



Board Summary Report

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To: Board of County Commissioners

Through: Katherine Smith, Community Resources Department Director

Prepared By:
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Subject:
Veterans Service Office October, November and December Monthly Summary Reports

Purpose and Request:

The purpose of this report is to communicate the services provided to veterans and their families by the Arapahoe County Veterans Service Officer during the months October, November and December 2025.

Alignment with Strategic Plan: Good Governance - Deliver mandated and essential services with excellence.

Background and Discussion: The Colorado Department of Veterans Services requires assistance to veterans and their families in compliance with Sections 28-5-801 et seq., Colorado Revised Statutes, in receiving their benefits such as, but not limited to: Burials: Provide veterans within Arapahoe County the information regarding their burial allowance Advise and assist family members of veterans collection of death pension Health Services: Assist veterans in processing claims for medical benefits Assist and coordinate with veterans' Medicaid cases Claims: Prepare, present and appeal claims for VA benefits on behalf of Arapahoe County veterans and their dependents

Alternatives: This document is a state form required by the State of Colorado to be submitted monthly as application for monetary benefits payable to the County General Fund in accordance with Section 28-5-707 Colorado Revised Statutes.

Fiscal Impact: The County receives \$60,000 annually from the State of Colorado for the services provided to veterans in Arapahoe County. There is also a positive fiscal impact to individual veterans and claimants through successful claims recoveries.

Alignment with Strategic Implementation Strategies: N/A

Concurrence: This report was presented to Katherine Smith, Community Resources Department Director, who recommends approval and signature by the Board of County Commissioners.