



FY2023  
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## 37 GA VOUCHERS:

30 Funerals (22-direct cremation, 7-cremation with services, 1-burial with services)

7 Rental Assistance: (Referred by 5-Catholics Charities, 1-Hillcrest Family Services, 1-Point of Entry)

8 Applications sent



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To the Dubuque County Board of Supervisors,

The Dubuque County Commissioners are proposing a 5% pay increase for its staff at Dubuque County Veterans Affairs.

We believe our staff has tremendously helped our local veteran community this past year. They have worked, and are continuing to work, through the COVID 19 pandemic without shutting down the office. They consistently assist veterans, either in person or via phone. They have also taken great pride in providing a safe and clean environment for all veterans and their families.

Our Veterans Affairs staff have stepped up by assisting the local populace with General Assistance. They have revamped the application process, guidelines, and policies. They are working with outside agencies to ensure a faster response time in helping individuals obtain their requests.

With the cost of living adjustment increasing to 5.9% for 2022 and the increase of medications and insurance costs, we believe that this pay increase will help our staff and their families. Numerous businesses in the tri-state area are offering significant wage increases and strong benefit packages. We believe that our staff goes above and beyond their job descriptions and are deserving of this pay increase for the upcoming fiscal year.

Thank you,

Ray Owensby

Chair, Dubuque County Veterans Affairs Commission

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