center | 496,172   | 113,597 | 125,129 | 484,640     |        |         |
| 702 Ardmore Veterans Center   | 568,130   | 50,297  | 56,153  | 562,275     |        |         |
| 703 Clinton Veterans Center   | 321,642   | 132,227 | 113,742 | 340,127     |        |         |
| 704 Norman Veterans center    | 401,173   | 88,848  | 82,363  | 407,658     |        |         |
| 705 Sulphur Veterans Center   | 331,109   | 105,247 | 154,167 | 282,189     |        |         |
| 706 Talihina Veterans Center  | 180,683   | 49,661  | 51,202  | 179,142     |        |         |
| 707 Lawton Veterans Venter    | 225,214   | 57,423  | 59,092  | 223,544     |        |         |

**Current Awarded Capital Projects**  
**As of October 31, 2015**

| Projects                                  | Federal Share Authorized | Disbursed           | Balance             |
|---|--------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Ardmore Laundry, Lab and Physical Therapy | 1,779,243.70             | 1,339,484.89        | 439,758.81          |
| Clinton Laundry, Kitchen, Dining          | 4,516,096.00             | 3,849,490.50        | 666,605.50          |
| Telecommunications                        | 3,791,645.00             | 2,306,140.01        | 1,485,504.99        |
| Security Cameras                          | 986,700.00               | 763,480.39          | 223,219.61          |
| Agency Wide CPRS Imaging                  | 351,752.64               | 228,563.56          | 123,189.08          |
| Claremore Floors, Elevators & Windows     | 536,331.25               | 346,434.99          | 189,896.26          |
| Claremore Boiler & Chillers               | 702,373.79               | 525,526.11          | 176,847.68          |
| Nurse Call Sidewalk                       | 516,248.49               | 214,655.64          | 301,592.85          |
| Safety: Emergency Generators              | 2,303,555.58             | -                   | 2,303,555.58        |
| Safety Elevators                          | 1,586,329.13             | -                   | 1,586,329.13        |
| <b>Total</b>                              | <b>17,070,275.58</b>     | <b>9,573,776.09</b> | <b>7,496,499.49</b> |

# Capital Projects- Contd.

## As of October 31, 2015

### Sulphur Mold Project

| Funding Sources | Budget               | Expended            | Encumbered          | Balance           | Percentage  |
|-----------------|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| Federal         | \$ 5,165,168         | \$ 456,555          | \$ 3,879,396        | \$ 829,217        | 48%         |
| State Match     | \$ 5,676,428         | \$ 4,759,426        | \$ 917,002          | \$ -              | 52%         |
| <b>Total</b>    | <b>\$ 10,841,596</b> | <b>\$ 5,215,981</b> | <b>\$ 4,796,398</b> | <b>\$ 829,217</b> | <b>100%</b> |

## Construction Department Report Week Ending November 13, 2015

### Ardmore

- ***VA Grant Project: 40-029 – Laboratory, Physical Therapy & Laundry Renovation (\$2,737,298.00)***  
Ardmore VA Center parking Plans approved by the City of Ardmore. Moving forward with the permit fees, fencing, and lighting plans. Currently we are setting up purchase orders, getting proposal and utilizing the GSA contracts for light poles and electrical supplies. Quality Fence has visited Ardmore to give a proposal on a fence for the small detention area located on the east side of what will be the new parking lot at the Ardmore Veterans Center.  
On 11/10/15, Center Staff agreed to proceed with asphalt paving option for new lot and road (\$537,995.03). Center Staff provided the spec sheets for the 3-lamp pole light and bollard fixtures and also requested that Construction Programs prepare a solicitation for the electrical work required for the project.
- ***9300 Projects (\$528,737.00) / CIP Project #650-0704 (\$622,520.40)***  
*FY15 Congregate Bathing: #15209* – Requisitions sent to OMES CAP totaling \$523,200.00 including CIP funding. As of 10/16/15, AIP working to complete water softener portion of the documents and expect upload drawings to CAP by 11/10/15.  
*FY16 Roofing: #R16040-02* – On 9/29/15, CAP issued NTP on project. Ford Roofing and Center Staff have agreed to start project in mid-January or early February.

### Claremore

- ***VA Grant Project: 40-041 - Floors, Windows, and Elevators Renovation (\$850,983.00)***  
Per request on 11/04/15, Center Staff will be installing rework of shower walls and the 6 congregate baths. Acceptance inspection for Elevator#2 was completed on 10/16/15. Hemphill says that Otis will return by 11/10/15 to correct issue with Elevator #1 and complete upgrade of Elevator #3.
- ***9300 Projects (\$400,000.00)***  
*FY16 Roofing* – On 11/6/15, Center Staff decided to replace roofing at the A Wing and will be submit requisition to CAP.

