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2007 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Bill/Resolution No. HB 1007

House Appropriations Committee
Human Resources Division

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Hearing Date: January 12, 2007

Recorder Job Number: 977

Committee Clerk Signature

Minutes:

Rep. Chet Pollert, Chairman opened the hearing on **HB 1007, a bill for an act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the Veterans' Home.** All division members present: **Representatives Larry Bellew, Vice Chairman, James Kerzman, Ralph Metcalf, Mary Ekstrom, Jon Nelson, Gary Kreidt, and Alon Wieland.**

Rudy Jenson, Chairman of the Administrative Committee on Veterans' Affairs, testified. (Copy of written testimony attached) Reference: 01:00 – 04:56. Requests were made for the support for the Department of Veterans' Affairs funding of the Women's Veterans Coordinator and outreach work with county veteran's service officers.

Questions about the funding and coordinator.

Norris Braaten, Chairman of the Governing Board of the Veterans' Home at Lisbon, Introduced the governing board members, and asked for the support of the bill. Introduced the **Administrator of the Home, Mark Johnson.** Refer: 07:00 – 09:10.

Kristin Lunneborg, Accounting Manager at the North Dakota Veterans Home, testified. (Copy of written testimony attached) Questions regarding per diem, rates, number of beds,

Inflators, increases in budget with discussion. Refer: 09:50 – 33:50

Mark Johnson, Administrator, testified. No written testimony provided – only

staffing numbers and ratios. Booklet provided "Technical Condition Assessment for North Dakota Veterans Home". Refer: 34:00 – 73:19. He stated he was here to discuss two issues: Request for additional staff. An overview of the staff numbers and number of beds with questions and discussion followed. Second issue is with the building. Power Point slides were presented showing views of the buildings and conditions at the Home with a plan for a new home. Questions and discussion followed.

Brad Maarjo, of the Veterans Home Governing Board, began to testify. Testimony with slides.

Meeting adjourned at this time for a break.

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Human Resources Division

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Hearing Date: January 12, 2007 Time: 10:15 am

Recorder Job Number: 1012

Committee Clerk Signature

Donna Kramer

Minutes:

In the short absence of **Rep. Chet Pollert, Chairman** the hearing was reopened on **HB 1007, a bill for an act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the Veterans' Home**. All division members present: **Representatives Larry Bellew, Vice Chairman, James Kerzman, Ralph Metcalf, Mary Ekstrom, Jon Nelson, Gary Kreidt, and Alon Wieland**.

Brad Maasjo, of the Veterans Home Governing Board, began to testify with some past history of the Home. Continuation of the slide projection with testimony about the future of the Home. He stated it has been 58 years since we have put our hands in the legislators' pocket. Vision – provide best Vets Home. Slides were shown of wounded soldiers and veterans with demographic projections. Refer: 03:00 - 19:10.

Jim Simpson, Architect with YHR Partners, testified as the architect for the condition assessment and the master planning studies. He talked the ventilation system, non-compliant stairways, violations of codes, and overlying need for space. Questions and discussion regarding the buildings and costs. Refer: 21:37 - 27:40

Duane Ternes, Member of the Governing Board of the Veterans' Home, testified. He is a nonvet but a retired general contractor. He stated that by building a new home, the utility costs

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would go down, and better place for the money. Refer: 27:50 - 35:40.

Meeting adjourned at this time.

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Hearing Date: January 12, 2007 Time: 10:30 am

Recorder Job Number: 1012

Committee Clerk Signature

Donna Kramer

Minutes:

Rep. Chet Pollert, Chairman opened the hearing on **HB 1007, a bill for an act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the Veterans' Home and department of veterans' affairs.** All division members present: **Representatives Larry Bellew, Vice Chairman, James Kerzman, Ralph Metcalf, Mary Ekstrom, Jon Nelson, Gary Kreidt, and Alon Wieland.**

Bob Hanson, Commissioner of Veterans' Affairs, testified. (Copy of written testimony provided) Gave a brief overview of the department, proposed budget and needs of the Veterans' Affairs. Mr. Hanson stated: The majority of the requested funding is one-time funding. Equity funding for salaries is a critical, high priority issue. Two major areas of concern impacting our office and our state's veterans which were requested but are not included in the Governor's budget are: 1) A women veteran's coordinator and 2) An outreach training program for the state's county veterans' service officers. Questions and discussion regarding chain of command in the county service officers and Veterans Affairs. Refer: 36:00 - 50:00

Cathy Halgunseth, Administrative Assistant of the Department of Veterans' Affairs, testified. Briefly outlined the department's budget. Refer: 50:30 - 52:55

Lorraine Jenson, Nurse with the ND Air National Guard, testified in support of the bill and approving the position of a Women's Veterans Coordinator. (Copy of testimony attached)

Question was asked as to how many states have a Women's Veterans Coordinator. The reply was 20 states. Refer: 53:00 - 58:52

Kelly Schmidt, ND State Treasurer, testified in support of the bill. (Copy of written testimony attached) Question was asked about where the special funds are invested. Question asked regarding cemetery funds. Refer: 60:00 - 63:15.

Brendan J. Brazil, Veterans Service Officer for Walsh County, testified in support of the bill and a Women's Veterans Coordinator. Told about having two women veterans in his county who had needed services. Refer: 64:10 - 66:23

Noreen Bartlett , Desert Storm Veteran of the Army Reserve, testified in support of the Women's Veterans Coordinator. Refer: 66:50 - 68:00

John Jacobson, Chairman of the Legislative Committee of the ND Veterans Coordinating Council, recommending a "Do Pass" on HB 1007. (Copy of testimony and an attachment from the ND Veterans Coordinating Council provided) Refer: 68:20 - 69:50

Dan Stenvold, Park River, ND, President of ND Viet Nam Veterans of America, testified in support of the bill. Refer: 70:00 - 72:00

Meeting adjourned at this time.

2007 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

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Human Resources Division

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Hearing Date: January 30, 2007 Time: 9:00 am

Recorder Job Number: 2224 (no sound)

Committee Clerk Signature

Minutes:

Rep. Chet Pollert, Chairman, reopened the hearing on **HB 1007, a bill for an act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the Veterans' Home**. Division members present: **Representatives Larry Bellew, Vice Chairman, Ralph Metcalf, Mary Ekstrom, Jon Nelson, Gary Kreidt, and Alon Wieland**, except **James Kerzman**.

Kristin Lunneborg, Financial Manager for the Veterans' Home, testified. She reviewed and explained the handout of **"North Dakota Veterans Home Revenue Sources."**

(Attachment)

The **"North Dakota Veterans Home 2007-2009 Budget Detail"** is also attached.

Kristin Lunneborg began reviewing the budget.

ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

EXPLANATION OF PROGRAM COSTS: Includes salaries and benefits for administrative staff and facility expenses.

Line Item Detail was reviewed. Questions were answered regarding marketing with discussion. Reviewed administration funds and discussed computer replacements.

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

EXPLANATION OF PROGRAM COSTS: Department is responsible for upkeep of the grounds and buildings, motor pool vehicles, utilities, equipment and repairs.

Kristin Lunneborg explained where the monies come from.

Line Item Detail reviewed. There was a discussion on "leaf pickers" and lawn mowers - the age of the mowers, why replacement, trade-in values, and whether there is an option to sell on the open market.

Significant Changes reviewed. Discussion on air conditioning and heating source. It was noted there was a Professional Services decrease. Discussion on utility vehicle. Meeting adjourned at this time for a 10-minute break.

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Hearing Date: January 30, 2007 Time: 10:15 am

Recorder Job Number: 2270

Committee Clerk Signature

Minutes:

Rep. Chet Pollert, Chairman, reopened the hearing on **HB 1007, a bill for an act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the Veterans' Home**. Division members present: **Representatives Larry Bellew, Vice Chairman, Ralph Metcalf, Mary Ekstrom, Jon Nelson, Gary Kreidt, and Alon Wieland**, except **James Kerzman**. **Kristin Lunneborg, Kristin Lunneborg, Financial Manager for the Veterans' Home**, continued the review of the **Budget Detail** for the Veterans' Home.

DIETARY DEPARTMENT

Responsible for cooking and serving meals to all residents, staff and guests at the Veterans Home.

EXPLANATION OF PROGRAM COSTS: Explained the budget and line item detail.

A brief description of the salaries was given. In the **Significant Changes**, there was some discussion about the food and clothing.

NURSING DEPARTMENT

Responsible for the medical needs of the skilled and basic residents.

Line Item Detail was reviewed. There was questions and discussion regarding salaries, professional services which are "contract nursing."

Significant Changes explained. More discussion about salaries, schedules and contract nursing, lack of available nurses in area, and the physicians used.

The **RESIDENT SERVICES (ACTIVITIES) DEPARTMENT AND SOCIAL SERVICES**

DEPARTMENT budgets were reviewed.

HOUSEKEEPING DEPARTMENT

The housekeeping department costs include salaries, cleaning supplies, and chemicals, cleaning equipment, toiletry items, beds, resident room furnishings, tile, carpeting, chairs and other furnishings for the building.

There was discussion on "Other Equipment" which included bedroom furniture and new beds.

LAUNDRY DEPARTMENT

Costs for the laundry department include salaries, equipment and repair costs, laundry supplies and chemicals, towels and bedding.

Kristin Lunneborg stated that they pay residents to help with the laundry duties.

Salaries were discussed.

PHARMACY DEPARTMENT

Program costs include salaries, medications, packaging supplies, licensing, resource materials and dues and memberships.

There was a question regarding whether the pharmacy supports itself. **Kristin Lunneborg** stated that 75% of residents do not have co-pay and Basic Care residents do not qualify for Medicare.

Representative Metcalf stated the financial department did an "outstanding job" of detailing and reviewing the budget.

Meeting adjourned until next week.

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Hearing Date: January 31, 2007 Time: 8:30 am

Recorder Job Number: 2340

Committee Clerk Signature

Donna Kramer

Minutes:

Rep. Chet Pollert, Chairman opened the hearing on **HB 1007, a bill for an act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the Veterans' Home.** All division members present: **Representatives Larry Bellew, Vice Chairman, James Kerzman, Ralph Metcalf,**

Mary Ekstrom, Jon Nelson, Gary Kreidt, and Alon Wieland.

Cathy Halgunseth, Administrative Assistant of the Department of Veterans Affairs, testified. She gave handouts on recommended budget proposals and reviewed beginning with salaries. A request had been made for a temporary person to do a database on discharge papers, plus special software. Travel expense for training, rent for offices, operating fees, office equipment ... need for 25 file cabinets explained ... new FTE Women's Coordinator proposed ... contractual services explained. Questions on amounts and discussion. Refer:

03:30 - 39:00

Question was asked if any Federal funds were received and the answer was no ... only General fund dollars.

Recess until 10:15.

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Hearing Date: February 7, 2007 Time: 9:30 am

Recorder Job Number: 2994

Committee Clerk Signature

Minutes:

Rep. Chet Pollert, Chairman opened the hearing on **HB 1007, a bill for an act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the Veterans' Home.** All division members present: **Representatives Larry Bellew, Vice Chairman, James Kerzman, Ralph Metcalf, Mary Ekstrom, Jon Nelson, Gary Kreidt, and Alon Wieland.**

Chairman Pollert: Opened the hearing for amendments.

Representative Kreidt: Presented amendment **78007.0102.** Intent is for purchasing furniture. Looking at plan for facility - either new or remodeling. Take out \$120,000.

Representative Kreidt: Made a motion to pass this amendment.

Representative Bellew: Seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: 8 yes and 0 no. Passed.

Representative Kreidt: Reviewed amendment **78007.0103.** Intent is for removing funding of \$120,000 which would replace an elevator installed in 1950.

Representative Kreidt: Made a motion for a "Do Pass."

Representative Metcalf: Seconded the motion.

Discussion: Questions about the elevator.

Roll Call Vote: Yes 8 and No 0. Motion passed.

Chairman Pollert: Introduced Amendment 78007.0101. Identifies a one-time spending in HB 1007.

Representative Bellew: Requested discussion on the Item #6 on the Green Sheet that adds funding for marketing for the Veterans Home.

Mark Johnson, Administrator of the Veterans Home, explained their marketing plan.

Discussion. Refer: 15:50

Chairman Pollert: Turned to Veterans Affairs.

Explained the intent on Amendment 78007.0101. Deals with the tracking of the one-time expenditures.

Representative Bellew: Motion for a "Do Pass."

Representative Ekstrom: Seconded the motion.

Discussion: Question about electronic tracking devices.

Bob Hanson, Veterans Affairs, explained the needed process of putting documents on computer. Now, all are paper. Continued discussion.

Chairman Pollert: Called for a Voice Vote on Amendment 0101 for Veterans Affairs. All in favor. Motion passed.

Chairman Pollert: Turned to discussion on the Veterans' Home. Referred to Proposed Amendment Sheet which intent is to provide funding of \$630,000 to implement improvements addressing life safety code deficiencies as identified by the ND Department of Health and ND State Fire Marshall.

Darlene Bartz, DOH, gave a brief history on what is happening at the Veterans Home in Lisbon. Venting shafts were inspected and found to be out of compliance; and, if there was a fire, it would run throughout the building because of the venting. This was cited as a deficiency

in November, 2006. They are working with the Veterans Home to respond to that issue. A plan of correction will be brought to them on Monday. Refer: 26:53

Discussion: Continued questions and answers regarding roof deficiency, how many inspections past years, whether unsafe, how many fires in past years, the venting, staffing in case of fire, fire safety standards, funding for two temporary staff, smoke alarm system, fire alarms, matter of weeks to put in smoke detectors for only a short period of time, repairing air shafts may cause more expense, and repair of wardrobes, no intent to leave **Mark Johnson, Administrator**, out of meetings with Health Department, trying to implement a temporary fix by OMB based on Health Department's suggestion, room sprinklers, and time frames. It was stated that in the next few weeks **more information would be coming forth.**

Representative Metcalf: Motion to approve amendments. Refer: 72:33

Representative Bellew: Made substitute motion to remove \$335,000.

Representative Kreidt: Seconded the motion.

Discussion. It was stated the Health Department is on the line; \$205,000 to provide immediate protection of the residents, \$85,000 to install a smoke alarm system, \$120,000 temporary salaries to provide 24 hours, 7 days per week fire watch until repairs are completed, \$335,000 to remedy unprotected air shafts, and \$90,000 for a pre-planning document to address concerns contained in the condition assessment explained. Debate. Laurie of OMB stated there was no Emergency Clause included in the amendment.

Representative Nelson: Stated that the committee would be at the mercy of the Senate due to the fact finding mission that would be taking place.

Darlene Bartz, of DOH, stated the time lines and the information coming in would be looked at. In looking a new building being built, it would take 2-3 years. In the meantime, an intermediate measure would be called for.

Chairman Pollert: Roll Call Vote for the substitute motion to remove the \$335,000

which drops the \$630,000 to \$295,000. Yes - 4 and No - 4. Motion failed.

Roll Call Vote on Original Motion: Yes - 8 and No - 0. Motion passed.

Representative Bellew: Motion to remove Line #6 of \$50,000 on the Green Sheet.

Representative Wieland: Seconded the motion.

Voice Vote: All in favor. Motion passes.

Representative Nelson: Made motion to add the Emergency Clause to this section.

Representative Metcalf: Seconded motion.

Voice Vote: 7 in favor, and 1 no. Motion passes.

Representative Metcalf: Recommended a "Do Pass" on HB 1007 as amended.

Representative Wieland: Seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: 8 yes and 0 no. Motion passes.

Carrier: Representative Metcalf

Adjournment.

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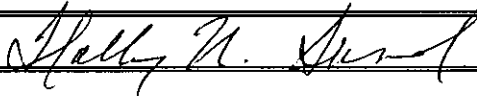
House Appropriations Committee

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Hearing Date: February 13, 2007

Recorder Job Number: 3430

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Minutes:

Chm. Svedjan opened the hearing on HB 1007.

Rep. Pollert distributed amendment .0104 (Attachment A).

Rep. Metcalf motioned to adopt amendment .0104. **Rep. Ekstrom** seconded the motion.

Rep. Metcalf began by saying there are life safety issues at the Veterans' Home. He then proceeded to describe the amendment. Section 4 includes \$630,000 for the veterans' home. Refer to p.2, footnote 4 of amendment .0104 for specifics). If we want to have the home replaced in 2009, we have to provide \$8 million now to provide the state share of this fund. \$120,000 of the \$630,000 to address life safety issues is for temporary salaries to provide continuous fire watch until repairs are completed. This amendment adds a section identifying one-time expenditures for the Dept. of Veterans' Affairs and provides for a report to the Appropriations Committees of the 61st Legislative Assembly regarding the use of the funding.

Rep. Pollert: There was much discussion about the \$630,000 – especially the money for temporary salaries. There are 90 employees there already but because of life safety code, they are required to have temporary employees to go around and check the airshafts. We thought some of the 90 employees could pick up this work. The \$90,000 for the study MUST happen.

Rep. Kreidt: This building is 50+ years old and has a wood type ventilation system that runs in the closets. There has never been a fire. I'm concerned that we're throwing money away. If we

had put the \$59,000 into the alarm system would have sufficed. If there was any fire, the staff would have been alerted. My concern is the \$335,000. Don't be surprised if we're back here looking at another \$1 million to add to that. Once you rip into that, they will find who knows what – asbestos, you name it.

Rep. Monson: Schools have had these same types of issues and they've put in heat detector alarms instead of having to remove other dangerous things. Has that been thought about?

Rep. Kreidt also voiced his concern over the two temporary positions.

Rep. Pollert: The alarms must be put another foot higher than they are now.

Rep. Ekstrom: None of the rooms have smoke alarms. They are in the halls. There are dropped ceilings in the rooms and the air shaft has access so fire can start and not be seen. The Health Dept. mandated this because of life safety issue. The Health Dept. is liable. In my view we don't have a choice.

Rep. Guleson voices her opinion that we follow the architect's recommendation. It's time to invest in this home.

Rep. Metcalf: \$335,000 for airshafts – there is no intention of going into those airshafts. There are going to put dampers in. Dirt has been collecting in that space for years and that could explode at any time. That is the concern. When construction does actually begin, there is also concern that there will be more of a chance for fire.

Rep. Kreidt: The state architect never stepped foot in the building. There is a sprinkler system in the building. My concern is the safety of the tenants and the staff, but I think the \$335,000 is going to turn into \$1.35 million.

Rep. Carlson: I agree the costs will exceed \$335,000. It is impractical to expect to rebuild every old building to meet today's codes.

Rep. Metcalf: We have less than three months to fix life safety issues.

Rep. Pollert: The Veterans' Home did not have any input into the \$630,000. It was done through OMB and probably the Dept. of Health.

Chm. Svedjan: There was a push to access federal funds to construct a new facility.

Rep. Pollert: That's part of the \$90,000 and \$630,000.

Rep. Ekstrom: It's possible to get fire protection with multiple layers of drywall. I think we would all agree that we don't want to go tearing into this building. You are likely to find many other things wrong. Maybe we need to specify in the bill to take the repairs just as far as you need to just to fix this hazard.

Rep. Kempenich made a substitute motion to take \$335,000 out for right now. Rep. Carlson seconded the motion.

Rep. Metcalf does not think the money should be taken out.

Rep. Wieland: We decided in section to leave the \$335,000 in. Taking the money out puts the Health Dept. in a tough spot.

Rep. Guleson also voiced her opinion to resist the substitute motion.

The substitute motion failed by voice vote.

The motion to adopt amendment .0104 carries by voice vote and the amendment is adopted.

Rep. Metcalf motioned a Do Pass as Amended by .0104. Rep. Pollert seconded the motion. The motion carried by a roll call vote of 24 ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent and not voting. Rep. Metcalf was designated to carry the bill.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1007

Page 3, after line 7, insert:

"SECTION 4. ONE-TIME FUNDING - EFFECT ON BASE BUDGET - REPORT TO SIXTY-FIRST LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. The total general fund appropriation line item in subdivision 2 of section 3 of this Act includes \$59,606 for the one-time funding items identified in this section. This amount is not a part of the agency's base budget to be used in preparing the 2009-11 executive budget. The department of veterans' affairs shall report to the appropriations committees of the sixty-first legislative assembly on the use of this one-time funding for the biennium beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2009.

Secure filing system	\$38,250
Electronic storing and retrieving system	21,356
Total	\$59,606"

Renumber accordingly

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

This amendment adds a section identifying one-time expenditures for the Department of Veterans Affairs and provides for a report to the Appropriations Committees of the 61st Legislative Assembly regarding the use of the funding.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1007

Page 2, line 6, replace "507,222" with "387,222"

Page 2, line 8, replace "1,567,339" with "1,447,339"

Page 2, line 10, replace "(\$278,918)" with "(\$398,918)"

Page 2, line 15, replace "(\$156,204)" with "(\$276,204)"

Page 2, line 17, replace "1,690,053" with "1,570,053"

Page 2, line 27, replace "3,682,000" with "3,562,000"

Page 2, line 29, replace "12,871,264" with "12,751,264"

Page 2, line 31, replace "4,050,174" with "3,930,174"

Page 3, line 5, replace "4,826,556" with "4,706,556"

Page 3, line 7, replace "13,647,646" with "13,527,646"

Renumber accordingly

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

House Bill No. 1007 - Summary of House Action

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE CHANGES	HOUSE VERSION
Veterans Home			
Total all funds	\$12,871,264	(\$120,000)	\$12,751,264
Less estimated income	8,821,090		8,821,090
General fund	\$4,050,174	(\$120,000)	\$3,930,174
Department of Veterans Affairs			
Total all funds	\$776,382	\$0	\$776,382
Less estimated income			
General fund	\$776,382	\$0	\$776,382
Bill Total			
Total all funds	\$13,647,646	(\$120,000)	\$13,527,646
Less estimated income	8,821,090		8,821,090
General fund	\$4,826,556	(\$120,000)	\$4,706,556

House Bill No. 1007 - Veterans Home - House Action

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE CHANGES	HOUSE VERSION
Salaries and wages	\$8,738,917		\$8,738,917
Operating expenses	3,682,000	(\$120,000)	3,562,000
Capital assets	450,347		450,347
Total all funds	\$12,871,264	(\$120,000)	\$12,751,264
Less estimated income	8,821,090		8,821,090
General fund	\$4,050,174	(\$120,000)	\$3,930,174
FTE	90.97	0.00	90.97

Dept. 313 - Veterans Home - Detail of House Changes

	REMOVES FUNDING FOR RESIDENT ROOM FURNITURE 1	TOTAL HOUSE CHANGES
Salaries and wages		
Operating expenses	(\$120,000)	(\$120,000)
Capital assets		
Total all funds	(\$120,000)	(\$120,000)
Less estimated income		
General fund	(\$120,000)	(\$120,000)
FTE	0.00	0.00

1 Removes funding for replacement furniture for resident rooms.

Date: 02/07/07

Roll Call Vote #: 1

2007 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HB 1007

House HUMAN RESOURCES DIVISION Committee

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Legislative Council Amendment Number 78007.0102

Action Taken Do Pass

Motion Made By Representative Kreidt Seconded By Representative Bellew

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Chairman Pollet	x		Rep. Nelson	x	
Vice Chairman Bellew	x		Rep. Kerzman	x	
Rep. Wieland	x		Rep. Metcalf	x	
Rep. Kreidt	x		Rep. Ekstrom	x	

Total (Yes) 8 No 0

Absent _____

Floor Assignment _____

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

Intent is for purchasing furniture. Looking at plan for facility - either new or remodeling. Take out \$120,000.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1007

Page 2, line 7, replace "99,741" with "(20,259)"

Page 2, line 8, replace "1,567,339" with "1,447,339"

Page 2, line 10, replace "(\$278,918)" with "(\$398,918)"

Page 2, line 15, replace "(\$156,204)" with "(\$276,204)"

Page 2, line 17, replace "1,690,053" with "1,570,053"

Page 2, line 28, replace "450,347" with "330,347"

Page 2, line 29, replace "12,871,264" with "12,751,264"

Page 2, line 31, replace "4,050,174" with "3,930,174"

Page 3, line 5, replace "4,826,556" with "4,706,556"

Page 3, line 7, replace "13,647,646" with "13,527,646"

Renumber accordingly

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

House Bill No. 1007 - Summary of House Action

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE CHANGES	HOUSE VERSION
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Total all funds	\$776,382	\$0	\$776,382
Less estimated income			
General fund	\$776,382	\$0	\$776,382
Bill Total			
Total all funds	\$13,647,646	(\$120,000)	\$13,527,646
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General fund	\$4,826,556	(\$120,000)	\$4,706,556

House Bill No. 1007 - Veterans Home - House Action

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE CHANGES	HOUSE VERSION
Salaries and wages	\$8,738,917		\$8,738,917
Operating expenses	3,682,000		3,682,000
Capital assets	<u>450,347</u>	(\$120,000)	<u>330,347</u>
Total all funds	\$12,871,264	(\$120,000)	\$12,751,264
Less estimated income	<u>8,821,090</u>		<u>8,821,090</u>
General fund	\$4,050,174	(\$120,000)	\$3,930,174
FTE	90.97	0.00	90.97

Dept. 313 - Veterans Home - Detail of House Changes

	REMOVES FUNDING FOR ELEVATOR 1	TOTAL HOUSE CHANGES
Salaries and wages		
Operating expenses		
Capital assets	<u>(\$120,000)</u>	<u>(\$120,000)</u>
Total all funds	(\$120,000)	(\$120,000)
Less estimated income	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
General fund	(\$120,000)	(\$120,000)
FTE	0.00	0.00

1 Removes funding to replace the elevator at the Veterans Home.

Date: **02/07/07**

Roll Call Vote #: **2**

2007 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HB 1007

House **HUMAN RESOURCES DIVISION** Committee

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Legislative Council Amendment Number **78007.0103**

Action Taken **Do Pass**

Motion Made By **Representative Kreidt** Seconded By **Representative Bellew**

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Chairman Pollet	x		Rep. Nelson	x	
Vice Chairman Bellew	x		Rep. Kerzman	x	
Rep. Wieland	x		Rep. Metcalf	x	
Rep. Kreidt	x		Rep. Ekstrom	x	

Total (Yes) **8** No **0**

Absent _____

Floor Assignment _____

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

Intent is for removing funding of \$120,000 which would replace an elevator installed in 1950.

Date: **02/07/07**

Roll Call Vote #: **3**

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BILL/RESOLUTION NO. HB 1007

House **HUMAN RESOURCES DIVISION**

Committee

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Legislative Council Amendment Number **Substitute Motion on Proposed Amendment**

Action Taken **Do Pass**

Motion Made By **Representative Bellew** Seconded By **Representative Kreidt**

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Chairman Pollet	x		Rep. Nelson	x	
Vice Chairman Bellew	x		Rep. Kerzman		x
Rep. Wieland		x	Rep. Metcalf		x
Rep. Kreidt	x		Rep. Ekstrom		x

Total (Yes) **4** No **4**

Absent _____

Floor Assignment _____

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

Remove \$335,000 from proposed amendment.

Proposed Amendments to House Bill No. 1007

Page 2, line 7, replace "99,741" with "99,741"

Page 2, after line 7, insert:

"Life Safety Improvements	<u>630,000</u>
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Page 2, line 8, replace "\$1,567,339" with "\$2,197,339"

Page 2, line 10, replace "(\$278,918)" with "\$351,082"

Page 2, line 15, replace "(\$156,204)" with "\$473,796"

Page 2, line 17, replace "\$1,690,053" with "\$2,320,053"

Page 2, line 28, replace "450,347" with "450,347"

Page 2, after line 28, insert:

"Life Safety Improvements	<u>630,000</u>
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Page 2, line 29, replace "\$12,871,264" with "\$13,501,264"

Page 2, line 31, replace "\$4,050,174" with "\$4,680,174"

Page 3, line 5, replace "\$4,826,556" with "\$5,456,556"

Page 3, line 7, replace "\$13,647,646" with "\$14,177,646"

Renumber accordingly

Statement of Purpose. Funding is provided to implement improvements addressing life safety code deficiencies as identified by the ND Department of Health and ND State Fire Marshal. \$205,000 is included to provide immediate protection of the residents: \$85,000 to install a smoke alarm system and \$120,000 temporary salaries to provide 24 hours, 7 days per week, fire watch until repairs are completed; \$335,000 to remedy unprotected air shafts; and \$90,000 for a pre-planning document to address concerns contained in the condition assessment.

Date: 02/07/07

Roll Call Vote #: 4

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Legislative Council Amendment Number Proposed Amendments

Action Taken Do Pass

Motion Made By Representative Metcalf Seconded By Representative Ekstrom

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Chairman Pollet	x		Rep. Nelson	x	
Vice Chairman Bellew	x		Rep. Kerzman	x	
Rep. Wieland	x		Rep. Metcalf	x	
Rep. Kreidt	x		Rep. Ekstrom	x	

Total (Yes) 8 No 0

Absent _____

Floor Assignment _____

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

\$630,000 for Life Safety Improvements

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Legislative Council Amendment Number _____

Action Taken Do Pass as amended.

Motion Made By Representative Metcalf Seconded By Representative Kreidt

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Chairman Pollet	x		Rep. Nelson	x	
Vice Chairman Bellew	x		Rep. Kerzman	x	
Rep. Wieland	x		Rep. Metcalf	x	
Rep. Kreidt	x		Rep. Ekstrom	x	

Total (Yes) 8 No 0

Absent _____

Floor Assignment Representative Metcalf

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

Date: 2/13/07
Roll Call Vote #: 1

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Legislative Council Amendment Number 78007.0104

Action Taken Adopt amendment 0104

Motion Made By Metcalf Seconded By Ekstrom

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Chairman Svedjan					
Vice Chairman Kemperich					
Representative Wald			Representative Aarsvold		
Representative Monson			Representative Gulleson		
Representative Hawken					
Representative Klein					
Representative Martinson					
Representative Carlson			Representative Glassheim		
Representative Carlisle			Representative Kroeber		
Representative Skarphol			Representative Williams		
Representative Thoreson					
Representative Pollert			Representative Ekstrom		
Representative Bellew			Representative Kerzman		
Representative Kreidt			Representative Metcalf		
Representative Nelson					
Representative Wieland					

Total (Yes) _____ No _____

Absent _____

Floor Assignment _____

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

Voice Vote - carries

Substitute motion

Date: 2/13/07
Roll Call Vote #: 2

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Legislative Council Amendment Number _____

Action Taken Subst. motion to amend taking
\$335,000 out

Motion Made By Kempenich Seconded By Carlson

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Chairman Svedjan					
Vice Chairman Kempenich					
Representative Wald			Representative Aarsvold		
Representative Monson			Representative Guleson		
Representative Hawken					
Representative Klein					
Representative Martinson					
Representative Carlson			Representative Glassheim		
Representative Carlisle			Representative Kroeber		
Representative Skarphol			Representative Williams		
Representative Thoreson					
Representative Pollert			Representative Ekstrom		
Representative Bellew			Representative Kerzman		
Representative Kreidt			Representative Metcalf		
Representative Nelson					
Representative Wieland					

Total (Yes) _____ No _____

Absent _____

Floor Assignment _____

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

Inds by Voice Vote

Date: 2/13/07
Roll Call Vote #: 3

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Legislative Council Amendment Number 78007.0104

Action Taken No Pass as amended by ~~the~~ 0104

Motion Made By Metcalf Seconded By Pollert

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Chairman Svedjan	✓				
Vice Chairman Kempenich	✓				
Representative Wald	✓		Representative Aarsvold	✓	
Representative Monson	✓		Representative Gulleason	✓	
Representative Hawken	✓				
Representative Klein	✓				
Representative Martinson	✓				
Representative Carlson	✓		Representative Glassheim	✓	
Representative Carlisle	✓		Representative Kroeber	✓	
Representative Skarphol	✓		Representative Williams	✓	
Representative Thoreson	✓				
Representative Pollert	✓		Representative Ekstrom	✓	
Representative Bellew	✓		Representative Kerzman	✓	
Representative Kreidt	✓		Representative Metcalf	✓	
Representative Nelson	✓				
Representative Wieland	✓				

Total (Yes) 24 No 0

Absent 0

Floor Assignment Metcalf

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1007: Appropriations Committee (Rep. Svedjan, Chairman) recommends **AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (24 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1007 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

Page 1, line 2, after "affairs" insert "; and to declare an emergency"

Page 2, line 6, replace "507,222" with "337,222"

Page 2, line 7, replace "99,741" with "(20,259)"

Page 2, after line 7, insert:

"Life safety improvements 630,000"

Page 2, line 8, replace "1,567,339" with "1,907,339"

Page 2, line 10, replace "(\$278,918)" with "\$61,082"

Page 2, line 15, replace "(\$156,204)" with "\$183,796"

Page 2, line 17, replace "1,690,053" with "2,030,053"

Page 2, line 27, replace "3,682,000" with "3,512,000"

Page 2, line 28, replace "450,347" with "330,347"

Page 2, after line 28, insert:

"Life safety improvements 630,000"

Page 2, line 29, replace "12,871,264" with "13,211,264"

Page 2, line 31, replace "4,050,174" with "4,390,174"

Page 3, line 5, replace "4,826,556" with "5,166,556"

Page 3, line 7, replace "13,647,646" with "13,987,646"

Page 3, after line 7, insert:

"SECTION 4. ONE-TIME FUNDING - EFFECT ON BASE BUDGET - REPORT TO SIXTY-FIRST LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. The total general fund appropriation in section 3 of this Act includes \$630,000 for the veterans' home and \$59,606 for the department of veterans' affairs for the one-time funding items identified in this section. This amount is not a part of the agencies' base budgets to be used in preparing the 2009-11 executive budget. The veterans' home and department of veterans' affairs shall report to the appropriations committees of the sixty-first legislative assembly on the use of this one-time funding for the biennium beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2009.

Life safety improvements	\$630,000
Secure filing system	38,250
Electronic storing and retrieving system	<u>21,356</u>
Total	<u>\$689,606</u>

SECTION 5. EMERGENCY. The appropriation of \$630,000 included in subdivision 1 of section 3 of this Act for life safety improvements is declared to be an emergency measure."

Renumber accordingly

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

House Bill No. 1007 - Summary of House Action

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE CHANGES	HOUSE VERSION
Veterans' Home			
Total all funds	\$12,871,264	\$340,000	\$13,211,264
Less estimated income	8,821,090		8,821,090
General fund	\$4,050,174	\$340,000	\$4,390,174
Department of Veterans' Affairs			
Total all funds	\$776,382	\$0	\$776,382
Less estimated income			
General fund	\$776,382	\$0	\$776,382
Bill Total			
Total all funds	\$13,647,646	\$340,000	\$13,987,646
Less estimated income	8,821,090		8,821,090
General fund	\$4,826,556	\$340,000	\$5,166,556

House Bill No. 1007 - Veterans Home' - House Action

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE CHANGES	HOUSE VERSION
Salaries and wages	\$8,738,917		\$8,738,917
Operating expenses	3,682,000	(\$170,000)	3,512,000
Capital assets	450,347	(120,000)	330,347
Life safety improvements		630,000	630,000
Total all funds	\$12,871,264	\$340,000	\$13,211,264
Less estimated income	8,821,090		8,821,090
General fund	\$4,050,174	\$340,000	\$4,390,174
FTE	90.97	0.00	90.97

Dept. 313 - Veterans' Home - Detail of House Changes

	REMOVES FUNDING FOR RESIDENT ROOM FURNITURE 1	REMOVES FUNDING FOR ELEVATOR 2	REMOVES FUNDING FOR PLANNING AND MARKETING 3	ADDS FUNDING TO ADDRESS LIFE SAFETY CODE ISSUES 4	TOTAL HOUSE CHANGES
Salaries and wages					
Operating expenses	(\$120,000)		(\$50,000)		(\$170,000)
Capital assets		(\$120,000)			(120,000)
Life safety improvements				\$630,000	630,000
Total all funds	(\$120,000)	(\$120,000)	(\$50,000)	\$630,000	\$340,000
Less estimated income					
General fund	(\$120,000)	(\$120,000)	(\$50,000)	\$630,000	\$340,000
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

1 Removes funding for replacement furniture for resident rooms.

- 2 Removes funding to replace an elevator at the Veterans' Home.
- 3 Removes funding for developing a long-term plan for the Veterans' Home.
- 4 Adds funding to implement improvements addressing Life Safety Code deficiencies as identified by the North Dakota State Department of Health and the North Dakota Fire Marshal. Includes funding to install a smoke alarm system (\$85,000), temporary salaries to provide continuous fire watch until repairs are completed (\$120,000), remedy unprotected air shafts (\$335,000), and preplanning document to address concerns contained in the condition assessment (\$90,000). An emergency measure is added for this funding.

House Bill No. 1007 - Department of Veterans' Affairs - House Action

This amendment adds a section identifying one-time expenditures for the Department of Veterans' Affairs and provides for a report to the Appropriations Committees of the 61st Legislative Assembly regarding the use of the funding.

2007 SENATE APPROPRIATIONS

HB 1007

2007 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

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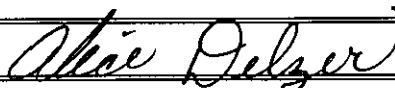
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Hearing Date: 02-21-07

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Minutes:

Chairman Holmberg opened the hearing on HB 1007 at 2:00 pm on February 21, 2007 regarding the Veteran's Home and Department of Veteran Affairs.

Rudy Jenson, Chairman of the Administrative Committee on Veterans' Affairs, (ACOVA) presented written testimony (1) and gave oral testimony in support of HB 1007. He stated his organization is here to help the state's 60,000 veterans, their spouses and dependents. He respectfully asks for the committees' consideration to support the Department of Veterans' Affairs (DAV) request for funding of two extremely vital issues impacting our state's veterans:

1. Women Veterans Coordinator.
2. Funding for the DAV to do outreach work with county veterans service officers.

Bob Hanson, Commissioner of Veterans' Affairs, presented written testimony (2) and oral testimony in support of HB 1007. He gave an overview of his department. Also gave testimony regarding the grant programs, new outpatient clinics, and gave information regarding the vans that are being purchased and used to transport veterans to the clinics and hospitals. Except for the two areas that were discussed, his department is very pleased with the Governor's recommendation for the department, but we also feel the outreach program and the women veterans coordinator are critical for our state's veterans now.

Chairman Holmberg Bob, just to set the record straight, when I looked at the sheets we get that analyze what happened in the House, the House made changes in the Veteran's Home but in the other portion of the budget for the department they did not make any changes. They accepted the Governor's budget. Is that correct?

Bob Hanson replied that is correct.

Cathy Halgunseth, Chief Administrator for the Department of Veterans Affairs presented written testimony with attachments (3) and oral testimony in support of HB 1007. She presented an outline of her agency's current budget and the proposed 2007 – 2009 budget. She explained that their budget is referred to as a "lump sum" budget, meaning we have no line items. The first attachment has the "lump sum" amount. The second attachment shows the breakdown of our budget dollars. Also listed are the optional package requests we would like considered, the Women's Veterans Coordinator and Outreach to Counties.

