



# BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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## PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, APRIL 23, 2009

### AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Adoption of Agenda
4. Approval of Minutes dated March 19, 2009 (previously distributed)
5. Public Participation
6. Status Report by Veterans Services Department Director (mailed)
7. Authorize Community Services Agency to Submit Weatherization Assistance Program PY 09 Local Service Plan (mailed)
8. New Business
9. Public Participation
10. Adjournment

**MEMBERS:** Torrice-Chair, Tocco-Vice-Chair, Mijac, Brdak, Bruley, Accavitti, Boyle, Kepler, Lampar and Gielegem (ex-officio)

### MACOMB COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

FULL

BOARD

MEETING

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

AGENDA

ITEM: \_\_\_\_\_

MACOMB COUNTY, MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION TO Receive and file Monthly Status Report for March 2009,

as submitted by Kermit Harris, Director of Veterans Services.

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INTRODUCED BY: Carey Torrice, Chair, Public Services Committee

**COMMITTEE / MEETING DATE**

Public Services / 4-23-2009

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**PUBLIC SERVICES BOARD MEETING  
Status Report for March 2009**

**Veterans Services Commission Members:**

**Mike G. Kinney, Chairman**  
**George Helm, Vice Chairman**  
**Marco A. Cuenca, Secretary**  
**Pat M. Daniels, Member at Large**  
**Natalie V. McPherson, Member at Large**

After review by the Veterans Services Commission **43** county burial applications and **8** marker reimbursement applications were approved for February.

**STATUS REPORT – MARCH 2009**

				<u>2009</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>2008</u>
				<u>(MAR)</u>	<u>(2009)</u>	<u>(MAR)</u>
1.	Personal Contacts with Veterans			484	1268	371
	<u>WWI</u>	<u>WWII</u>	<u>Korean</u>			
	1	93	63			
	<u>Persian</u>	<u>Iraq</u>	<u>Peacetime</u>			
	35	28	33			
			<u>Vietnam</u>			
			226			
			<u>Visitors</u>			
			5			
2.	Claims (New/On-Going): Compensation, Pension DIC, Widows Death Pension			122	386	154
3.	Federal Burial Allowance			16	14	10
4.	County Burial Allowance			43	88	43
5.	County Burial – Excess Net Worth			10	39	17
6.	Government Markers			8	7	6
7.	Flag Display Cases			48	120	53
8.	Financial Assistance (MVTF)			27	75	20
9.	Veterans Relief Fund (VRF)			0	2	2

**AMOUNT OF DOLLARS BROUGHT IN  
MACOMB COUNTY FROM VA FOR THE  
MONTH OF MARCH 2009**

Total Amount of One Time  
Payment of Retro  
**\$771,139**

Total Amount of  
Recurring Monthly  
**\$53,624**

Kermit E. Harris, Lt Col USAF (ret)  
Director, Veterans Services

KEH/tlb

# **RECYCLABLE PAPER**

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ FULL BOARD MEETING DATE 4/30/2009

AGENDA ITEM: \_\_\_\_\_

**MACOMB COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

**RESOLUTION TO:** Recommend that the Board of Commissioners authorize the Macomb County Community Services Agency to submit the Weatherization Assistance Program PY 09 Local Service Plan.

**INTRODUCED BY:** Commissioner Carey Torrice, Public Services Committee Chair

**Background**

The Department of Human Services (DHS) is projecting to receive Department of Energy (DOE) Weatherization Assistance Program PY09 funds in the amount of \$61,674,504. Since the base funding is not known at this time, DHS is distributing Weatherization supplemental funding in the amount of \$16,317,957. Through formula allocation, we will receive \$669,036. A local plan, developed annually, is required to obtain these funds. Energy saving measures may include combustion appliance testing, insulation/ventilation, caulking, and window repair. Weatherization services helps customers put comfort, health, safety, energy efficiency, and savings into their home. Weatherization improvements can save up to 30% on heat and utility bills.

**Grant Period:** April 1, 2009 through March 31, 2010

**Funding Amount:** \$669,036 (no County match required). This allocation represents less than a 1% reduction from the previous year's allocation of \$671,191.

**Funding Utilization**

The funding available would allow us to complete 87 units. Production goals will be prioritized to specific income levels and special populations. We will give priority to households whose income falls below 125% of poverty. A minimum of 44 dwellings for people living at 125% of poverty or less will be weatherized. Of the 87 dwellings, production will include at least:

- 18 (20%) elderly units;
- 14 (15%) disabled units; and
- 22 (25%) Human Service Department Program referrals (which include food stamp, state disability assistance, or supplemental security income recipients).

The Program will continue to leverage additional resources through coordination with community organizations and local landlords. The current allocation of Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) funds makes it possible to complete additional energy saving measures, identified through the priority process. A maximum average unit cost of \$6,500 must be maintained. We will continue to leverage additional resources through coordination with community organizations and local landlords.

**Customer Eligibility Requirements:** A dwelling unit shall be eligible for assistance if the individual/household:

1. Income is at or below 200% of the poverty level established by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services or at or below 60% of the state median income, whichever is higher, or
2. Which contains a member who has received at any time during the twelve (12) month period preceding the date of application for weatherization assistance:
  - Cash assistance payments under Title IV (FIP) or XVI of the Social Security Act (SSI), or
  - State Disability Assistance, or
  - Cash benefits payments under section 415, 521, 541, or 542 of title 38, United States Code, or under section 306 of the Veteran's and Survivors' Pension Act of 1978.
3. Is a qualified rental dwelling unit in accordance with Community Services Policy Manual Item 608.  
(For example, a family of four's (4) total household income cannot exceed \$44,112)

**COMMITTEE/MEETING DATE**

Public Services Committee 4/23/2009