- Assisted Melanie Carrick – Business Manager with Solicitation for the Carpet replacement at the Center.

#### Clinton

- **VA Grant Project: 40-030 - Dining Addition & Laundry Renovation (\$6,947,840)**  
Fire Lime to Dining CAP#15272 – D-Barco mobilized to the site and is proceeding to install piping and vaults. Approximately 50% complete as of 11/2/14.  
Steel Doors at Laundry – Contract is being awarded to Jason Rose of J. Rose and Company in the amount of \$18,100.00. Paperwork has been submitted to Accounting for ePro requisition to CAP.  
Door Widening CAP#15225 – HSE Architects has uploaded the drawing to the OMES site to kick off the bid process. CAP is tentatively scheduled to advertise & release the document on 10/22/15 and pre-bid meeting was held 11/3/15 at 10 am but there were no Contractors in attendance. Paperwork has been submitted to obtain permits from both the City of Clinton and the Fire Marshall's office. CAP & HSE are contacting area Contractors to solicit interest in the project. Bid opening for 11/17/15 will be moved to 12/3/15.
- **CIP Project #650-1424 Project: Clinton Boiler & Laundry Equipment (\$1,520,850.00)**  
The paperwork has been submitted to OMES-CAP for LRCPFC funding to award design to PSA Engineering.
- **9300 Project - (\$294,950.00)**  
FY16 Rooftop HVAC at Auditorium: PO #6509025035 – Center Staff has completed the PO to purchase new equipment and installation will be completed by Maintenance Staff.
- **FY16 Cooling Tower at SW Annex CAP #EM16022** – New cooling tower scheduled to ship 10/17/15. Pre-construction meeting with Johnson Controls is scheduled for 10/22/15 and mobilization on 10/26/15. Emergency Declaration Letter has been updated and sent to OMES/CAP with the new cost to include the electrical for \$197,703. Center Staff has forwarded the 1<sup>st</sup> pay application (\$90,535.00) to CAP for approval and installation is approximately 58% complete.

FY16 Storm Water Drainage at Courtyard – Forwarded Johnson & Associates proposal (\$25,000) to center on 9/29/15 and expect Center Staff to prepare requisition to CAP for \$26,750.00.

**Lawton**

- **9300 Projects (7,025.00)**  
FY15 Fire Protection Study – OMES Risk Survey that was performed in November 2014 identified that the existing fire sprinkler system may not be adequately sized to suppress a fire in the warehouse since existing sprinkler riser showed coverage density of 0.10 gpm/sf but record drawings onsite showed that 0.60 gpm/sf was required by code for the building. Center Staff has submitted paperwork to OMES CAP to award initial study to Cyntergy AEC to perform flow test and observe/verify coverage density requirements for the remainder of the facility. On 11/12/15, CAP issued the NTP.

**Norman**

- **New Door for Dish Room**  
On 11/6/15, Met with Center Staff to discuss option to add new door for soiled cart access into the dish room. Construction Programs met with Contractors on 11/10 to walk-thru and get quotes.

**Sulphur**

- **9300 Projects (\$861,644.59)**  
FY15 West Wing Millwork CAP #15221R - Requisitions totaling \$303,985.50 have been submitted to OMES CAP. Rebidding the millwork project was on 11/3/15. The apparent low bidder was LDG, LLC for \$440,845.00. ODVA has requested that CAP assist with getting the specification required for having an AWI Certified cabinet fabrication shop removed from the project. The Bidders on the project stated that there were limit local fabricators that met this requirement and that was the major reason the bids were significantly high.

FY16 Roofing – ePro requisition (6500001044) totaling \$557,659.09 have been submitted to OMES CAP to award the project to Ford Roofing.

#### Talhina

- **9300 Projects (\$539,655.00)**

FY15 Terrazzo Floor Installation CAP#15259 – Installation is complete and final walk thru inspection was performed by CAP & Center Staff on 11/4/15.

FY15 Chiller Replacement CAP #15270 – Hunter Mechanical & Controls, Inc. has been providing the submittals to EDA and the re-construction meeting is tentatively scheduled for after the equipment delivery date has been established.

FY16 Boiler Replacement – Received proposal from Flynt & Kallenberger for \$6612.50 to perform initial study to assess requirements to convert from steam boiler for heating, hot water and steam fired kitchen/laundry equipment to natural gas.