Senator Robinson requested a breakdown regarding the Women's Veterans Coordinator costs and Outreach to Counties Costs. He was informed these items are listed on the budget.

Kristin Lunneborg, Accounting Manager at the North Dakota Veterans Home presented written testimony (4) and gave oral testimony in support of HB 1007. She stated the majority of the changes to our 2007- 2009 budget revolve around changes brought on by the VA Medical Center in Fargo, ND. The first of those changes being the cost shift of expenses relating to pharmaceuticals. The second major change involves primary care services for the Veteran residents.

Senator Seymour asked how many residents are private pay. He was informed there are 12 private pay residents.

Mark Johnson, Administrator North Dakota Veterans Home, Lisbon, ND presented written testimony (5) (Facility Analysis and Master Plan Studies) and gave oral testimony in support of

HB 1007. He stated they have been in business for almost 116 years. He stated that the facility is licensed to service 111 residents in Basic Care and 38 residents in Skilled Care. He stated they had two Life Safety Surveys, one was done by the State Fire Marshall on September 12, 2006 and the other Life Safety Survey was from the Department of Health done November 22, 2006. He went through the handout, explaining several problems with the duct system, ventilation system, open air chambers. The entire campus was surveyed. It was found that the 1940 building has a little bit of lean to it and would not withstand a critical storm, earthquake, etc. He explained all the buildings are old and need either renovation or maybe replaced. They looked at the whole building, the site, the structure, the codes, the interiors, and the mechanical system. The current issues that we have with our building is the HIPPA issue, sharing bathrooms, crowded conditions, no waiting room when the doctors come out and visit, a lot more people with mobility issues, 6 foot hallways come into a 4 foot doorway, therapists don't have the time to sit down and document their information like they should be able to. We have great people who work in our building, but when you look at the front of our building it is just not a real good image.

Senator Krauter asked if he could review with the committee the numbers of licensed skilled and basic occupancy rate, and the waiting period.

Mark Johnson stated they are licensed for 38 skilled beds. Our occupancy rate runs more in the 90 or 95 %. With our basic care side we are licensed for 112 beds, and our occupancy today is 89 beds. We could fill them. Right now we have 8 people on our waiting list in basic care. But we have a very difficult time trying to put anybody with some of the residents because of not having private rooms. On our skilled side we have 4 to 6. Some of the issues you run into when you look at the occupancy piece is that we are a primary population, over

90% is male, and so we do have some females and I have one bed open that has been open for a couple of weeks and we just can't find a female at this time.

Senator Mathern asked if we have any plans for cleaning up some of these issues, like the ventilation system. Can that be cleaned up before we get into the building phase.

Mark Johnson we will discuss this after Brad brings his presentation. We have an amendment to propose at the end of testimony today. We know we have to stay in our existing structure for a couple of years while we'll be looking at building a new building.

Senator Bowman had a question regarding their appropriations on page 3, line 18 of your appropriations regarding this budget, the dollar amount concerning the Life Safety Improvements. Why would you invest that much money in this today if you are going to build a new building? Seems to me most of your testimony leans towards a new building so why spend this money on these improvements. Do something more positive than spend it and then tear it down,.

Mark Johnson stated that this has been kind of a work in progress and kind of a snapshot in time and at that time we were dealing with the best numbers we had. Those numbers are going to be adjusted. We've been working with the Health Department regarding improvements that are necessary. We are trying to get that number as far down as we can, but we also have to assure those residents a safe environment during that transition phase.

Senator Fischer asked how long the Health Department given you before they start having major concerns like locking doors.

Mark Johnson they have been working with us, week by week. We just got done meeting with representatives from the Health Department and we're working with them and they are looking at what is going to come out of the Legislature. We have a good relationship with them.

Brad Moago, Chairman of Governing Board for the North Dakota Veterans Home

presented the Powerpoint presentation. He stated he wanted to give a little perspective from the historical angle of where we are and where we need to go. Perhaps you can recall that 5 years ago things were not so good for the Veterans Home. The Home had failed an audit, we had some leadership problems, we had quite an element of mistrust between agencies, legislators, employees, staff, and government associated with the home. In the 03 session we made some changes where we were working with your colleague, John Andrest, to draft a bill, We created the governing board, we created a charter to have a strategic plan, implemented some modern management principles, affected a change in leadership and in that strategic planning process we did all the things we can do in strategic planning. We developed a mission, a vision of the future, a mission statement to support that organization, rules and objectives to measure how we are doing and a whole series of plans to support that top level of communications and technology improvement plan, a personal improvement plan, and on range capitol improvement plan and that is what we are talking about today. We have major problems at the home, we need to fix what is necessary at this time. There is some federal money available.

Senator Robinson asked if we have any thing in writing from the federal government, any guarantees that we know that it's a pretty good chance that it's coming through.

Brad Moanjo stated yes. The federal government has some criteria under the Secretary of Veterans Affairs. One of the criteria is for those it has been the longest since they have asked for something to come to the line. There are 4 states in the union that have never asked for anything in the form of a VA Grant and North Dakota is one of them. The second criteria is if you have a Life Safety Code Issue that also bumps you to the top of the line. The two of those together, we've had conversations with the Under Secretary that works at the Department and

he says if you come forward with this request I can just about guarantee that you will come to the top of the line. We've also been working with Senator Conrad's staff and they have had their priority conversations with the VA and Senator Conrad has indicated it is a high priority for him. He will work very hard. He assures us that if we match the money that he'll find the money to match us. In fact, I have it on good authority that he is communicating with our governor. He did a comparison of the Higher Education costs and Veteran's costs in his presentation. He supports HB 1007. He also shared about the injuries that our veterans incur while serving our country.

Chairman Holmberg stated a Subcommittee will be appointed.

DuWayne Ternes, Member of Governor's Board for Veterans Home gave oral testimony in support of HB 1007. He stated his is new to the board and was asked to serve on the Board as a Non Vet, and a retired general contractor. Well within the first 15 minutes of my tour, prior to my first meeting of this facility, the only thing I could say was that I was embarrassed as a nonvet seeing how we house our vets. It was terrible. I was contractor in this area for many years, we did a couple additions to the penitentiary , and I have tore down some facilities at the penitentiary that were probably in better shape than what this building is in. But after seeing that I commented on a couple of things. I, as an owner of buildings in Bismarck, would not want to be the owner of this building for a couple of reasons. The hallways are more of a firetrap for any of these people who are staying there. I think you're creating a hazard by having them there. That's something we can do. I don't want to spend \$600,000, but some of that may have to be spent in the interim just to take care of some of the situations. I saw a lot of violations there. I seen a lot of them as a private general contractor and also I serve for the State of North Dakota on the UBC Building Code. Coming up with the codes for the last 10 to 14 years I've served for the State of North Dakota and in that I have seen so many things.

Aside from that there's some utility problems that are there that we discussed earlier is that we're almost at four dollars and some cents a square foot for utilities in a biennium per square foot to take care of this you could save almost \$250,000 per biennium just by changing to a new underground heat source system which is so great for everybody because you're not putting anything bad into the air and it's using our natural resources. I have other issues about the building but if anybody has questions relating to the construction of it, and again, I'm here to say, yes, it is a better way to go is to build a new one, If you look at some of the drawings and you have to add on both ends to remodel and provide a space for those people to stay while you're doing the construction work, by the time you add on to both ends of this building you've created a dinosaur. You now have more to heat and more to cool and yet you don't have a proper heat source to do so.

Chairman Holmberg stated the subcommittee might contact him.

Mark Johnson presented written testimony (6) Survey North Dakota State Fire Marshal Safety Inspection, which outlines the citations the home received. Written testimony (7) Technical Condition Assessment and that total comes to \$165,700.00 that is what's proposing to make our building safe. We are offering a proposed amendment to Engrossed House Bill No 1007 (8) and \$630,000 is going to be adjusted down to the \$255,700 number and as you go through it basically some of the things we talked about is 65/35 % match, bed capacity at the home, and other issues with the home. The last page tells us what our current rate is from the VA. And with the amendment we also offered to one of the signs here was \$23,000,000 to build a new building and that was at 150 beds. There's lots of different issues, 121 beds is an issue because that is when the VA will fund us and that goes back to a 1960 decision on how many beds the VA will allow us to have in North Dakota. Our number has been brought down to a little over \$18,000,000 and so the amendments added onto here is for \$6,483,226.00 and

that's for the 35% that the Legislature will have to match for doing a new building and that will be at 121 beds.

Chairman Holmberg I have a specific question for you. Earlier when this came over from the House as I understood it, one of the reasons for the large amount of money, the 630 had to do with requirements that you and the Department of Health were discussing. This \$255,700.00 is what you have worked with the Department and as far as you know the Department supports this 255 now rather than the 630.

Mark Johnson that's correct.

Chairman Holmberg ok. We want to have this because it is going to be exactly that in the minutes. Is there anyone else wishing to testify?

Brad Moanjo If I could add one point to the question on this support from Washington, Senator Conrad's office added two points that I forgot to mention.

1. They are working on that number 121 that's in the amendment for North Dakota for that very demographic reason that I talked about that in the 70's when we had a draft that was an equitable number across all 50 states but today that does not reflect reality and indeed the lower interior states are bearing a higher burden and have a good pace for that number to be raised. That's a national issue not a state issue but they are working on that.
2. The second point I failed to mention is a concern that they can get this money, this federal congress and with the turmoil that's going on, with OMB at the federal level, he is not as confident in two years from now.

Senator Mathern Why do you think that there wouldn't be more money coming from the federal government? These veterans are serving an American war, not a North Dakota war. Why is there a limitation of 65%?

Brad Moanjo I really don't know the background for the 65% matching grant. I know that state homes are reimbursed because they actually care for veterans that would be authorized to be cared for at a federal facility and since there's not room the feds reimburse them. So that's a great question. Perhaps we should raise that up at the same time as the 121 limit.

Chairman Holmberg let us turn this over to the Subcommittee, some old faces and some new faces on the subcommittee, Senator Kilzer, would you want to chair this subcommittee, and Senator Bowman will serve on it and Senator Krauter. This is one of those that Senator Lindaas was on, but you have to have been here to hear the testimony in order to dig right into that so lets close that hearing right now.

Subcommittee members are: Chairman – Senator Kilzer, Senators Bowman and Krauter.

Written testimony (9) from Lorraine Jenson was submitted but no oral testimony given.

The hearing on HB 1007 closed.

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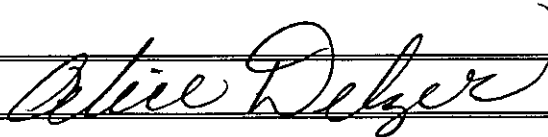
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Hearing Date: 03-08-07

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Minutes:

Chairman Kilzer opened the subcommittee hearing on HB 1007 at 4:00 pm. Regarding the Veteran's Home. Senators Robinson, Bowman and Mathern were present. Chairman Kilzer asked about the pharmacy for the Veteran's Home and how long is the contract with them. He was informed it is an ongoing thing. He also asked if they could shut it down tomorrow, and he was informed the Veteran's Home does not see that happening. Further discussion followed regarding the pharmacy, stating that one time they said they were not going to pay for them anymore, and they could renig on this contract. He was informed that the contract is with McKesson Drug, the VA supplier. It is not with the VA but actually with the drug company. The \$800,000.00 is an increase over the 212 over the present biennium, is that still true. He was told yes. 2nd major change is the Primary Care Services, and you got \$150,000.00 from the emergency commission because of your increased lab costs and things you had to take over from the VA. He was told yes. He asked if that is in the House version now. He was told yes. If it stays there it is ok and they answered yes. He asked about Public Law 108.422 regarding the Residence Daily Rates, is that the same as it is here and ok in the budget. He was informed yes. You asked for support an increase of \$1.4 million, \$621, 000 to the governor's salary recommendations, \$349,000 to one time expenditures and \$309,000 to the medical center services. He was told that would have changed a little bit with some of the items that

was pulled out in the House. Chairman Kilzer asked if the reductions in the House do affect these numbers.

Kristin Lunneborg stated that the elevator was \$120,000, another \$50,000 for marketing.

Chairman Kilzer commented that the dressers were reduced. He was told by Mark Johnson that they funded the beds. Chairman Kilzer commented the night stands were \$120,000 that was removed, the 40 electric hospital beds are still in the budget yet.

Kristin Lunneborg stated there would be \$240,000.00 of one time expenditures that the House removed.

Senator Mather asked what is your need for those.

Kristin Lunneborg stated regarding the elevator, it's fine to pull out if we're planning on a new building. We can piece it together for a couple more years.

Mark Johnson said one of the things they are looking at with the existing building we need to have furniture where the guys can put fridges or tv's on them because of lack of space in the rooms, but that condition would change if we build a new building. The statement was made by Kristen if they build a new building the funding would probably be there to help purchase they types of equipment or bedroom furniture that we would want. Senator Mathern asked what else is conditional if a new building is built. He was informed that the VA will assist in funding some of those capital items as well. The thing we look at is the beds, they are shot. There was further discussion of the dollar amount they need. The \$240,000 is only the beds and the elevator and the other items is \$50,000 for marketing, we would like to see it back in. Senator Mathern asked the rational for that if you are filled. He was informed the home is at capacity. The \$50,000 is for strategic planning, and that was removed in the House. Kristen stated they have a waiting list right now, but we can't admit any more because we don't know what's happening regarding building. Senator Mathern wanted more information regarding the

marketing. He was informed the House took this out. Mr. Goetz stated they just went through an extensive review and gave information to VA. Mark Johnson said the VA needs drawings and they are afraid we will run out of dollars to fund that but that is what that money is for. Senator Mathern asked if this piece was also conditional and he was told yes.

Senator Bowman asked if any research has been done regarding soil samplings, the water plain, and things that have to be done if you decide to build. It is imperative to know these things before the decision to build is done because of the costs.

Mark Johnson stated we sit on a campus of 93 acres and we can build anywhere. We will find the best placement for the building. Discussion followed regarding the footings on the skilled side. He stated the 1950 building is built like Fort Knox.. There are no cracks, it is a solid building. But the issues we have the 6 foot walls for the corridors and cast concrete. The other building was poured with elephant footings, we do have cracks in the bottom walls, and some going up some of the other walls. When they came in and looked at all that, overall, it is a golden opportunity to have the VA come in because they will fund towards a new building 65%. Senator Kilzer asked if they want to build on that 93 acres. They said yes, it is a good location, close to the VA Hospital in Fargo. He was asked if \$50,000 is enough. Senator Bowman asked the cost of the project. Several figures were discussed, however total costs is \$19 million for 121 placement and the VA will pick up 65%.

Senator Bowman stated we need to do a lot of ground work before we start and everything is spelled out for the architect The comment was made that they have a new board member, who is a contractor, DuWayne Ternes, and he will assist us to be sure everything is done correctly. Chairman Kilzer asked for some explanations regarding fixing up the building. He was told they have worked with OMB and the health department concerning the upgrades to the present building. Discussion followed regarding the amounts needed for fixing up the present building,

the strategic planning costs and the estimated costs for the assessment for the VA. Mark said basically the fixup of the present building will be \$165,700.00, The \$90,000 is what we are looking at doing the assessments and getting everything on line so that we can have everything in place for the VA. We have to make application by August 15, 2007, and then in September they will make the determination where we stand in their project.

Comment was made that ND has never gone to the VA for funding, we are one of 4 states, we are at the top of the list because of Life Safety Code Issue. They have talked to VA in Washington DC and ND is one of three for top funding so they feel there is a very good chance that we will get the help from VA if we build a new building. The second thing is the Life Safety Code Issue and with that issue there is kind of a prioritizing list with the VA, because we have a life safety code it puts us into a Sub-priority One and so when we talked with Frank from Washington he felt that we probably would be one of three that he would be funding, But he has numerous projects that he funds. Mark stated they will fund up to 65% on the fixup on the building as well. Senator Kilzer asked about the physical things, the borings, the water plain, and if all this has been cleared yet. He was told that these are all the things we have to have done for the VA to accept our project. More discussion was held concerning the strategic planning and the amount taken out in the House. Mark said that Lisbon is listed in the North Dakota Constitution and in the NDCC as the Veteran's Home location. It would be our goal to build there simply because of the close location to Fargo, the VA Hospital. He stated the \$50,000 would go for the strategic planning, the \$90,000 for things with the architect, we have to write to the Historical Society, all those letters to wildlife concerning the Wildflowers and issues of that nature.

Senator Bowman asked how soon this will transpire. All information needs to be with the VA by August 15. We will be contacted in September. Once that goes to get funded congressionally

they will then fund it in October of the following year. Senator Bowman asked if that is when we have to come up with that \$6.4 million to match that. Is that what our cost is going to be? He was informed yes Mark's understanding is we don't have to come up with any \$ at this time. We will need legislation signed by the governor, passed by the legislature, basically to say to instruct the Secretary of State to or Treasurer of the State to set aside that matching fund. Mr. Goetz commented he talked to the VA. If there is going to be funding grounds this go around, there has to be a contingency appropriation of \$6.4 million. That is an absolute requirement.

Senator Bowman asked if that can be a bonding. He was informed no. This has to be an upfront appropriation so that the money is available and that we have demonstrated good faith by this contingency appropriation. This has to be done by August 15, 2007. The VA is very supportive that this could be possible. The subcommittee was informed the VA has a yearly appropriation.

Senator Mathern stated Senator Robinson did some work with Legislative Council and OMB and distributed the potential amendments to address that wording. He reviewed Section 5, which provides for the legislative intent would be a way to consider this. This would allow us to change from the present bill to a bill we would have to have in place if we go ahead with the building.

Senator Kilzer asked if this matter was reviewed at the time of the hearing in either side. He was told no. This is really the first time this is brought to consideration. I think the hearing we had in the Senate raised all of these issues, but we never had amendments proposed by the Veteran's Home that reflect this. I think this addresses what the governor's office and the Veteran's Home is saying is needed. Maybe we have two sets of amendments before us: 1. Not to build and 2. to build. And this will address that we are building.

Senator Kilzer stated we've had no public testimony on this. The only side we've seen is the nonbuilding side.

Senator Bowman stated he wants to know about the \$165,000 that we put in, is it recoupable. Mark commented that we do have the potential to get dollars from the VA to fund 2/3 of that, or 65% of that \$165,000 fixup. The other piece is we may be able to look at the smoke detectors we are putting in, but it will be difficult because we still are going to have an existing plant while we are building a new plant. Our plant is about 58 years old.

Senator Bowman commented that anytime you can save money, whether federal \$ or not, because federal \$ is our \$ and we have to put that into prospective. The architect needs to know what you are putting in to see if that's something that has value when this building is being built. Mark assured him that we will look at the issues and if we build, what we can move over from plant A to plant B.

Senator Mathern stated we did receive testimony about this and we heard from the architect as well as the Veteran's Home, so I don't see these amendments as being outside of having received public testimony. These amendments clarify a little more what would it literally cost and when will we do this. I think the subcommittee has an opportunity to make sure that the testimony that we heard actually represents today's understanding of the costs, today's understanding from the governor's office, from Senator Conrad's office about what resources are really being supported.

Senator Kilzer asked Mr. Goetz if this was considered at the time the executive budget was being considered. He was informed no. This information was not available then. The Governor is very concerned, particularly about the Life Safety Issues at the Home and I have had several discussions with the Governor and I have some comments that I have written on behalf of the Governor that I will leave with the subcommittee.

Senator Robinson stated if you recall the hearing on the Senate side, we had the Department of Veteran's Affairs first with Mr. Hanson, and then we moved into the Veteran's Home and there was a discussion. In fact there was an overhead presentation powerpoint that didn't work that day, so they had to use their paper testimony, we were rushed, but Mr. Ternes testified as a former contractor and member of the Board, as did Brad Moanjo on the urgency of this project. \$165,000 in repairs, as I understand, is the absolute minimum to address the immediate concern of safety issues for the short term, and we all share the concern, as Mr. Goetz pointed out something has to be done in a very short term before we have tremendous liability before us. The amendments are a resolve of the discussions that have been taking place in the last few months in working with the Governor's Office, OMB, VA, Veteran's Home, what has to happen to keep this process on schedule. Brad has received a letter from the Congressional people stating they will incorporate with the State to address this issue. There is a time issue here in terms of federal funding as well. The longer we put this off, the greater the risk is that the federal funding will not be available. As Mr. Ternes pointed out, a building of this age, once you tear into it, you really run into a host of issues regarding asbestos, ect, the list goes on. There was a similar presentation over in the House side.

Senator Kilzer asked if the VA Home is comfortable if what these amendments reflect if we go ahead with the building, would these amendments address the other issues we talked about earlier is that in addition to that. He also asked if marketing is put in. He was informed the marking was pulled from original budget in the House. He also asked what else does it not address. He was told just the \$50,000. Kristen said if they build they do not need the new furniture or funds for a new elevator.

Don from OMB asked Kristen if they build in August of 2008 would you need spending authority for the federal funds for the 65% match to be able to receive and use those funds.

We would have to add spending authority for \$13 million to start construction on the building.

Senator Mathern stated we will need that to the amendments regarding the spending authority.

Senator Kilzer asked if these amendments of Senator Robinson's are very close to what you gave out to me. Kristen that is correct, except the only change is the funding of a night watchman position, that was in our original plan. Senator Kilzer said we should still have that here, it has not been acted on. Mark stated it would be very nice to have that position and shared the necessity of that position.

Senator Mathern suggested that Legislative Council redraft amendments including the federal authority spending, the \$50,000 marketing and the night watchman position and we'll look at it again. There was further discussion regarding building the new building, questions regarding the waiting list and he was told skilled side is full, 10 on the waiting list for basic care.

Senator Robinson referred to HB 1425, the fact that he is proud of what is going on concerning the VA Home, the building project creates a real challenge but we need a good veteran's home.

Senator Kilzer announced the next subcommittee meeting would be Friday, March 9, and requested the amendments to be drawn up. Meeting adjourned.

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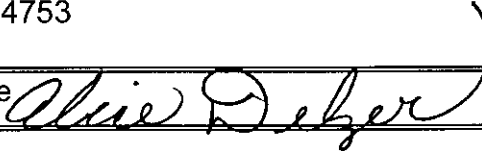
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Minutes:

Senator Kilzer opened the subcommittee hearing on HB 1007.

Sheila Peterson indicated there is a grant fund available less than ½ million

Senator Kilzer asked that she have this information available for us at the next sub-committee hearing. She indicated she would have information available on the fund.

Discussion continued on this grant fund, where the sources are coming from, whether it is the Veteran's Home budget, why there is one bill for multiple agencies instead of separate bills.

It was indicated that like agencies are often grouped together.

Senator Mathern asked if there were any new issues that have come up regarding consideration of the new facility or communication that has been had with the Governor's office or anyone.

Senator Kilzer asked when there is a waiting list of nine or more veterans, is that good or bad or do you feel you are not meeting the needs. The response was, sometimes when there is a waiting list are sometimes not ready and the list can be deceiving. At this time the home has put a ban on new admissions so that work can be done. It was indicated the home is licensed at 150 beds but the VA will pay for 121 beds.

Senator Mathern asked if there is a market for the other beds. The response was now they want to be a 121 and later look at how to fund the next 29 beds. They do have the call for that many beds.

Senator Mathern asked if there was a plan through the architect as to where the c boc would be located. The response was it is located in the building and then he described what else would be located there.

Senator Bowman asked about the extra guard and whether that was if the plan goes forward. It was indicated the security person would be hired now. There are several security issues that have come up and not the staff to deal with it.

Senator Kilzer indicated that he would like this guard as a stand alone amendment so that if areas are not agreed on or other amendments are made we want to be sure and have this position in.

The committee then discussed the amendments that the house adopted, the proposed amendment of Senator Kilzer

Senator Mathern asked if the security position would be a contract position, an FTE position or so many dollars per hour to hire who they want.

Mark Johnson indicated they are doing a very minimal fix to the building and if there is a potential fire, having two people evacuate over 90 would be very difficult. They have an egress formula that is getting high for the residents. Part of the existing criteria is a resident has to be capable of evacuating from the third floor.

Senator Kilzer indicated the committee would meet again toward the end of next week, maybe Thursday or Friday. He also questioned what the CBOC acronym stands for. (Community Based Outreach Clinic)

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Minutes:

Senator Kilzer called the Sub Committee to order to discuss HB 1007. Those present were:

Senator Kilzer, Bowman and Mathern.

Senator Kilzer called the meeting to discuss some major changes since they met the last time. Senator Bowman, Senator Robinson, and Senator Kilzer along with the Governor visited the Veterans Home in Lisbon this last Tuesday. A project for a new home is on the Governor's priority list. The Governor and Congressional delegation have asked the ND Legislature to have contingency funding of 6.45 million dollars available as a matching grant with federal funding of 12 or 13 million for a total project of 22 million or a little higher. The Republican Senate Caucus reviewed the situation on 3/14/07. Their concerns are: The Republican leadership in the senate is asking for a separate bill rather than putting it on as an amendment to 1007. The major reason for that is procedural. This whole project has not had a public hearing, and they feel it is necessary to have that public hearing for this amount of money. The path is open for a delayed bill submission and this bill would receive a public hearing. He said if we go that path, the process will be done properly. He also stated that this is something the leadership desires.

Senator Mathern said that he was on the delayed bill committee and they have heard the bill already and it has been approved by the Late Bills committee. He had a different opinion

about the issue of a hearing; he believes the new veteran's home was presented to the House and to this sub committee. He believes that this committee could make a decision but he has no problem with a delayed bill process.

Senator Bowman said that this is a nonpartisan bill with Senator Robinson on it and the Governor's support. He said that we have the support but a public hearing is to bring the issue to the attention of the state. He said this lets everyone come in and testify and be a part of the process. He said that they were going to support the Veteran's Home where it is at, in Lisbon. He said some of the questions that will be asked at the hearing will be: Why does it cost so much more to build a vet's home compared to nursing home or senior center? Someone needs to explain this. He stated that the tour definitely showed the need and was a very good tour. There is a safety issue. The hearing will bring all this information out and the story will be told to all the citizens of ND because it is their money, not our money.

Senator Kilzer asked Kristen or Mark if the \$90,000 preliminary study is in the bill as it came out of the House.

Mark said yes. He also said the \$50,000 was taken out for the market study in the House.

Senator Kilzer said that we really don't need to worry about any amendment for that and we don't need to worry about duplication.

Senator Mathern said that there are still four issues on this bill and Veteran Affairs issue still has to be addressed.

Senator Kilzer said we have to address the Home first. He asked amendments to be drawn up for the night watchman. What were the other items: The \$50,000. to continue the planning work related to the new facility; the reduction in the amount of money needed.

Senator Kilzer asked Mark to review the \$50,000This is not the marketing.

Mark said that they are looking at getting brochures about the Home done and study along with what the VA request and several mandated items.

Senator Kilzer asked how the House justified in taking it out.

Mark said he was caught off guard and they said it was duplicating services. When we really looked at it, we were not duplicating services, just that architecture piece is probably going to be close to \$90,000. They have to do a full blown architectural drawing. They want the size of rooms and they mandate every thing and the VA has higher standard than the States. It will cost more to build a VA facility.

Senator Bowman asked if the architect and engineers are part of the total project. It's not over and above.

Senator Mathern said the delayed bill does not include those costs.

Senator Kilzer asked, that on the 22 million dollar figure which appears to be on the low side, does the \$50,000 or even the \$90,000 study help clarify what figure it is going to be?

Mark explained the mandates from the Federal government. You have to hire the architect and that will probably take the entire \$90,000.

Duane Ternes clarified that we are talking 22 million dollars and in that there should be architectural fees and that is based on about a 7% fee. What Mark is talking about is preliminary drawings that may never be used but an architect is going to be asked to draw up and provide it to the Federal Government and they will scratch them up and work them over and send them back and then the architect will start over. At that point the 7% fee will kick in but all those up to that point are going to have to be paid for upfront.

.....So you feel there is a need for the \$50,000.

Mark said yes. Once our application is accepted the VA will start picking up 65% of all the costs.

Senator Kilzer asked if this project will be for sure at a 65/35 match.

Mark said yes. Because of the Life Safety Code at the hospital we are at the very top of his funding money.

Senator Kilzer said on the Life Safety code what are the final general fund figures.

Kristen said the amount of money is \$255,700 and that includes the \$90,000 for the architect.

Senator Mathern said that we may not have addressed the disparity of 121 beds and the 150 beds that we are licensed for. He felt that there were further requirements here to either authorize the spending for additional beds or decommission for less beds. I don't see that being address in this bill.

Mark said we should look at this in the next legislative session. For the 121 the Federal government will match and we do have the Congressional delegation working on this.

Senator Mathern said that if we are considering 121 beds and we are considering 150 beds but we don't figure that in are playing plan, there is going to be 29 beds that are lost and the next legislative session people are going to ask why we are going to add 29 beds.

Kristen said that the thinking was that the Federal Government said we could have 121 beds but we still want the 150 beds. The Federal government will match up to the 121 beds. At present we would have to come up with the full price of the 29 beds. Those beds will stay with us for four years, so the plan is we design the building so we can add a wing on and at some point can add those 29 beds and hopefully the Federal law will get changed and we can get the 65% funding for the additional 29 beds.

Senator Mathern asked why we just didn't build the extra 29 beds now.

Kristen said that is ideally what we want. She said the extra revenue generated by those 29 beds would pay for them in two bienniums.

Senator Mathern is concerned if we don't plan for them now in the future the legislature may not want to put an addition onto a brand new building.

Senator Bowman said it is all about money. He said when they toured the facility there were three different add ons. It is all about money. The government gives you so much and you do it and then another program comes along and there is a need, you do it. Sometimes you can't do everything at once. We will have a major accomplishment to get this done right now.

Maybe someplace, along the line we can look at a location in western ND because it is quite a distance for everybody to travel down there when they have people in the home. He has never seen a list of where all the people are that are in the home right now. He did ask for that while they were down in Lisbon, but he still has never seen the list. Are their clients scattered all over ND or are the majority of them Bismarck and east?

Mark said that they have a number of guys from the Williston area but they are from all over.

Senator Bowman said in 1990 when the Beach hospital closed they tried to get something done out west but that got voted down. An opportunity like that might come along again.

???? said the demographics of Grand Forks, Minot, Bismarck and Fargo are the four hot spots. Could not hear the speaker clearly:

Rudy Jensen, Chairman of Administrative Committee said he was wondering on those other 29 beds, why can't we bond that money like we did the other two additions on the home and pay for it with the home funds. Then we could do it all at one time. If we put the 29 beds on now and bond it ourselves and put it up as one building. Right now they have 125 people and if we build for only 121 beds what will we do kick 4 people out of the home because we only have 121 beds. With more veterans coming home we will need more beds not less. He asked that the committee would consider bonding the addition of 2.2 million.

Mark said that is a great idea.

Senator Kilzer said he wasn't sure how that worked but he knows that the state has bonding limits. We use bonding in some of our institutions of higher education and laboratories and other state buildings and we have limits in how much indebtedness the state can have in bonds. At the beginning of the session we are told how close to the ceiling we are on the allowable limits of the state project ladder. He thinks the 2.2 million wouldn't be a huge problem but he is more concerned about the State/Federal partnerships and how much they would allow that.

Rudy Jensen said the reason he brought it up was that they have their bond all paid off for the two additions that they put on. I think it would be a great idea to build the 150 bed facility and bond the extra 29 beds that the federal government will not give matching funds for.

Senator Mathern wondered if the reimbursement that we get from the Federal government for the care for persons on the skilled nursing side would be enough to make the bond payment.

Kristen said we would easily make the payment with what the federal government pays us and what the residents pay in rent.

Senator Bowman said that in this political process we don't want to upset the fruit basket and lose it all. We want to work with the people, we have a good project going, we have the support of both parties and now all of a sudden from what we have been told and what we are trying to do, now we are trying to do something else. So that leaves a little bit of question from a Legislative stand point if this was part of the original plan. It is different than what we went down there to look at and what we went down there to do. He said if you confuse legislatures like you just confused me, the tension gets a little higher on what we are actually trying to do. He said that support could be lost. I don't want to lose what we have gained; we've already changed the original intent. We have to have a balance.

Senator Mathern said just for clarification that he saw the veterans home come here as 150 bed facility, he does not see that as new. The Federal Government said that they will only participate in 121 beds. He does not see that going from 121 to 150 as a change. We are at a 150 it is only the number 121 that comes from the Federal Government.

Senator Kilzer said by the same token we have 4 years if something is going to be done about that.

Senator Mathern said that the bond difference is that this would be a revenue bond it really doesn't apply to the limits as other bonds. The specific revenue bond has no cap. Another issue we have to talk about.

Senator Kilzer said he was not sure that revenue bonds are entirely off the table when it comes to limits, just because we produce income.

Senator Kilzer asked if there is general agreement on the things that we have talked about so far because he said he is ready to talk to Bob Hanson.

Board said they would accept with gratitude the 121 beds and preserve the 29 for 4 years after we vacate the present building that would give us a lot of time to consider and they are willing to take that.

Mark said the Department of Health authorized the 150 but we are licensed 150 beds from the VA as well. The grant construction program limits us to 121.

Mr. Ternes said if this all takes place and we have 6 months of planning, and a year and a half of construction, that puts us to the next biennium. Any architectural firm can be told up front to allow this area for an additional building to keep the cost down.

Senator Bowman said that when we have the hearing on this it would be an excellent time to let the state know those plans. It should be explained upfront the long term goals and then write the language in the bill to allow for this. Then you can go ahead and start to plan toward

that. We don't want to get the cart in front of the horse on this deal and get people upset.

Tempers get pretty short because of all the bills we have had to kill. He just wanted to give some advice on holding what we have and presenting it so that we could give the state time to consider letting us do this if we can get the revenue bonds.

Senator Mathern had some issues on Veteran Affairs. One of the issues was having a woman available to deal with Veterans Affairs. More money available for outreach. And in the notes we have adding the women's veterans' coordinator \$84,000 for the biennium and the outreach to the counties would cost \$23,206.

Senator Kilzer asked if these items were removed by the House.

Senator Mathern said the department requested these but they were not placed in the Governor's budget.

Rudy said the Veterans Home forgot to consider a woman's coordinator and asked someone to bring it up. We really need it because 10% of our troops are women.

Senator Kilzer asked how many coordinators they have now.

Bob Hanson said that they don't have any women coordinators. They have two vet specialist both men, one in Bismarck and one in Fargo.

Senator Bowman said they should be a vet first and doesn't have to be a woman.

Senator Mathern asked if the coordinator served all the counties.

Bob Hanson said yes. There are 50 veterans Service officer and 5 are women. They are paid by the county and they get Spring and Fall conferences. We are looking for someone to go out to talk to women.

Senator Mathern said basically there are more men.

Bob Hanson spoke on the outreach program, they did a study in May.....Can't hear.

Senator Mathern said he would like an amendment drawn up on that.

Senator Kilzer asked for additional comments beside the women coordinator.

The \$23,000 would be used for the central office to make county contacts. Staff does support the Veteran Services out there. This money would be for travel money.

Senator Bowman asked if this travel wasn't included in the budgeting process.

Bob Hanson said it was included in the optional package.Hard to hear.....we do 2 training sessions a year and we need to educate more.

Senator Mathern said we need to reach out to those counties and come out and provide support from the central office.

Senator Bowman said as a county commissioner no one has ever asked for this.

Senator Kilzer said he had to talk with Chet about these two last requests.

Committee favors all the items relating to the Home that we talked about today but the items relating to women service coordinator and travel expenses we can discuss that at the time of the hearing of the delayed bill whenever that is scheduled.

Chairman Kilzer closed the meeting.

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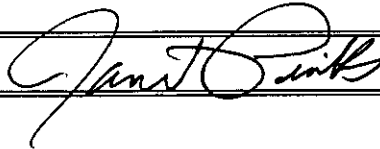
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Minutes:

Chairman Holmberg opened the hearing on HB 1007.

Senator Kilzer distributed amendment 0205 which includes life safety code deficiencies, a night watchman is added, funding for marketing, and it includes two budgets for the Veteran's Home and Veteran's Affairs.

Chairman Holmberg indicated this is a reduction on general funds.

Senator Kilzer moved do pass on amendment 0205, Senator Bowman seconded. Discussion followed. Senator Mathern proposed a second set of amendments 0206 to bring the option to the attention of the committee and expressed concerns about building the Veteran's Home. This amendment includes the Veteran's Home in this amendment to keep it all in one bill. This is an alternative funding mechanism. Senator Grindberg indicated he appreciated Senator Mathern's comments. The sponsors of that bill are two majority leaders and I don't think they will ax a bill like that.

Senator Christmann indicated there is a public hearing scheduled and with that coming up we need to move on that first.

Senator Mathern indicated this was heard in the House and Senate and this adds another hearing.

Senator Kilzer indicated this is major spending item not in the executive budget.

Senator Bowman indicated we've been here long enough to know that if a bill going to be killed, they could pull out this amendment also.

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Hearing Date: 03-21-07

An oral vote was taken on 0205 for a do pass. The motion carried.

Senator Mathern moved a do pass as amended, Senator Kilzer seconded. A roll call vote was taken resulting in 13 yes, 0 no and 1 absent. The motion passed and Senator Kilzer will carry the bill.

Chairman Holmberg closed the hearing on HB 1007.

Mark Johnson

2-21-07

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1007

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"Contingency 6,483,226"

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Page 2, line 17, underscore "\$1,846,247"

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Page 3, line 7, replace "\$5,166,556" with "\$11,334,482"

Page 3, line 9, replace "\$13,987,646" with "\$20,155,572"

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Page 3, line 21, replace "\$689,606" with "\$315,306"

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Renumber accordingly.

