

North Carolina Department of Military And Veterans Affairs



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- **New Agency Established in 2015**
- **Mission** - To support the uniformed military, both active and reserve, and their families and installations and communities as well as military veterans, their families, facilities and services in North Carolina by providing timely and responsive engagement; to enhance North Carolina's current military and veteran friendly environment and foster and promote business, technology, transportation, education, economic development, and healthcare
- **Vision** - To create a state that fully accepts and supports the military and veterans and where their full potential and human capital is realized and valued; to support and create an engaged military and veteran populous that fully participates in all facets of our state's life.

Veterans Cemetery Expansion Update

Sandhills State Veterans Cemetery (Spring Lake)

- **Expansion Project: \$5,966,206.00**
- Grant awarded by the US DVA Cemetery Grant Program
- Construction Phase
- On site working – tree removal is underway. Silt fence being installed. Discussing storm drain connections and location. Reviewing demo if existing road network and design of new road system
- Designer is on site weekly
- Contractor: Engineered Construction Co Raleigh NC

Western Carolina Veterans Cemetery (Black Mountain)

- **Expansion Project: \$3,028,255.00**
- Grant awarded by the US DVA Cemetery Grant Program
- Construction Phase
- Pre-Construction meeting held October
- Contractor began work 01 November 2018.
- Contractor: Tennoca Construction Company Candler, NC



New Nursing Homes Update

NC State Veterans Home – Wake

Projected Cost – \$38,890,800.00

Trust Fund Match 35% – \$13,611,780.00

- Designer – RND
- CMR at Risk – Barnhill; working on the bids
- Designs are under review by SCO

NC State Veterans Home – Guilford

Projected Cost – \$38,890,800.00

Trust Fund Match 35% – \$13,611,780.00

- Designer – LS3P
- CMR at Risk – Rodgers; working on the bids
- Designs are under review by SCO



Escheats Scholarships Funds



- Senate Bill 125 Section 6.4 – Restores \$2.4m (non-recurring) to the Children of Wartime Veterans Scholarship program. Funding was reduced by 25% in 2013.
- Funding was requested in Gov. Cooper's budget to restore room and board allowance.
- Funds used to restore room and board allowance to Class II and Class III competitive scholarships.
- Based on available funding provided, the room rate is now \$4,000.00 and the board rate is \$2,400.00 per year per student.
- Requesting (\$2.4m) funding be recurring so the new rates will be sustained due to ever-increasing cost of higher institution education.

925 Class II & Class III Students

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| • Tuition: | \$3,964,054.00 |
| • Fees: | \$2,288,350.00 |
| • Room: | \$3,700,000.00 |
| • Board: | <u>\$2,220,000.00</u> |
| • Total: | <u>\$12,172,404.00</u> |



Number of Applicants & Recipients for the Past 5 Yrs

20 -	13	14	15	16	17	18
Applied	694	629	516	545	477	524
Awarded						
1-A	34	18	19	15	18	10
1-B	124	110	114	149	152	149
II	99	99	100	98	96	93
III	97	97	92	93	96	95
IV	0	0	0	0	0	0

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QUESTIONS?



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