FY16 Flooring Repairs CAP#EM16084 - Installation is complete and final walk thru inspection was performed by CAP & Center Staff on 11/4/15.

#### Agency Wide

- **VA Grant Project: 40-035 - Telecommunication Renovation (\$5,303,000.00)**

Processing PO increases to OMES ISD for additional cabling and replacement MDF cabinets at Talhina and moving surplus materials from Claremore to Lawton. OMES ISD to start installs at Lawton week of 7/20 using Telco Supply and expected to be complete January 30th. OMES ISD continuing cabling install at Clinton using Sequoyah – approx. 60% complete. This OMES sub is dragging and PM isn't very responsive about project. Will be discussing with Patsy Lisering. Ardmore has been completed.

Change order to have Techsico out to wire lines for the analog lines in the resident's rooms for phone service, as this was not a part of the original contract. On 11/10/15, Accounting issued change orders for Ardmore and Lawton purchase orders for installation of the CAT3 Cooper cable @ \$23,068.75 - each facility.

- **VA Grant Project: 40-047 - Nurse Call and Fire Egress (\$1,101,358.92)**

Clinton Nurse Call Update – Endex has completed the nurse call light installation and is approximately 60% complete with overhead paging system.

Ardmore CAP #15328 – Notified OMES-CAP to award Voy Construction in the amount of \$40,428.00

Claremore CAP #15326 – Notified OMES-CAP to award Timbrel Building Co. in the amount of \$45,774.00. The contract was signed and returned back to OMES-CAP for execution on 11/5/15. On 11/10/15, CAP issued NTP and tentatively scheduling pre-construction meetings during week of 11/16/15.

Clinton CAP #15329 – Notified OMES-CAP to award J. Rose & Company the bid for the Clinton sidewalk project for \$43,000 base bid and \$42,000 bid alternate. The contract was signed and returned back to OMES-CAP for execution on 11/5/15. On 11/10/15, CAP issued NTP and tentatively scheduling pre-construction meetings during week of 11/16/15.

Lawton CAP #15333 – Sidewalk project contract has been issued to Joe's Backhoe Service LLC in the amount of \$88,250. The contract was signed and returned back to OMES-CAP for execution on 11/5/15. On 11/10/15, CAP issued NTP and tentatively scheduling pre-construction meetings during week of 11/16/15.

Norman CAP #15330 – Notified OMES-CAP to award Timbrel Building Co. in the amount of \$33,929.00. The contract was signed and returned back to OMES-CAP for execution on 11/5/15. On 11/10/15, CAP issued NTP and tentatively scheduling pre-construction meetings during week of 11/16/15.

Sulphur CAP #15331 – Notified OMES-CAP to award Timbrel Building Co. in the amount of \$92,909.00. The contract was signed and returned back to OMES-CAP for execution on 11/5/15. On 11/10/15, CAP issued NTP and tentatively scheduling pre-construction meetings during week of 11/16/15.

Talihina CAP #15332 – Notified OMES-CAP to award Voy Construction. in the amount of \$85,485.00. On 11/10/15, CAP issued NTP and tentatively scheduling pre-construction meetings during week of 11/16/15.

- ***VA Grant Project: 40-051 - Emergency Generator Renovation (\$3,543,931.67)***

Claremore CAP#15342- The VA Grant has been awarded and OMES-CAP has been notified to accept the bid submitted by Southeast Tulsa Construction in the amount of \$742,000 – contract issued by CAP 9/30/15. Returned signed contract for execution on 10/14/15. Notice to proceed was received from OMES-CAP on 10/28/15.

Clinton CAP#15343 - The VA Grant has been awarded and OMES-CAP has been notified to accept the bid from Imajenus Inc. in the amount of \$973,841.93. CAP issued contract on 9/28/15. Received signed contract for execution on 10/14/15. Notice to proceed was received from OMES-CAP on 10/28/15.

Talhina CAP #15341 - The VA Grant has been awarded and OMES-CAP has been notified to accept the bid submitted by Imajenus Inc. for \$904,441.65 – contract issued by CAP 9/30/15. Received signed contract for execution on 10/14/15. Notice to proceed was received from OMES-CAP on 10/28/15.

- **VA Grant Project: 40-052 - Elevator Renovation (\$1,586,329.13) / CIP Project #650-1502 (\$885,095.00)**

Ardmore CAP#15367 - The VA Grant has been awarded and OMES-CAP is being notified to accept the quote received from KONE via the GSA Contract at \$272,305.00. Awaiting CIP funding and contract award by CAP.