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Page 2, line 18, replace "2,030,053" with "1,898,323"
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Page 2, line 31, replace "13,211,264" with "12,988,568"

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Page 3, line 5, replace "776,382" with "867,348"
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Renumber accordingly

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House Bill No. 1007 - Summary of Senate Action

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE VERSION	SENATE CHANGES	SENATE VERSION
Veterans' Home				
Total all funds	\$12,871,264	\$13,211,264	(\$222,696)	\$12,988,568
Less estimated income	8,821,090	8,821,090		8,821,090
General fund	\$4,050,174	\$4,390,174	(\$222,696)	\$4,167,478
Department of Veterans' Affairs				
Total all funds	\$776,382	\$776,382	\$90,966	\$867,348
Less estimated income				
General fund	\$776,382	\$776,382	\$90,966	\$867,348
Bill Total				
Total all funds	\$13,647,646	\$13,987,646	(\$131,730)	\$13,855,916
Less estimated income	8,821,090	8,821,090		8,821,090
General fund	\$4,826,556	\$5,166,556	(\$131,730)	\$5,034,826

House Bill No. 1007 - Veterans' Home - Senate Action

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE VERSION	SENATE CHANGES	SENATE VERSION
Salaries and wages	\$8,738,917	\$8,738,917	\$101,604	\$8,840,521
Operating expenses	3,682,000	3,512,000	50,000	3,562,000
Capital assets	450,347	330,347		330,347
Life safety improvements		630,000	(\$374,300)	255,700
Total all funds	\$12,871,264	\$13,211,264	(\$222,696)	\$12,988,568
Less estimated income	8,821,090	8,821,090		8,821,090
General fund	\$4,050,174	\$4,390,174	(\$222,696)	\$4,167,478
FTE	90.97	90.97	1.40	92.37

Dept. 313 - Veterans' Home - Detail of Senate Changes

	ADDS FUNDING FOR NIGHT WATCHMEN ¹	RESTORES FUNDING FOR PLANNING AND MARKETING ²	DECREASES FUNDING FOR LIFE SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS ³	TOTAL SENATE CHANGES
Salaries and wages	\$101,604			\$101,604
Operating expenses		\$50,000		50,000
Capital assets				
Life safety improvements			(\$374,300)	(\$374,300)
Total all funds	\$101,604	\$50,000	(\$374,300)	(\$222,696)
Less estimated income				
General fund	\$101,604	\$50,000	(\$374,300)	(\$222,696)
FTE	1.40	0.00	0.00	1.40

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House Bill No. 1007 - Department of Veterans' Affairs - Senate Action

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE VERSION	SENATE CHANGES	SENATE VERSION
Veterans' Affairs	\$776,382	\$776,382	\$90,966	\$867,348
Total all funds	\$776,382	\$776,382	\$90,966	\$867,348
Less estimated income				
General fund	\$776,382	\$776,382	\$90,966	\$867,348
FTE	6.00	6.00	1.00	7.00

Dept. 321 - Department of Veterans' Affairs - Detail of Senate Changes

	ADDS FUNDING FOR A WOMAN'S VETERANS COORDINATOR POSITION 1	TOTAL SENATE CHANGES
Veterans' Affairs	<u>\$90,966</u>	<u>\$90,966</u>
Total all funds	\$90,966	\$90,966
Less estimated income	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
General fund	<u>\$90,966</u>	<u>\$90,966</u>
FTE	1.00	1.00

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SECTION 6. BORROWING AUTHORITY - ALTERNATIVE FUNDING FOR VETERANS' HOME EXPANDED CONSTRUCTION PROJECT. The industrial commission, acting as the North Dakota building authority, shall arrange through the issuance of evidences of indebtedness under chapter 54-17.2 for the biennium beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2009, for costs associated with expanding the veterans' home construction project from the 121-bed capacity facility to a 150-bed facility. This authorization is contingent upon federal funding not being available for costs associated with expanding the project to a 150-bed facility. The proceeds of the evidences of indebtedness and other available funds, in the amount of \$2,575,152, are appropriated to the veterans' home for this project. Nongeneral fund sources must be used for the retirement of the evidences of indebtedness for the costs associated with this project."

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Renumber accordingly

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General fund	\$4,050,174	\$4,390,174	\$7,161,833	\$11,552,007
Department of Veterans' Affairs				
Total all funds	\$776,382	\$776,382	\$114,172	\$890,554
Less estimated income				
General fund	\$776,382	\$776,382	\$114,172	\$890,554

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Bill Total				
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General fund	\$4,826,556	\$5,166,556	\$7,276,005	\$12,442,561

House Bill No. 1007 - Veterans' Home - Senate Action

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE VERSION	SENATE CHANGES	SENATE VERSION
Salaries and wages	\$8,738,917	\$8,738,917	\$101,604	\$8,840,521
Operating expenses	3,682,000	3,512,000	50,000	3,562,000
Capital assets	450,347	330,347	13,714,124	14,044,471
Life safety improvements		630,000	(374,300)	255,700
Contingency - Veterans' Home construction			7,384,529	7,384,529
Total all funds	\$12,871,264	\$13,211,264	\$20,875,957	\$34,087,221
Less estimated income	8,821,090	8,821,090	13,714,124	22,535,214
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Dept. 313 - Veterans' Home - Detail of Senate Changes

	ADDS FUNDING FOR A NIGHT WATCHMAN 1	RESTORES FUNDING FOR PLANNING AND MARKETING 2	DECREASES FUNDING FOR LIFE SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS 3	ADDS CONTINGENT FUNDING FOR NEW BUILDING 4	ADDS FEDERAL FUNDS SPENDING AUTHORITY FOR BUILDING 5	ADDS CONTINGENT FUNDING TO BUILD 150-BED FACILITY 6
Salaries and wages	\$101,604					
Operating expenses		\$50,000				
Capital assets					\$12,040,275	\$1,673,849
Life safety improvements			(\$374,300)			
Contingency - Veterans' Home construction				\$6,483,226		901,303
Total all funds	\$101,604	\$50,000	(\$374,300)	\$6,483,226	\$12,040,275	\$2,575,152
Less estimated income					12,040,275	1,673,849
General fund	\$101,604	\$50,000	(\$374,300)	\$6,483,226	\$0	\$901,303
FTE	1.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

TOTAL SENATE CHANGES

Salaries and wages	\$101,604
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4 The Senate added contingent funding of \$6,483,226, or 35 percent, for the state's share of the cost to demolish the existing Veterans' Home and to build a new 121-bed facility. The funding is contingent upon the Veterans' Home receiving federal funding for 65 percent of the cost of the new facility and is limited to 35 percent of the project cost or \$6,483,226, whichever is less.

5 The Senate added federal funds spending authority of \$12,040,275 for the Veterans' Home to receive the 65 percent federal match for the cost of a new 121-bed Veterans' Home facility.

6 This amendment adds additional contingent funding for the Veterans' Home to build a 150-bed facility rather than a 121-bed facility. The total cost for a 150-bed facility is \$21,098,656. If the 65 percent federal match is not available for this portion of the project, the Veterans' Home may issue revenue bonds for the costs needed to build a 150-bed facility rather than a 121-bed facility.

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House Bill No. 1007 - Department of Veterans' Affairs - Senate Action

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Total all funds	\$776,382	\$776,382	\$114,172	\$890,554
Less estimated income	_____	_____	_____	_____
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FTE	6.00	6.00	1.00	7.00

Dept. 321 - Department of Veterans' Affairs - Detail of Senate Changes

	ADDS FUNDING FOR A WOMAN'S VETERANS COORDINATOR POSITION ¹	ADDS FUNDING FOR OUTREACH TO COUNTIES ²	TOTAL SENATE CHANGES
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Total all funds	\$90,966	\$23,206	\$114,172
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0205 pass
0206 no action

Date: 3/21
Roll Call Vote #: 1

2007 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 1007

Senate Appropriations Committee

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Legislative Council Amendment Number

Action Taken DE amend 0205

Motion Made By Math Seconded By Kilzer

Senators	Yes	No	Senators	Yes	No
Senator Ray Holmberg, Chrm	✓		Senator Aaron Krauter	✓	
Senator Bill Bowman, V Chrm	✓		Senator Elroy N. Lindaas	✓	
Senator Tony Grindberg, V Chrm	✓		Senator Tim Mathern	✓	
Senator Randel Christmann	✓		Senator Larry J. Robinson	✓	
Senator Tom Fischer			Senator Tom Seymour	✓	
Senator Ralph L. Kilzer	✓		Senator Harvey Tallackson	✓	
Senator Karen K. Krebsbach	✓				
Senator Rich Wardner	✓				

Total (Yes) 13 No 0

Absent 1

Floor Assignment Kilzer

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1007, as engrossed: Appropriations Committee (Sen. Holmberg, Chairman)
recommends **AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends
DO PASS (13 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed HB 1007
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General fund	\$101,604	\$50,000	(\$374,300)	\$6,483,226	\$0	\$901,303
FTE	1.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

	TOTAL SENATE CHANGES
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⁶ This amendment adds additional contingent funding for the Veterans' Home to build a 150-bed facility rather than a 121-bed facility. The total cost for a 150-bed facility is \$21,098,656. If the 65 percent federal match is not available for this portion of the project, the Veterans' Home may issue revenue bonds for the costs needed to build a 150-bed facility rather than a 121-bed facility.

House Bill No. 1007 - Department of Veterans' Affairs - Senate Action

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE VERSION	SENATE CHANGES	SENATE VERSION
Veterans' Affairs	<u>\$776,382</u>	<u>\$776,382</u>	<u>\$114,172</u>	<u>\$890,554</u>
Total all funds	\$776,382	\$776,382	\$114,172	\$890,554
Less estimated income	-----	-----	-----	-----
General fund	\$776,382	\$776,382	\$114,172	\$890,554
FTE	6.00	6.00	1.00	7.00

Dept. 321 - Department of Veterans' Affairs - Detail of Senate Changes

	ADDS FUNDING FOR A WOMAN'S VETERANS COORDINATOR POSITION ¹	ADDS FUNDING FOR OUTREACH TO COUNTIES ²	TOTAL SENATE CHANGES
Veterans' Affairs	<u>\$90,966</u>	<u>\$23,206</u>	<u>\$114,172</u>
Total all funds	\$90,966	\$23,206	\$114,172
Less estimated income	-----	-----	-----
General fund	\$90,966	\$23,206	\$114,172
FTE	1.00	0.00	1.00

¹ The Senate added funding for a woman's veterans coordinator position.

² The Senate added funding for the Department of Veterans' Affairs to provide outreach services to counties.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1007, as engrossed: Appropriations Committee (Sen. Holmberg, Chairman)
recommends **AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends
DO PASS (13 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed HB 1007
was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

Page 2, line 5, replace "960,376" with "1,061,980"

Page 2, line 6, replace "337,222" with "387,222"

Page 2, line 8, replace "630,000" with "255,700"

Page 2, line 9, replace "1,907,339" with "1,684,643"

Page 2, line 11, replace "\$61,082" with "(\$161,614)"

Page 2, line 14, replace "122,714" with "213,680"

Page 2, line 15, replace "122,714" with "213,680"

Page 2, line 16, replace "183,796" with "52,066"

Page 2, line 18, replace "2,030,053" with "1,898,323"

Page 2, line 27, replace "8,738,917" with "8,840,521"

Page 2, line 28, replace "3,512,000" with "3,562,000"

Page 2, line 30, replace "630,000" with "255,700"

Page 2, line 31, replace "13,211,264" with "12,988,568"

Page 3, line 2, replace "4,390,174" with "4,167,478"

Page 3, line 5, replace "776,382" with "867,348"

Page 3, line 6, replace "776,382" with "867,348"

Page 3, line 7, replace "5,166,556" with "5,034,826"

Page 3, line 9, replace "13,987,646" with "13,855,916"

Page 3, line 12, replace "\$630,000" with "\$255,700"

Page 3, line 18, replace "630,000" with "255,700"

Page 3, line 21, replace "689,606" with "315,306"

Page 3, line 22, replace "\$630,000" with "\$255,700"

Renumber accordingly

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

House Bill No. 1007 - Summary of Senate Action

	BUDGET	VERSION	CHANGES	VERSION
Veterans' Home				
Total all funds	\$12,871,264	\$13,211,264	(\$222,696)	\$12,988,568
Less estimated income	8,821,090	8,821,090		8,821,090
General fund	\$4,050,174	\$4,390,174	(\$222,696)	\$4,167,478
Department of Veterans' Affairs				
Total all funds	\$776,382	\$776,382	\$90,966	\$867,348
Less estimated income				
General fund	\$776,382	\$776,382	\$90,966	\$867,348
Bill Total				
Total all funds	\$13,647,646	\$13,987,646	(\$131,730)	\$13,855,916
Less estimated income	8,821,090	8,821,090		8,821,090
General fund	\$4,826,556	\$5,166,556	(\$131,730)	\$5,034,826

House Bill No. 1007 - Veterans' Home - Senate Action

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE VERSION	SENATE CHANGES	SENATE VERSION
Salaries and wages	\$8,738,917	\$8,738,917	\$101,604	\$8,840,521
Operating expenses	3,682,000	3,512,000	50,000	3,562,000
Capital assets	450,347	330,347		330,347
Life safety improvements		630,000	(\$374,300)	255,700
Total all funds	\$12,871,264	\$13,211,264	(\$222,696)	\$12,988,568
Less estimated income	8,821,090	8,821,090		8,821,090
General fund	\$4,050,174	\$4,390,174	(\$222,696)	\$4,167,478
FTE	90.97	90.97	1.40	92.37

Dept. 313 - Veterans' Home - Detail of Senate Changes

	ADDS FUNDING FOR NIGHT WATCHMEN ¹	RESTORES FUNDING FOR PLANNING AND MARKETING ²	DECREASES FUNDING FOR LIFE SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS ³	TOTAL SENATE CHANGES
Salaries and wages	\$101,604			\$101,604
Operating expenses		\$50,000		50,000
Capital assets				
Life safety improvements			(\$374,300)	(\$374,300)
Total all funds	\$101,604	\$50,000	(\$374,300)	(\$222,696)
Less estimated income				
General fund	\$101,604	\$50,000	(\$374,300)	(\$222,696)
FTE	1.40	0.00	0.00	1.40

¹ The Senate added funding for night watchmen.

² The Senate restored funding for developing a long-term plan for the Veterans' Home.

³ The Senate decreased the funding to address Life Safety Code deficiencies as identified by the State Department of Health and the Fire Marshal from \$630,000 to \$255,700. The funding includes \$165,700 for repairs necessary for the plan of correction and \$90,000 for a preplanning document for the building.

House Bill No. 1007 - Department of Veterans' Affairs - Senate Action

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE VERSION	SENATE CHANGES	SENATE VERSION
Veterans' Affairs	\$776,382	\$776,382	\$90,966	\$867,348
Total all funds	\$776,382	\$776,382	\$90,966	\$867,348
Less estimated income				
General fund	\$776,382	\$776,382	\$90,966	\$867,348
FTE	6.00	6.00	1.00	7.00

Dept. 321 - Department of Veterans' Affairs - Detail of Senate Changes

	ADDS FUNDING FOR A WOMAN'S VETERANS COORDINATOR POSITION ¹	TOTAL SENATE CHANGES
Veterans' Affairs	<u>\$90,966</u>	<u>\$90,966</u>
Total all funds	\$90,966	\$90,966
Less estimated income	_____	_____
General fund	<u>\$90,966</u>	<u>\$90,966</u>
FTE	1.00	1.00

¹ The Senate added funding for a woman's veterans coordinator position.

2007 HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

HB 1007

2007 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Bill/Resolution No. HB 1007

House Appropriations Committee
Human Resources Division

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Hearing Date: April 5, 2007

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Committee Clerk Signature

Donna Kramer

Minutes:

HB 1007, a bill for an act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the Veterans' Home.

Conference Committee met in the Roughrider Room with Representative Kreidt,

Chairman, Representatives Nelson and Metcalf, Senators Kilzer, Bowman, and Mathern.

Representative Kreidt opened the meeting for the purpose of reviewing **the First**

Engrossment with Senate Amendments 78007.0300.

Senator Kilzer reviewed the amendments giving three of the changes - (1) Hiring a 1.4 FTE,

(2) Restore \$50,000 and (3) Reaction to SB 2418 - amount set aside could be reduced.

Senator Bowman reviewed and supported the amendments. He stated there are more women in service today. The VA made a good case and therefore, the women's coordinator is added.

Senator Mathern reviewed the proposed money in the operating fund. He said \$50,000 for planning and marketing is crucial to be in the budget - in reaction to SB 2418 - to be sure that part is up to speed for new facility.

Representative Nelson questioned the footnote #2, the \$50,000 for planning and marketing.

He said it was his understanding that it was more a marketing effort - advertising in the local papers.

Senator Mathern saw this as a bigger effort, before expenditures for the new facility. There will be considerable work to plan for that and is part of it. Several things will still need to be done.

Representative Metcalf stated he had information from the Veterans Home. He said the \$90,000 added was basically for the architectural drawings. Might be some testing, ground soil testing that might be included, too. But, the \$50,000 is to cover incidental expenses such as environmental impact studies - phase 1 environmental survey - phase 2 environmental assessments, demographic studies as far as needs analysis, 5 year capital program and a financial plan for 3 years. It is essential that it be added back in.

Senator Bowman emphasized that the soil be suitable for that large building, that the soil will handle that much volume of weight, which would add to the expense to this facility in the future, part of the planning.

Representative Nelson: Isn't that part of the due diligence with the Federal requirements?

Senator Bowman: Not familiar with the requirements - it was their committee's concerns.

Representative Nelson: Has been involved with some projects with USDA, and it is certainly a requirement with them and they follow strict guidelines.

Representative Metcalf: Correct. I am positive that it is included in the plan. It is our responsibility to provide the funding and that is where the \$50,000 comes into play.

Representative Kreidt: Stated he was going to a little follow up on the \$50,000.

Senator Kilzer: During our hearings on the bill, the Veterans Home presented an experienced contractor, Duane Ternes, who had some good ideas and he was very strong in need for this part of the budget.

Senator Bowman: He also had a lot of experience in building and the owner of Capital Construction. He understands what architects can and can't do, sometimes.

Senator Mathern: Recalled major study of the facility some years back - major shake up - major long term concerns raised and the administration now has addressed many of those concerns. However, part of the follow up to that is to make sure that they have a good long range plan that includes making sure that all of these facilities are used well. That is partially what we are talking about with the \$50,000. Want to make sure the many positive things stay in place, but need resources to work on marketing and long range plan areas. There is a lot of work put on the administration to make sure that it is all done right. The \$50,000 helps make sure that our demands of a few years ago about the development of this facility met and give them a few dollars to make sure they can continue working on those demands that we created with our past studies.

Representative Kreidt: Wants to follow up on a few things ... not going to finish today.

Don Wolf of Legislative Council: Have everything covered.

Representative Nelson: Refresh my memory on the night watchman situation. Has that left the House. We thought we could use residents to monitor that. Was there any compensation that was considered for that?

Representative Kreidt: That was included in the \$630,000 item that went over to the Senate which was for 2 temporary employees and doing whatever they needed to do to bring the facility up to compliance for the new construction.

Representative Nelson: Cost of 2 temporaries?

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Representative Kreidt: \$120,000, I think was the number.

Representative Nelson: When the new facility is built, how do we reconcile that 1.4 FTE that we included this biennium? Will it be taken away in at that point in time?

Representative Metcalf: A good point, because we had not put an ending date. It is strictly a temporary employment, it is not for full time employment ... to be discharged at the will of the manager.

Representative Kreidt: Let me follow on that.

Adjournment until Monday.

2007 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Bill/Resolution No. HB 1007

House Appropriations Committee
Human Resources Division

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Minutes:

HB 1007, a bill for an act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the Veterans' Home.

Conference Committee met in the Roughrider Room with Representative Kreidt,

Chairman, Representatives Nelson and Metcalf, Senators Kilzer, Bowman, and Mathern.

Representative Kreidt opened the meeting for the purpose of reviewing **the First**

Engrossment with Senate Amendments 78007.0300. He stated he was still waiting for other information regarding the Veterans Home. It probably won't be Wednesday when he will receive it. Referred to the FTEs and stated they would become full time employees of the nursing facility included in this bill. Looking at the preplanning and the dollars needed for the facility to go ahead with construction that is included in this bill that would have an affect on the bill in regards to the new facility for the Veterans Home. Do not have all the information yet. Some of you have received information on the requirements and the acquisition of grants to obtain the 65%. Do not feel comfortable in moving ahead until all information is at hand.

Representative Nelson: Question about the 1.4 FTE ... what purpose would they serve after the new facility is built.

Representative Metcalf: When we are looking at the clientele that we serve in that particular facility, they have liberties that they normally don't have at other types of facilities. For instance, if they decide they want to go downtown and have a few libations, they are free to do that. But, they can come back to the basic care facility at any time they so desire. And, sometimes they get a little bit out of hand. This happens on a routine basis. At this particular time the Veterans Home has basically all females that are working there late in the evenings and into the night time hours. It gets to be a real safety issue for the employees there without having an individual that could explain the situation to the veteran that is getting out of hand and bring them under control if that is necessary. So, this is the purpose of maintaining them afterwards.

Representative Kreidt: Looking at a type of security person ... ward off situations. They are using some residents to do this now and the residents are a little intimidated by these individuals. There are still some questions to be answered.

Representative Nelson: Have they requested a security position in previous bienniums?

Representative Kreidt: Not that I am aware of. Question whether this is something they feel is going to be an ongoing situation or things could change.

Senator Mathern: They have wanted to professionalize this more ... want to be more responsive to the citizens of ND ... board more active as they have looked at long-term planning ... ways of making this area higher quality ... more responsible to security.

Representative Metcalf: Response to Representative Nelson - they have been providing a certain amount of security with the veterans that were there that were willing to take on the extra jobs. But, they just feel that it is getting to the point where these individuals who do not have continuity. It is their first chance in requesting security.

Senator Bowman: Can relate to why they are doing it. Recalled days when back in the service and when guys when come in late at night and had a little too much spirits and would get out of control. When the captain came in, all of a sudden they changed. It is just a matter of identification. A security uniform means authority.

Representative Nelson: I don't disagree ... the value of security in a workplace is the piece of whole puzzle. Why didn't they include it in the OMB request? This came to us after the life safety issue was raised and we wanted somebody to monitor the facility the night time hours. Now, it has gone from a life safety issue to a full-time security position. I have some real problems with the way this has been handled in this particular budget. I think it should have gone through the channels of day one if it was that important and got it included in the Executive Budget and then come to full committee, not through an amendment process.

Representative Kreidt: If no further comments, adjournment for today until more information is received.

2007 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Bill/Resolution No. HB 1007

House Appropriations Committee
Human Resources Division

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Donnae Kramer

Minutes:

HB 1007, a bill for an act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the Veterans' Home.

Conference Committee met in the Roughrider Room with Representative Kreidt,

Chairman, Representatives Nelson and Metcalf, Senators Kilzer, Bowman, and Mathern.

Representative Kreidt opened the conference committee meeting. He stated the last meeting we had some discussion in regard to the \$90,000 and the \$50,000. We were talking about the 1.4 FTE being added on Senate side in regards to security. Pretty clear and information received and would like to run by the committee at this time. The \$90,000 would be for preplanning of the new facility. The House session did pass the new Veterans Home bill and over to the Senate. It looks like this project will going forward at this time. At this point, I believe the Veterans Home is going need some up-front money to begin that project. What I would like to see with that \$90,000 is the management and board go forward with contracting with an architect, getting their contractor on board and engineers, and moving forward with the project. After all the hiring, you build that cost into the overall construction of the facility.

Senator Bowman: Question whether reimbursable back to the state.

Representative Kreidt stated that it would come back to the state. It would become a part of 6.5 million dollars.

Senator Bowman: They would money to start up front to start the project, the \$90,000, so it would be a "wash".

Senator Mathern: Suggested that wording be added there would be some reimbursement.

Representative Kreidt: That is correct.

Representative Metcalf: Met with the architect and the \$90,000 probably will cover this cost, but he says it going to be very close. I would wonder if we could be receptive to possibly increasing the amount by \$10,000 to make it an even \$100,000. It is going to be a little over \$100,000 the way he estimated. We probably will be making an amendment, to add this wording to \$100,000 just make sure we have enough up font money.

Senator Bowman: "Up to" \$100,000.

Representative Metcalf: Motion?

Representative Kreidt: As chairman I'm always in a negotiating mood. I could support that, but I have a real problem with the additional \$50,000 for planning. Would like to see that go away. I would be open to two motions - one to remove the \$50,000 and one to state "up to \$100,000" regarding the preplanning for the new facility.

Senator Mathern: In light of the possibility that we move this up to \$100,000 and make it reimbursable, it would seem to me that we have would have some room here to make the \$50,000 available. Referred to the study done some years back and difficulties uncovered. Numerous changes have been made, staff changes were made, and good staff people, board involved, and those are all follow-ups from those earlier problems. I think the \$50,000 is crucial to make sure that all of the positive changes that have been made and the staff team have the resources to do the strategic planning. They have a building to build in the next few

years. They need the \$50,000 to get some help on the general issues, or, I think we're putting them into a bind.

Representative Kreidt: At this point, resist that. I understand that - we have new administration on board - progress made in the operation of the facility. The new building is going to be happening now and they're getting some of the free best PR that anybody could have right now. Increasing skilled nursing beds up to 52 now. There is a waiting list there. If they're going to market, a good operated, efficient facility really shouldn't have to do any marketing. Word of mouth is the best advertisement. Refer: 12.20

Senator Mathern: Just to clarify, this isn't just for marketing - it is for strategic planning. What if we considered doing the \$50,000 and the \$90,000 in the general amendment? Instead of eliminating the possibility, try to create some vehicles where they could move as much of those costs into the building of the new facility.

Chairman Kreidt: I am willing to negotiate on \$100,000 - I am willing to bend that far.

Representative Nelson: Motion to remove the \$50,000 and appropriate up to \$100,000 for the planning and the design of the new facility.

Senator Kilzer: Seconded the Motion.

Representative Nelson: I understand what Senator Mathern is talking about. I am uncertain as to how you could work a long-term strategic plan into a construction project. We're talking two different subject matters here.

Chairman Kreidt: With your motion, would you include this as becoming an overall cost of the project?

Representative Nelson: Yes, I would.

Senator Bowman: What I concerned about is this enough money to make sure that we have everything done required by the government before the bids are left? Why wouldn't we want to

provide money to make sure that it is done right upfront if it is reimbursable. Is this going to be what they need to make sure that all of the preplanning is done, the part of checking the ground, and all those things are done? What is the magical number?

Representative Metcalf: I will say that people who work at the Veterans Home have been very involved in making sure that all questions that you have just asked are being taken care of. The Department of Veterans Affairs has come with a list such as this and it tells just exactly what has to be done with preconstruction. They have gone ahead and obtained estimates from local people that can provide this and have come up with \$101,000. My \$100,000 estimate beforehand was basically on this estimate on this slip right here. The preconstruction costs that you are concerned about are covered. Justifiably, I can't see any real problem with it.

Senator Mathern: I am wondering if Representative Nelson would be willing to withdraw his motion and just make it on the basis of the \$50,000, and then we address the other issue that Senator Bowman is bringing up. We really have two issues here.

Representative Nelson: I will withdraw my motion. Then, I would move to drop the \$50,000 appropriation for planning and marketing.

Chairman Kreidt: Seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote: Kreidt - yes, Nelson - yes, Metcalf - yes, Kilzer - yes, Bowman - yes, Mathern - no.

Motion carried.

Senator Mathern: Moved that we authorize the expenditure of \$140,000 for the architecture work and the strategic work to be made available to the Veterans Home immediately and that they be authorized to do what they can to make a part of the whole project, and whatever is reimbursable be part of the project as reimbursable.

Representative Metcalf: Seconded the motion.

Senator Bowman: Questioned the amount.

Senator Mathern: See this as a way to tell the Veterans Home that they have up to \$140,000 to assist them in the architectural and strategic planning work to move forward with the Veterans Home under SB 2418. Refer: 21:32

Senator Kilzer: I would hope we would defeat this proposed amendment and have a new amendment of an appropriation of \$265,000 to include all of the life safety code deficiencies and the \$100,000 for the preplanning and other items that we have just discussed.

Roll Call Vote: Kredit - no, Nelson - no, Metcalf - no, Kilzer - nay, Bowman - no, Mathern aye.

Motion failed.

Senator Kilzer: Move that we ask for an appropriation for \$265,000 to include the life safety code deficiencies and the \$100,000 for the preplanning and other items that we have just discussed.

Senator Bowman: Seconded the motion.

Senator Mathern: How this relates to Senate action?

Representative Kreidt: The \$165,000 is included for the life safety.

Discussion.

Don Wolf of Legislative Council: Since we are working off the House amendments, the House version is \$630,000. The Senate removed \$374,300 to bring it down to \$255,700. I think what Senator Kilzer is trying to propose is that we actually have a reduction from the current version of \$630,000 to \$265,700. Is that correct?

Representative Kreidt: That would be in order.

Senator Bowman: That includes the money to fix those safety issues before they tear down plus the \$100,000 to do the preplanning and everything.

Representative Metcalf: Question regarding the FTEs that was also included?

Representative Kreidt: We will look at that as a separate motion.

Representative Nelson: In the \$165,700, that is as I understand it includes the work to be done with the smoke alarms and some of the dampers in the air ducts. It doesn't include the personnel that were added in the House version for monitoring during the night hours for fire possibilities. Is that correct?

Representative Kreidt: That is correct.

Representative Nelson: Question the motion put forward - some of this money, the \$100,000 may be eligible for reimbursement through Veterans Administration. The \$165,700 wouldn't be, is that correct? Would they conflict in this motion?

Senator Mathern: They were put together in our bill as we received it and that is why I kept them together. The original was \$165,000 plus \$90,000 and the total was \$255,000. It was put together that way and I just added the \$10,000 because we had gone to up to the \$90,000 to \$100,000.

Senator Bowman: Questioned whether inclusive to the language we had discussed and reimbursable - inclusive to that amendment?

Senator Mathern: Questioned whether the committee would be seeing the amendments before the conference committee is dissolved.

Voice Vote: 7 yes and 1 nay.

Motion carried.

Adjournment:

2007 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Bill/Resolution No. HB 1007

House Appropriations Committee
Human Resources Division

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Minutes:

HB 1007, a bill for an act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the Veterans' Home.

Conference Committee met in the Roughrider Room with Representative Kreidt, Chairman, Representatives Nelson and Metcalf, Senators Kilzer, Bowman, and Mathern.

Representative Kreidt reopened the conference committee meeting. He stated the amendments .0209 were discussed at the last meeting. Everything that had been discussed had been included in the amendments.

Senator Mathern: Moved the amendments be adopted.

Representative Metcalf: Seconded the motion.

Senator Mathern: Questioned what the difference was between .0209 and .0202?

Representative Nelson: Just handed out .0210.

Representative Kreidt: Stated we would take up .0209.

Senator Bowman: Stated he wanted to be sure he had the right one which includes the preplanning, the night watchman - the life safety code deficiencies, and the Women's Veterans

Coordinator position.

Representative Kreidt: That is correct.

Senator Mathern: For further clarification, this deletes the \$50,000 and for the new Section 4 where we do the \$100,000 preplanning - that does not change the Emergency Clause and we still have the Emergency Clause here.

Representative Kreidt: This is correct. We did receive Amendment .0210. This refers back to the watchman. Some of that is being done by residents of the facility ... bringing on some temporary staff to continue when those individuals aren't available to watch for any situations in regards to life safety codes that are being corrected during the period of time. This amendment would lower the \$101,604 to the \$50,000 figure that is in there.

Representative Nelson: The reason for the version .0010 is that I am still uncomfortable with the fact that this security position, although may be warranted, wasn't included in their Executive Request. I think it should go through the proper channels to make that position a full time equivalent position. The \$50,000 that is appropriated in here will allow for the 1.4 positions to be hired for that very purpose - only they will be temporary. So, the first decrease to the \$100,000 was the benefit package that was part of the full time equivalent. Currently being done at the Home is that they are paying residents \$6 an hour to monitor for the security that's taking place. With the hiring of the temporary staff, that wouldn't be necessary.

Continued explanation. Refer: 05:39

Representative Metcalf: Basically, we have to understand the need for a night watchman and that should have been done for years. We have people on the staff that are new at the process since June of last year which was after the budget was submitted. Then, they try to understand the entire philosophy what is happening at the Veterans' Home, and try to come up with everything that's needed, I am sorry but I don't feel that this will work. I think we should go with .02.09 and fully fund 1.4 FTEs. Concern about hiring residents because in many cases the residents are there for a reason. Refer: 07:20

Representative Nelson: Agree - not to use residents. This has never been part of an executive request and should be. I think we should begin as a temporary position and they can justify it as a full time position in the next biennium.

Representative Metcalf: Have to take a serious look at the \$50,000 figure. Are you going to find responsible people for \$12 an hour for two years? We should stay with the original .0109.

Representative Kreidt: Asked for the person who made the motion on .0209 to withdraw and the second, if they would. **Motions withdrawn.** We will take up .0210 and have a motion and second for that amendment.

Representative Nelson: Made a motion for amendment .0210.

Chairman Kreidt: Seconded the motion.

Senator Mathern: Stated the .0210 amendment goes too far. Basically, we have taken \$50,000 out with the original amendment - .0209. Then, we're taking out \$50,000 for the watchman with this amendment which is essentially further management work. Reject motion.

Chairman Kreidt: House looked at life safety issues. Being more than fair.

Representative Nelson: There wasn't the intention to short staff. This is an improvement over the present situation. Right now and they have been doing it for years is having residents take care of the security position. It came up because of the life safety situation. We are giving them this position, the only difference is we are making it a temporary position for this biennium. They would have to justify the position in the next biennium. It has nothing to do with developing the plan, drawings, or construction of the new facility. The numbers - the \$12 an hour amounts to \$43,000 and we kicked it up to \$50,000 so they would have some latitude to farther than \$12 an hour if they needed to find somebody.

Senator Kilzer: What is the fringe benefit status?

Representative Kreidt: Temporary employees don't receive any fringe benefits.

Representative Nelson: The number the person gave to me is about \$25,000. Temporary employee would not get fringe benefits.

Senator Kilzer: I would vote against \$50,000 for a biennium for basically two people. I think the \$101,000 should stand.

Senator Bowman: I agree these things should have been included in the bill originally. But, I have seen us make a lot of other changes before. Don't want to interrupt the process. We all agreed on the .0209 amendment the other day, we gave up the \$50,000 but then added an extra \$10,000. I am prepared to vote yes on that now. I am not prepared to vote on this new amendment.

Roll Call Vote on .0210: Kreidt - no, Nelson - yes, Metcalf - no, Kilzer - no, Bowman - no, Mathern - no.

Senator Mathern: Moved that the amendments .0209, that the Senate recedes from its amendments and we amend as follows, the amendments we have before us:

78007.0209.

Representative Kreidt: Would like to see what the committee thinks about this. If we put in the full time FTE with the \$101, 604. If we could change that to a temporary employee and let the facility work out the numbers with the \$101,604.

Representative Metcalf: Would we be better off just putting a termination point on this particular FTE authorization ... that it would terminate on 30th of June, 2009. I would say that would be something that would meet our needs.

Senator Mathern: Like a Sunset Clause?

Representative Metcalf: Made a motion to add the Sunset Clause termination date of June 30, 2009 to the amendment .0209.

Senator Bowman: Seconded the motion.

Discussion.

Don Wolf of Legislative Council: Clarified that the 1.4 position stays in but only until June 30, 2009. Actual FTE positions would receive benefits.

Representative Nelson: There is still outstanding the money that has been going to the staff of residents for security. I assume with this amendment, we are letting them have the flexibility to spend that however they want. \$37,000 that they are paying staff residents ... no need to pay once these people are brought on. We're comfortable of letting that number just float and spent the way that they want to do it.

Representative Kreidt: Questioned OMB, if we apply the \$101,604, what happens to the \$37,000?

Lori Laschkewitsch of OMB: The \$37,000 would remain in temporary salaries for other chores unless it was removed by amendment. If the money is not used, it can be turned back at the end of the biennium.

Senator Mathern: I'm sure they will need every cent.

Representative Kreidt: No groundbreaking for a year or longer. Would like to see at least \$25 thousand of that money. If we would leave in \$12,000, that is still considerable amount.

Senator Bowman: We don't know for sure when FTEs will be hired. The flexibility of temporary people is management's decision ... facilitating FTEs ... if money is turned back, they are recognizing the fact we are giving you an opportunity to make a decision.

If we pass this bill the way it is, there is an understanding.

Representative Nelson: If you want to give flexibility, why don't we give it to them in their operating budget? We don't do this in any other agency.

Representative Metcalf: Trying to meld too many things. Now, we would stay at \$101,000 unless it would suffice to drop this \$20,000 and use the temporary money that has been allocated to the facility. Is that where we are?

Representative Kreidt: We have \$37,000 for resident employees. I suggested that we hold back \$25,000 leaving them \$12,000 for in-house staff plus \$101,000 for the 1.4 staff that they want to bring for security persons that will Sunset in 2009.

Representative Metcalf: I would accept that concept.

Representative Nelson: Changing \$101,604 would change to \$76,000?

Representative Kreidt: Yes.

Senator Mathern: We are building a \$22 million dollar facility, they need this money. We have taken away \$50,000 already, We're just taking it out on the other end. I bet there are a bunch of veterans who see the \$6 bucks as part of their livelihood.

Representative Kreidt: \$50,000 had nothing with the building project - that was for marketing.

Representative Metcalf: Is that \$37,000 currently in their budget?

Representative Kreidt: I believe it is.

Senator Bowman: Made a motion to remove \$25,000 from the \$101,000 fund.

Representative Metcalf: Seconded the motion.

Senator Mathern: There is rational for the \$101,000. Taking \$25,000 will create an inequity. Salaries will not compare.

Representative Metcalf: Understand that the 2 watchman (1.4 FTE) will be hired at the normal rate of a watchman. And, the additional money that is needed over and above \$76,000 will come out of the current funds they have for temporary employees. Refer: 37:30

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House Appropriations Committee

Human Resources Division

Bill/Resolution No. 1007

Hearing Date: April 12, 2007

Roll Call Vote on the removing \$25,000 and adding Sunset Clause: Kreidt - yes, Nelson

- yes, Metcalf - yes, Kilzer - no, Bowman - yes, Mathern - no.

Motion failed.

Senator Mathern: There is still a motion on the floor on adopting the amendments.

Roll Call Vote: Kreidt - no, Nelson - no, Metcalf - yes, Kilzer - yes, Bowman - yes,

Mathern - yes.

Motion failed.

We will meet again.

Adjournment.

2007 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Bill/Resolution No. HB 1007

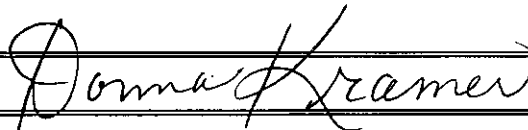
House Appropriations Committee
Human Resources Division

☒ Check here for Conference Committee

Hearing Date: April 13, 2007

Recorder Job Number: 6003

Committee Clerk Signature



Minutes:

HB 1007, a bill for an act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the Veterans' Home.

Conference Committee met in the Roughrider Room with Representative Kreidt, Chairman, Representatives Nelson and Metcalf, Senators Kilzer, Bowman, and Mathern. Representative Kreidt reopened the conference committee meeting. Stated we had discussed the adding of the night watchman. We realized there is \$37,000 in the budget. Any other intent?

Senator Bowman: It seems your concern is the \$37,000 that may or may not be spent. They have turn back dollars they don't spend. The state is not a penny ... on the \$100,000 - that is money that is coming back also.

Representative Nelson: Question as what kind of flexibility does the Veterans Home have with the .101604? Would they have the ability to utilize that? Do they have some flexibility in that budget line to utilize that for temporary positions until they're made full time?

Representative Kreidt: Assuming the \$37,000 to be used. Is there an Emergency Clause on this bill?

Lori Laschkewitsch of OMB stated that there was not.

Representative Nelson: If they hire before August 1, there is the possibility of turn back money - the \$37,000 in their current budget and that should suffice until the new biennium. Do they have the flexibility to hire any body but a FTE to begin with?

Lori Laschkewitsch of OMB stated they have the flexibility - they would be able to use it as long as it was within the salary line.

Senator Mathern: We're making an assumption that there is great additional stuff we're doing here. That is just not the case. They have over 100 people there at night with one staff person a lot of needs there with the residents ... dangerous situation ... need to make sure position is there. Hope to get back to original amendments.

Representative Kreidt: I am going to bend the rules. Asked Mark Johnson, Administrator of the Veterans Home to come forward. Looking at numbers ... question whether there is flexibility to do without the \$37,000.

Mark Johnson, Administrator of the Veterans Home: Stated he was not sure because he was new at this. Planning for the next two years ...they are running an Emergency Clause on all of this. It started with a Life Safety Issue. We, on the basic care side have 85 to 87 residents. We have only 1 CNA and 1 nurse. We deal with a lot of egress issues because of the third floor issue. We have had three altercations that have happened at night. It would be nice to have someone that could be there. What we have at night are all women in our building. We do not have any males. It would be great to have somebody there.

Representative Kreidt: In the budget under the salary line item, you must have some flexibility within the budget to go ahead and do this without the \$101,000.

Mark Johnson: One of the issues last year, we ended up doing a contract service with a nurse. By the time all this was done, we spent close to \$60,000 doing contract work. Yes, we

may have extra dollars there. There could be dollars there, having a little bit of leverage to look at our dollars ... leverage important, too.

Senator Mathern: Literally two women in charge all night?

Mark Johnson: On the basic care side, yes. On the skilled side, we have 1 nurse and 2 CNAs.

Representative Nelson: No difference in what we're talking about. We are funding the position you are asking for. The only question is how much money we need to cover that position. Those needs are being met with the security in either of the amendments that we have passed. This is the first time that I have heard from the Veterans Home that you wanted that money for flexibility. Contract nursing didn't come in testimony when we first heard it. My contention is that we have money in this line item than we need for the two security people that you have identified. Question is the funding.

Representative Kreidt: In previous testimony, looking at the \$37,000 and \$50,000.

Representative Metcalf: Have to take a look at the actual dollar needs. First of all, we want these people to be full time. We want them to have the benefits in addition to a decent salary. Second thing, we have to realize the chances of finding a full time person for \$12 an hour is about nil. The average wage is closer to \$20 - \$25 per hour ... need good solution to this problem ... willing to make concession of about \$25,000 short - not the whole \$50,000.

Senator Kilzer: I was never under the assumption that \$50,000 is going to take care of two people for a biennium ... just isn't going to supply what we are looking for.

Representative Kreidt: Question flexibility in the salary line item.

Senator Bowman: We are so worried about what these dollars are going to be and what we can maybe save. They have to hire people to do this whatever the wage will be established. We are going to fund what their need is in the wage line item. We're talking about a zero

issue. Give them the money that they need, and if they have a few dollars left over, those dollars come back to the General Fund. And they can come into the Board at the next biennium.

Representative Nelson: What kind of turn back did the Veterans Home have?

Representative Kreidt: They returned about 1 million dollars.

Senator Mathern: See us as dirtying up. We did some compromises ... why don't we just pass those amendments ... send these people home. No indication that anyone is doing anything irresponsible.

Senator Kilzer: These people do have a lot of forms to fill out by April 15th.

Representative Kreidt: We will come back.

Adjournment.

2007 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Bill/Resolution No. HB 1007

House Appropriations Committee
Human Resources Division

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Hearing Date: April 17, 2007

Recorder Job Number: 6065

Committee Clerk Signature

Minutes:

HB 1007, a bill for an act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the Veterans' Home.

Conference Committee met in the Roughrider Room with Representative Kreidt,

Chairman, Representatives Nelson and Metcalf, Senators Kilzer, Bowman, and Mathern.

Representative Kreidt reopened the conference committee meeting and briefly went over what we have done up to this point. We added Section 4 for preplanning funds for the construction of the new facility which will be happening sometime next year. We did take \$50,000 out of what was designated as marketing ... removed that. We're hung up now on the 1.4 FTEs - adds funding for the night watchman. The funding for the Women's Coordinator has been settled.

Getting back to funding for the night watchman, I have one proposal we can discuss. Going back to Section 4, we were talking about \$90,000 there. We did add \$10,000 into that, we felt comfortable ... a legitimate figure. We did forward with a proposal of \$50,000 for the night watchman. We talked about upping that \$25,000 ... we talked about the \$37,000 they do have in the budget right now for additional staffing.

Proposed that the committee consider the salaries and wages dollar figure of \$90,000. They do have the \$37,000 ... \$127,000 total in that salary line item.

Representative Metcalf: Asked to review it one more time. You are suggesting that the salaries and wages be reduced to \$90,000 and then they can use the additional \$37,000 on top of that if so needed.

Made a motion to the proposal.

Representative Nelson: Seconded the Motion.

Senator Mathern: Questioned if the 1.4 FTE stays in?

Chairman Kreidt: That's correct, it stays in ... full time - receive benefits.

Senator Kilzer: Questioned 1.4 (2 people) getting health insurance. It does trouble me a bit about adding 37,000 thousand and 90,000. The proposed amendment in .0209 is better because when the \$101,000 salaries start, then the \$37,000 ends and comes back as turn back.

Representative Metcalf: The \$37,000 is not part of this bill. It is something that has been in their budget for years. This is to take care of payment for part time help and that includes other things that are going on besides the night watchman situation. I can understand your concern about the 1.4 FTEs and we're talking about benefits for them. But, this is something that the Home is going to have to be worked out. In their rules, an employee has to work so many hours a week in order to be eligible for benefits. Refer: 07:45

Chairman Kreidt: In a nursing home, you work with a lot of part time people. A 16-hour position is not uncommon. The management would have to work out the details.

Senator Mathern: I hope we will reject this motion and go to .0209. It is going to make it more difficult for the staff to add this additional of night watchman, planning for the new facility, and building the new facility.

Chairman Kreidt: My understanding is the \$37,000 is in the budget and they haven't used that total dollar amount in past history ... with the \$90,000 and \$37,000 they will have more than enough movement one way or the other to accomplish what they want to do.

Roll Call Vote: Kreidt - yes, Nelson - yes, Metcalf - yes, Kilzer - no, Bowman - no, Mathern - no.

Motion fails.

Senator Mathern: Move the amendments 78007.0209 be adopted.

Senator Kilzer: Seconded the motion.

Senator Mathern: I would see this as moving forward with the night watchman position giving the facility the opportunity to use that \$37,000 where they had planned ... making the compromise about taking the preplanning funds from the new project where we could. It does short the Veterans Home some money in terms of their operating. This is a proper compromise.

Roll Call Vote: Kreidt - yes, Nelson - no, Metcalf - yes, Kilzer - yes, Bowman - yes, Mathern - yes.

Motion carried.

Adjournment.

REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
(ACCEDE/RECEDE)

Bill Number HB1007 (, as (re)engrossed):

Date: 04-09-07

Your Conference Committee Human Resources

For the Senate:

For the House:

	YES / NO		YES / NO
P		<i>Chairman</i>	
P		<i>Rep. Kreidt</i>	P
P		<i>Rep. Nelson</i>	P
		<i>Rep. Metcalf</i>	P

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the (Senate/House) amendments on (SJ/HJ) page(s) _____ -- _____

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_____, adopt (further) amendments as follows, and place _____ on the Seventh order:

_____, having been unable to agree, recommends that the committee be discharged and a new committee be appointed.

((Re)Engrossed) _____ was placed on the Seventh order of business on the calendar.

DATE: _____

CARRIER: _____

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Emergency clause added or deleted	
Statement of purpose of amendment	

MOTION MADE BY: _____

SECONDED BY: _____

VOTE COUNT __ YES __ NO __ ABSENT

REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
(ACCEDE/RECEDE)

Bill Number HB1007 (, as (re)engrossed):

Date: 04-11-07

Your Conference Committee Human Resources

For the Senate:

For the House:

YES / NO		YES / NO	
Sen. Kilgus	X	Rep. Kreidt	X
Sen. Bowman	X	Rep. Nelson	X
Sen. Mather	X	Rep. Metcalf	X

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REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
(ACCEDE/RECEDE)

Bill Number _____ (, as (re)engrossed): Date: _____

Your Conference Committee _____

For the Senate:

For the House:

YES / NO		YES / NO	
Sen. Kulijer		Rep. Kreidt	
Sen. Bowman		Rep. Nelson	
Sen. Mathern		Rep. Metcalf	

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DATE: _____

CARRIER: _____

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Statement of purpose of amendment	

MOTION MADE BY: _____

SECONDED BY: _____

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REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
(ACCEDE/RECEDE)

Bill Number HB1007 (, as (re)engrossed):

Date: 04-12-07

Your Conference Committee Human Resources

For the Senate:

For the House:

	YES / NO	YES / NO
P Sen. Kulger	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Chairman Rep. Kreidt <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> P
P Sen. Bowman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Rep. Nelson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> P
P Sen. Mather	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Rep. Metcalf <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> P

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____, adopt (further) amendments as follows, and place _____ on the Seventh order:

____, having been unable to agree, recommends that the committee be discharged and a new committee be appointed.

((Re)Engrossed) _____ was placed on the Seventh order of business on the calendar.

DATE: 4/12/07

CARRIER: _____

LC NO.	<u>0210</u> of amendment
LC NO.	of engrossment
Emergency clause added or deleted	
Statement of purpose of amendment	

MOTION MADE BY: Mather

SECONDED BY: Metcalf

VOTE COUNT ____ YES ____ NO ____ ABSENT

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1007

That the Senate recede from its amendments as printed on pages 1373 and 1374 of the House Journal and pages 993-995 of the Senate Journal and that Engrossed House Bill No. 1007 be amended as follows:

Page 2, line 5, replace "960,376" with "1,010,376"

Page 2, line 8, replace "630,000" with "265,700"

Page 2, line 9, replace "1,907,339" with "1,593,039"

Page 2, line 11, replace "\$61,082" with "(\$253,218)"

Page 2, line 14, replace "122,714" with "213,680"

Page 2, line 15, replace "122,714" with "213,680"

Page 2, line 16, replace "\$183,796" with "(\$39,538)"

Page 2, line 18, replace "2,030,053" with "1,806,719"

Page 2, line 27, replace "8,738,917" with "8,788,917"

Page 2, line 30, replace "630,000" with "265,700"

Page 2, line 31, replace "13,211,264" with "12,896,964"

Page 3, line 2, replace "4,390,174" with "4,075,874"

Page 3, line 5, replace "776,382" with "867,348"

Page 3, line 6, replace "776,382" with "867,348"

Page 3, line 7, replace "5,166,556" with "4,943,222"

Page 3, line 9, replace "13,987,646" with "13,764,312"

Page 3, after line 9, insert:

"SECTION 4. PREPLANNING FUNDS - REIMBURSEMENT TO GENERAL FUND. The \$100,000 appropriated for preplanning costs for the new veterans' home in section 3 of this Act is to be included as part of the overall cost of the construction project and the veterans' home is to reimburse the general fund the \$100,000 prior to June 30, 2009, from federal matching funds available for this project."

Page 3, line 12, replace "\$630,000" with "\$265,700"

Page 3, line 18, after "improvements" insert "and preplanning" and replace "630,000" with "265,700"

Page 3, line 21, replace "689,606" with "325,306"

Page 3, line 22, replace "\$630,000" with "\$265,700"

Page 3, line 23, after "improvements" insert "and preplanning"

Renumber accordingly

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

House Bill No. 1007 - Summary of Conference Committee Action

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE VERSION	CONFERENCE COMMITTEE CHANGES	CONFERENCE COMMITTEE VERSION	SENATE VERSION	COMPARISON TO SENATE
Veterans' Home						
Total all funds	\$12,871,264	\$13,211,264	(\$314,300)	\$12,896,964	\$12,988,568	(\$91,604)
Less estimated income	8,821,090	8,821,090		8,821,090	8,821,090	
General fund	\$4,050,174	\$4,390,174	(\$314,300)	\$4,075,874	\$4,167,478	(\$91,604)
Department of Veterans' Affairs						
Total all funds	\$776,382	\$776,382	\$90,966	\$867,348	\$867,348	\$0
Less estimated income			\$90,966	\$867,348	\$867,348	\$0
General fund	\$776,382	\$776,382	\$90,966	\$867,348	\$867,348	\$0
Bill Total						
Total all funds	\$13,647,646	\$13,987,646	(\$223,334)	\$13,764,312	\$13,855,916	(\$91,604)
Less estimated income	8,821,090	8,821,090		8,821,090	8,821,090	
General fund	\$4,826,556	\$5,168,556	(\$223,334)	\$4,943,222	\$5,034,826	(\$91,604)

House Bill No. 1007 - Veterans' Home - Conference Committee Action

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE VERSION	CONFERENCE COMMITTEE CHANGES	CONFERENCE COMMITTEE VERSION	SENATE VERSION	COMPARISON TO SENATE
Salaries and wages	\$8,738,917	\$8,738,917	\$50,000	\$8,788,917	\$8,840,521	(\$51,604)
Operating expenses	3,682,000	3,512,000		3,512,000	3,562,000	(50,000)
Capital assets	450,347	330,347		330,347	330,347	
Life safety improvements		630,000	(364,300)	265,700	255,700	10,000
Total all funds	\$12,871,264	\$13,211,264	(\$314,300)	\$12,896,964	\$12,988,568	(\$91,604)
Less estimated income	8,821,090	8,821,090		8,821,090	8,821,090	
General fund	\$4,050,174	\$4,390,174	(\$314,300)	\$4,075,874	\$4,167,478	(\$91,604)
FTE	90.97	90.97	0.00	90.97	92.37	(1.40)

Dept. 313 - Veterans' Home - Detail of Conference Committee Changes

	ADDS FUNDING FOR NIGHT WATCHMEN ¹	DECREASES FUNDING FOR LIFE SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS ²	TOTAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE CHANGES
Salaries and wages	\$50,000		\$50,000
Operating expenses			
Capital assets			
Life safety improvements		(\$364,300)	(364,300)
Total all funds	\$50,000	(\$364,300)	(\$314,300)
Less estimated income			
General fund	\$50,000	(\$364,300)	(\$314,300)
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00

¹ The Senate added funding for night watchmen. The conference committee reduced the funding and removed the FTE positions in order that temporary employees be used.

² The Senate decreased the funding to address Life Safety Code deficiencies as identified by the State Department of Health and the Fire Marshal from \$630,000 to \$255,700. The funding includes \$165,700 for repairs necessary for the plan of correction and \$90,000 for a preplanning document for the building. The conference committee increased the amount for preplanning costs to \$100,000.

The conference committee added a section providing that the \$100,000 for preplanning costs be included as part of the overall cost of the new building and this funding be reimbursed to the general fund from federal funding cost-share.

House Bill No. 1007 - Department of Veterans' Affairs - Conference Committee Action

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE VERSION	CONFERENCE COMMITTEE CHANGES	CONFERENCE COMMITTEE VERSION	SENATE VERSION	COMPARISON TO SENATE
Veterans' Affairs	<u>\$776,382</u>	<u>\$776,382</u>	<u>\$90,966</u>	<u>\$867,348</u>	<u>\$867,348</u>	
Total all funds	\$776,382	\$776,382	\$90,966	\$867,348	\$867,348	\$0
Less estimated income						
General fund	<u>\$776,382</u>	<u>\$776,382</u>	<u>\$90,966</u>	<u>\$867,348</u>	<u>\$867,348</u>	<u>\$0</u>
FTE	6.00	6.00	1.00	7.00	7.00	0.00

Dept. 321 - Department of Veterans' Affairs - Detail of Conference Committee Changes

	ADDS FUNDING FOR A WOMEN'S VETERANS COORDINATOR POSITION ¹	TOTAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE CHANGES
Veterans' Affairs	<u>\$90,966</u>	<u>\$90,966</u>
Total all funds	\$90,966	\$90,966
Less estimated income		
General fund	<u>\$90,966</u>	<u>\$90,966</u>
FTE	1.00	1.00

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¹ The Senate added funding for a women's veterans coordinator position. The conference committee agreed to this position.

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**REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
(ACCEDE/RECEDE)**

Bill Number HB1007 (, as (re)engrossed):

Date: 04-12-07

Your Conference Committee Human Resources

For the Senate:

For the House:

YES / NO		YES / NO	
Sen. Kuliger	✓	Chairman Rep. Kreidt	✓
Sen. Bowman	✓	Rep. Nelson	✓
Sen. Mathern	✓	Rep. Metcalf	✓

Amendment 0210
recommends that the (SENATE/HOUSE) (ACCEDE to) (RECEDE from)

the (Senate/House) amendments on (SJ/HJ) page(s) _____ -- _____

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and a new committee be appointed.

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DATE: 4/12/07

CARRIER: _____

LC NO. <u>0210</u>	of amendment
LC NO.	of engrossment
Emergency clause added or deleted	
Statement of purpose of amendment	

MOTION MADE BY: _____

SECONDED BY: _____

VOTE COUNT YES NO ABSENT

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1007

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REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
(ACCEDE/RECEDE)

Bill Number HB1007 (, as (re)engrossed):

Date: 04-12-07

Your Conference Committee Human Resources

For the Senate:

For the House:

YES / NO		YES / NO	
Sen. Kilger	✓	Chairman Rep. Kreidt	✓
Sen. Bowman	✓	Rep. Nelson	✓
Sen. Matheis	✓	Rep. Metcalf	✓

recommends that the (SENATE/HOUSE) (ACCEDE to) (RECEDE from)

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DATE: _____

CARRIER: _____

LC NO. <u>78007</u> <u>209</u> of amendment
LC NO. _____ of engrossment
Emergency clause added or deleted
Statement of purpose of amendment <u>add sunset clause</u>

MOTION MADE BY: Matheis

SECONDED BY: _____?

VOTE COUNT ____ YES ____ NO ____ ABSENT

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from \$101k
motion failed.

**REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
(ACCEDE/RECEDE)**

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Date: 04-12-07

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For the House:

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Sen. Bowman	✓	Rep. Nelson	✓
Sen. Mathern	✓	Rep. Metcalf	✓

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CARRIER: _____

LC NO. <u>0209</u> of amendment
LC NO. _____ of engrossment
Emergency clause added or deleted
Statement of purpose of amendment

MOTION MADE BY: _____

SECONDED BY: _____ *math*

VOTE COUNT YES NO ABSENT

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REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
(ACCEDE/RECEDE)

Bill Number HB 1007 (, as (re)engrossed):

Date: 04-17-07

Your Conference Committee Human Resources

For the Senate:

For the House:

YES / NO		YES / NO	
Sen. Kelger	X	Chairman	X
Sen. Bowman	X	Rep. Kreidt	X
Sen. Mather	X	Rep. Nelson	X
		Rep. Metcalf	X

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DATE: _____

CARRIER: _____

LC NO.	of amendment
LC NO.	of engrossment
Emergency clause added or deleted	
Statement of purpose of amendment	

MOTION MADE BY: _____

SECONDED BY: _____

VOTE COUNT YES NO ABSENT

REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
(ACCEDE/RECEDE)

Bill Number HB1007 (, as (re)engrossed):

Date: 04-17-07

Your Conference Committee Human Resources

For the Senate:

For the House:

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<u>Sen. Bowman</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>Rep. Kreidt</u>	<u>X</u>
<u>Sen. Mather</u>	<u>X</u>	<u>Rep. Nelson</u>	<u>X</u>
		<u>Rep. Metcalf</u>	<u>X</u>

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DATE: 4/17/07

CARRIER: Rep. Kreidt

LC NO.	of amendment
LC NO.	of engrossment
Emergency clause added or deleted	
Statement of purpose of amendment	

MOTION MADE BY: Sen. Mather

SECONDED BY: Sen. Kilger

VOTE COUNT 6 YES 1 NO ABSENT

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REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

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Renumber accordingly

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

House Bill No. 1007 - Summary of Conference Committee Action

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE VERSION	CONFERENCE COMMITTEE CHANGES	CONFERENCE COMMITTEE VERSION	SENATE VERSION	COMPARISON TO SENATE
Veterans' Home						
Total all funds	\$12,871,264	\$13,211,264	(\$262,696)	\$12,948,568	\$12,988,568	(\$40,000)
Less estimated income	8,821,090	8,821,090		8,821,090	8,821,090	
General fund	\$4,050,174	\$4,390,174	(\$262,696)	\$4,127,478	\$4,167,478	(\$40,000)
Department of Veterans' Affairs						
Total all funds	\$776,382	\$776,382	\$90,966	\$867,348	\$867,348	\$0
Less estimated income						
General fund	\$776,382	\$776,382	\$90,966	\$867,348	\$867,348	\$0
Bill Total						
Total all funds	\$13,647,646	\$13,987,646	(\$171,730)	\$13,815,916	\$13,855,916	(\$40,000)
Less estimated income	8,821,090	8,821,090		8,821,090	8,821,090	
General fund	\$4,826,556	\$5,166,556	(\$171,730)	\$4,994,826	\$5,034,826	(\$40,000)

House Bill No. 1007 - Veterans' Home - Conference Committee Action

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE VERSION	CONFERENCE COMMITTEE CHANGES	CONFERENCE COMMITTEE VERSION	SENATE VERSION	COMPARISON TO SENATE
Salaries and wages	\$8,738,917	\$8,738,917	\$101,604	\$8,840,521	\$8,840,521	
Operating expenses	3,682,000	3,512,000		3,512,000	3,562,000	(\$50,000)
Capital assets	450,347	330,347		330,347	330,347	
Life safety improvements		630,000	(364,300)	265,700	255,700	10,000
Total all funds	\$12,871,264	\$13,211,264	(\$262,696)	\$12,948,568	\$12,988,568	(\$40,000)
Less estimated income	8,821,090	8,821,090		8,821,090	8,821,090	
General fund	\$4,050,174	\$4,390,174	(\$262,696)	\$4,127,478	\$4,167,478	(\$40,000)
FTE	90.97	90.97	1.40	92.37	92.37	0.00

Dept. 313 - Veterans' Home - Detail of Conference Committee Changes

	ADDS FUNDING FOR NIGHT WATCHMEN 1	DECREASES FUNDING FOR LIFE SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS 2	TOTAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE CHANGES
Salaries and wages	\$101,604		\$101,604
Operating expenses			
Capital assets			
Life safety improvements		(\$364,300)	(364,300)
Total all funds	\$101,604	(\$364,300)	(\$262,696)
Less estimated income			
General fund	\$101,604	(\$364,300)	(\$262,696)
FTE	1.40	0.00	1.40

1 The Senate added funding for night watchmen. The conference committee agreed with the Senate action.

² The Senate decreased the funding to address Life Safety Code deficiencies as identified by the State Department of Health and the Fire Marshal from \$630,000 to \$255,700. The funding includes \$165,700 for repairs necessary for the plan of correction and \$90,000 for a preplanning document for the building. The conference committee increased the amount for preplanning costs to \$100,000.

The conference committee added a section providing that the \$100,000 for preplanning costs be included as part of the overall cost of the new building and this funding be reimbursed to the general fund from federal funding cost-share.

House Bill No. 1007 - Department of Veterans' Affairs - Conference Committee Action

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE VERSION	CONFERENCE COMMITTEE CHANGES	CONFERENCE COMMITTEE VERSION	SENATE VERSION	COMPARISON TO SENATE
Veterans' Affairs	<u>\$776,382</u>	<u>\$776,382</u>	<u>\$90,966</u>	<u>\$867,348</u>	<u>\$867,348</u>	
Total all funds	\$776,382	\$776,382	\$90,966	\$867,348	\$867,348	\$0
Less estimated income						
General fund	\$776,382	\$776,382	\$90,966	\$867,348	\$867,348	\$0
FTE	6.00	6.00	1.00	7.00	7.00	0.00

Dept. 321 - Department of Veterans' Affairs - Detail of Conference Committee Changes

	ADDS FUNDING FOR A WOMEN'S VETERANS COORDINATOR POSITION ¹	TOTAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE CHANGES
Veterans' Affairs	<u>\$90,966</u>	<u>\$90,966</u>
Total all funds	\$90,966	\$90,966
Less estimated income		
General fund	\$90,966	\$90,966
FTE	1.00	1.00

¹ The Senate added funding for a women's veterans coordinator position. The conference committee agreed to this position.

Engrossed HB 1007 was placed on the Seventh order of business on the calendar.

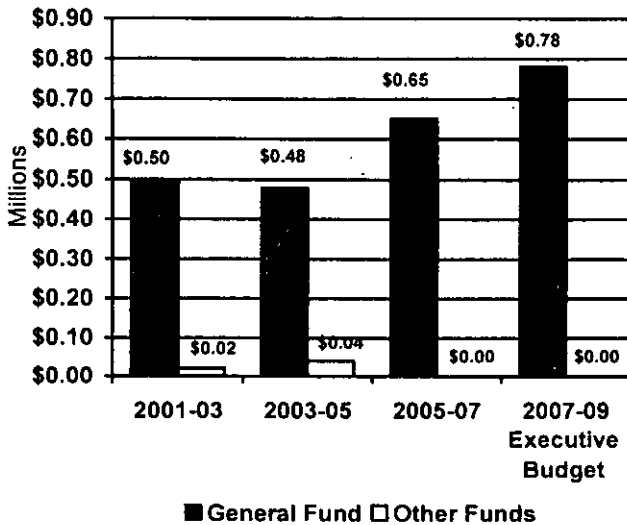
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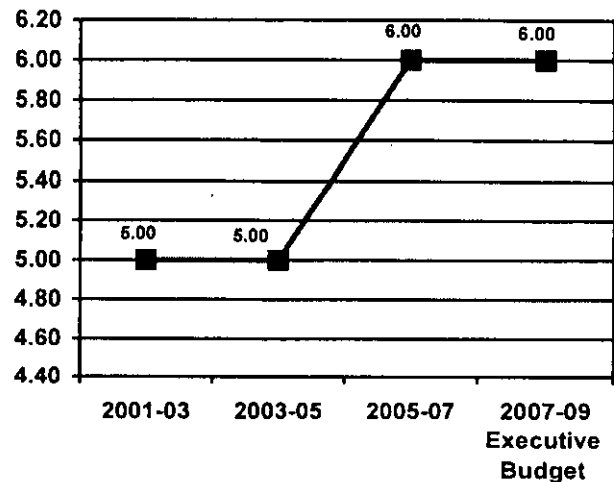
**Department 321 - Department of Veterans Affairs
House Bill No. 1007**

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2007-09 Executive Budget	6.00	\$776,382	\$0	\$776,382
2005-07 Legislative Appropriations	6.00	653,668	0	653,668
Increase (Decrease)	0.00	\$122,714	\$0	\$122,714

Agency Funding



FTE Positions



Executive Budget Highlights

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
1. Removes funding for information technology infrastructure costs	(\$16,619)		(\$16,619)
2. Adds funding for miscellaneous operating expenses	\$1,906		\$1,906
3. Provides funding for a secure filing system to store sensitive data kept by the agency (executive budget identified as one-time funding)	\$38,250		\$38,250
4. Adds funding for temporary salaries (\$13,156) and operating costs (\$8,200) for implementing an electronic storing and retrieving system relating to veterans' discharge papers (executive budget identified as one-time funding)	\$21,356		\$21,356
5. Provides funding to purchase new software and support for the veterans' loan program	\$9,600		\$9,600
6. Adds funding to upgrade the department's web site	\$2,268		\$2,268

Continuing Appropriations

Veterans' aid fund - NDCC Section 37-14-03.3 - The purpose of the veterans' aid fund is to make loans or advancements to any veteran and to a surviving spouse of a veteran if the spouse has not remarried.

Major Related Legislation

Senate Bill No. 2142 - This bill provides that a veteran or surviving spouse of a veteran may receive additional loans from the veterans' aid fund provided that the total value of the loans does not exceed \$5,000. Currently additional loans may not be issued until the previous loan is repaid.

Testimony on HB 1007
House Appropriations Committee
Rudy Jenson, Chairman
ND Administrative Committee on Veterans' Affairs
January 12, 2007

Good morning Chairman Pollert and committee members. I am Rudy Jenson, Chairman of the Administrative Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

The Administrative Committee on Veterans' Affairs is a 15 member committee appointed by the Governor from names submitted by each of the state's 5 major veterans organizations. We are responsible for overseeing the operations of the North Dakota Department of Veterans' Affairs and the North Dakota Veterans' Home.

Our committee is responsible for assuring compliance with federal and state laws in the administration of both the Department of Veterans' Affairs and the Veterans' Home. For example, we oversee the emergency hardship grants program, veterans aid loan program, and van transportation program run by the Department of Veterans' Affairs.

These programs, as will be reported in later testimony, have helped many of the state's veterans and their dependents. Most of these programs are funded from the interest earned on the Veterans' Postwar Trust Fund.

As Chairman of the Administrative Committee, I am pleased to inform you that during the current biennium we have been able to increase the amounts allowed for the dental, optical and hearing aid grants for our state's veterans and their spouses. Yet, some amounts still do not adequately meet the needs of our most needy veterans. In addition, with the VA's opening 3 new Outreach Clinics in our state we will be adding two additional vans to help transport veterans to a VA facility to receive the specialty care they need.

We are here to help our state's 60,000 veterans, their spouses and dependents. Working together with county veterans' service officers, numerous federal, state, tribal and local agencies, as well as community and professional groups our two departments, the Department of Veterans' Affairs and the State Veterans' Home, are able to assist our veterans in their obtaining the benefits and services to which they are entitled.

I want to respectfully ask for your consideration to support the Department of Veterans' Affairs requests for the funding of two extremely vital issues impacting our state's veterans. First is the Womens' Veterans Coordinator. This is a desperately needed program. We recognize the role of women in the military is changing rapidly. Women are serving in every branch of the service. The services required and the issues these women face are different upon their return to civilian life compared to the male veteran. By the year 2010, we expect women will comprise well over 10 percent of the veterans population. We are here to ask for your consideration, the addition of a state womens'

coordinator, who would perform outreach to women veterans', assess the needs of women veterans and participate in national forums and committees for women veterans. This service would provide assistance to women who served in the U.S. Armed Forces and forces incorporated as part of the U.S. Armed Forces, such as mobilized National Guard and Reserves and those discharged under conditions other than dishonorable.

The second issue is funding for the Veterans' Affairs Department to do outreach work with county veterans service officers. Commissioner Hanson will address this further in his testimony.

Additionally, let me also urge you to support equity funding for state employees. Low salaries seriously impact our agencies. Your support for this would be appreciated.

The Administrative Committee on Veterans' Affairs approved both of these budgets. Today, the agencies will make the actual budget presentations to your committee. Veterans' Affairs Commissioner, Bob Hanson, and his administrative assistant, Cathy Halgunseth, will present the budget for the Department of Veterans' Affairs. Veterans' Home Administrator, Mark Johnson, and the Home's accounting manager, Kristin Lunneborg, will present the Veterans' Home budget.

Thank you.

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Senate Appropriations Committee
Testimony on HB 1007
Rudy Jenson, Chairman
ND Administrative Committee on Veterans' Affairs
February 21, 2007

Chairman Holmberg and committee members, good afternoon. I am Rudy Jenson, Chairman of the Administrative Committee on Veterans' Affairs, (ACOVA).

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I want to respectfully ask for your consideration to support the Department of Veterans' Affairs requests for the funding of two extremely vital issues impacting our state's veterans. Both are of equal importance.

One is the Women Veterans Coordinator. This is a desperately needed program. Our military forces are utilizing more and more women in combat zones. We must be able to address their needs. We have an obligation to provide them with the best possible means to access the benefits and services which they have earned and to which they are entitled. This program will help address this problem.

The other issue is funding for the Veterans' Affairs Department to do outreach work with county veterans service officers. This too is critically needed so veterans will receive the benefits they have earned.

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The Administrative Committee on Veterans' Affairs supports both budgets.

Thank you.

NORTH DAKOTA VETERANS COORDINATING COUNCIL

My name is John L. Jacobsen. I am the Chairman of the Legislative Committee of the North Dakota Veterans Coordinating Council. I am also a member of the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

I served in the North Dakota National Guard and the US Army Reserve for a total of 30 years. I retired in 1995 as a Colonel. I served on Active Duty in 1991 during Operation Desert Shield/Desert Storm in the Persian Gulf, stationed in the United Arab Emirates.

The Coordinating Council is made up of 15 members, 3 from each of the five Veterans Organizations in North Dakota:

- American Legion
- AMVETS
- Disabled American Veterans
- Veterans of Foreign Wars
- Vietnam Veterans of America

It is the policy of the Coordinating Council to support legislation that will benefit the welfare of the members of the Armed Forces. The committee **MUST** concur totally, that is all 15 members must agree on the legislation to be supported or else it does not get the support.

In this case, I have been instructed to recommend to this legislative committee that a "DO PASS" is supported by the Legislative Committee of the Coordinating Council.

ND VETERANS COORDINATING COUNCIL

The Coordinating Council is composed of veterans appointed from the veterans organizations and represents ~~all of the~~ North Dakota veterans. The purpose of the Coordinating Council is to determine the needs of North Dakota's veterans and to propose the means to alleviate those needs so that the veteran and his family may enjoy a satisfying quality of life. It is of the utmost importance that the members of this council be willing to work hard and spend the time needed to help their fellow veterans.

The Coordinating Council, through their Legislative Committee, is responsible for introducing legislation intended to meet and/or alleviate the needs of veterans and their family. The Legislative Committee may be made up of members of the Coordinating Council or may be other veterans appointed by the members of the Council from each of the veterans organizations represented. Only the Legislative Committee will develop proposed legislative bills. If the bill is approved by the Council the members of the Legislative Committee are responsible to actively promote that legislation by lobbying members of the state legislature.

Only the members of the Coordinating Council Legislative Committee are to testify before legislative committees and meet with and lobby members of the legislature. Other members of the Coordinating Council and other veterans will not testify nor lobby members of the legislature unless specifically asked to do so by the Legislative Committee and will limit their discussions to the particular piece of legislation they have been asked to help with. The reason for this is so the legislators will not be given differing points of view about a piece of legislation but only that agreed upon by the Council and the Legislative Committee.

The Coordinating Council is responsible for providing help and support to the Administrative Committee and their two sub-committees, the Veterans Home and the Department of Veterans Affairs. The Legislative Committee in particular is charged with providing support in the hearings in legislative committees for the budgets of the Administrative Committee and it's sub-committees and any other bills they have before the legislature.

If the Administrative Committee becomes aware of an unmet need of veterans, or feels there is a need for a legislative bill, either through their sub-committees or other means, this information is to be brought to the Coordinating Council as well as any suggestions the Administrative Committee may have for meeting the need or the proposed bill. The Coordinating Council will review the information. If the suggestions of the Administrative Committee will require legislation the Coordinating Council will assign the Legislative Committee the responsibility to develop appropriate legislation. The Legislative Committee will report back to the Council and Administrative Committee with the proposed legislation for their discussion and approval.

Testimony
Department of Veterans' Affairs Budget (HB 1007)
House Appropriations Committee
Human Resources Division
January 12, 2007

Good morning Chairman Pollert, members of the committee. I am Bob Hanson, Commissioner of Veterans' Affairs.

On behalf of our department I want to thank you for allowing us to share information with you concerning our 2007 - 2009 budget request.

I will give a brief overview of our department and our proposed budget. Cathy Halgunseth from our office will go into the details of the budget with you.

First, let me say thank you for positively addressing our major concerns last session. It is appreciated.

We also want to thank Governor Hoeven and OMB for listening to and positively addressing most of our concerns to ensure our state's veterans receive the care and benefits to which they are entitled.

During FY 2005 approximately \$154 million in state and federal funds was disbursed in North Dakota to, and for, our state's veterans. Just under \$94 million of that amount was hard dollars which went to the veteran or their dependents. Our hardship assistance grant program for 2005 -2006 provided \$172,000 in grants to 360 individuals while our veterans' aid loan program loaned over \$200,000 to 73 individuals. The attached green sheets have these amounts broken out by county. Veterans can and do have a substantial economic impact on North Dakota's economy. When one considers the multiplier effect of these dollars, the impact is even more substantial.

We partner with the DAV in providing 7 vans for our veterans to travel to VA facilities for medical appointments. For the 2 year period ending December 31, 2006, van drivers volunteered over 20,000 hours, drove 487,000 miles and transported over 5000 veterans to their appointments at a VA facility.

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Two major areas of concern impacting our office and our state's veterans which were requested but are not included in the Governor's budget are: 1) A women veterans coordinator and 2) An outreach training program for the state's county veterans' service officers.

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further been told that women make up, on average, 10% of a state's veterans population. Using that statistic, North Dakota has approximately 6000 women veterans from all eras.

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State law requires us to assist counties in providing training to county veterans' service officers. We are addressing that by proposing an outreach program to work with county service officers to make sure they are properly trained. This is critical. As I pointed out earlier, 2/3 of our county service officers are part-time, who receive a small salary and in lots of cases little or nothing for travel. I consider providing on-going training in their local areas an investment in our veterans. It will not only positively impact the veteran, but also their communities, counties as well as the state. The above mentioned \$154 million of annual benefits can and will grow if training is done.

Our proposal would provide active outreach to those counties who need assistance in keeping up with changes evolving from both the VA and our state programs which can make life better for our state's veterans. As stated previously, roughly \$154 million of federal VA dollars was brought in to our state and its communities by veterans in FY 2005. Veterans receive these benefits for the sacrifices they have made for us, and for which they will be living with for the rest of their lives. But there are many who are not being reached, or don't know what they might be eligible for. This program is an extension of the performance audit.

Thank you for allowing us to share our thoughts with you. We are pleased with the Governor's recommendation for our department, but also feel the women veterans coordinator and the outreach program are critical for our state's veterans now.

GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION OF VA EXPENDITURES FOR FY 2005

NORTH DAKOTA

Expenditures in \$000

COUNTY	Veteran Population*	Total Expenditures	Compensation & Pension	Education & Voc Rehab	Insurance & Indemnities	Construction	Medical (per VISN 23)
ADAMS	216	872	316	6	18	--	531
BARNES	1,060	3,302	1,351	42	90	--	1,819
BENSON	416	1,945	1,041	76	35	--	793
BILLINGS	104	154	130	1	9	--	14
BOTTINEAU	671	1,511	776	68	57	--	610
BOWMAN	231	718	292	0	20	--	406
BURKE	216	580	225	34	18	--	303
BURLEIGH	6,287	13,837	8,244	1,030	535	--	4,028
CASS	9,371	39,945	16,052	1,946	798	2,422	18,728
CAVALIER	452	878	514	13	38	--	312
DICKEY	445	1,233	619	38	38	--	539
DIVIDE	218	307	215	5	19	--	69
DUNN	284	721	528	23	24	--	146
EDDY	236	701	390	3	20	--	287
EMMONS	341	1,052	706	1	29	--	316
FOSTER	263	810	343	3	22	--	441
GOLDEN VALLEY	189	178	116	6	16	--	41
GRAND FORKS	5,704	15,348	8,495	2,083	486	--	4,285
GRANT	258	710	253	23	22	--	412
GRIGGS	258	1,313	313	3	22	--	974
HETTINGER	296	421	187	4	25	--	205
KIDDER	244	680	439	6	21	--	214
LA MOURE	344	920	505	53	29	--	332
LOGAN	174	405	219	11	15	--	160
MCHENRY	590	1,247	848	30	50	--	322
MCINTOSH	224	573	259	1	19	--	294
MCKENZIE	538	899	673	39	46	--	141
MCLEAN	886	2,195	1,269	52	75	--	799
MERCER	799	906	508	36	68	--	294
MORTON	2,244	5,144	3,152	203	191	--	1,598
MOUNTRAIL	623	1,854	1,095	107	53	--	598
NELSON	421	1,030	573	45	36	--	376
OLIVER	146	455	296	21	12	--	126

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PIERCE	435	1,190	630	24	37	--	499
RAMSEY	791	2,663	1,296	68	67	--	1,231
RANSOM	542	3,646	1,056	12	46	--	2,531
RENVILLE	289	868	396	31	25	--	417
RICHLAND	1,166	3,565	1,559	178	99	--	1,729
ROLETTE	871	2,098	1,521	182	74	--	321
SARGENT	341	996	472	38	29	--	457
SHERIDAN	161	210	124	0	14	--	72
SIOUX	291	1,120	758	27	25	--	310
SLOPE	52	140	104	2	4	--	30
STARK	1,927	4,273	2,306	269	164	--	1,533
STEELE	231	597	363	11	20	--	204
STUTSMAN	1,838	5,221	2,503	138	156	--	2,423
TOWNER	267	516	321	23	23	--	149
TRAILL	767	2,467	1,163	94	65	--	1,145
WALSH	1,141	2,895	1,401	15	97	--	1,382
WARD	5,237	14,673	9,686	1,449	446	--	3,093
WELLS	430	846	438	3	37	--	369
WILLIAMS	1,828	2,899	2,062	141	156	--	540
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Notes:

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Congressional Districts are for the 109th Congress.
GOE - General Operating Expenses
Medical numbers prepared by DSS, VISN 23

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Testimony
Bob Hanson, Commissioner
Department of Veterans' Affairs Budget (HB 1007)
Senate Appropriations Committee
February 21, 2007

Good afternoon Chairman Holmberg, members of the committee. I am Bob Hanson, Commissioner of Veterans' Affairs.

On behalf of our department I want to thank you for allowing us to share information with you concerning our 2007 - 2009 budget request.

I will give a brief overview of our department and our proposed budget. Cathy Halgunseth, administrative assistant, from our office will go into the details of the budget with you.

First, let me say thank you for positively addressing our major concerns last session. I also want to thank you for your approving the salary increases and equity funding for the upcoming biennium. You have made it clear the concern you have to treat state employees with respect and appreciation for the work they do. We thank you.

We also want to thank Governor Hoeven and OMB for listening to and positively addressing our concerns to ensure our state's veterans receive the care and benefits to which they are entitled.

During FY 2005 approximately \$154 million in state and federal funds were disbursed in North Dakota to, and for, our state's veterans and dependents. Over \$114 million of these dollars went to veterans in counties represented on this committee. Over \$102 million of that amount was hard dollars which went to the veteran or their dependents. Statewide our hardship assistance grant program for the 2005 -2006 calendar years provided \$172,000 in grants to 360 individuals while our veterans' aid loan program loaned over \$200,000 to 73 individuals during this same period. This program provides grants to less fortunate veterans for optical, dental and hearing needs. Veterans can and do have a substantial economic impact on North Dakota's economy. When one considers a multiplier effect of these dollars, the impact is even more substantial.

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Two major areas of concern impacting our office and our state's veterans which were requested but are not included in the Governor's budget are: 1) An outreach training program for the state's county veterans' service officers and 2) A women veterans coordinator. Both of which are of equal importance.

State law requires us to assist counties in providing training to county veterans' service officers (CVSOs). We are addressing that by proposing an outreach program to work with county service officers to make sure they are properly trained. This is critical. 2/3 of our county service officers are part-time, who receive a small salary and in lots of cases little or nothing for travel. North Dakota's veterans range in age from teenagers to those in their 90s. Each war era has its own unique situations and problems which must be understood and addressed. We consider providing on-going training with cvso's in their local areas an investment in our veterans and our state. It will not only positively impact the veteran, but also their communities and counties as well as our state. Each veteran who receives a service connected disability rating of 10% or more receives a monthly compensation amount depending on percentage of disability.

The above mentioned \$154 million of annual benefits our veterans received in FY 2005 can and will increase if training is done. The CVSOs do care about and are committed to veterans. This program will help them help the veterans in their respective county. This program can help make the lives of the veterans in their county a little better.

Our proposal would provide active outreach to those counties who need assistance in keeping up with changes evolving from both the VA and our state programs. These programs can make life better for our state's veterans. As stated previously, roughly \$154 million of federal VA dollars was brought into our state and its communities by veterans in FY 2005. Veterans receive these benefits for the sacrifices they have made for us, and for which they will be living with for the rest of their lives. But there are many who are not being reached, or don't know what they might be eligible for. This program is in response to the performance audit. This proposal totals \$23,206 for the biennium. By contrast, according to the February 16, 2007 Forum, Minnesota is considering \$4 million to do outreach and communications to help their veterans (copy attached.)

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A women veterans coordinator program is a first step in addressing this critical issue. Operation Desert Storm veteran, Teresa Wickens, Commander of the Nebraska United Female Veterans of America recently said, "Women handle conflict different than men. Veterans groups and the Veterans Administration are not prepared to handle that." Ms. Wickens went on to say, "I don't want any woman veteran to ever come back from deployment and say, 'we don't have anybody to talk to.' It is important there is someone on the other end of the phone who absolutely understands who can provide resources and support." We believe female veterans are entitled to have their concerns addressed by someone who can gain their trust, understands what they have experienced and are facing, who can truly empathize with them and then assist in taking the necessary actions to help them. We believe women veterans have an absolute right to have their concerns addressed in just as knowledgeable manner as does any male veteran.

Thank you for allowing us to share our thoughts with you. While we are pleased with the Governor's recommendation for our department, we also feel the outreach program and the women veterans coordinator are critical for our state's veterans now.

North Dakota Department of Veterans Affairs
Approved and Disapproved Grants by county

Grants	Totals for Years 2005-2006		
County	App.	Amount	Dis
Adams	0	\$0	0
Barnes	14	\$7,000	4
Benson	0	\$0	1
Billings	0	\$0	0
Bismarck DVA	3	\$1,250	1
Bottineau	1	\$250	0
Bowman	0	\$0	0
Burke	0	\$0	0
Burleigh	63	\$27,750	7
Cass	59	\$27,750	10
Cavalier	0	\$0	0
Dickey	3	\$1,000	1
Divide	0	\$0	0
Dunn	1	\$500	0
Eddy	0	\$0	0
Emmons	7	\$2,500	2
Fargo DVA	15	\$6,750	6
Foster	0	\$0	0
Golden Valley	0	\$0	0
Grand Forks	10	\$3,750	0
Grant	2	\$500	1
Griggs	0	\$0	0
Hettinger	0	\$0	0
Kidder	0	\$0	0
LaMoure	3	\$1,000	3
Logan	3	\$2,000	0
McHenry	0	\$0	0
McIntosh	7	\$3,750	4
McKenzie	8	\$4,250	4
McLean	6	\$3,000	1
Mercer	1	\$750	0
Morton	21	\$10,750	2
Mountrail	4	\$2,500	0
Nelson	13	\$6,500	0
Oliver	0	\$0	0
Pembina	3	\$1,500	1
Pierce	0	\$0	0
Ramsey	3	\$1,000	2
Ransom	14	\$7,500	2
Renville	0	\$0	0
Richland	3	\$1,500	1
Rolette	1	\$250	0
Sargent	0	\$0	0
Sheridan	0	\$0	0
Sioux	10	\$5,250	4
Slope	0	\$0	0
Standing Rock Tribe	0	\$0	0
Stark	8	\$3,750	4
Steele	1	\$750	0
Stutsman	25	\$13,000	13
Three Affiliated Tribes	0	\$0	0
Towner	1	\$250	2
Traill	8	\$4,500	6
Walsh	2	\$500	1
Ward	32	\$16,000	3
Wells	1	\$750	0
Williams	4	\$2,000	4
Totals	360	\$172,000	90

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Approved and Disapproved Loans by county

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Bottineau	1	\$5,000	0
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Burke	0	\$0	0
Burleigh	8	\$14,100	12
Cass	15	\$35,921	22
Cavalier	1	\$3,000	0
Dickey	0	\$0	0
Divide	0	\$0	0
Dunn	0	\$0	0
Eddy	0	\$0	0
Emmons	0	\$0	0
Fargo DVA	11	\$31,200	8
Foster	1	\$5,000	0
Golden Valley	0	\$0	0
Grand Forks	2	\$8,500	0
Grant	0	\$0	0
Griggs	0	\$0	0
Hettinger	0	\$0	0
Kidder	0	\$0	0
LaMoure	0	\$0	0
Logan	0	\$0	0
McHenry	0	\$0	1
McIntosh	0	\$0	1
McKenzie	0	\$0	0
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Spirit Lake Nation	0	\$0	0
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Stark	2	\$6,600	2
Steele	0	\$0	0
Stutsman	2	\$7,500	4
Three Affiliated Tribes	0	\$0	0
Towner	1	\$5,000	1
Traill	0	\$0	2
Walsh	1	\$1,500	1
Ward	2	\$8,200	7
Wells	1	\$2,000	0
Williams	6	\$17,100	3
Totals	73	\$201,121	80

Testimony on HB 1007
House Appropriations Committee
Department of Veterans Affairs
January 2007

Chairman Pollert and Committee Members:

My name is Cathy Halgunseth and I am the Administrative Assistant for the Department of Veterans Affairs. I will briefly outline our agency's current budget and our proposed 2007-2009 budget.

First, I would like to explain that our budget is referred to as a "lump sum" budget, meaning we have no line items. This allows us great flexibility in meeting our agency's needs throughout the biennium.

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Also listed are the optional package requests we would like considered, the Women's Veterans Coordinator and Outreach to Counties.

All our IT needs – data processing, telephone, website – are provided by the State. Central Supply and Central Duplicating are used as much as possible. I consider our agency to be fiscally responsible. Any additional dollars available will be used to complete an audit recommendation from our performance audit, sending our two Veterans Benefit Specialists to national training, and travelling to counties to provide training to new and part-time service officers.

I hope you look favorably upon our proposed 2007-2009 budget.

If you have any questions, I will do my best to answer them as thoroughly as possible.

North Dakota Department of Veterans Affairs

2005 - 2007 Biennium

2007 - 2009 Biennium

	Appropriation	Expenditures as of Jan. 11, 2007	Percent Remaining	Budget Request	One - Time Expenditures	Optional Package Requests	
						Women's Veterans Coordinator	Outreach to Counties
Salaries	\$364,106.00	\$262,610.00	28%	\$383,256.00		53,304	
Temporary Salaries	0.00	0.00		11,960.00	11,960.00		
Fringe Benefits	142,576.00	101,358.00	29%	163,236.00	1,196.00	22,566	
Salary Increase	0.00	0.00		23,382.00			
Benefit Increase	0.00	0.00		3,957.00			
IT-Data Processing	5,700.00	4,040.00	29%	14,573.00 IT	5,850.00	1,068	
IT-Communications	14,562.00	10,182.00	30%	15,508.00 IT		989	
Travel	28,673.00	16,086.00	44%	33,897.00		1,500	23,206
IT-Software/Supplies	12,580.00	12,577.00	0%	2,050.00 IT	1,550.00	300	
IT - Contractual Services	2,500.00	2,500.00	0%	5,000.00			
Utilities	1,640.00	0.00	100%	1,700.00 IT			
Postage	4,885.00	3,632.00	26%	4,800.00		500	
Lease/Rental Equip	7,485.00	5,101.00	32%	7,100.00			
Lease/Rental Bldg	43,780.00	34,630.00	21%	46,600.00			
Dues & Prof. Dev.	3,696.00	3,595.00	3%	3,696.00		2,000	
Operating Fees	207.00	526.00	-154%	150.00			
Repairs	1,580.00	947.00	40%	800.00			
Prof. Services	3,510.00	443.00	87%	500.00			
Insurance	2,160.00	1,614.00	25%	2,160.00			
Office Supplies	5,000.00	5,591.00	-12%	5,000.00		500	
Printing	2,682.00	894.00	67%	2,682.00		1,000	
Res/Ref Material	900.00	672.00	25%	900.00			
Bldg, Grnds	706.00	221.00	69%	325.00			
Misc. Supplies	250.00	179.00	28%	0.00			
Office Equip & Furn	1,250.00	1,626.00	-30%	38,250.00	38,250.00		
IT-Equipment	3,240.00	4,686.00	-45%	4,900.00 IT	800.00	869	
TOTAL FUNDING	\$653,668.00	\$473,710.00	28%	\$776,382.00	59,606.00	84,596	23,206

Discharge Project
Agency Security

Agency Name: DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Program: Veterans Affairs Administration

Reporting Level: 00-321-100-00-00-00-00000000

1 Object/Revenue Description		2 2003-05 Biennium Expenditures	3 2005-07 First Year Expenditures	4 2005-07 Biennium Appropriation	5 2007-09 Budget Recommendation	6 Change from 2005-2007	7
Code							
FUNDING SOURCES							
VETERANS AID FUND 368	368	38,913	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL SPECIAL FUNDS		38,913	0	0	0	0	0
GENERAL FUNDING SOURCES							
STATE GENERAL FUND	001	500,959	317,577	653,668	776,382	122,714	0
TOTAL GENERAL FUNDS		500,959	317,577	653,668	776,382	122,714	0
TOTAL		539,872	317,577	653,668	776,382	122,714	0
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		539,872	317,577	653,668	776,382	122,714	0
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FTE COUNTS	S100	5.00	0.00	6.00	6.00	0.00	0.00

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CHANGE PACKAGE SUMMARY**321 DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**
Biennium: 2007-2009**Bill#: HB1007****Date: 12/14/2006****Time: 14:02:01**

Description	FTE	General Fund	Federal Funds	Special Funds	Total Funds
AGENCY BUDGET CHANGES					
Cost To Continue	.00	23,038	0	0	23,038
1 IT Infrastructure	.00	-16,619	0	0	-16,619
2 Operating Expenses	.00	1,906	0	0	1,906
Agency Total	.00	8,325	0	0	8,325
OPTIONAL REQUEST					
1 Administrative Committee Travel	.00	29,872	0	0	29,872
2 Outreach to Counties	.00	23,206	0	0	23,206
3 Discharge Project	.00	21,356	0	0	21,356
4 Agency Security	.00	38,250	0	0	38,250
5 Equity Funding	.00	67,262	0	0	67,262
6 Women Veterans' Coordinator	1.00	84,596	0	0	84,596
7 Website Upgrade	.00	2,268	0	0	2,268
8 Loan Software Contract & Computer Replacements	.00	9,600	0	0	9,600
Optional Total	1.00	276,410	0	0	276,410

CHANGE PACKAGE SUMMARY

321 DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Bill#: SB2005

Date: 12/13/2006

Biennium: 2007-2009

Time: 17:08:00

Description	FTE	General Fund	Federal Funds	Special Funds	Total Funds
Cost To Continue	.00	65,953	0	0	65,953
1 IT Infrastructure	.00	-16,619	0	0	-16,619
2 Operating Expenses	.00	1,906	0	0	1,906
100 OMB Discharge Project	.00	21,356	0	0	21,356
101 OMB Agency Security	.00	38,250	0	0	38,250
102 OMB Software Maintenance and Computer Replacement	.00	9,600	0	0	9,600
103 Website Upgrade	.00	2,268	0	0	2,268
Agency Total	.00	122,714	0	0	122,714

Taking veterans matters to heart

Veterans' proposal highlights

- ▶ **\$30 million:** Minnesota GI Bill to provide eligible veterans or dependents college tuition aid
- ▶ **\$16.5 million:** exemption from state income tax for military pay and pensions
- ▶ **\$8 million:** improve state-operated veterans' homes
- ▶ **\$2 million:** increase wounded veteran program funding
- ▶ **\$1.5 million:** establish reintegration program
- ▶ **\$4 million:** extend Veterans Affairs communication and outreach
- ▶ **\$1.9 million:** expand veterans' higher education offices on campuses
- ▶ **\$2.8 million:** grants to county veterans service officers
- ▶ **\$3.5 million:** National Guard armories' maintenance
- ▶ **\$560,000:** increase in veterans' support staff

—Mike Longacker

Testimony of Kelly Schmidt
ND State Treasurer

IN SUPPORT OF HOUSE BILL 1007

House Appropriations – Human Services Committee

January 12, 2007

The Veterans Postwar Trust Fund is a permanent trust fund of the state of North Dakota. This very important fund is utilized only for programs of benefit and service to veterans or their dependents, and all income is appropriated to the administrative committee on veterans' affairs for the expenditure on these programs as authorized by law.

I have been attending regular meetings of the Administrative Committee on Veterans Affairs for the last two years. I can attest these funds are not supporting "fluff" but quality of life expenditures.....eyeglasses, hearing aids, dentures to those in need and who have served this great nation so well.

As State Treasurer, I am charged with the responsibility of investing the assets of the Veterans Postwar Trust. As a granddaughter, daughter, sister, wife and mother of those who have served and are now serving, I take this task quite to heart.

The market has seen improvements, interest rates have risen and we have made adjustments in the asset allocation to maximize on it all. I am pleased to report The Veterans Postwar Trust Fund has enjoyed a time of growth.

Nearly \$1,000,000 is invested in CD's through Bid-ND. Established in June of 2005, BidND places trust fund dollars in local communities through a bidding process. I seek rates from financial institutions across the state; and award the funds the facility with the highest rate. Currently we have dollars placed

in communities like Buxton, Edgeley, Fingal, Fargo and Langdon...to name a few. The average rate of return collected on these CD's is 5.52%.

The remainder of the fund is invested in money market, bonds and marketable securities. The asset allocation of the trust fund is established by the State Treasurer and is based upon the appraisal of current liquidity and income needs as well as estimates of the investment returns likely to be achieved by the various asset classes over the next 5 years.

The Veterans Postwar Trust Fund has experienced a rate of return for the current biennium to date of 6.3%. I have set the benchmark for rate of return for the 07-09 biennium to be in the area of 5.5%.

This ends my formal remarks...I would be happy to entertain any questions.

January 2007

ANALYSIS OF THE VETERANS' POSTWAR TRUST FUND FOR THE 2005-07 AND 2007-09 BIENNIUMS (REFLECTING THE 2007-09 BIENNIUM EXECUTIVE BUDGET RECOMMENDATION)

	2005-07 Biennium		2007-09 Biennium	
Beginning balance		\$4,524,911		\$4,775,561
Add estimated revenues				
Investment income	\$569,000		\$483,000	
Sale of vans			14,000	
Total estimated revenues		569,000		497,000
Total available		\$5,093,911		\$5,272,561
Less estimated expenditures				
Grants	\$225,000		\$240,000	
Operating expenses	2,500		2,500	
Administrative committee travel	22,350		22,350	
Veterans Home activities	23,000		0	
Vehicles - Vans	25,000		48,000	
Veterans' transportation programs	5,000		4,000	
Other veterans' programs	15,000		10,000	
Appeals Committee	500		500	
Total estimated expenditures and transfers		318,350		327,350
Estimated ending balance		\$4,775,561		\$4,945,211

NOTE: The principal balance of the fund is \$4,101,849, leaving an estimated available investment income balance of \$673,712 as of June 30, 2007, and \$843,362 as of June 30, 2009. The Administrative Committee on Veterans Affairs has a policy of reserving a portion of the investment income balance to generate additional investment income. The reserve balance was \$250,000 as of July 1, 2005. The committee anticipates setting aside \$100,000 in both the 2005-07 and 2007-09 bienniums for the reserve account.

The estimated June 30, 2007, balance made at the end of the 2005 legislative session was \$4,582,146. The increase of \$193,415 is primarily due to investment income being greater than originally estimated.

FUND HISTORY Established

The fund was created by Section 6 of 1981 Senate Bill No. 2271:

SECTION 6. TRANSFER OF VIETNAM BONUS FUNDS TO VETERANS' POSTWAR TRUST FUND. All unobligated moneys in the Vietnam veterans' adjusted compensation funds in the state treasury after July 1, 1981, shall be transferred by the state treasurer to the veterans' postwar trust fund. Any obligations of such funds as a result of any amendment of section 37-25-10 by the forty-seventh legislative assembly shall be paid out of the veterans' postwar trust fund and the moneys necessary to meet those obligations are hereby appropriated.

1988 Initiated Measure No. 4

Initiated measure No. 4, approved by the voters in the November 1988 general election, provided the following:

- Established the veterans' postwar trust fund as a permanent fund.
- Required the State Treasurer to transfer \$740,000 per year for five years commencing July 1, 1989, from the state general fund or other sources as appropriated by the Legislative Assembly to the veterans' postwar trust fund to total \$3.7 million.
- Appropriated the income from the veterans' postwar trust fund on a continuing basis to the Administrative Committee on Veterans Affairs to be spent for veterans' programs as authorized by law.
- Required the State Treasurer to invest the fund in legal investments as provided by North Dakota Century Code Section 21-10-07.

The principal balance in the fund on December 8, 1988, was \$401,849.

Senate Bill No. 2009 (1989) transferred \$1,480,000, \$740,000 on July 1, 1989, and \$740,000 on July 1, 1990, from the state general fund to the veterans' postwar trust fund. The bill also appropriated up to \$274,000 of investment income earned on the veterans' postwar trust fund balance to the Veterans Home for its operating costs. Because of net budget reductions during the 1989-91 biennium, the transfer from the general fund to the veterans' postwar trust fund for the second year of the 1989-91 biennium was reduced by \$95,005, from \$740,000 to \$644,995.

Senate Bill No. 2001 (1991) transferred \$1,575,005 from the general fund to the veterans' postwar trust fund during the 1991-93 biennium. This amount restored the \$95,005 which was not transferred during the 1989-91 biennium because of net budget reductions. Because of budget allotments ordered by the Governor during the 1991-93 biennium, the transfer from the general fund to the veterans' postwar trust fund for the second year of the 1991-93 biennium was reduced by \$5,670, from \$740,000 to \$734,330.

House Bill No. 1001 (1993) transferred \$745,670 from the general fund to the veterans' postwar trust fund during the 1993-95 biennium. This was the final transfer required by the initiated measure and includes \$5,670 to restore the reduction made during the 1991-93 biennium because of budget reductions.

1996 Initiated Constitutional Measure No. 4

Initiated constitutional measure No. 4, approved by the voters in the November 1996 general election, created the following new section to Article X of the North Dakota Constitution:

The veterans' postwar trust fund shall be a permanent trust fund of the state of North Dakota and shall consist of moneys transferred or credited to the fund as authorized by legislative enactment. Investment of the fund shall be the responsibility of the state treasurer who shall have full authority to invest the fund only in the same manner as the state investment board is authorized to make investments. All income received from investments is to be utilized for programs which must be of benefit and service to veterans, who are defined by legislative enactment, or their dependents, and such income is hereby appropriated to the administrative committee on veterans' affairs on a continuing basis for expenditure upon those programs selected at the discretion of the administrative committee on veterans' affairs.



January 12, 2007

Chairman Pollert and Committee members:

My name is Lorraine Jenson.

Some given to Senate

I joined the ND Air National Guard in 1969 as a nurse with the medics as a 1st Lt. I was the only woman in the guard at that time. I served until 1974 achieving the rank of Captain when I left the guard. I am very proud of the fact I completed and received my wings as a Flight Nurse and served in that capacity with the Minnesota Air Guard until I transferred back to the NDANG.

Today the ratio of women soldiers to men is one out of every 10 soldiers is a woman. They are no longer relegated to clerical or medical jobs but are serving in active combat roles. During WWII we had women air force pilots, (WASPS). It was the first organized group of women pilots to serve in the war. In 1977, almost 35 years after the Army Air force deactivated the WASPS the government awarded the women honorable discharges and veterans benefits. It is estimated that 750 women disguised themselves as men and fought in the American Civil War. The first woman to receive the Medal of Honor was Dr. Mary E. Walker, a contract surgeon during the Civil War. Today 20% of the Air Force's strength are women. So you see women in the military are an integral part of serving with the armed forces and numbers are increasing and as they increase we are seeing more women veterans today from all branches of the service. They are serving on patrols and working side by side with the male soldier.

I would like to list for you the top 5 disease categories being treated at Veterans hospitals today:

- 42% are disease & problems of Musco-Skeletal System - Amputations, bone injuries.
- 38% seen are symptoms of ill-defined, no diagnosis yet.
- 35% seen are mental health problems.
- 29% seen are Genital-urinary problems.

Women continue to have a larger role in the military and combat, they will be seeking more assistance from the VA in greater numbers.

In addition to Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), a great number of women veterans also experience sexual trauma during their service. I believe it would be easier for women to discuss this concern with another woman than a man.

We need visionary work to plan and address the needs of this new generation of women veterans. To do this we need a women coordinator who can communicate with the female veteran and assist them in their needs. Some of these issues for women would be easier to discuss with a woman coordinator rather than with a male. An example would be the sexual trauma experienced by women in the military.

North Dakota in my estimation has always been a leader in helping veterans. I am respectfully asking you to consider approval of this position. To do so would continue North Dakota's tradition of being visionary and progressive by allowing for a **Women's Veterans Coordinator** to assist North Dakota's female veterans population.

As President Abraham Lincoln said: **"TO CARE FOR HIM WHO SHALL HAVE BORNE THE BATTLE AND FOR HIS WIDOW AND HIS ORPHAN..."**

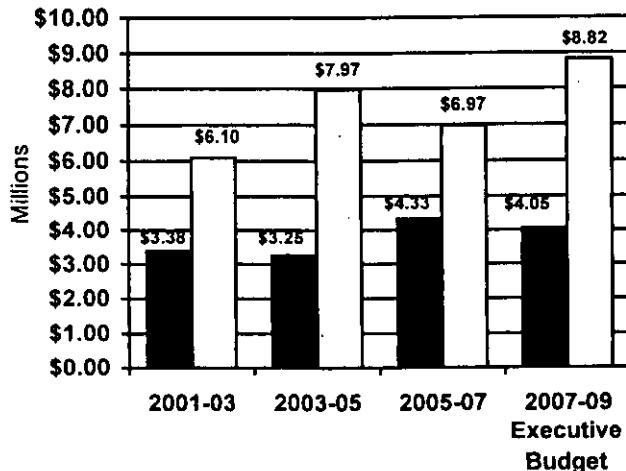
Thank you for your attention.

Department 313 - Veterans Home
House Bill No. 1007

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2007-09 Executive Budget	90.97	\$4,050,174	\$8,821,090	\$12,871,264
2005-07 Legislative Appropriations	90.97	4,329,092	6,974,833	11,303,925 ¹
Increase (Decrease)	0.00	(\$278,918)	\$1,846,257	\$1,567,339

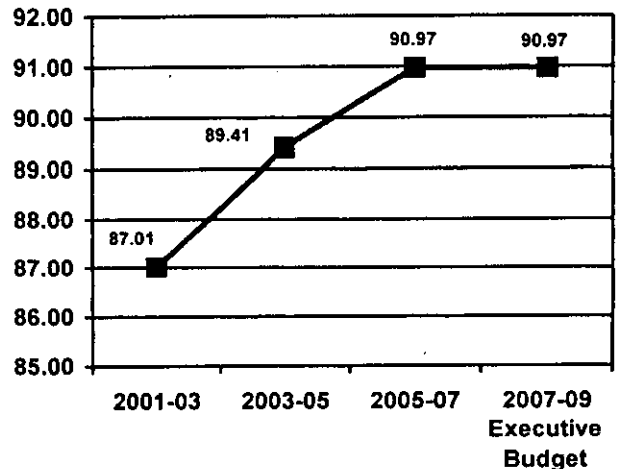
¹The 2005-07 appropriation amounts do not include \$163,200 of additional special funds authority resulting from Emergency Commission action during the 2005-07 biennium.

Agency Funding



■ General Fund □ Other Funds

FTE Positions



Executive Budget Highlights

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
Administration			
1. Adds funding for operating costs to replace outdated computers		\$5,050	\$5,050
2. Adds funding for operating costs due to information technology communication rate increases		\$19,100	\$19,100
3. Reclassifies information technology contractual services from nursing, pharmacy, and dietary to administration		\$11,900	\$11,900
4. Provides funding for other capital payments for outstanding bond payments		\$260,205	\$260,205
5. Adds funding for professional services relating to employee drug testing and information technology services		\$27,817	\$27,817
6. Adds funding for marketing the Veterans Home	\$50,000		\$50,000
7. Provides funding for a portable videoconferencing system to allow employees training and meeting opportunities without having to travel	\$4,950		\$4,950
8. Provides funding for a computer-based training system	\$12,900		\$12,900
Dietary			
9. Increases operating costs primarily for food and clothing (\$13,000), supplies (\$8,550), and equipment less than \$5,000 (\$19,400)		\$40,600	\$40,600
10. Reclassifies information technology contractual services from nursing, pharmacy, and dietary to administration		(\$1,400)	(\$1,400)
Housekeeping			
11. Provides funding for extraordinary repairs for replacement tile and carpet		\$23,200	\$23,200

12. Decreases funding for operating costs primarily for other equipment less than \$5,000 (\$4,945) and office equipment and supplies (\$1,000)		(\$5,695)	(\$5,695)
13. Provides funding to purchase 40 electric hospital beds and 10 long hospital beds	\$75,000		\$75,000
14. Provides funding to purchase a six-drawer dresser and three-drawer nightstand for each bed on basic care to replace outdated furniture	\$120,000		\$120,000
Laundry			
15. Adds funding for operating costs due to increases in utility costs		\$7,500	\$7,500
Nursing Services			
16. Reclassifies information technology contractual services from nursing, pharmacy, and dietary to administration	(\$13,000)		(\$13,000)
17. Adds funding for primary care laboratory and x-ray costs which were previously paid for by the Veterans Administration	\$60,000		\$60,000
18. Decreases funding for certain stock medications for basic and skilled residents which were previously purchased through a local pharmacy but can now be purchased by the in-house pharmacy	(\$63,500)		(\$63,500)
19. Provides funding to purchase a bariatric bed and mattress to be used for bigger residents		\$6,442	\$6,442
20. Decreases funding for operating costs for small equipment and supplies purchases	(\$11,716)	(\$134)	(\$11,850)
Pharmacy			
21. Reclassifies information technology contractual services from nursing, pharmacy, and dietary to administration		(\$4,000)	(\$4,000)
22. Adds funding for operations due to pharmaceutical cost increases		\$23,250	\$23,250
Plant Operations			
23. Adds funding for operating costs for repairs		\$3,350	\$3,350
24. Decreases funding for professional services and medical, dental, and optical costs		(\$6,200)	(\$6,200)
25. Adds funding for travel costs due to increases in motor pool rates and gas prices		\$21,000	\$21,000
26. Adds funding for operating costs for equipment needs, including air-conditioning units and leaf pickers		\$11,050	\$11,050
27. Provides funding for capital assets to purchase two grasshopper lawnmowers		\$16,000	\$16,000
28. Provides funding for extraordinary repairs to replace two lift station pumps		\$8,000	\$8,000
29. Provides funding to replace elevator which was installed prior to 1950	\$120,000		\$120,000
30. Provides funding for a Bobcat utility vehicle for grounds maintenance and night watchmen	\$16,500		\$16,500
Resident Services			
31. Adds funding for travel (\$1,150) and newsletter postage (\$2,200)		\$3,350	\$3,350
32. Decreases funding for professional services		(\$450)	(\$450)
Social Services			
33. Adds funding for travel (\$500), supplies (\$150), and professional services (\$2,000)		\$2,650	\$2,650
34. Decreases funding for professional development (\$2,000) and printing (\$150)		(\$2,150)	(\$2,150)

Continuing Appropriations

Custodial funds - NDCC Section 37-15-21 - The Veterans Home may accept gifts, donations, or bequests and any money received must be used for the specific purposes as designated by the donor or grantor.

Major Related Legislation

At this time, no major legislation has been introduced affecting this agency.

Legislative information-2007 (January)

Basic Care
87 residents

Mental Health Diagnosis-59
Addiction (Alcohol or other Drugs) 40

28 residents with an addiction also have a mental health diagnosis (Co-occurring diagnosis)

Dementia-9
Head injury-9
Smoking-29

Skilled
38 residents
Mental Health- 29
Dementia-17
History of Addiction-7
Smoking-8
Mental health and addiction-4

Mental Health Diagnosis
Mood Disorders:

1. Major Depression
2. Bipolar Disorder
3. Dysthymic Disorder

Anxiety Disorders:

1. Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder
2. Posttraumatic Stress Disorder
3. Generalized Anxiety Disorder

Disorders Characterized by Psychotic Symptoms

1. Schizophrenia
2. Schizoaffective disorder
3. Delusional Disorder
4. Psychotic Disorder

Personality Disorders:

1. Paranoid Personality Disorder
2. Antisocial Personality Disorder
3. Borderline Personality Disorder
4. Narcissistic Personality Disorder Personality Disorder
5. Schizotypal Personality Disorder
6. Avoidant Personality Disorder

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- Dispense approximately 862 scheduled meds per day (this does not include "prn" or "as needed meds")
- Diabetics:
 - *12 scheduled insulins a day
 - *26 diabetics to monitor blood sugars on and if some are getting a sliding schedule, (insulin according to blood sugar reading) need to give them insulin accordingly
 - *26 diabetics are monitored for changes in skin and weekly foot cares are done
 - *129 blood sugars are checked a week
- 87 treatments a day, including anything else that comes up i.e., suppositories, wound care changes, maximist, eye drops, ear drops, falls (need incident report)
- 69 weekly blood pressures and weights are monitored
- 19 monthly vital signs due to medications and increase or decrease in weights
- Maximist breathing treatments from anytime in 24 hours as needed
- Doctor rounds are done 1-2 times weekly, plus doctor calls to VA, consults, PMD and take all orders off
- Draw blood for labs nearly every day plus take the blood to lab
- Chart daily on residents that are acutely ill, update care plans, chart reviews, and 6 month notes to care plan
- Assist residents with appointments – scheduling, escorting them to appointment, fielding numerous phone calls for residents and doctors and to other departments
- 7 residents with anti-embolism stockings (TED hose) am & pm
- 6 residents with urinals
- 46 beds per week made by CNA
- CNA assists residents with bathing, showers, changing incontinent briefs
- Resident head washing 5 times a week
- Empty urinals

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- 46 whirlpools weekly and some as needed pop up
- 7 residents - change Maximist and O2 tubing weekly (on average)
- Remind and escort residents to meals
- Take soiled linen to laundry –take linens and personal clothes to designated residents that need special assist
- Nursing staff is also very important to residents for socialization and assist with mental health issues and medical concerns as they are needed x 24 hours
- Computer work – med changes daily to medication records, changes are also checked and re-checked before the first of the month – treatment and medication records
- Do care plans with residents and their families as needed – important part of resident and family communication and updating of resident's conditions
- Admissions of new residents and hospital returns of resident and also discharging paperwork on resident and patient education - sometimes all 3 in one day (admission, discharge, hospital return)
- Assist with showing new residents around and making them feel welcome
- _Assist in keeping facility clean (nurses station), housekeeping duties when they are not here
- Restock supplies, assist with ordering supplies
- Med nurse sets up meds daily for residents going to appointments on VA bus to Fargo or wherever, patient education with meds
- Assist with keeping track of O2 supplies – specific with each resident – nurse orders all of this
- Nurse and CNA update daily assignment sheets for staff
- Self medication residents are checked weekly by nurse for compliance – also patient education is pertinent
- On Sundays no activities personnel at facility, residents are to do activities of their choice, basic staff often are asked to help them, organize pool tournament, Whist, or serve some refreshments

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-When residents have escalated behaviors we often need to spend time with them to help with increased anxiety or just make them feel safe, the mental illness can change a person's behavior in a split second

Johnson, Mark B.

From: Lunneborg, Kristin M.
Sent: Friday, January 19, 2007 11:54 AM
To: Johnson, Mark B.
Subject: FW: FY07 Per Diem Rates

From: Garland, David A [mailto:David.Garland@va.gov]
Sent: Friday, January 19, 2007 10:52 AM
To: Lunneborg, Kristin M.
Subject: FY07 Per Diem Rates

Here you are.

From: Garland, David A
Sent: Friday, January 19, 2007 7:37 AM
To: Floyd, John M
Subject: FY1

Current (FY 07) per diem rates are \$67.71 for nursing home and hospital care and \$31.30 for domiciliary care. The adult day health care per diem rate is \$40.48.

David A Garland, MSA
Business Office Manager
Fargo VAMC
701-239-3717

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HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE HEARING
FRIDAY, JANUARY 12, 2006

Chairman Pollert and members of the House Appropriations committee, I am Kristin Lunneborg, Accounting Manager at the North Dakota Veterans Home. I am here today to give you some insight into our 2007-2009 budget request.

The majority of the changes to our 2007-2009 budget revolve around changes brought on by the VA Medical Center in Fargo, N.D. The first of those changes being the cost shift of expenses relating to pharmaceuticals. In January 2005, the VA Medical Center in Fargo ceased providing medications to the residents of the Veterans Home stating that this expense should be borne by the Veterans Home as the per diem we receive from the VA is to cover these expenses. After much research, it was determined that the most cost effective means of providing these medications would be to build our own pharmacy and purchase the medications from the VA drug supplier for 40% of retail value. The 2005-2007 budget for pharmaceuticals was created using estimates from the VA Medical Center in Fargo. Unfortunately, these estimates fell short of actual expenditures and we had to appear before the emergency commission to ask for \$116,000 in increased appropriation authority to finish out the 2005-2007 biennium. The 2007-2009 biennium request for pharmaceuticals is for \$800,000, an increase of \$212,000 over 2005-2007 original request.