Clinton CAP#15348 - The VA Grant has been awarded and OMES-CAP has been notified to accept the low bidder for the project - KONE at \$730,152.00. Awaiting CIP funding and contract award by CAP.

Talhina CAP#15347 - The VA Grant has been awarded and OMES-CAP has been notified to accept the low bidder for the project - KONE at \$868,032.00. Awaiting CIP funding and contract award by CAP.

- **9300 Projects (\$4,022,099) / CIP Project #650-1362 (\$2,386,501.00)**

FY16 Lawton Roofing - Completed and submitted the M710 paperwork for the Lawton Roof replacement using LRCPC funding totaling \$55,640.00 to utilize the services of Mass Architects Inc. (\$52,000.00) to perform initial investigative study on roofing & EIFS.

FY16 Norman Roofing - CAP #R16041-13 (\$1,914,309.06) - CAP issued the Notice to Proceed (NTP) to Oklahoma Roofing on 11/2/15. Oklahoma Roofing was on site on 11/3/15 for the initial site visit with Architect and expects to receive the sealed architectural drawings and specifications completed by 11/13/15. Pre-Construction meeting to be schedule upon completion of the drawings.

**TOTAL CONSTRUCTION BENEFIT TO VETERANS HOMES WEEK OF 11/9/15 – 11/13/15 = \$32,024,751.58**

Central Office

- *Space Request* - Agency Telework Certification Form was approved by GTARB Committee on 10/15/2015. On 10/27/15, DCAM CAP hosted the space program meeting was held at the Will Rogers building to begin the initial design phase of the New Administration Offices. On 11/12/15, OVDA hosted the second space program review meeting. ODVA expects to host another meeting during week of 11/23/15 regarding preliminary layout including walls and furniture.
- *20x2020* - Met with Claire Farr and Stephanie Shaulis on 10/29/15 concerning Behavioral Strategy, the progress for Energy Cap, and next implementation steps.



# From the heart



Quilts of Honor's Charles and Barbara Dunlap (left) and Linda Mackey, far right, pose with veteran Ken Young after presenting Young with a quilt for his service. SUBMITTED PHOTO

## Local marine honored with quilt

By Melanie Plemons  
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Sitting next to his wall of awards for his service, Ken Young talked about how touched he was to have received a hand-made quilt he was presented at the Veterans Day program at the local veterans center.

The quilt was sewn by Charles

Dunlap, with help from Barbara Dunlap and Linda Mackey of Quilts of Honor, a nonprofit, nationwide organization that runs on donations and sponsors.

"I asked her (Linda) what was your criteria for selecting someone for this award? She said, 'We had no criteria.' I asked her what made you pick me over the 600-700 other veterans here? She said

'I was standing there surveying the crowd and I looked up and the good Lord directed me to you. That is your recipient for today. I said I can't believe this, I've done nothing to honor it really, but I'll gladly accept it,' Young recalls.

Young served as in the U.S. Army Reserve for two years before serving in the Marines for

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20 years and later as police officer. He was one of the first and last to serve in the Vietnam War, serving 42 months in three tours.

"It (receiving the quilt) dumbfounded me," Young added. "I could not think of a thing to say except say except thank you. If you look at it, that took many hours of sewing to get that intricate detail.

Every corner, every line is perfect."

The quilt has around 100 squares and is approximately 8-feet by 12-feet. It's red, white and blue with hand-stitched stars, liberty bells, eagles and words such as thank you, respect and honor. It also goes perfectly with Young's house full of Oklahoma University memorabilia.

"They want no pay for it. There must be 5,000 feet of stitching on there," Young explained. "It

floored me to think I got it and I'm very grateful for it. They certainly deserve a big thank you, more than I can give them, for the generosity and kindness of it."

"Our hope is that these quilts will provide comfort, love and healing to those who have given so much," Gail Belmont, Quilts of Honor executive director, said.

## White, Belinda

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**From:** Potteiger, Tim T.  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 11, 2015 7:58 AM  
**To:** Dilonardo, Monique M.; Ellard, Bert L.; Claremore Department Heads  
**Cc:** Faulkner, Shane; Elliott, Doug; Wilkerson, Terry  
**Subject:** FW: Someone in common

Thanks Guys! Excellent Job!!