The second major change to our 2007-2009 budget involves primary care services for the veteran residents. Along with ceasing to provide medications, the VA Medical Center stopped providing primary care services which includes doctor appointments, labs, x-rays and various other tests ordered from these visits. Our 2005-2007 budget included the funding for the doctor appointments but did not include the funding for the labs, x-rays and other tests as we did not realize when we prepared the budget that we would be required to pay for these costs. We have tried to absorb these costs into our current budget but were unable to as increased fuel prices have pushed up costs in other areas of our budget. In November we were forced to go to the emergency commission to request an additional \$150,000 in appropriation authority to cover the costs of the labs, x-rays and other tests. Since these expenses were not included in our original 2005-2007 budget, there is an increase of \$97,000 to the

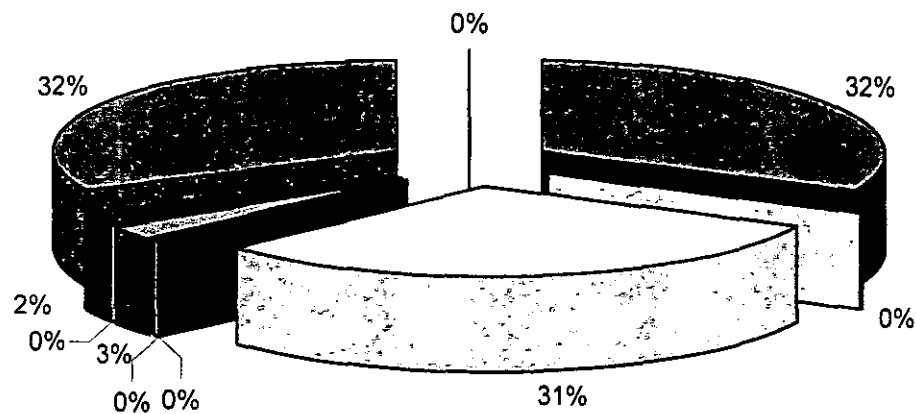
professional services line item for 2007-2009. The increase to this line item is offset due to a substantial decrease in medical service expenses. Last summer we issued a Request for Proposal for our medical services and we were not only able to save the facility a lot of money but we were also able to tap into a vast wealth of knowledgeable specialists.

One change that has a positive impact on our 2007-2009 budget relates to Public Law 108-422 or the Veterans Health Programs Improvement Act of 2004. This law prevents us from offsetting the resident's daily rate by the per diem amount that we receive for each veteran resident. In the past, the per diem amount we received from the VA for each skilled veteran was treated as a third party payment and was therefore deducted from the resident's bill. For example, if a resident's daily rate was \$163.41 per day, we used to subtract the per diem of \$63.41 and bill Medicaid or the resident the remaining \$100.00. Since this law prohibits us from subtracting the per diem, we collect the \$163.41 per day from the resident or Medicaid and we also collect the per diem amount of \$63.41, resulting in an increase in revenue. The net effect of the increase in our revenue is not the full per diem amount of \$63.41 because the Veterans Home Governing Board and the Administrative Committee on Veterans Affairs has elected to reduce our daily rates by \$20.00, resulting in a net increase of \$43.41 per day. The board decided to reduce the rates so that the Veterans Home could remain competitive in the market and because we did not want all of our private pay residents to leave the facility. Although this bill has a positive impact upon our budget, it had a very negative impact upon our private pay residents as many of them saw their monthly rent bill go up substantially. We have forecasted a net increase in special fund revenue of \$1,228,883 for the 2007-2009 biennium.

We ask for your support for our 2007-2009 biennium budget. Although we are asking for an increase of \$1,404,139 in appropriation authority \$621,027 can be attributed to the Governor's salary recommendations and the increase in benefit expenses, \$349,350 can be attributed to one-time expenditures and \$309,000 is attributed to the VA Medical Center shifting primary care and pharmaceuticals onto the Veterans Home.

We are working very hard at being good stewards of our money and we will continue to look for ways that we can reduce our costs while maintaining good, quality care for our residents.

North Dakota Veterans Home Revenue Sources



- Leases & Phone Income \$5,500
- ▣ Federal Govt - VA Per Diem Payments \$3,250,000
- Bus Collections & Refunds \$3,000
- Basic and Skilled Rent Collections \$4,228,550
- Church Collections \$1,800
- Meal Sales \$34,800
- ▣ Pharmacy Copayments \$110,000
- Interest Income \$3,800
- State Land Transfers \$214,000
- ▣ General Funds \$3,465,331

NORTH DAKOTA VETERANS HOME

2007-2009 BUDGET DETAIL

ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

Reporting level 00-313-100-00

EXPLANATION OF PROGRAM COSTS

Program costs for the administration department include salaries and benefits for administrative staff and facility expenses for insurance, legal fees, postage, office supplies, information technology, telephone, data processing, auditing fees and bond and interest payments.

BUDGET BY TRADITIONAL LINE

<u>Description</u>	<u>2005-2007 Budget</u>	<u>2007-2009 Executive Recommendation</u>	<u>% of Executive Recommendation</u>	<u>Change From 05-07</u>
Salaries	594,304	628,241	44%	33,937
Operating	411,083	542,800	38%	131,717
Capital	268,035	260,205	18%	-7,830
Total	1,273,422	1,431,246	100%	157,824
General	216,761	189,525		-27,236
Special	1,056,661	1,241,721		185,060
Total	1,273,422	1,431,246		157,824
FTE	5	5		0

LINE ITEM DETAIL

Salaries and Benefits - \$628,241 44% of budget
 Administrator 1.0 FTE
 Executive Secretary - 1.0 FTE
 Accounting Manager - 1.0 FTE
 Account Technician - 1.0 FTE
 Human Resource Technician - 1.0 FTE

Travel - \$26,000 2% of budget
 Expenses include employee reimbursed travel, governing board travel, air travel

IT Supplies - \$6,500 .5% of budget
 Software licenses and IT equipment under \$750

Supplies and materials/professional - \$2,500 .1% of budget
Resource materials, educational supplies and testing supplies

Building, ground and maintenance - \$1,500 .1% of budget
Equipment or building supplies, paint and miscellaneous building supplies

Miscellaneous supplies - \$5,500 .4% of budget
Marketing supplies, miscellaneous

Office supplies - \$34,000 2% of budget
Office supplies for facility, ink jet cartridges and toner

Postage - \$8,500 .6% of budget

Printing - \$5,000 .3% of budget
Printing of letterhead, envelopes and business cards

IT equipment under \$5,000 - \$45,300 3% of budget
Replacement computers and printers, video conferencing equipment and computer based training equipment

Rentals/leases of equipment - \$7,500 .5% of budget
Lease payments for copy machine

Data Processing - \$84,000 6% of budget

IT - Communications - \$107,100 7% of budget
Telephone charges

IT- Contractual services - \$25,900 2% of budget
Maintenance and support agreements for our computer software programs

Professional development - \$21,000 1.5% of budget
Workshop and convention registrations, dues and memberships and tuition reimbursements

Operating fees and services - \$59,000 4% of budget
Advertising and marketing

Professional services - \$72,000 5% of budget
Legal fees, auditing fees, drug testing fees, IT consultant

Capital payments - \$260,205 18% of budget
Bond and interest payments for 1991 addition

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

Salaries and benefits - \$33,937 increase

4% and 4% compensation adjustment
Health insurance increase

IT equipment under \$5,000 - \$22,900 increase

Replacement of ½ of our computer workstations
Computer based training equipment – new addition
Video conferencing equipment – new addition

IT communications - \$19,100 increase

Due to increase in ITD rates for phones and phone services

IT contractual services - \$11,900 increase

Fees transferred from other departments to Administration as these computer software programs are no longer department specific

Professional service fees - \$27,817 increase

Not enough money budgeted in 05-07 budget for IT consultant services, drug testing started for all staff

2005-2007 BUDGET

As of December 2006, 78% of this cost center's budget has been expended. Anticipate 100% expended at the end of this biennium.

Agency Name: VETERANS HOME

Program: Administration

Reporting Level: 00-313-100-00-00-00-00000000

1 Object/Revenue		2	3	4	5	6	7
Description		2003-05 Biennium Expenditures	2005-07 First Year Expenditures	2005-07 Biennium Balance	2005-07 Biennium Appropriation	2007-09 Budget Recommendation	Change from 2005-2007
EXPENDITURES							
SALARIES - PERMANENT	511000	449,632	218,666	186,005	404,671	401,942	(2,729)
SALARIES - OTHER	512000	34,151	0	0	0	0	0
TEMPORARY SALARIES	513000	0	26,242	58	26,300	8,000	(18,300)
OVERTIME	514000	0	17,959	5,241	23,200	32,000	8,800
FRINGE BENEFITS	516000	237,036	75,690	64,443	140,133	158,048	17,915
SALARY INCREASE	599110	0	0	0	0	24,164	24,164
BENEFIT INCREASE	599160	0	0	0	0	4,087	4,087
SALARIES AND WAGES	10	720,819	338,557	255,747	594,304	628,241	33,937
MEANS OF FUNDING							
STATE GENERAL FUND	001	103,411	210,907	2,069	212,976	117,890	(95,086)
General Fund	GEN	103,411	210,907	2,069	212,976	117,890	(95,086)
SOLDIERS HOME FUND 380	380	617,408	127,650	253,678	381,328	510,351	129,023
Special Funds	SPEC	617,408	127,650	253,678	381,328	510,351	129,023
EXPENDITURES							
TRAVEL	521000	21,376	14,730	11,270	26,000	26,000	0
SUPPLIES - IT SOFTWARE	531000	9,334	2,808	3,692	6,500	6,500	0
SUPPLY/MATERIAL-PROFESSIONAL	532000	842	1,830	670	2,500	2,500	0
BLDG, GROUND, MAINTENANCE	534000	2,942	727	773	1,500	1,500	0
MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES	535000	3,416	2,822	2,678	5,500	5,500	0
OFFICE SUPPLIES	536000	42,957	17,565	16,435	34,000	34,000	0
POSTAGE	541000	6,815	4,292	4,208	8,500	8,500	0
PRINTING	542000	3,934	1,836	3,164	5,000	5,000	0
IT EQUIP UNDER \$5,000	551000	2,856	20,653	1,747	22,400	45,300	22,900
OTHER EQUIP UNDER \$5,000	552000	4,348	0	0	0	0	0
OFFICE EQUIP & FURN SUPPLIES	553000	13,244	725	1,775	2,500	2,500	0

Agency Name: VETERANS HOME

Program: Administration

Reporting Level: 00-313-100-00-00-00-00000000

1 Object/Revenue		2	3	4	5	6	7
Description		2003-05 Biennium Expenditures	2005-07 First Year Expenditures	2005-07 Biennium Balance	2005-07 Biennium Appropriation	2007-09 Budget Recommendation	Change from 2005-2007
Code							
EXPENDITURES							
UTILITIES	561000	0	0	0	0	0	0
INSURANCE	571000	30,762	10,936	15,064	26,000	26,000	0
RENTALS/LEASES-EQUIP & OTHER	581000	6,266	3,133	4,367	7,500	7,500	0
RENTALS/LEASES - BLDG/LAND	582000	275	0	0	0	0	0
REPAIRS	591000	1,556	2,173	827	3,000	3,000	0
IT - DATA PROCESSING	601000	49,874	36,963	47,037	84,000	84,000	0
IT-COMMUNICATIONS	602000	88,471	48,438	39,562	88,000	107,100	19,100
IT CONTRACTUAL SERVICES AND RE	603000	13,735	13,817	183	14,000	25,900	11,900
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	611000	24,075	10,163	10,837	21,000	21,000	0
OPERATING FEES AND SERVICES	621000	8,635	3,695	5,305	9,000	59,000	50,000
FEES - PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	623000	97,061	39,356	4,827	44,183	72,000	27,817
OPERATING EXPENSES	30	432,774	236,662	174,421	411,083	542,800	131,717
MEANS OF FUNDING							
STATE GENERAL FUND	001	21,915	1,540	2,245	3,785	71,635	67,850
General Fund	GEN	21,915	1,540	2,245	3,785	71,635	67,850
SOLDIERS HOME FUND 380	380	410,859	235,122	172,176	407,298	471,165	63,867
Special Funds	SPEC	410,859	235,122	172,176	407,298	471,165	63,867
EXPENDITURES							
OTHER CAPITAL PAYMENTS	683000	233,696	116,476	120,059	236,535	260,205	23,670
EQUIPMENT OVER \$5000	691000	0	13,275	9,025	22,300	0	(22,300)
IT EQUIPMENT OVER \$5000	693000	0	6,854	2,346	9,200	0	(9,200)
CAPITAL ASSETS	50	233,696	136,605	131,430	268,035	260,205	(7,830)
MEANS OF FUNDING							
STATE GENERAL FUND	001	105,288	0	0	0	0	0
General Fund	GEN	105,288	0	0	0	0	0

Agency Name: VETERANS HOME

Program: Administration

Reporting Level: 00-313-100-00-00-00-00000000

1 Object/Revenue Description Code		2 2003-05 Biennium Expenditures	3 2005-07 First Year Expenditures	4 2005-07 Biennium Balance	5 2005-07 Biennium Appropriation	6 2007-09 Budget Recommendation	7 Change from 2005-2007
MEANS OF FUNDING							
SOLDIERS HOME FUND 380	380	128,408	136,605	131,430	268,035	260,205	(7,830)
Special Funds	SPEC	128,408	136,605	131,430	268,035	260,205	(7,830)
EXPENDITURES							
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		1,387,289	711,824	561,598	1,273,422	1,431,246	157,824
MEANS OF FUNDING							
TOTAL FUNDING		1,387,289	711,824	561,598	1,273,422	1,431,246	157,824
AUTHORIZED EMPLOYEES							
FTE		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.00	5.00

NORTH DAKOTA VETERANS HOME
2007-2009 BUDGET DETAIL

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

Reporting level 00-313-200-00

EXPLANATION OF PROGRAM COSTS

The maintenance department is responsible for upkeep of the grounds and buildings, motor pool vehicles, utilities, equipment and repairs.

BUDGET BY TRADITIONAL LINE

<u>Description</u>	2005-2007	2007-2009	% of	<u>Change</u>
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Executive Recommendation</u>	<u>Executive Recommendation</u>	
Salaries	412,889	478,613	34%	65,724
Operating	754,400	783,600	55%	29,200
Capital	90,360	160,500	11%	70,140
Total	1,257,649	1,422,713	100%	165,064
General	530,809	573,560		42,751
Special	726,840	849,153		122,313
Total	1,257,649	1,422,713		165,064
FTE	4	4		0

LINE ITEM DETAIL

Salaries and Benefits - \$478,613 34% of budget

Maintenance Supervisor – 1.0 FTE

Maintenance Worker – 3.0 FTE

Travel - \$95,000 7% of budget

Expenses include motor pool charges and employee reimbursed travel

Building, ground and maintenance - \$120,000 8% of budget

Equipment and building supplies, electrical supplies, boiler supplies, repair parts, vehicle repair parts and painting supplies

Miscellaneous supplies - \$5,000 .4% of budget

Tools and miscellaneous equipment under \$750

Other equipment under \$5,000 - \$18,350 1% of budget

Air conditioners and leaf pickers

Utilities - \$465,000 33% of budget

Electricity, fuel oil, garbage and water service

Insurance - \$2,000 .1% of budget

Insurance for boilers

Rentals/leases – building/land - \$4,000 .3% of budget

Water softener leases

Repairs - \$65,000 5% of budget

Elevator maintenance contract, service contracts and repair services

Operating fees and services - \$2,500 .2% of budget

Licenses, miscellaneous operating expenses

Professional services - \$5,000 .4% of budget

Asbestos removal services

Extraordinary repairs - \$8,000 .6% of budget

Lift station pumps

Equipment over \$5,000 - \$152,500 11% of budget

Elevator, lawn mowers and utility vehicle

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

Salaries and benefits - \$65,724 increase

4% and 4% compensation adjustment

Health insurance increase

\$52,142 of the increase is in fringe benefits – tried to fill 1.0 FTE position
with a temp employee but were forced to hire into FTE position

Increase in overtime due to comp time to overtime switch

Travel - \$21,000 increase

Increase in motor pool rates due to increased fuel prices

Other equipment under \$5,000 - \$11,050 increase

Need for air conditioners for facility

Repairs - \$3,350 increase

More money needed due to age of facility

Professional services - \$5,000 decrease

Decrease in services needed

Extraordinary repairs - \$78,960 decrease

Roofing repairs done in 05-07 biennium

Equipment over \$5,000 - \$149,100 increase

Increase due to need for elevator, utility vehicle and lawn mower

2005-2007 BUDGET

As of December 2006, 75% of this cost center's budget has been expended. Anticipate 100% expended by the end of the biennium.

Agency Name: VETERANS HOME

Program: Plant Operations

Reporting Level: 00-313-200-00-00-00-00000000

1 Object/Revenue		2	3	4	5	6	7
Description		2003-05 Biennium Expenditures	2005-07 First Year Expenditures	2005-07 Biennium Balance	2005-07 Biennium Appropriation	2007-09 Budget Recommendation	Change from 2005-2007
EXPENDITURES							
SALARIES - PERMANENT	511000	228,010	149,833	178,047	327,880	315,276	(12,604)
SALARIES - OTHER	512000	67,218	324	835	1,159	6,000	4,841
OVERTIME	514000	0	7,561	8,389	15,950	20,000	4,050
FRINGE BENEFITS	516000	90,387	43,456	24,444	67,900	120,042	52,142
SALARY INCREASE	599110	0	0	0	0	14,792	14,792
BENEFIT INCREASE	599160	0	0	0	0	2,503	2,503
SALARIES AND WAGES	10	385,615	201,174	211,715	412,889	478,613	65,724
MEANS OF FUNDING							
STATE GENERAL FUND	001	66,034	113,079	4,872	117,951	73,873	(44,078)
General Fund	GEN	66,034	113,079	4,872	117,951	73,873	(44,078)
SOLDIERS HOME FUND 380	380	319,581	88,095	206,843	294,938	404,740	109,802
Special Funds	SPEC	319,581	88,095	206,843	294,938	404,740	109,802
EXPENDITURES							
TRAVEL	521000	85,025	47,405	26,595	74,000	95,000	21,000
SUPPLY/MATERIAL-PROFESSIONAL	532000	831	95	155	250	250	0
FOOD AND CLOTHING	533000	34	0	0	0	0	0
BLDG, GROUND, MAINTENANCE	534000	105,915	65,145	54,855	120,000	120,000	0
MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES	535000	6,245	1,846	3,154	5,000	5,000	0
OFFICE SUPPLIES	536000	3	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER EQUIP UNDER \$5,000	552000	16,871	4,204	3,096	7,300	18,350	11,050
UTILITIES	561000	457,241	208,779	256,221	465,000	465,000	0
INSURANCE	571000	881	881	1,119	2,000	2,000	0
RENTALS/LEASES-EQUIP & OTHER	581000	477	220	280	500	500	0
RENTALS/LEASES - BLDG/LAND	582000	3,193	1,869	2,131	4,000	4,000	0
REPAIRS	591000	114,143	40,868	20,782	61,650	65,000	3,350

Agency Name: VETERANS HOME

Program: Plant Operations

Reporting Level: 00-313-200-00-00-00-00000000

1 Object/Revenue Description Code		2 2003-05 Biennium Expenditures	3 2005-07 First Year Expenditures	4 2005-07 Biennium Balance	5 2005-07 Biennium Appropriation	6 2007-09 Budget Recommendation	7 Change from 2005-2007
EXPENDITURES							
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	611000	1,678	315	685	1,000	1,000	0
OPERATING FEES AND SERVICES	621000	6,575	774	1,726	2,500	2,500	0
FEES - PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	623000	17,112	9,558	442	10,000	5,000	(5,000)
MEDICAL, DENTAL AND OPTICAL	625000	0	1,139	61	1,200	0	(1,200)
OPERATING EXPENSES	30	816,224	383,098	371,302	754,400	783,600	29,200
MEANS OF FUNDING							
STATE GENERAL FUND	001	36,531	3,154	353,573	356,727	356,727	0
General Fund	GEN	36,531	3,154	353,573	356,727	356,727	0
SOLDIERS HOME FUND 380	380	779,693	379,944	17,729	397,673	426,873	29,200
Special Funds	SPEC	779,693	379,944	17,729	397,673	426,873	29,200
EXPENDITURES							
EXTRAORDINARY REPAIRS	684000	41,789	9,860	77,100	86,960	8,000	(78,960)
EQUIPMENT OVER \$5000	691000	6,250	0	3,400	3,400	152,500	149,100
MOTOR VEHICLES	692000	30,263	0	0	0	0	0
CAPITAL ASSETS	50	78,302	9,860	80,500	90,360	160,500	70,140
MEANS OF FUNDING							
STATE GENERAL FUND	001	0	0	56,131	56,131	142,960	86,829
General Fund	GEN	0	0	56,131	56,131	142,960	86,829
SOLDIERS HOME FUND 380	380	78,302	9,860	24,369	34,229	17,540	(16,689)
Special Funds	SPEC	78,302	9,860	24,369	34,229	17,540	(16,689)
EXPENDITURES							
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		1,280,141	594,132	663,517	1,257,649	1,422,713	165,064
MEANS OF FUNDING							
TOTAL FUNDING		1,280,141	594,132	663,517	1,257,649	1,422,713	165,064

Agency Name: VETERANS HOME

Program: Plant Operations

Reporting Level: 00-313-200-00-00-00-00000000

1 Object/Revenue Code		2 2003-05 Biennium Expenditures	3 2005-07 First Year Expenditures	4 2005-07 Biennium Balance	5 2005-07 Biennium Appropriation	6 2007-09 Budget Recommendation	7 Change from 2005-2007
Description							
FTE	AUTHORIZED EMPLOYEES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4.00	4.00

**NORTH DAKOTA VETERANS HOME
2007-2009 BUDGET DETAIL**

**DIETARY DEPARTMENT
Reporting level 00-313-300-00**

EXPLANATION OF PROGRAM COSTS

The dietary department is responsible for cooking and serving meals to all residents, staff and guests at the Veterans Home. They serve approximately 8,500 meals per month.

BUDGET BY TRADITIONAL LINE

<u>Description</u>	<u>2005-2007</u>	<u>2007-2009</u>	<u>% of</u>	<u>Change</u>
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Executive Recommendation</u>	<u>Executive Recommendation</u>	<u>From 05-07</u>
Salaries	1,074,026	1,195,344	66%	121,318
Operating	570,900	610,100	34%	39,200
Capital	11,100	0	0%	-11,100
Total	1,656,026	1,805,444	100%	149,418
General	642,522	1,068,374		425,852
Special	1,013,504	737,070		-276,434
Total	1,656,026	1,805,444		149,418
FTE	15.55	15.55		0

LINE ITEM DETAIL

Salaries and Benefits - \$1,195,344 66% of budget

Professional supplies and materials - \$23,000 1% of budget

Food - \$522,000 29% of budget

Building, ground and maintenance - \$7,500 .4% of budget
Repair parts, janitorial supplies

Miscellaneous supplies - \$20,000 1% of budget
Dishes, silverware, equipment under \$750, paper products

Other equipment under \$5,000 - \$26,900 1.5% of budget
Dietary equipment includes mixer, meat slicer, potato peeler and dining room chairs

Repairs - \$5,000 .3% of budget

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

Salaries and benefits - \$121,318 increase

4% and 4% compensation adjustment

Health insurance increase

Shift differential pay instituted for weekends

Food and Clothing - \$13,000 increase

Increase in food costs mostly due to increase in fuel prices

Miscellaneous supplies - \$8,550 increase

Price increases, need for more dishes, pots and pans

Other equipment under \$5,000 - \$19,400 increase

Replace worn out equipment

IT contractual services - \$1,400 decrease

Contractual services reclassified to Administration department

Equipment over \$5,000 - \$11,100 decrease

No equipment over \$5,000 needed

2005-2007 BUDGET

As of December 2006, 70% of this cost center's budget has been expended. Anticipate 100% expended by the end of the biennium.

Agency Name: VETERANS HOME

Program: Dietary

Reporting Level: 00-313-300-00-00-00-00000000

1 Object/Revenue		2	3	4	5	6	7
Description		2003-05 Biennium Expenditures	2005-07 First Year Expenditures	2005-07 Biennium Balance	2005-07 Biennium Appropriation	2007-09 Budget Recommendation	Change from 2005-2007
EXPENDITURES							
SALARIES - PERMANENT	511000	516,934	291,156	372,339	663,495	705,954	42,459
SALARIES - OTHER	512000	71,556	1,697	2,703	4,400	15,000	10,600
TEMPORARY SALARIES	513000	0	12,672	19,228	31,900	28,000	(3,900)
OVERTIME	514000	0	7,433	9,727	17,160	16,000	(1,160)
FRINGE BENEFITS	516000	280,892	151,291	205,780	357,071	378,232	21,161
SALARY INCREASE	599110	0	0	0	0	44,070	44,070
BENEFIT INCREASE	599160	0	0	0	0	8,088	8,088
SALARIES AND WAGES	10	869,382	464,249	609,777	1,074,026	1,195,344	121,318
MEANS OF FUNDING							
STATE GENERAL FUND	001	259,462	289,928	112,955	402,883	828,735	425,852
General Fund	GEN	259,462	289,928	112,955	402,883	828,735	425,852
SOLDIERS HOME FUND 380	380	609,920	174,321	496,822	671,143	366,609	(304,534)
Special Funds	SPEC	609,920	174,321	496,822	671,143	366,609	(304,534)
EXPENDITURES							
TRAVEL	521000	1,145	617	1,083	1,700	1,700	0
SUPPLY/MATERIAL-PROFESSIONAL	532000	17,528	11,548	11,452	23,000	23,000	0
FOOD AND CLOTHING	533000	482,756	244,351	264,649	509,000	522,000	13,000
BLDG, GROUND, MAINTENANCE	534000	7,404	4,422	3,078	7,500	7,500	0
MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES	535000	6,191	9,879	1,571	11,450	20,000	8,550
OFFICE SUPPLIES	536000	255	143	357	500	500	0
PRINTING	542000	11,585	176	324	500	500	0
IT EQUIP UNDER \$5,000	551000	696	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER EQUIP UNDER \$5,000	552000	10,091	7,211	289	7,500	26,900	19,400
OFFICE EQUIP & FURN SUPPLIES	553000	0	348	2	350	0	(350)
REPAIRS	591000	785	3,115	1,885	5,000	5,000	0

Agency Name: VETERANS HOME

Program: Dietary

Reporting Level: 00-313-300-00-00-00-00000000

1 Object/Revenue Description	Code	2 2003-05 Biennium Expenditures	3 2005-07 First Year Expenditures	4 2005-07 Biennium Balance	5 2005-07 Biennium Appropriation	6 2007-09 Budget Recommendation	7 Change from 2005-2007
EXPENDITURES							
IT CONTRACTUAL SERVICES AND RE	603000	700	1,400	0	1,400	0	(1,400)
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	611000	2,506	583	1,217	1,800	1,800	0
OPERATING FEES AND SERVICES	621000	1,047	237	263	500	500	0
FEES - PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	623000	700	130	370	500	500	0
MEDICAL, DENTAL AND OPTICAL	625000	88	60	140	200	200	0
OPERATING EXPENSES	30	543,477	284,220	286,680	570,900	610,100	39,200
MEANS OF FUNDING							
V.A. REIMBURSEMENT	H102	0	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Funds	FED	0	0	0	0	0	0
STATE GENERAL FUND	001	15,772	0	239,639	239,639	239,639	0
General Fund	GEN	15,772	0	239,639	239,639	239,639	0
SOLDIERS HOME FUND 380	380	527,705	284,220	47,041	331,261	370,461	39,200
Special Funds	SPEC	527,705	284,220	47,041	331,261	370,461	39,200
EXPENDITURES							
EQUIPMENT OVER \$5000	691000	10,836	11,050	50	11,100	0	(11,100)
CAPITAL ASSETS	50	10,836	11,050	50	11,100	0	(11,100)
MEANS OF FUNDING							
SOLDIERS HOME FUND 380	380	10,836	11,050	50	11,100	0	(11,100)
Special Funds	SPEC	10,836	11,050	50	11,100	0	(11,100)
EXPENDITURES							
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		1,423,695	759,519	896,507	1,656,026	1,805,444	149,418
MEANS OF FUNDING							
TOTAL FUNDING		1,423,695	759,519	896,507	1,656,026	1,805,444	149,418

Agency Name: VETERANS HOME

Program: Dietary

Reporting Level: 00-313-300-00-00-00-00000000

1 Object/Revenue Description Code		2 2003-05 Biennium Expenditures	3 2005-07 First Year Expenditures	4 2005-07 Biennium Balance	5 2005-07 Biennium Appropriation	6 2007-09 Budget Recommendation	7 Change from 2005-2007
FTE AUTHORIZED EMPLOYEES		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	15.55	15.55

NORTH DAKOTA VETERANS HOME

2007-2009 BUDGET DETAIL

NURSING DEPARTMENT

Reporting level 00-313-300-00

EXPLANATION OF PROGRAM COSTS

The nursing department is responsible for the medical needs of the skilled and basic residents. Nursing dispenses approximately 47,000 pills per month, provides blood pressure checks, glucose screenings, nebulizer treatments and various other tests and services for the residents.

Expenses cover such things as lab and medical supplies, primary care expenses for medical services, labs, x-rays and various other tests, consultants for physical and occupational therapists and psychiatrists, charting supplies and continuing education for employees.

BUDGET BY TRADITIONAL LINE

<u>Description</u>	<u>2005-2007 Budget</u>	<u>2007-2009 Executive Recommendation</u>	<u>% of Executive Recommendation</u>	<u>Change From 05-07</u>
Salaries	3,935,129	4,593,859	89%	658,730
Operating	570,050	541,700	11%	-28,350
Capital	6,460	6,442	0%	-18
Total	4,511,639	5,142,001	100%	630,362
General	1,746,453	1,406,041		-340,412
Special	2,765,186	3,735,960		970,774
Total	4,511,639	5,142,001		630,362
FTE	47.32	47.32		0

LINE ITEM DETAIL

Salaries and Benefits - \$4,593,859 89% of budget

Travel - \$8,000 .2% of budget

Expenses include employee reimbursed travel

Supplies and materials/professional - \$14,500 .3% of budget

Resource materials, educational supplies and subscriptions

Food and Clothing - \$30,000 .6% of budget

Incontinent briefs

Miscellaneous supplies - \$26,500 .5% of budget
Health and beauty supplies, miscellaneous supplies

Office supplies - \$9,500 .2% of budget
Charts and charting supplies

Other equipment under \$5,000 - \$7,200 .1% of budget
Need for bariatric equipment

Professional development - \$20,000 .4% of budget
Workshop and convention registrations, dues and memberships and tuition reimbursements

Operating fees and services - \$7,500 .1% of budget
Hazardous waste removal and help wanted ads

Professional services - \$232,000 5% of budget
Medical service consultants, PT/OT consultants and Psychiatric consultants, contract nursing services

Medical, dental and optical - \$178,000 3% of budget
Lab supplies, nursing supplies and equipment

Equipment over \$5,000 - \$6,442 .1% of budget
Bariatric bed

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

Salaries and benefits - \$658,730 increase
4% and 4% compensation adjustment
Health insurance increase
Overtime increase due to change from overtime to comp time and due to nursing shortage
Shift differential change – same differential for all staff
Inequity changes made in nursing department to retain staff – new hires were being hired at higher rates than current staff and current staff salaries were very unequal

Other equipment under \$5,000 - \$11,850 decrease
Fewer equipment needs

IT contractual services and repairs - \$13,000 decrease
Expenses reclassified to Administration department

Professional service fees - \$60,000 increase
Increase due to primary care lab and x-ray fees not covered in previous budget, and need for contract nursing

Medical, dental and optical - \$63,500 decrease

Stock medications for basic and skilled were transferred to nursing department

2005-2007 BUDGET

As of December 2006, 73% of this cost center's budget has been expended. Anticipate 100% expended by end of biennium.

Agency Name: VETERANS HOME

Program: Nursing Services

Reporting Level: 00-313-400-00-00-00-00000000

1 Object/Revenue		2	3	4	5	6	7
Description		2003-05 Biennium Expenditures	2005-07 First Year Expenditures	2005-07 Biennium Balance	2005-07 Biennium Appropriation	2007-09 Budget Recommendation	Change from 2005-2007
Code							
EXPENDITURES							
SALARIES - PERMANENT	511000	2,298,716	1,224,829	1,197,201	2,422,030	2,638,662	216,632
SALARIES - OTHER	512000	265,629	51,032	76,876	127,908	110,000	(17,908)
TEMPORARY SALARIES	513000	0	51,994	68,566	120,560	110,000	(10,560)
OVERTIME	514000	0	77,597	65,543	143,140	160,000	16,860
FRINGE BENEFITS	516000	1,010,665	575,399	546,092	1,121,491	1,378,002	256,511
SALARY INCREASE	599110	0	0	0	0	167,844	167,844
BENEFIT INCREASE	599160	0	0	0	0	29,351	29,351
SALARIES AND WAGES	10	3,575,010	1,980,851	1,954,278	3,935,129	4,593,859	658,730
MEANS OF FUNDING							
STATE GENERAL FUND	001	1,301,950	1,309,616	361,961	1,671,577	1,359,381	(312,196)
General Fund	GEN	1,301,950	1,309,616	361,961	1,671,577	1,359,381	(312,196)
SOLDIERS HOME FUND 380	380	2,273,060	671,235	1,592,317	2,263,552	3,234,478	970,926
Special Funds	SPEC	2,273,060	671,235	1,592,317	2,263,552	3,234,478	970,926
EXPENDITURES							
TRAVEL	521000	5,662	3,146	4,854	8,000	8,000	0
SUPPLIES - IT SOFTWARE	531000	396	0	0	0	0	0
SUPPLY/MATERIAL-PROFESSIONAL	532000	13,414	6,581	7,919	14,500	14,500	0
FOOD AND CLOTHING	533000	31,922	10,831	19,169	30,000	30,000	0
BLDG, GROUND, MAINTENANCE	534000	3,122	2,839	3,161	6,000	6,000	0
MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES	535000	28,880	9,688	16,812	26,500	26,500	0
OFFICE SUPPLIES	536000	7,266	3,983	5,517	9,500	9,500	0
OTHER EQUIP UNDER \$5,000	552000	35,830	13,892	5,158	19,050	7,200	(11,850)
OFFICE EQUIP & FURN SUPPLIES	553000	8,501	0	0	0	0	0
REPAIRS	591000	754	651	1,849	2,500	2,500	0
IT CONTRACTUAL SERVICES AND RE	603000	0	0	13,000	13,000	0	(13,000)

Agency Name: VETERANS HOME

Program: Nursing Services

Reporting Level: 00-313-400-00-00-00-00000000

1 Object/Revenue Description Code		2 2003-05 Biennium Expenditures	3 2005-07 First Year Expenditures	4 2005-07 Biennium Balance	5 2005-07 Biennium Appropriation	6 2007-09 Budget Recommendation	7 Change from 2005-2007
EXPENDITURES							
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	611000	10,185	7,763	12,237	20,000	20,000	0
OPERATING FEES AND SERVICES	621000	7,704	2,715	4,785	7,500	7,500	0
FEES - PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	623000	148,618	144,937	27,063	172,000	232,000	60,000
MEDICAL, DENTAL AND OPTICAL	625000	267,032	79,860	161,640	241,500	178,000	(63,500)
OPERATING EXPENSES	30	569,286	286,886	283,164	570,050	541,700	(28,350)
MEANS OF FUNDING							
STATE GENERAL FUND	001	0	0	74,876	74,876	46,660	(28,216)
General Fund	GEN	0	0	74,876	74,876	46,660	(28,216)
SOLDIERS HOME FUND 380	380	569,286	286,886	208,288	495,174	495,040	(134)
Special Funds	SPEC	569,286	286,886	208,288	495,174	495,040	(134)
EXPENDITURES							
EQUIPMENT OVER \$5000	691000	11,760	6,460	0	6,460	6,442	(18)
CAPITAL ASSETS	50	11,760	6,460	0	6,460	6,442	(18)
MEANS OF FUNDING							
SOLDIERS HOME FUND 380	380	11,760	6,460	0	6,460	6,442	(18)
Special Funds	SPEC	11,760	6,460	0	6,460	6,442	(18)
EXPENDITURES							
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		4,156,056	2,274,197	2,237,442	4,511,639	5,142,001	630,362
MEANS OF FUNDING							
TOTAL FUNDING		4,156,056	2,274,197	2,237,442	4,511,639	5,142,001	630,362
AUTHORIZED EMPLOYEES							
FTE		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	45.82	45.82
VACANT		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.50	1.50

**NORTH DAKOTA VETERANS HOME
2007-2009 BUDGET DETAIL**

**RESIDENT SERVICES (ACTIVITIES) DEPARTMENT
Reporting level 00-313-500-00**

EXPLANATION OF PROGRAM COSTS

The majority of the expenses for resident services are for salaries and benefits. Additional funding is for workshops, travel and supplies. All funding for resident activities is through donations.

BUDGET BY TRADITIONAL LINE

<u>Description</u>	<u>2005-2007 Budget</u>	<u>2007-2009 Executive Recommendation</u>	<u>% of Executive Recommendation</u>	<u>Change From 05-07</u>
Salaries	325,553	349,367	98%	23,814
Operating	4,700	7,600	2%	2,900
Capital	0	0	0%	0
Total	330,253	356,967	100%	26,714
General	112,839	1,995		-110,844
Special	217,414	354,972		137,558
Total	330,253	356,967		26,714
FTE	3.6	3.6		0

LINE ITEM DETAIL

Salaries and Benefits - \$349,367 98% of budget
 Activities Supervisor – 1.0 FTE
 Activities Assistants – 2.6

Travel - \$2,200 .6% of budget
 Expenses include employee reimbursed travel

Supplies and materials/professional - \$1,000 .3% of budget
 Resource materials and educational supplies

Postage - \$2,200 .6% of budget
 Postage for mailing of the Scuttlebutt, our newsletter that is mailed out every three to four

months to about 800 organizations and individuals

Professional development - \$1,600 .4% of budget

Workshop and convention registrations and membership fees

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

Salaries and benefits - \$23,814 increase

4% and 4% compensation adjustment

Health insurance increase

Postage - \$2,200 increase

Expenses for mailing of Scuttlebutt have been paid from funds donated for activities for the residents

Travel - \$1,150 increase

Increase in travel expenses related to continuing education and resident activities

2005-2007 BUDGET

As of December 2006, 74% of this cost center's budget has been expended. Anticipate 100% expended by end of biennium.

Agency Name: VETERANS HOME

Program: Resident Services

Reporting Level: 00-313-500-00-00-00-00000000

1 Object/Revenue Description Code		2 2003-05 Biennium Expenditures	3 2005-07 First Year Expenditures	4 2005-07 Biennium Balance	5 2005-07 Biennium Appropriation	6 2007-09 Budget Recommendation	7 Change from 2005-2007
EXPENDITURES							
SALARIES - PERMANENT	511000	182,393	106,611	108,858	215,469	216,828	1,359
SALARIES - OTHER	512000	31,547	29	71	100	1,000	900
OVERTIME	514000	0	6,805	16,195	23,000	13,000	(10,000)
FRINGE BENEFITS	516000	80,250	44,085	42,899	86,984	104,534	17,550
SALARY INCREASE	599110	0	0	0	0	11,883	11,883
BENEFIT INCREASE	599160	0	0	0	0	2,122	2,122
SALARIES AND WAGES	10	294,190	157,530	168,023	325,553	349,367	23,814
MEANS OF FUNDING							
STATE GENERAL FUND	001	55,944	101,442	9,411	110,853	0	(110,853)
General Fund	GEN	55,944	101,442	9,411	110,853	0	(110,853)
SOLDIERS HOME FUND 380	380	238,246	56,088	158,612	214,700	349,367	134,667
Special Funds	SPEC	238,246	56,088	158,612	214,700	349,367	134,667
EXPENDITURES							
TRAVEL	521000	1,103	1,050	0	1,050	2,200	1,150
SUPPLY/MATERIAL-PROFESSIONAL	532000	699	367	633	1,000	1,000	0
MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES	535000	648	238	262	500	500	0
POSTAGE	541000	150	0	0	0	2,200	2,200
OFFICE EQUIP & FURN SUPPLIES	553000	1,089	0	0	0	0	0
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	611000	1,513	812	788	1,600	1,600	0
OPERATING FEES AND SERVICES	621000	298	62	38	100	100	0
FEES - PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	623000	61	170	280	450	0	(450)
OPERATING EXPENSES	30	5,561	2,699	2,001	4,700	7,600	2,900
MEANS OF FUNDING							
STATE GENERAL FUND	001	376	0	1,986	1,986	1,995	9
General Fund	GEN	376	0	1,986	1,986	1,995	9

Agency Name: VETERANS HOME

Program: Resident Services

Reporting Level: 00-313-500-00-00-00-00000000

1 Object/Revenue Description	Code	2 2003-05 Biennium Expenditures	3 2005-07 First Year Expenditures	4 2005-07 Biennium Balance	5 2005-07 Biennium Appropriation	6 2007-09 Budget Recommendation	7 Change from 2005-2007
MEANS OF FUNDING							
SOLDIERS HOME FUND 380	380	5,185	2,699	15	2,714	5,605	2,891
Special Funds	SPEC	5,185	2,699	15	2,714	5,605	2,891
EXPENDITURES							
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		299,751	160,229	170,024	330,253	356,967	26,714
MEANS OF FUNDING							
TOTAL FUNDING		299,751	160,229	170,024	330,253	356,967	26,714
AUTHORIZED EMPLOYEES							
FTE		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.60	3.60

**NORTH DAKOTA VETERANS HOME
2007-2009 BUDGET DETAIL**

**SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT
Reporting level 00-313-600-00**

EXPLANATION OF PROGRAM COSTS

The social services department acts and the liaison and resident advocate for resident and family members regarding individual issues to ensure that the residents' personal, social and emotional needs are being met.

The social services department costs include salaries and benefits, pastoral fees, resource materials and supplies, membership dues and professional development.

BUDGET BY TRADITIONAL LINE

<u>Description</u>	<u>2005-2007 Budget</u>	<u>2007-2009 Executive Recommendation</u>	<u>% of Executive Recommendation</u>	<u>Change From 05-07</u>
Salaries	606,603	601,357	97%	-5,246
Operating	17,200	17,700	3%	500
Capital	0	0	0%	0
Total	623,803	619,057	100%	-4,746
General	199,859	0		-199,859
Special	423,944	619,057		195,113
Total	623,803	619,057		-4,746
FTE	5	5		0

LINE ITEM DETAIL

Salaries and Benefits - \$601,357 97% of budget
 Social Services Director 1.0 FTE
 Social Worker – 1.0 FTE
 Admissions coordinator/Social worker – 1.0 FTE
 Addiction Counselor – 1.0 FTE
 Transportation Coordinator - 1.0 FTE

Travel - \$4,000 .6% of budget
 Expenses include employee reimbursed travel

Supplies and materials/professional - \$3,500 .6% of budget
Resource materials, educational supplies and testing supplies

Professional development - \$5,000 .8% of budget
Workshop and convention registrations, dues and memberships and tuition reimbursements

Professional services - \$4,500 .7% of budget
Religious support

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

Salaries and benefits - \$5,246 decrease
Religious support services moved from FTE position to consultant position
4% and 4% compensation adjustment
Health insurance increase

Professional development - \$2,000 decrease
Decrease in continuing education expenses

Professional service fees - \$2,000 increase
Religious support services moved from FTE position to consultant position

2005-2007 BUDGET

As of December 2006, 68% of this cost center's budget has been expended. Anticipate 100% by the end of the biennium.

Agency Name: VETERANS HOME

Program: Social Services

Reporting Level: 00-313-600-00-00-00-00000000

1 Object/Revenue		2	3	4	5	6	7
Description		2003-05 Biennium Expenditures	2005-07 First Year Expenditures	2005-07 Biennium Balance	2005-07 Biennium Appropriation	2007-09 Budget Recommendation	Change from 2005-2007
EXPENDITURES							
SALARIES - PERMANENT	511000	268,082	188,728	262,851	451,579	394,606	(56,973)
SALARIES - OTHER	512000	50,421	0	0	0	0	0
TEMPORARY SALARIES	513000	0	2,332	2,668	5,000	9,000	4,000
OVERTIME	514000	0	8,530	16,110	24,640	20,000	(4,640)
FRINGE BENEFITS	516000	91,023	64,821	60,563	125,384	152,772	27,388
SALARY INCREASE	599110	0	0	0	0	21,363	21,363
BENEFIT INCREASE	599160	0	0	0	0	3,616	3,616
SALARIES AND WAGES	10	409,526	264,411	342,192	606,603	601,357	(5,246)
MEANS OF FUNDING							
STATE GENERAL FUND	001	97,636	175,408	24,451	199,859	0	(199,859)
General Fund	GEN	97,636	175,408	24,451	199,859	0	(199,859)
SOLDIERS HOME FUND 380	380	311,890	89,003	317,741	406,744	601,357	194,613
Special Funds	SPEC	311,890	89,003	317,741	406,744	601,357	194,613
EXPENDITURES							
TRAVEL	521000	5,636	2,975	525	3,500	4,000	500
SUPPLY/MATERIAL-PROFESSIONAL	532000	10,432	1,548	1,952	3,500	3,500	0
MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES	535000	0	36	14	50	200	150
OFFICE SUPPLIES	536000	581	0	0	0	0	0
PRINTING	542000	44	110	40	150	0	(150)
OFFICE EQUIP & FURN SUPPLIES	553000	478	0	0	0	0	0
UTILITIES	561000	14	0	0	0	0	0
RENTALS/LEASES-EQUIP & OTHER	581000	17	0	0	0	0	0
IT CONTRACTUAL SERVICES AND RE	603000	156	0	0	0	0	0
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	611000	4,954	6,829	171	7,000	5,000	(2,000)
OPERATING FEES AND SERVICES	621000	1,233	260	240	500	500	0

Agency Name: VETERANS HOME

Program: Social Services

Reporting Level: 00-313-600-00-00-00-00000000

1 Object/Revenue Description Code		2 2003-05 Biennium Expenditures	3 2005-07 First Year Expenditures	4 2005-07 Biennium Balance	5 2005-07 Biennium Appropriation	6 2007-09 Budget Recommendation	7 Change from 2005-2007
EXPENDITURES							
FEES - PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	623000	26,865	2,080	420	-2,500	4,500	2,000
OPERATING EXPENSES	30	50,410	13,838	3,362	17,200	17,700	500
MEANS OF FUNDING							
STATE GENERAL FUND	001	1,150	0	0	0	0	0
General Fund	GEN	1,150	0	0	0	0	0
SOLDIERS HOME FUND 380	380	49,260	13,838	3,362	17,200	17,700	500
Special Funds	SPEC	49,260	13,838	3,362	17,200	17,700	500
EXPENDITURES							
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		459,936	278,249	345,554	623,803	619,057	(4,746)
MEANS OF FUNDING							
TOTAL FUNDING		459,936	278,249	345,554	623,803	619,057	(4,746)
AUTHORIZED EMPLOYEES							
FTE		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.00	5.00

NORTH DAKOTA VETERANS HOME

2007-2009 BUDGET DETAIL

HOUSEKEEPING DEPARTMENT

Reporting level 00-313-700-00

EXPLANATION OF PROGRAM COSTS

The housekeeping department cleans over 76,100 square feet of space in the Veterans Home and provides services 7 days a week on a routine basis.

The housekeeping department costs include salaries, cleaning supplies and chemicals, cleaning equipment, toiletry items, beds, resident room furnishings, tile, carpeting, chairs and other furnishings for the building.

BUDGET BY TRADITIONAL LINE

<u>Description</u>	<u>2005-2007 Budget</u>	<u>2007-2009 Executive Recommendation</u>	<u>% of Executive Recommendation</u>	<u>Change From 05-07</u>
Salaries	549,914	607,296	65%	57,382
Operating	109,445	298,750	32%	189,305
Capital	21,851	23,200	2%	1,349
Total	681,210	929,246	100%	248,036
General	273,286	195,000		-78,286
Special	407,924	734,246		326,322
Total	681,210	929,246		248,036
FTE	8	8		0

LINE ITEM DETAIL

Salaries and Benefits - \$607,296 65% of budget
Housekeeping Supervisor – 1.0 FTE
Custodians – 7.0 FTE

Travel - \$500
Expenses include employee reimbursed travel

Supplies and materials/professional - \$38,000 4% of budget
Chemicals

Building, ground and maintenance - \$32,500 3% of budget

Janitorial supplies and building supplies

Miscellaneous supplies - \$10,000 1% of budget
Paper products

Other equipment under \$5,000 - \$202,750 22% of budget
Replacement computers and printers, video conferencing equipment and computer based training equipment

Repairs - \$4,000 .4% of budget
Equipment repairs

Operating fees and services - \$9,500 1% of budget
Extermination services

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

Salaries and benefits - \$57,382 increase
4% and 4% compensation adjustment
Health insurance increase
Instituted a weekend shift differential

Other equipment under \$5,000 - \$190,055 increase
50 new beds and new bedroom furniture for basic care

2005-2007 BUDGET

As of December 2006, 74% of this cost center's budget has been expended. Anticipate 100% by the end of the biennium.

Agency Name: VETERANS HOME

Program: Housekeeping

Reporting Level: 00-313-700-00-00-00-00000000

1 Object/Revenue Description Code		2 2003-05 Biennium Expenditures	3 2005-07 First Year Expenditures	4 2005-07 Biennium Balance	5 2005-07 Biennium Appropriation	6 2007-09 Budget Recommendation	7 Change from 2005-2007
EXPENDITURES							
SALARIES - PERMANENT	511000	290,953	170,290	175,460	345,750	353,610	7,860
SALARIES - OTHER	512000	44,174	1,104	2,196	3,300	3,000	(300)
TEMPORARY SALARIES	513000	0	8,052	17,248	25,300	23,000	(2,300)
OVERTIME	514000	0	2,561	6,679	9,240	3,500	(5,740)
FRINGE BENEFITS	516000	148,054	84,532	81,792	166,324	197,860	31,536
SALARY INCREASE	599110	0	0	0	0	22,289	22,289
BENEFIT INCREASE	599160	0	0	0	0	4,037	4,037
SALARIES AND WAGES	10	483,181	266,539	283,375	549,914	607,296	57,382
MEANS OF FUNDING							
STATE GENERAL FUND	001	98,921	169,467	103,819	273,286	0	(273,286)
General Fund	GEN	98,921	169,467	103,819	273,286	0	(273,286)
SOLDIERS HOME FUND 380	380	384,260	97,072	179,556	276,628	607,296	330,668
Special Funds	SPEC	384,260	97,072	179,556	276,628	607,296	330,668
EXPENDITURES							
TRAVEL	521000	336	215	285	500	500	0
SUPPLY/MATERIAL-PROFESSIONAL	532000	33,716	16,822	21,178	38,000	38,000	0
BLDG, GROUND, MAINTENANCE	534000	37,906	16,702	15,798	32,500	32,500	0
MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES	535000	6,874	5,155	3,845	9,000	10,000	1,000
OFFICE SUPPLIES	536000	343	0	0	0	0	0
PRINTING	542000	621	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER EQUIP UNDER \$5,000	552000	5,852	0	12,695	12,695	202,750	190,055
OFFICE EQUIP & FURN SUPPLIES	553000	19,781	806	194	1,000	0	(1,000)
REPAIRS	591000	0	2,202	1,798	4,000	4,000	0
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	611000	1,701	240	760	1,000	1,000	0
OPERATING FEES AND SERVICES	621000	8,829	4,723	4,777	9,500	9,500	0

Agency Name: VETERANS HOME

Program: Housekeeping

Reporting Level: 00-313-700-00-00-00-00000000

1 Object/Revenue Description Code		2 2003-05 Biennium Expenditures	3 2005-07 First Year Expenditures	4 2005-07 Biennium Balance	5 2005-07 Biennium Appropriation	6 2007-09 Budget Recommendation	7 Change from 2005-2007
EXPENDITURES							
FEES - PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	623000	0	120	380	500	500	0
MEDICAL, DENTAL AND OPTICAL	625000	348	539	211	750	0	(750)
OPERATING EXPENSES	30	116,307	47,524	61,921	109,445	298,750	189,305
MEANS OF FUNDING							
STATE GENERAL FUND	001	5,905	0	0	0	195,000	195,000
General Fund	GEN	5,905	0	0	0	195,000	195,000
SOLDIERS HOME FUND 380	380	110,402	47,524	61,921	109,445	103,750	(5,695)
Special Funds	SPEC	110,402	47,524	61,921	109,445	103,750	(5,695)
EXPENDITURES							
LAND AND BUILDINGS	682000	0	0	0	0	0	0
EXTRAORDINARY REPAIRS	684000	10,160	3,535	18,316	21,851	23,200	1,349
CAPITAL ASSETS	50	10,160	3,535	18,316	21,851	23,200	1,349
MEANS OF FUNDING							
STATE GENERAL FUND	001	0	0	0	0	0	0
General Fund	GEN	0	0	0	0	0	0
SOLDIERS HOME FUND 380	380	10,160	3,535	18,316	21,851	23,200	1,349
Special Funds	SPEC	10,160	3,535	18,316	21,851	23,200	1,349
EXPENDITURES							
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		609,648	317,598	363,612	681,210	929,246	248,036
MEANS OF FUNDING							
TOTAL FUNDING		609,648	317,598	363,612	681,210	929,246	248,036
AUTHORIZED EMPLOYEES							
FTE		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8.00	8.00

NORTH DAKOTA VETERANS HOME

2007-2009 BUDGET DETAIL

LAUNDRY DEPARTMENT

Reporting level 00-313-800-00

EXPLANATION OF PROGRAM COSTS

Laundry services are provided 5 days a week with an average of 5,500 lbs of laundry per month for basic and 13,500 lbs per month for skilled.

Costs for the laundry department include salaries, equipment and repair costs, laundry supplies and chemicals, towels and bedding.

BUDGET BY TRADITIONAL LINE

<u>Description</u>	<u>2005-2007 Budget</u>	<u>2007-2009 Executive Recommendation</u>	<u>% of Executive Recommendation</u>	<u>Change From 05-07</u>
Salaries	112,079	103,460	59%	-8,619
Operating	64,000	71,500	41%	7,500
Capital	0	0	0%	0
Total	176,079	174,960	100%	-1,119
General	34,589	349		-34,240
Special	141,490	174,611		33,121
Total	176,079	174,960		-1,119
FTE	1.6	1		-6

LINE ITEM DETAIL

Salaries and Benefits - \$103,460 59% of budget

Supplies and materials/professional - \$8,000 5% of budget
Chemicals for laundry

Food and Clothing - \$20,000 11% of budget
Linens, towels and washcloths

Building, grounds and maintenance - \$15,000 9% of budget
Equipment repair parts

Miscellaneous supplies - \$4,500 3% of budget

Laundry supplies

Utilities - \$20,000 11% of budget
Fuel oil for laundry

Repairs – \$4,000 2% of budget
Equipment repairs

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

Salaries and benefits - \$8,619 decrease

Decrease due to elimination of .6 FTE position (money used for inequity
adjustments in nursing)
4% and 4% compensation adjustment
Health insurance increase

Utilities - \$7,500 increase

Increase due to correct coding of fuel oil purchases

2005-2007 BUDGET

As of December 2006, 61% of this cost center's budget has been expended. Anticipate 100% by the end of the biennium.

Agency Name: VETERANS HOME

Program: Laundry

Reporting Level: 00-313-800-00-00-00-00000000

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EXPENDITURES							
SALARIES - PERMANENT	511000	69,296	43,688	27,611	71,299	71,274	(25)
SALARIES - OTHER	512000	23,201	0	0	0	0	0
OVERTIME	514000	0	311	689	1,000	1,000	0
FRINGE BENEFITS	516000	35,848	12,648	27,132	39,780	27,798	(11,982)
SALARY INCREASE	599110	0	0	0	0	2,898	2,898
BENEFIT INCREASE	599160	0	0	0	0	490	490
SALARIES AND WAGES	10	128,345	56,647	55,432	112,079	103,460	(8,619)
MEANS OF FUNDING							
STATE GENERAL FUND	001	26,964	29,352	4,888	34,240	0	(34,240)
General Fund	GEN	26,964	29,352	4,888	34,240	0	(34,240)
SOLDIERS HOME FUND 380	380	101,381	27,295	50,544	77,839	103,460	25,621
Special Funds	SPEC	101,381	27,295	50,544	77,839	103,460	25,621
EXPENDITURES							
SUPPLY/MATERIAL-PROFESSIONAL	532000	7,517	2,088	5,912	8,000	8,000	0
FOOD AND CLOTHING	533000	15,603	2,260	17,740	20,000	20,000	0
BLDG, GROUND, MAINTENANCE	534000	1,096	191	14,809	15,000	15,000	0
MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES	535000	1,919	1,629	2,871	4,500	4,500	0
OFFICE SUPPLIES	536000	82	0	0	0	0	0
IT EQUIP UNDER \$5,000	551000	687	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER EQUIP UNDER \$5,000	552000	300	0	0	0	0	0
UTILITIES	561000	8,372	8,253	4,247	12,500	20,000	7,500
REPAIRS	591000	0	0	4,000	4,000	4,000	0
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	611000	0	0	0	0	0	0
OPERATING FEES AND SERVICES	621000	237	0	0	0	0	0
OPERATING EXPENSES	30	35,813	14,421	49,579	64,000	71,500	7,500

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Program: Laundry

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MEANS OF FUNDING							
STATE GENERAL FUND	001	1,061	0	349	349	349	0
General Fund	GEN	1,061	0	349	349	349	0
SOLDIERS HOME FUND 380	380	34,752	14,421	49,230	63,651	71,151	7,500
Special Funds	SPEC	34,752	14,421	49,230	63,651	71,151	7,500
EXPENDITURES							
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		164,158	71,068	105,011	176,079	174,960	(1,119)
MEANS OF FUNDING							
TOTAL FUNDING		164,158	71,068	105,011	176,079	174,960	(1,119)
AUTHORIZED EMPLOYEES							
FTE		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00

**NORTH DAKOTA VETERANS HOME
2007-2009 BUDGET DETAIL**

**PHARMACY DEPARTMENT
Reporting level 00-313-900-00**

EXPLANATION OF PROGRAM COSTS

The pharmacy department is responsible for dispensing medications to all veteran residents at the Veterans Home and for providing stock medications to the basic and skilled nursing stations.

Program costs include salaries, medications, packaging supplies, licensing, resource materials and dues and memberships.

BUDGET BY TRADITIONAL LINE

<u>Description</u>	<u>2005-2007 Budget</u>	<u>2007-2009 Executive Recommendation</u>	<u>% of Executive Recommendation</u>	<u>Change From 05-07</u>
Salaries	168,044	181,380	18%	13,336
Operating	789,000	808,250	82%	19,250
Capital	0	0	0%	0
Total	957,044	989,630	100%	32,586
General	571,974	615,330		43,356
Special	385,070	374,300		-10,770
Total	957,044	989,630		32,586
FTE	1.5	1.5		0

LINE ITEM DETAIL

Salaries and Benefits - \$181,380 18% of budget
 Pharmacist - .5 FTE
 Pharmacy Tech - 1.0 FTE

Travel - \$500
 Expenses include employee reimbursed travel

Supplies and materials/professional - \$2,000 .2% of budget
 Resource materials

Office supplies - \$500

Labeling supplies

Printing - \$250

Prescription pads

Professional development - \$2,000 .2% of budget

Membership fees, pharmacy technician schooling

Operating fees and services - \$500

Licenses

Professional services - \$2,500 .2% of budget

Relief pharmacist to cover vacations and sick leave

Medical, dental and optical - \$800,000 81% of budget

Medications

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

Salaries and benefits - \$13,336 increase

4% and 4% compensation adjustment

Health insurance increase

IT contractual services and repairs - \$3,500 decrease

Expenses reclassified to Administration department

Medical, dental and optical - \$23,250 increase

Increase in rates for next biennium

2005-2007 BUDGET

As of December 2006, 79% of this cost center's budget has been expended. Anticipate 100% expended by the end of the biennium.

Agency Name: VETERANS HOME

Program: Pharmacy

Reporting Level: 00-313-900-00-00-00-00000000

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EXPENDITURES							
SALARIES - PERMANENT	511000	32,202	49,896	69,255	119,151	116,396	(2,755)
SALARIES - OTHER	512000	10	0	0	0	0	0
TEMPORARY SALARIES	513000	0	0	0	0	0	0
OVERTIME	514000	0	0	0	0	500	500
FRINGE BENEFITS	516000	11,622	18,332	30,561	48,893	54,286	5,393
SALARY INCREASE	599110	0	0	0	0	8,722	8,722
BENEFIT INCREASE	599160	0	0	0	0	1,476	1,476
SALARIES AND WAGES	10	43,834	68,228	99,816	168,044	181,380	13,336
MEANS OF FUNDING							
STATE GENERAL FUND	001	0	50,118	87,356	137,474	180,830	43,356
General Fund	GEN	0	50,118	87,356	137,474	180,830	43,356
SOLDIERS HOME FUND 380	380	43,834	18,110	12,460	30,570	550	(30,020)
Special Funds	SPEC	43,834	18,110	12,460	30,570	550	(30,020)
EXPENDITURES							
TRAVEL	521000	0	0	500	500	500	0
SUPPLIES - IT SOFTWARE	531000	16	305	195	500	0	(500)
SUPPLY/MATERIAL-PROFESSIONAL	532000	624	606	1,394	2,000	2,000	0
BLDG, GROUND, MAINTENANCE	534000	194	0	0	0	0	0
MISCELLANEOUS SUPPLIES	535000	0	0	0	0	0	0
OFFICE SUPPLIES	536000	634	150	350	500	500	0
POSTAGE	541000	10	0	0	0	0	0
PRINTING	542000	0	120	130	250	250	0
IT EQUIP UNDER \$5,000	551000	182	0	0	0	0	0
OTHER EQUIP UNDER \$5,000	552000	1,793	0	0	0	0	0
OFFICE EQUIP & FURN SUPPLIES	553000	355	0	0	0	0	0

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Program: Pharmacy

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EXPENDITURES							
IT CONTRACTUAL SERVICES AND RE	603000	1,120	3,330	170	3,500	0	(3,500)
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	611000	408	1,298	702	2,000	2,000	0
OPERATING FEES AND SERVICES	621000	175	275	225	500	500	0
FEES - PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	623000	0	1,195	1,305	2,500	2,500	0
MEDICAL, DENTAL AND OPTICAL	625000	158,218	396,241	380,509	776,750	800,000	23,250
EXTRAORDINARY REPAIRS	684000	2,830	0	0	0	0	0
OPERATING EXPENSES	30	166,559	403,520	385,480	789,000	808,250	19,250
MEANS OF FUNDING							
STATE GENERAL FUND	001	0	61,021	373,479	434,500	434,500	0
General Fund	GEN	0	61,021	373,479	434,500	434,500	0
SOLDIERS HOME FUND 380	380	166,559	342,499	12,001	354,500	373,750	19,250
Special Funds	SPEC	166,559	342,499	12,001	354,500	373,750	19,250
EXPENDITURES							
EXTRAORDINARY REPAIRS	684000	5,956	0	0	0	0	0
EQUIPMENT OVER \$5000	691000	35,435	0	0	0	0	0
IT EQUIPMENT OVER \$5000	693000	7,920	0	0	0	0	0
CAPITAL ASSETS	50	49,311	0	0	0	0	0
MEANS OF FUNDING							
SOLDIERS HOME FUND 380	380	49,311	0	0	0	0	0
Special Funds	SPEC	49,311	0	0	0	0	0
EXPENDITURES							
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		259,704	471,748	485,296	957,044	989,630	32,586
MEANS OF FUNDING							
TOTAL FUNDING		259,704	471,748	485,296	957,044	989,630	32,586

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Program: Pharmacy

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FTE AUTHORIZED EMPLOYEES		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.50	1.50

NURSING STAFFING

Basic Care Facility

Day Shift	LPN	2	Evening Shift	LPN	2	Night Shift	LPN	1
	C.N.A.	1		C.N.A.	1		C.N.A.	1
	RN	1		RN	none		RN	none

Nursing Home

Day Shift	LPN	2	Evening Shift	LPN	1	Night Shift	LPN	none
	C.N.A.	4		C.N.A.	4		C.N.A.	2
	RN	1		RN	1		RN	1



BASIC CARE STAFFING PATTERN

Day Shift	LPN	2	Evening Shift	LPN	2	Night Shift	LPN	1
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	RN	1		RN	none		RN	none

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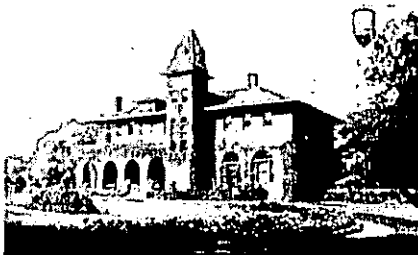
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Original Barracks - 1881
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Hospital Built in 1899

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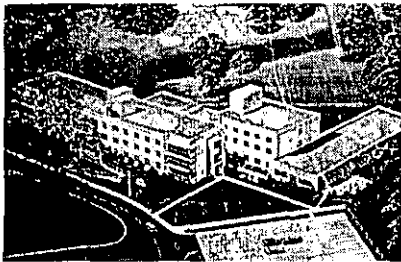
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Commandant's House
Built in 1907

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Aerial View of Current Facility

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Northwest View of Original Building

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Mental Health Disorders

- **Mood Disorder**
 - Major Depression
 - Bipolar Disorder
 - Dysthymic Disorder
- **Anxiety Disorder**
 - Obsessive-Compulsive
 - Post Traumatic Stress
 - Generalized Anxiety

Mental Health Disorders

- **Psychotic Symptoms**
 - Schizophrenia
 - Schizoaffective Disorder
 - Delusional Disorder
 - Psychotic Disorder
- **Personality Disorder**
 - Paranoid
 - Antisocial
 - Borderline
 - Narcissistic
 - Schizotypal
 - Avoidant

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1950's - Original Building

- Basic Care Resident Rooms, Administration, Nursing Station, Dining, Activity Space

1980's Addition

- Basic Care Resident Rooms, Skilled Care Rooms, Laundry, Maintenance

1991 Additions

- Skilled Care Resident Rooms, Kitchen, Therapy Services, Storage

Basic Care

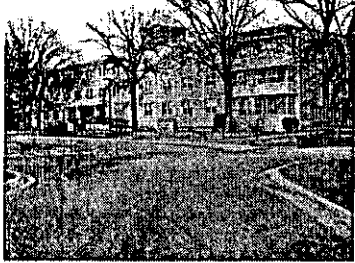
- Licensed to serve 111 Residents - Serves 90 Residents due to physical constraints of building - double occupancy per room

Skilled Care

- Licensed to serve 38 Residents at capacity: 18 double occupancy rooms & 2 single occupancy rooms



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Southwest View of Original Building

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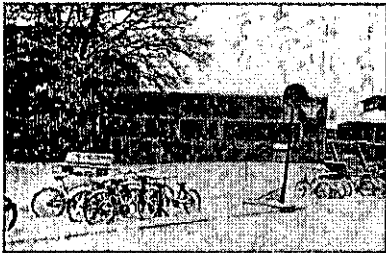
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1980 Addition

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Skilled Nursing Home - 1990

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Site View

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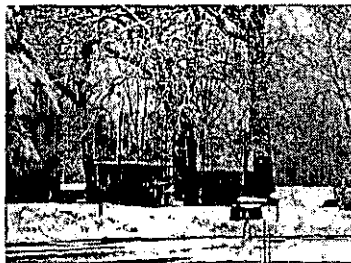
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Garage Built in 1996

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Ground Maintenance Building - 1940's

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Boiler Plant - 1980's

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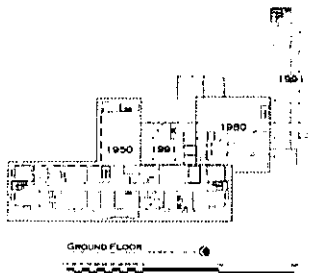
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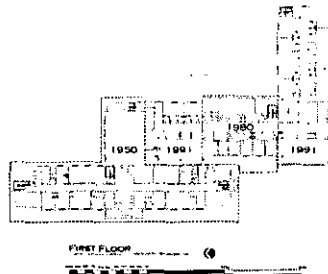
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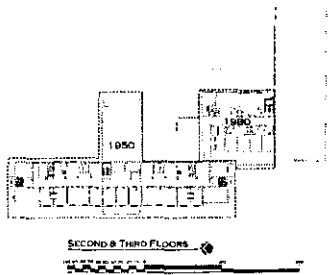
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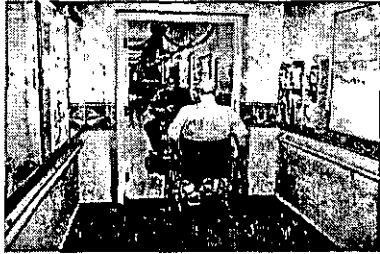
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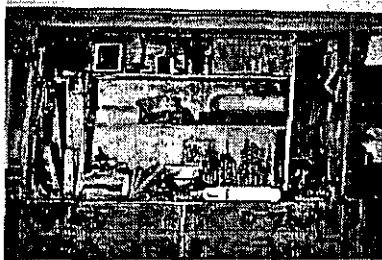
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Typical Hallway & Doorway Crowding
6 Foot Hallways

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Wardrobe Ventilation Issue

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Therapy Room Crowding

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Front Entrance and Smoking Area

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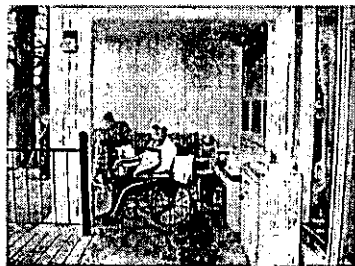
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Congested entry area.

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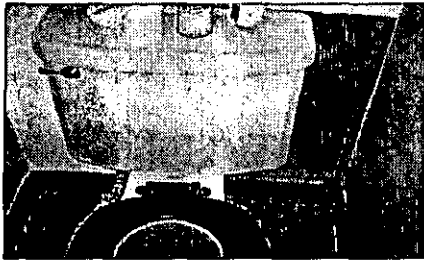
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Smoking area at main
entry - poor image.

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Resident Bathrooms - 1950

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Resident going into bathroom.

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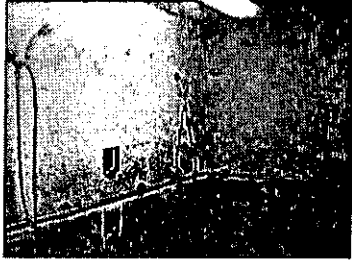
Rooms too small for
living space.



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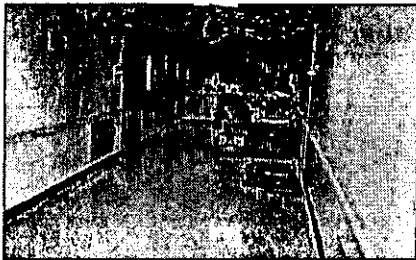
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Lack of private showers.



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Motorized Cart Storage - Block Doorway

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3 Doorway Separation

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Unloading Resident after Outing

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Loading Residents Front Entrance

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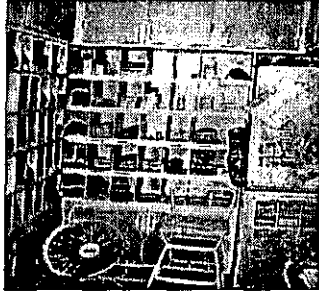
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Privacy

- HIPPA Information
- Medical Treatment
- Financial Disclosure
- Intimacy
- Private Time
- Behavior
- Family Time
- Male & Female Residents using same Bathrooms & Showers

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Med Room: Basic Care

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Insufficient office space.

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Small Chapel

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Outdated facilities.



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Lack of space.



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Lack of lounge space.



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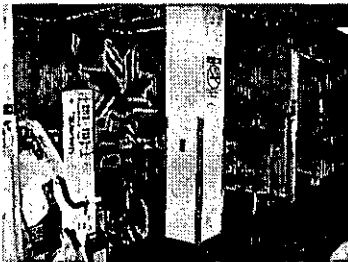
Lack of lounge space.



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No adequate storage or
lounge space.



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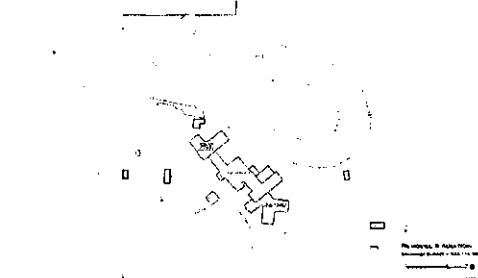
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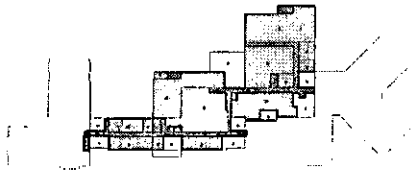


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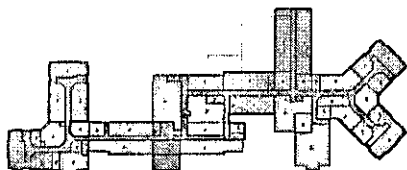
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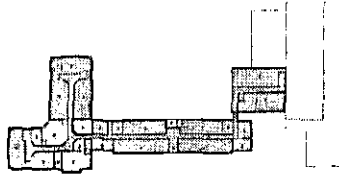


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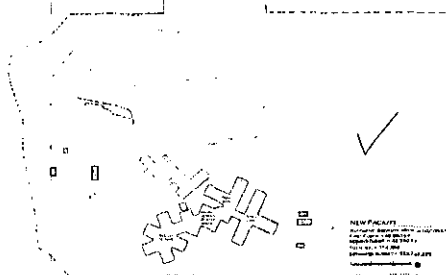
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SECOND & THIRD FLOORS (1)

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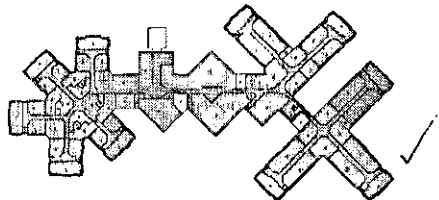
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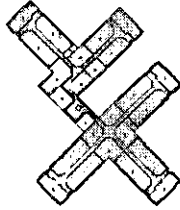
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LEGEND