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**From:** Ellard, Bert L.  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 10, 2015 2:32 PM  
**To:** 'Monique Silva'  
**Cc:** Potteiger, Tim T.; Dilonardo, Monique M.  
**Subject:** RE: Someone in common

Thanks, and whatever your Mom told you about me .... it's not true. ;^) We'll see you Saturday?  
Bert

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**From:** Monique Silva [<mailto:msilva@imaxcorp.com>]  
**Sent:** Monday, November 09, 2015 1:32 PM  
**To:** Ellard, Bert L.  
**Subject:** Someone in common

Hi Bert

Just read a wonderful article about you and your staff see below. Also just found out that you and mother may know each other.

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# HALLOWEEN AT THE CLAREMORE VETERANS CENTER

Once again I have been extremely impressed by the staff and residents at our local veterans home. Bert Ellard and the recreation and activities department showed their dedication to and love of the local people, the center residents and the community. They put on a Trick or Treat event with a carnival that was magnificent to say the least. This was not their first Halloween event but it was my first with them and this one was magnificent. Bert, Monique, Sandy, Robert, Sabrina, and Sherry organized and helped with the decorating of the building and held a contest allowing the residents to vote for their choice of best decorations. Wing 1C was the choice as the best in a hands down vote with 20 more votes than the 2nd place and 30 more votes than the 3rd place contestants. They also had a costume contest for residents and staff. Trick or Treat began at 6 p m with 540 kids and countless adults going through the center collecting more than 850 lbs of candy donated by staff members in a fine example of their generosity and love for people, many of which they don't even know. In the auditorium they held a carnival with softball bowling, ring toss, boat races, and



many other games for kids and adults. They also had a petting zoo with rabbits, Hershey the Center's pet duck, and an African Gray parrot that would spread and flap his wings like an eagle while sitting on arms, shoulders, or heads of guests.

I witnessed several veteran residents handing out candy to costumed children and I really can't say who enjoyed the event more, the residents or the kids. I was located in one spot for the evening, being assigned as a "doorstop" at the end of the 2nd floor line. The stairwell doors are punch pad coded for safety so I held the door so the Trick or Treaters could get to the stairs to get to the 3rd floor. The last of the line passed my station about 8 p. m. and I then went down to the carnival to see if I could help there but they were well-staffed with other volunteers, including a large group of local scouts. The carnival ended about 8:30 or so but I left shortly before then as I was very tired from my day and not really needed there. I know there were prizes at the carnival but I don't know what all they were. I know they had candy and glow necklaces as



prizes but don't know what else they had as I wasn't there very long and mostly paid attention to the events rather than the prizes. As usual with activities at the center, a good time was had by all, residents, volunteers, guests, and staff. As I stated in a previous item about the Veterans Center, the people there are top notch and a credit to the community and the Veteran's Administration as a whole. Once again, when you hear of all the bad things about this branch of government realize that the people at the Claremore facility are not the ones you are hearing about. These people, residents and staff, are some of the finest people I have ever known and they deserve the admiration and respect of all of us. I know that making assumptions can be dangerous or embarrassing but I confidently assume the people at other local centers are close to as good as the Claremore crew, although I can't imagine any being better. I have not been to other centers but I know the people in Oklahoma as I have lived in this state all of my 65 years except for the three years I spent in the United States Army. I also assume that those who serve our veterans in other states are of similar quality. I make the assumption about other local VA personnel because I understand the qualities it takes to do what they do and I know the type of people drawn to serving their veterans. It is humbling, and both an honor and a pleasure to be able to associate with such fine people.

I submit this in the name of the Most Holy Trinity, in faith, with the responsibility given to me by Almighty God to honor His work and not let it die from neglect.

*Monique Silva*

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**Wright, Rita**

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**From:** Kreizenbeck, Katherine R  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 21, 2015 10:13 AM  
**To:** Clinton E-Mail List  
**Subject:** FW: Terry Dubberly

See the e-mail below from Mr. Dubberly's family.

Thanks everyone for your excellent care of our veterans!!!!

Katherine Kreizenbeck, Administrator  
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-----Original Message-----

**From:** Andrea Williams [<mailto:abcx2williams@cox.net>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 20, 2015 6:20 AM  
**To:** Reynolds, Randy  
**Subject:** Terry Dubberly

Randy,

I just wanted to let you know that dad passed yesterday. The entire staff at Clinton were phenomenal and I'm so glad you convinced me to consider Clinton but please, please make sure that everyone up high in the OK Dept of Veterans Affairs knows what an absolute angel nurse Dixie is! She was with us until the end, and because of her (and my mad driving skills) I was able to get my mom to dad's side for his final breath.

I will let you know service details soon.

Andrea Williams

Sent from my iPhone