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SECOND FLOOR



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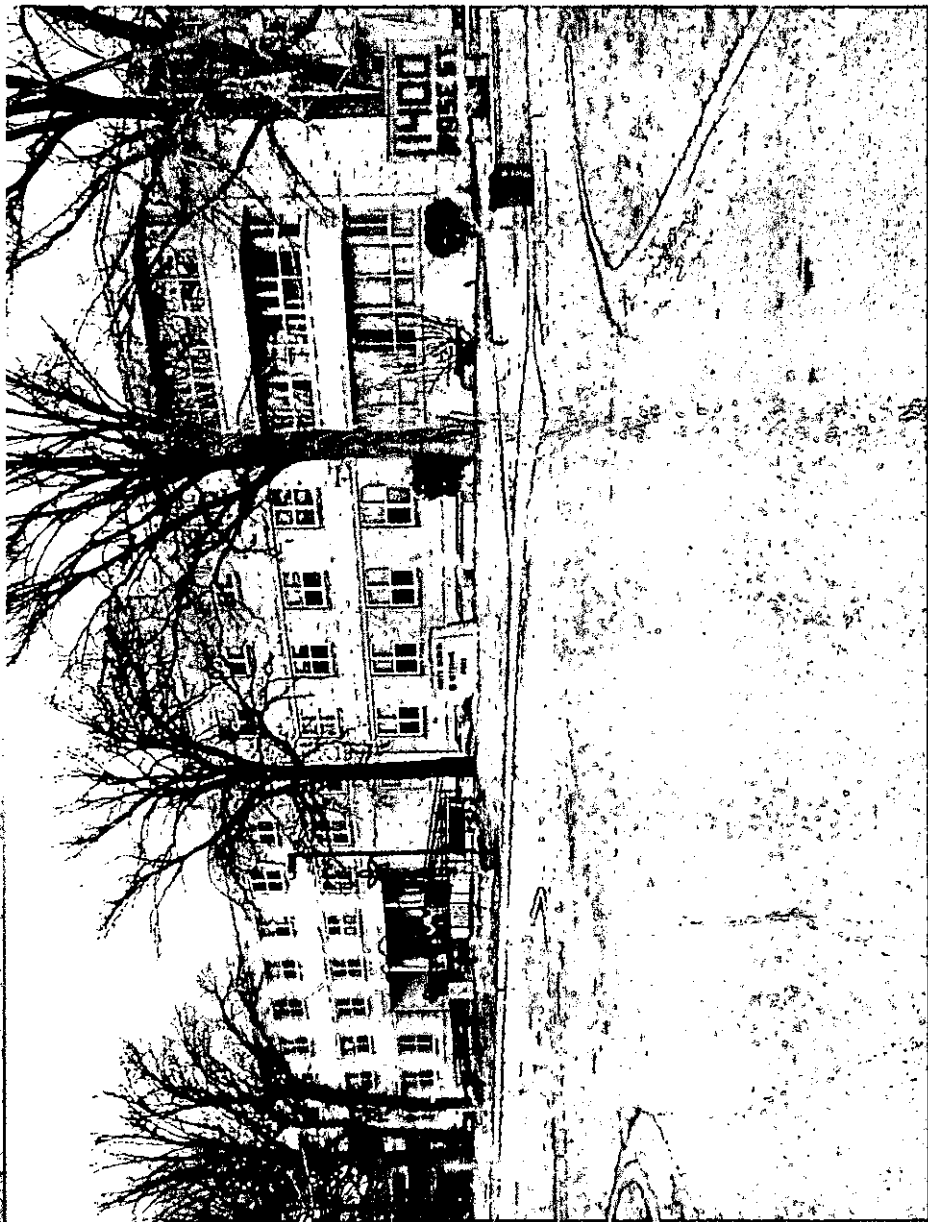
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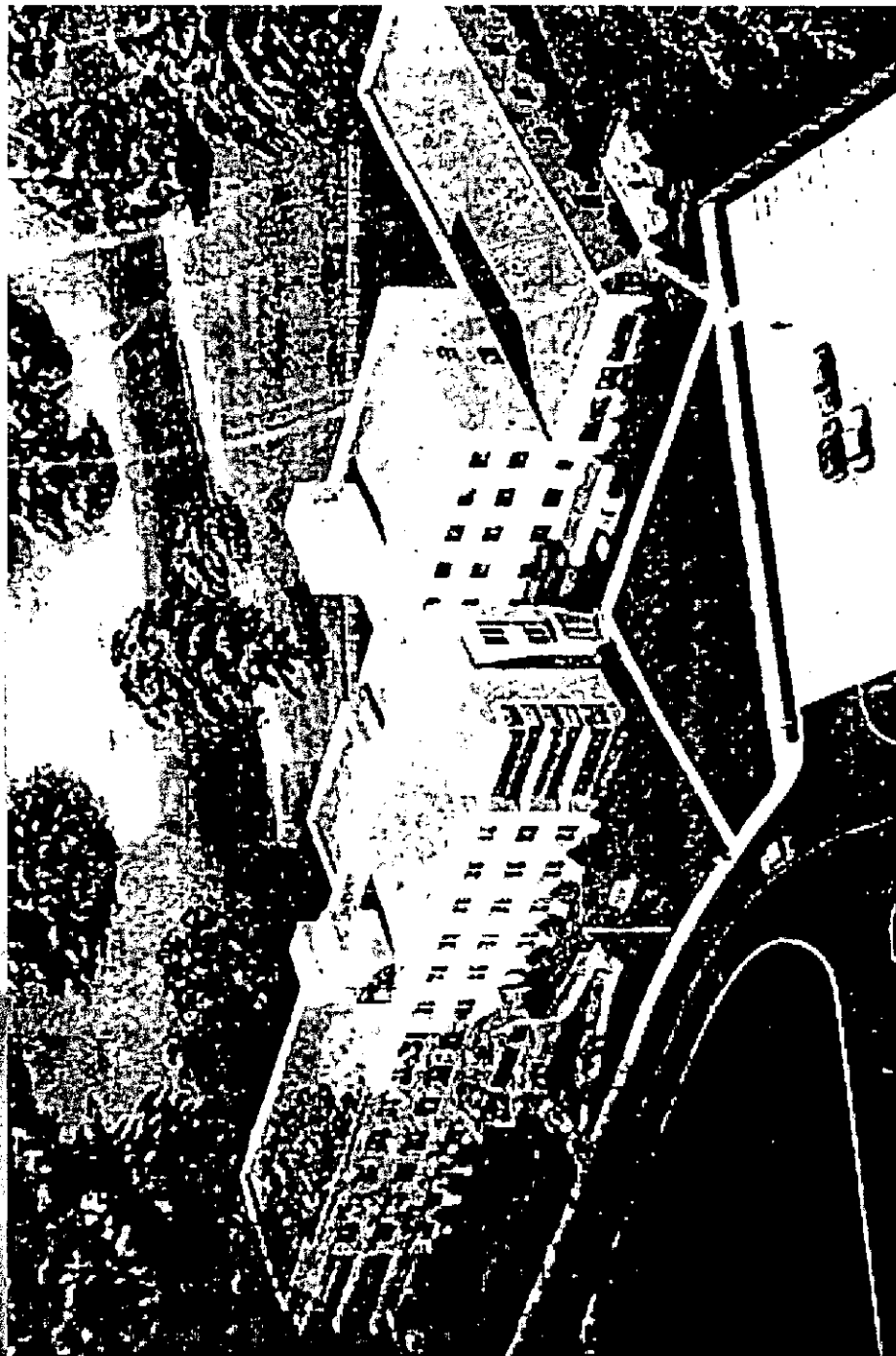
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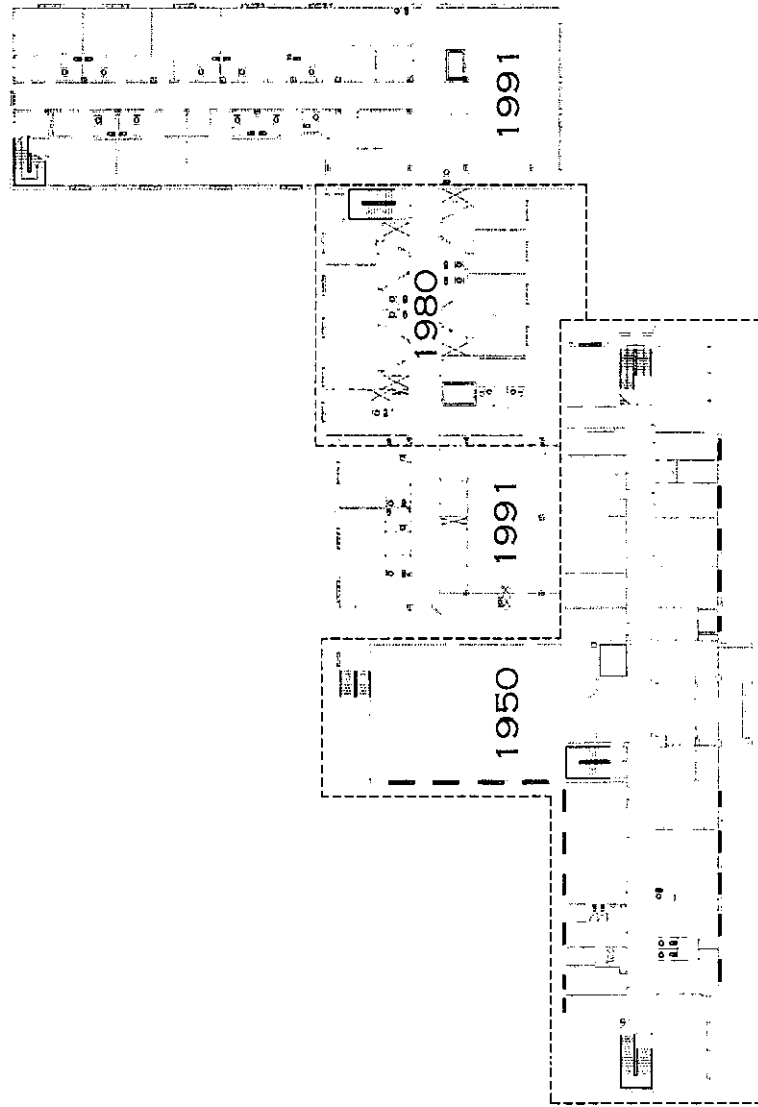
Southwest View of Original Building

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Aerial View of Current Facility

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FIRST FLOOR



Existing Plan

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~~Original Building~~

- Basic Care Resident Rooms, Administration, Nursing Station, Dining, Activity Space

1980's Addition

- Basic Care Resident Rooms, Skilled Care Rooms, Laundry, Maintenance

1991 Additions

- Skilled Care Resident Rooms, Kitchen, Therapy Services, Storage

Basic Care

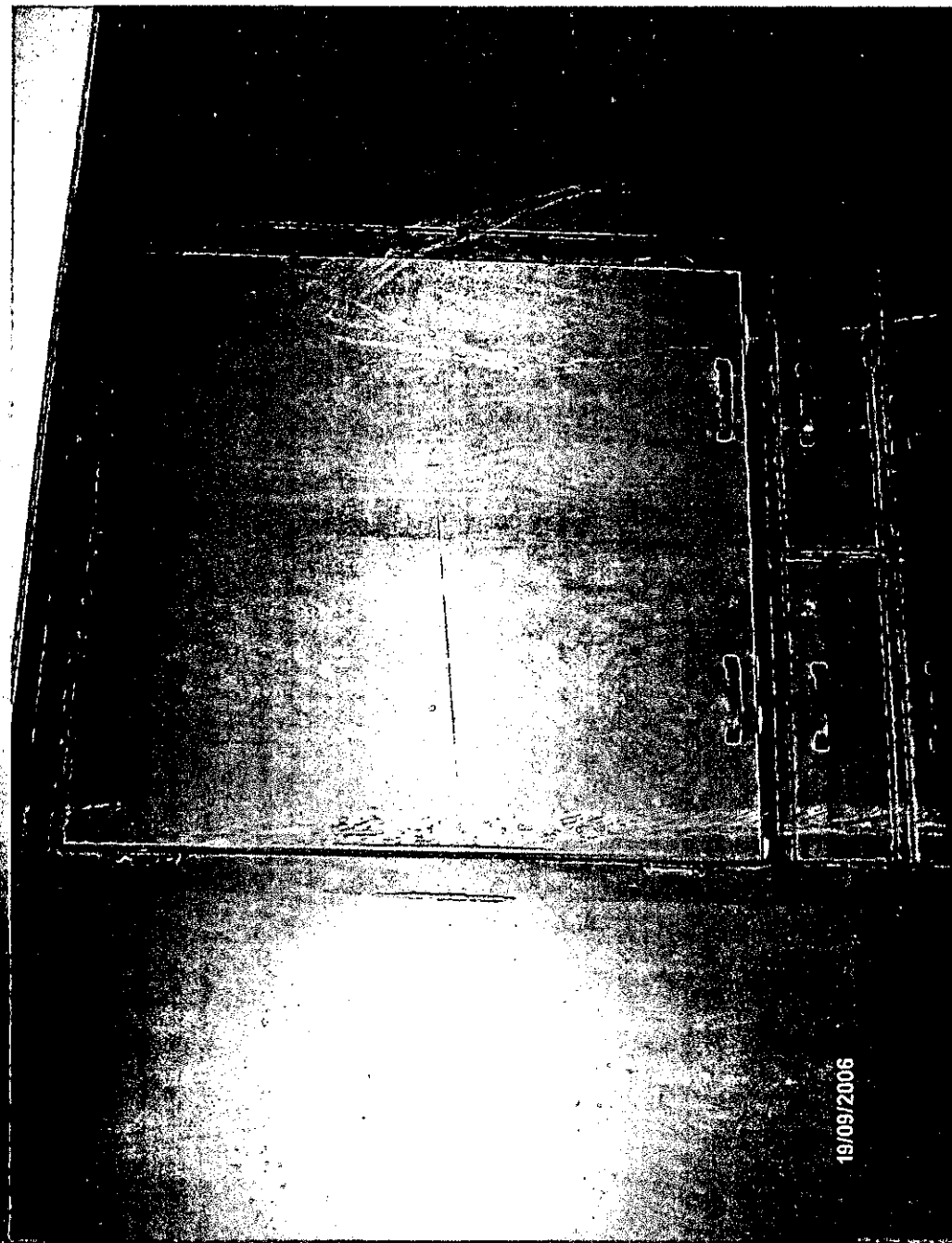
- Licensed to serve 111 Residents – Serves 90 Residents due to physical constraints of building – double occupancy per room

Skilled Care

- Licensed to serve 38 Residents at capacity: 18 double occupancy rooms & 2 single occupancy rooms

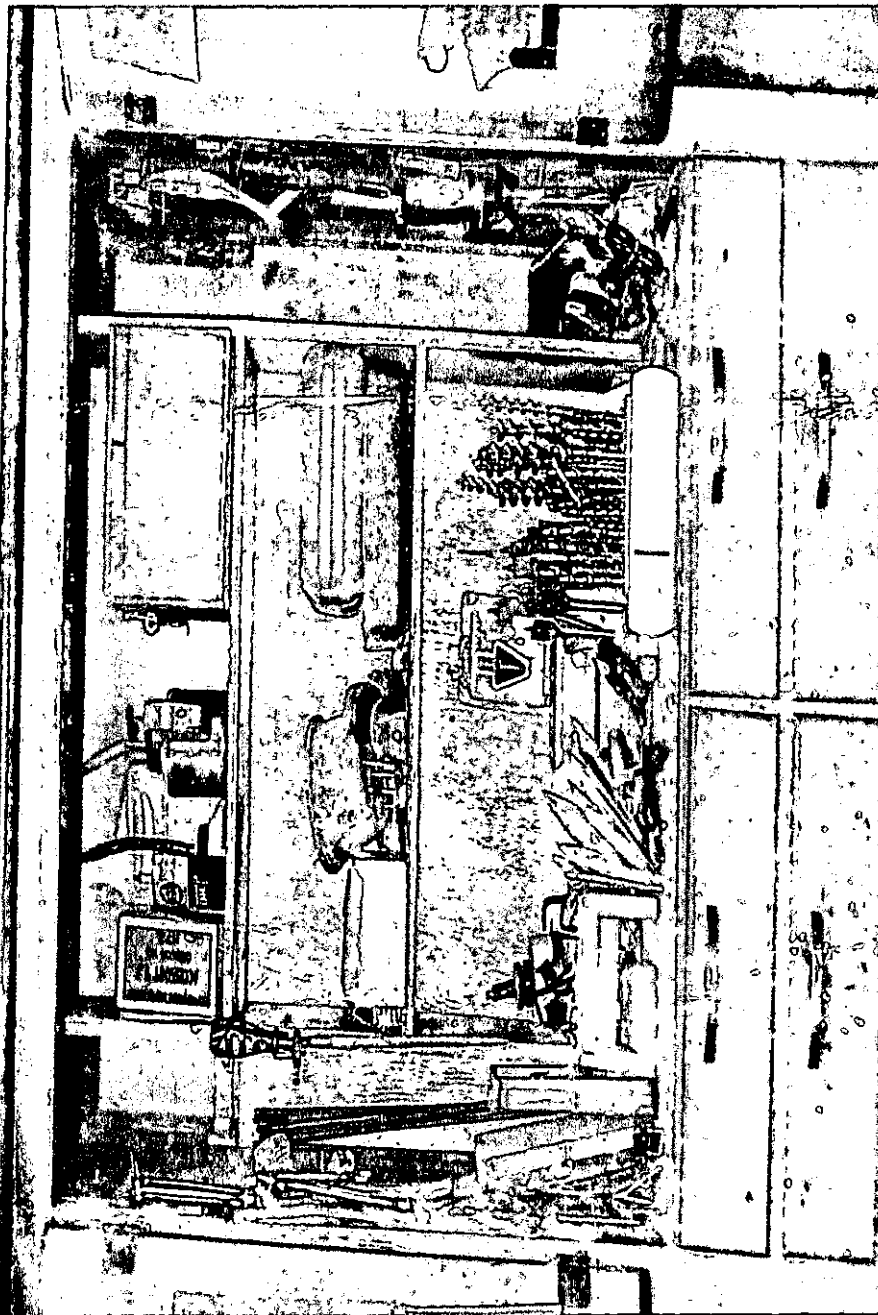
Life Safety Survey

- State Fire Marshal – Sept. 12th, 2006
 - └ Life Safety Code for Basic Care – Nov. 22nd, 2006
 - K 220
 - └ Vertical Openings – Observation determined that three sleeping rooms are all open to each other via the open space between corridor wall and the resident room walls.
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Exhaust Ventilation Hatch

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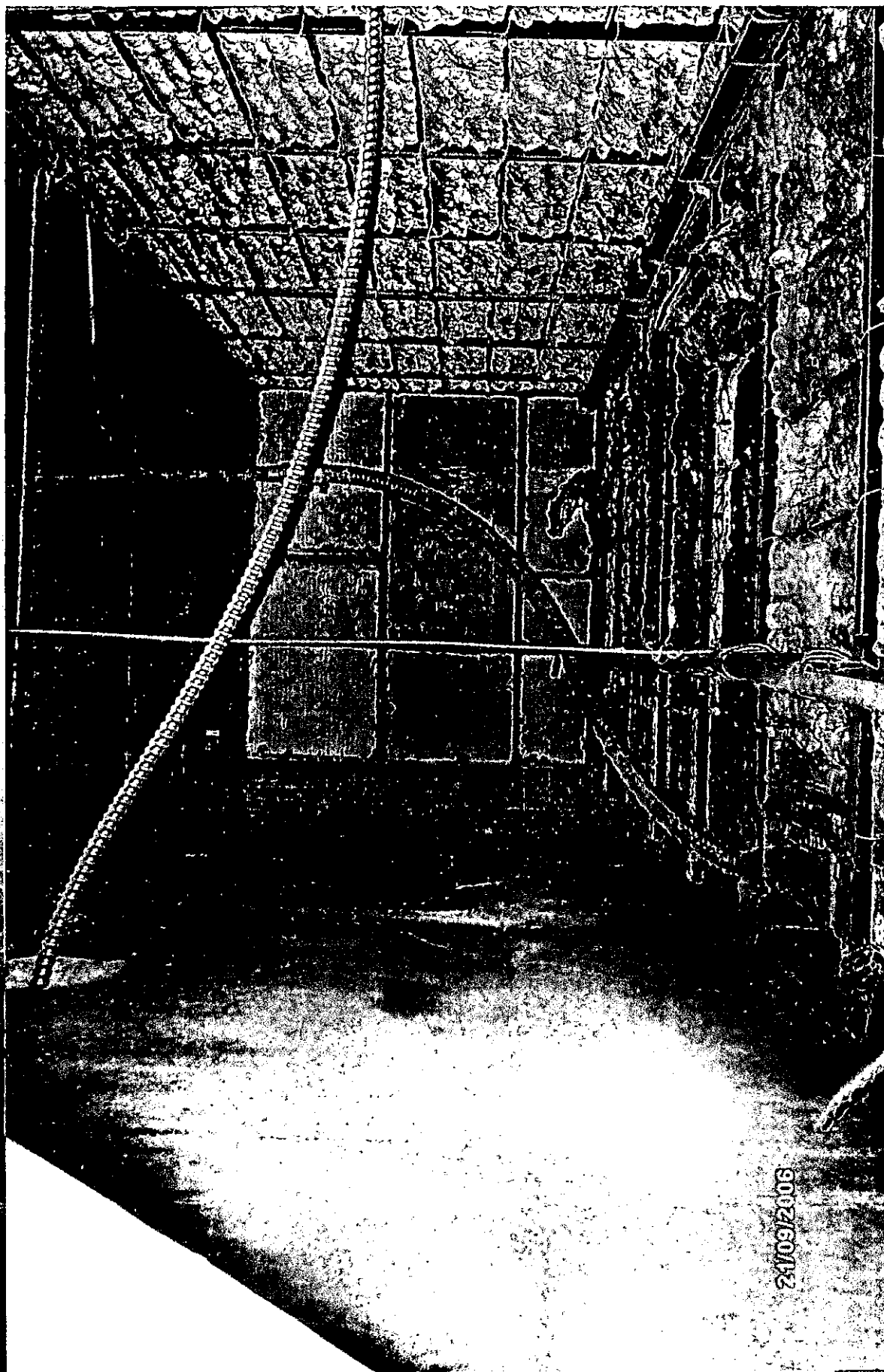


Wardrobe Ventilation Issue



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Bathroom Ventilation



21/09/2006

Air Duct Ventilation System

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Ground Maintenance Building – 1940's

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Boiler Plant - 1980's



Cold Storage Butler Building - 1944

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Condition Assessment

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Site

- Major Problems with some accessory buildings
- Minor drainage problems
- Minor paving problems

Structure

- Deterioration of cast-in-place sunshades – 1950's building
- Floor settlement – 1991 building

Envelope

- Old deteriorating built-up roof systems
- Non-thermal, single pane windows / doors

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Interior

- Sagging, discolored lay-in ceilings and cracked plaster ceilings
- Electric elevators – approaching life expectancy
- Wood framed resident storage units, wood shaft for four floors – 1950's building

Codes

- Insufficient means of egress as required
- Sprinkler heads noncompliant
- Fire rated separations insufficient
- Insufficient maneuvering clearances & obstructions to accessibility
- Inaccessible door hardware and resident storage cabinets

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Codes

- Inaccessible toilet rooms
- Non-compliant signage & signals

Mechanical

- Plumbing piping (sewer & water) are original and deteriorating
- Boilers need replacement, (1956, 1980, & 1981)
- Heat distribution system insufficient and non-responsive
- Air handling controls outdated
- No return air & heat recovery system
- There is no fully automated H.V.A.C.

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Mechanical

- Better temperature controls needed
- Completely revise H.V.A.C. – 1950's building

Electrical

- Nurse call system outdated
- Generator automatic transfer switches outdated
- No security or egress control system within the facility

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Life Safety

ADA

VA Code

Issues with Building

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Current Issues Identified

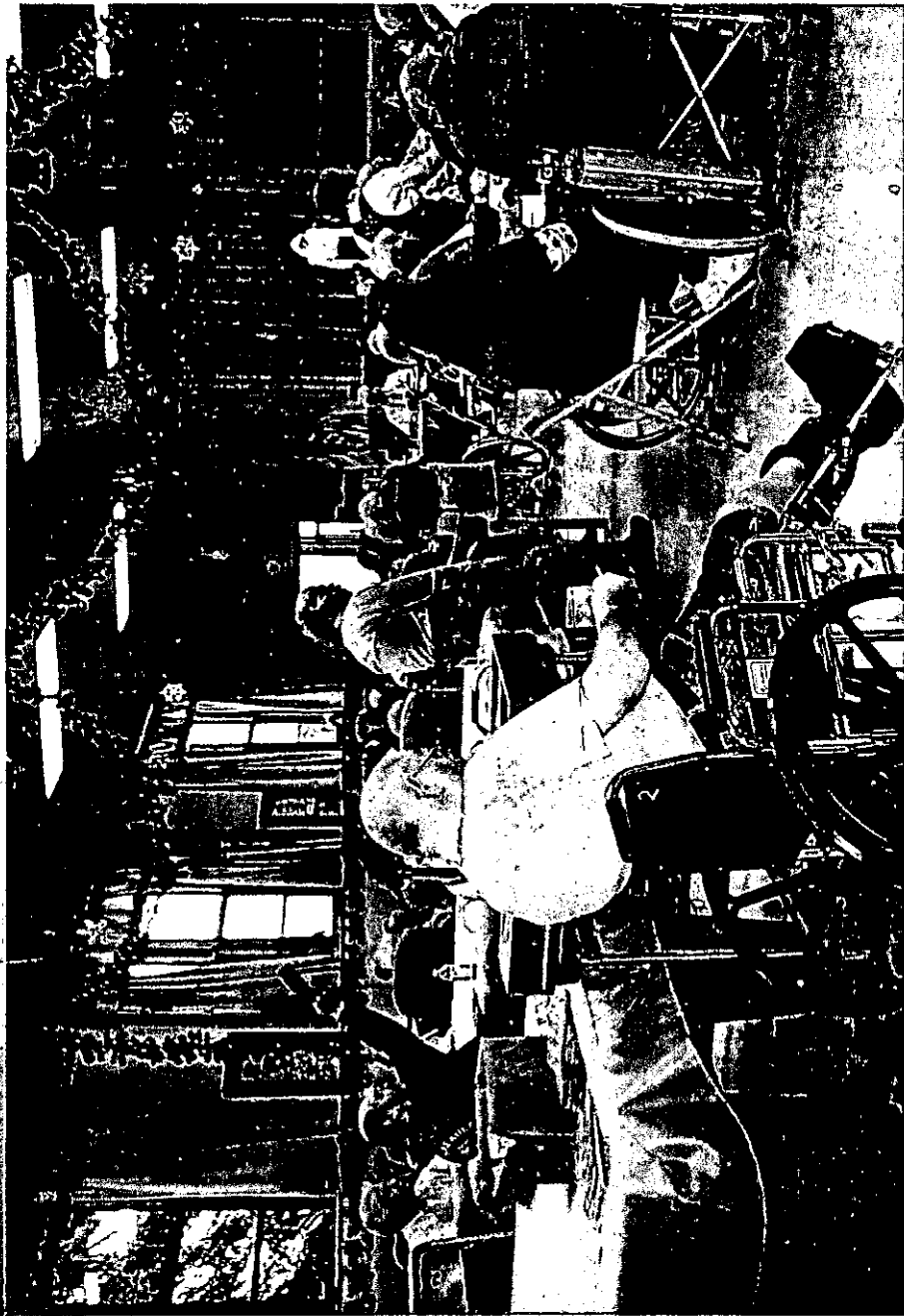
- HIPPA Information
- Medical Treatment
- Financial
- Intimacy
- Private Time
- Increased Behaviors
- Family Time
- Male & Female Residents using same Bathrooms & Showers

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Crowded Activity Room

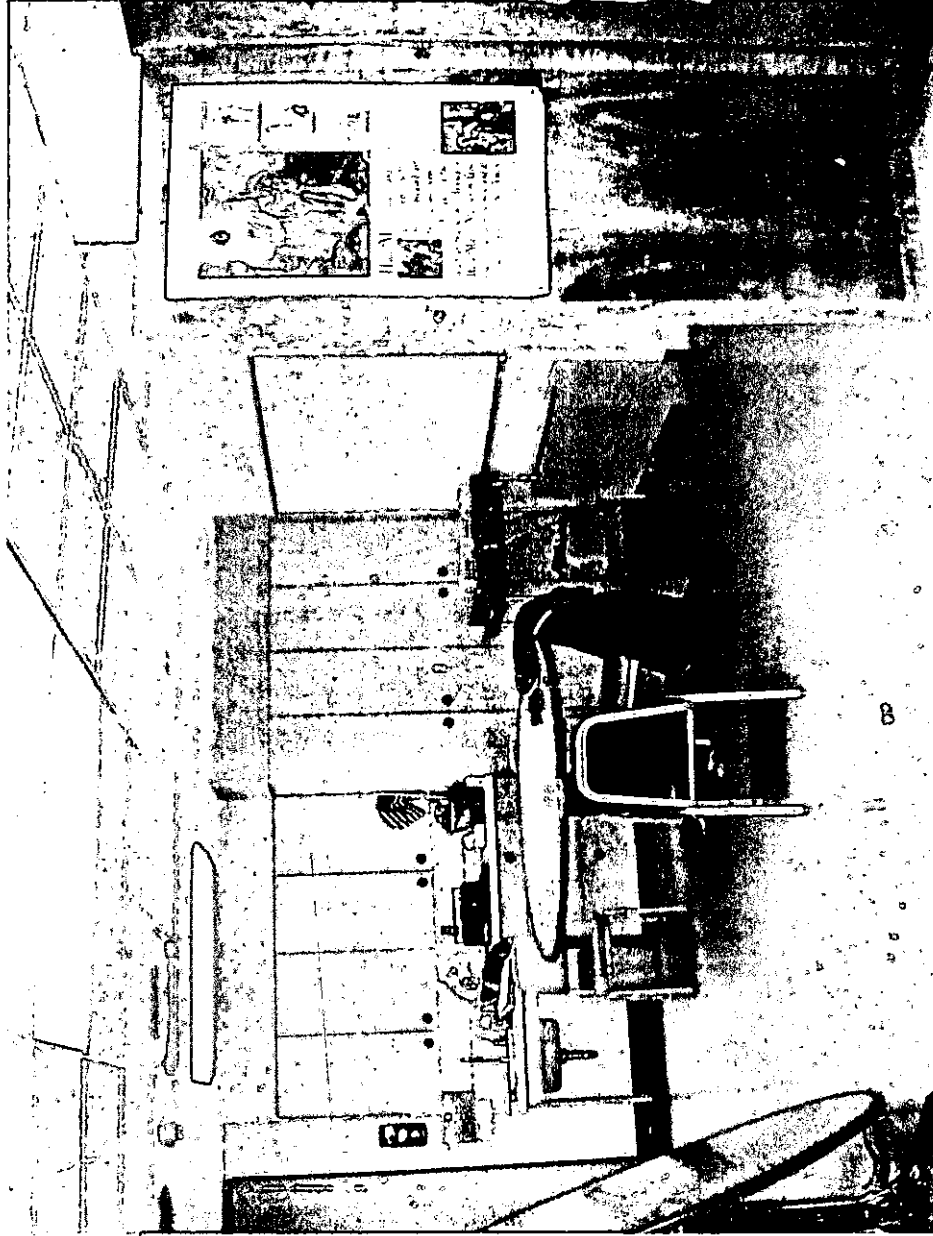
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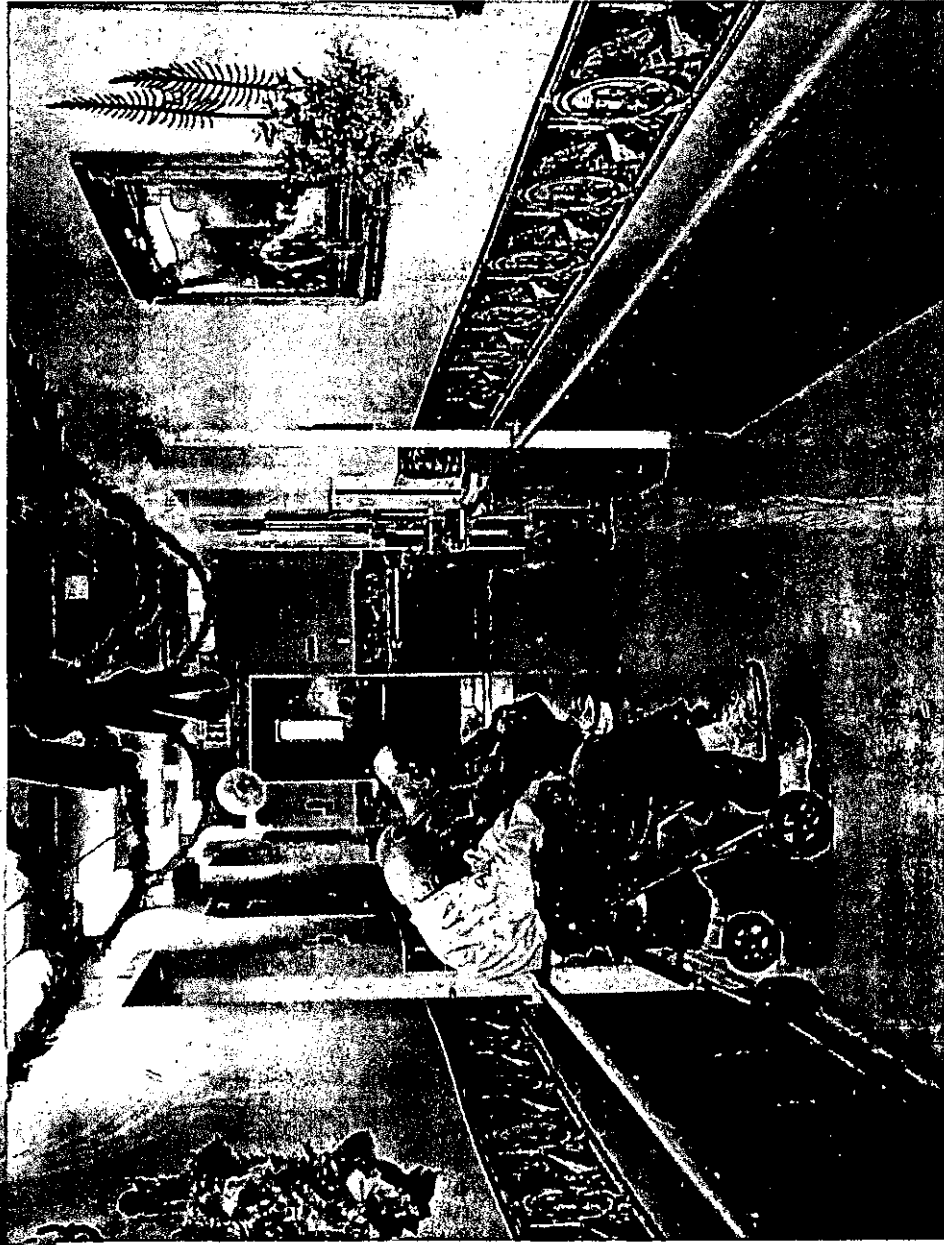
Crowded Activity Room

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Minimal activity space.

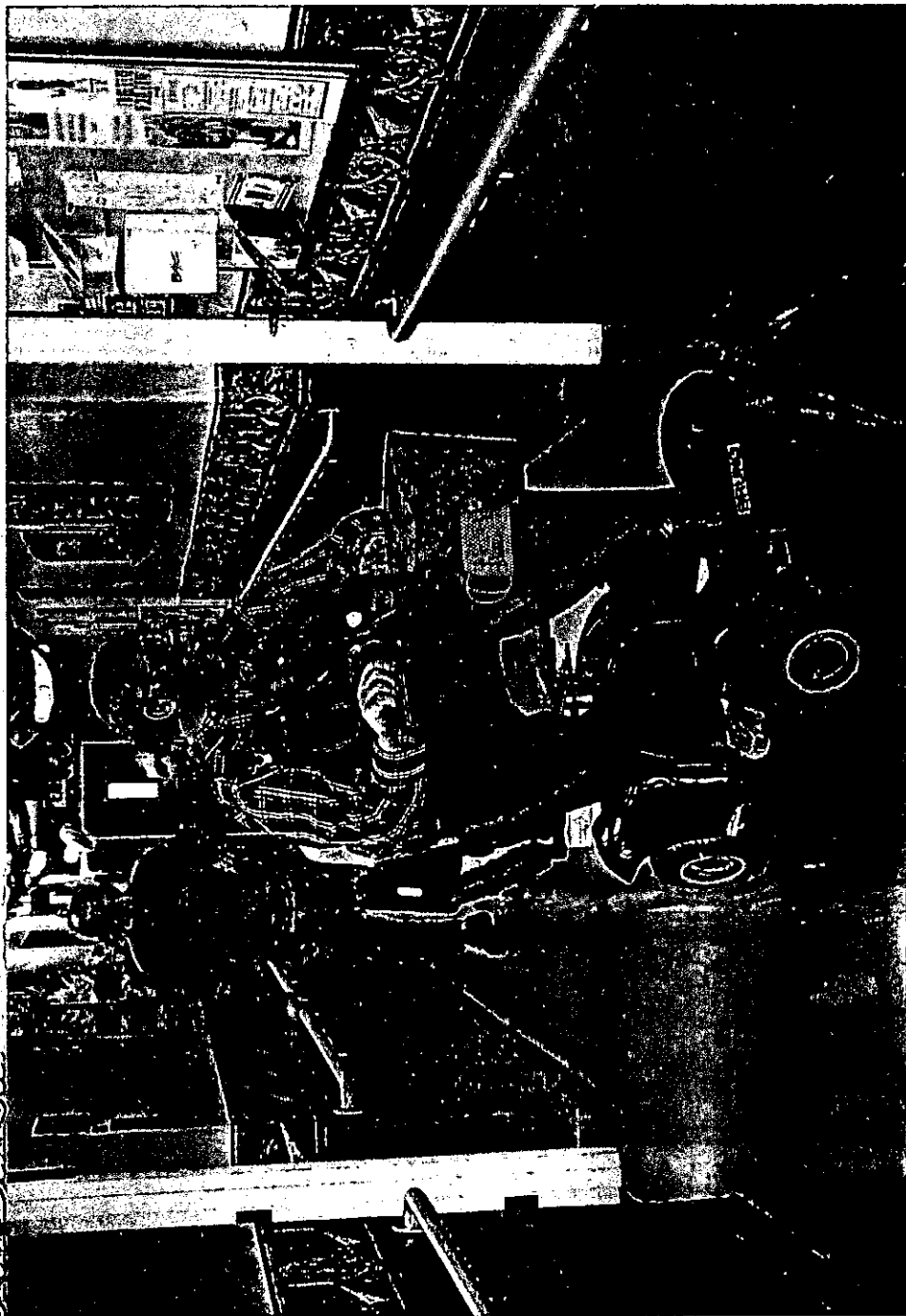


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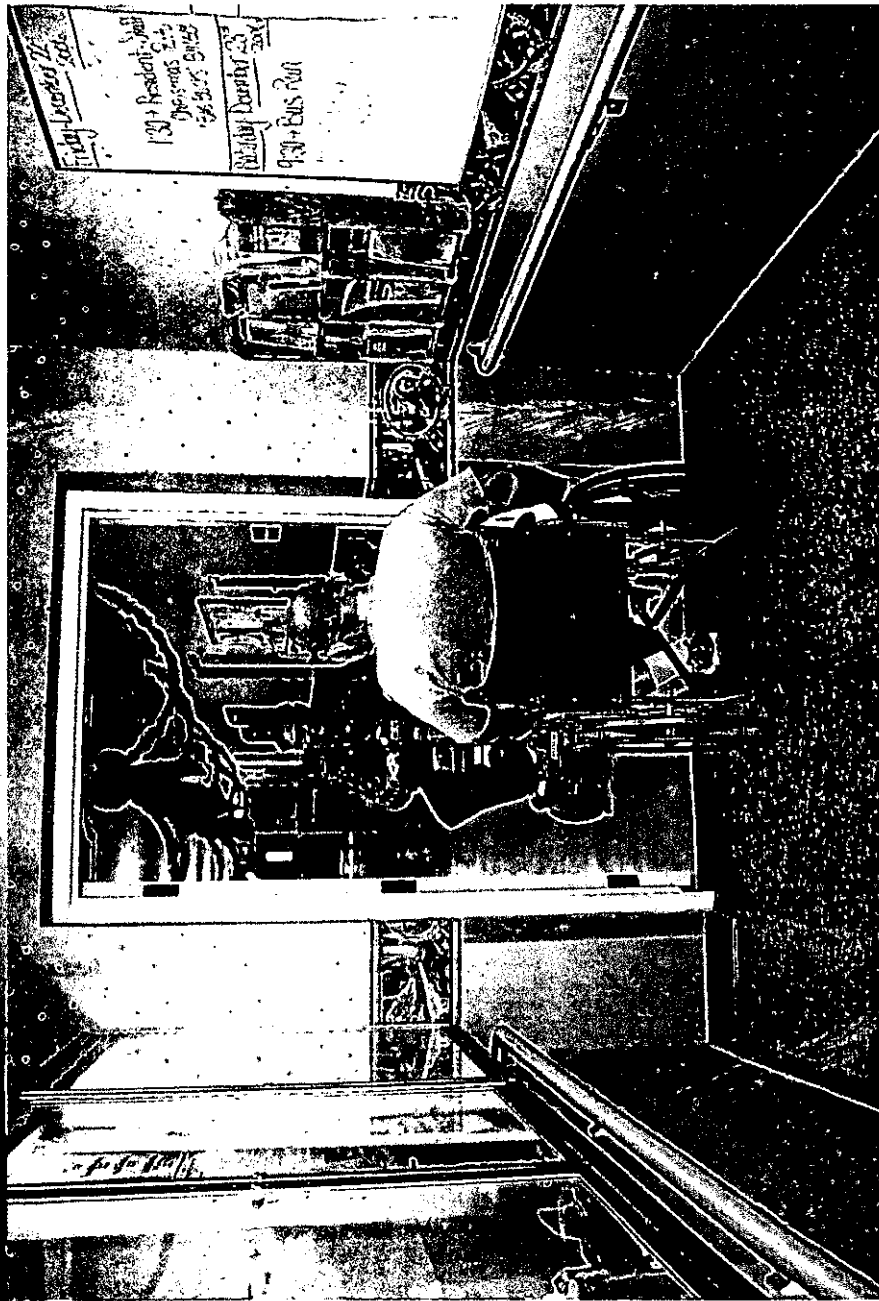
Residents blocking the
hallway waiting to see
the doctor.
(No waiting room.)

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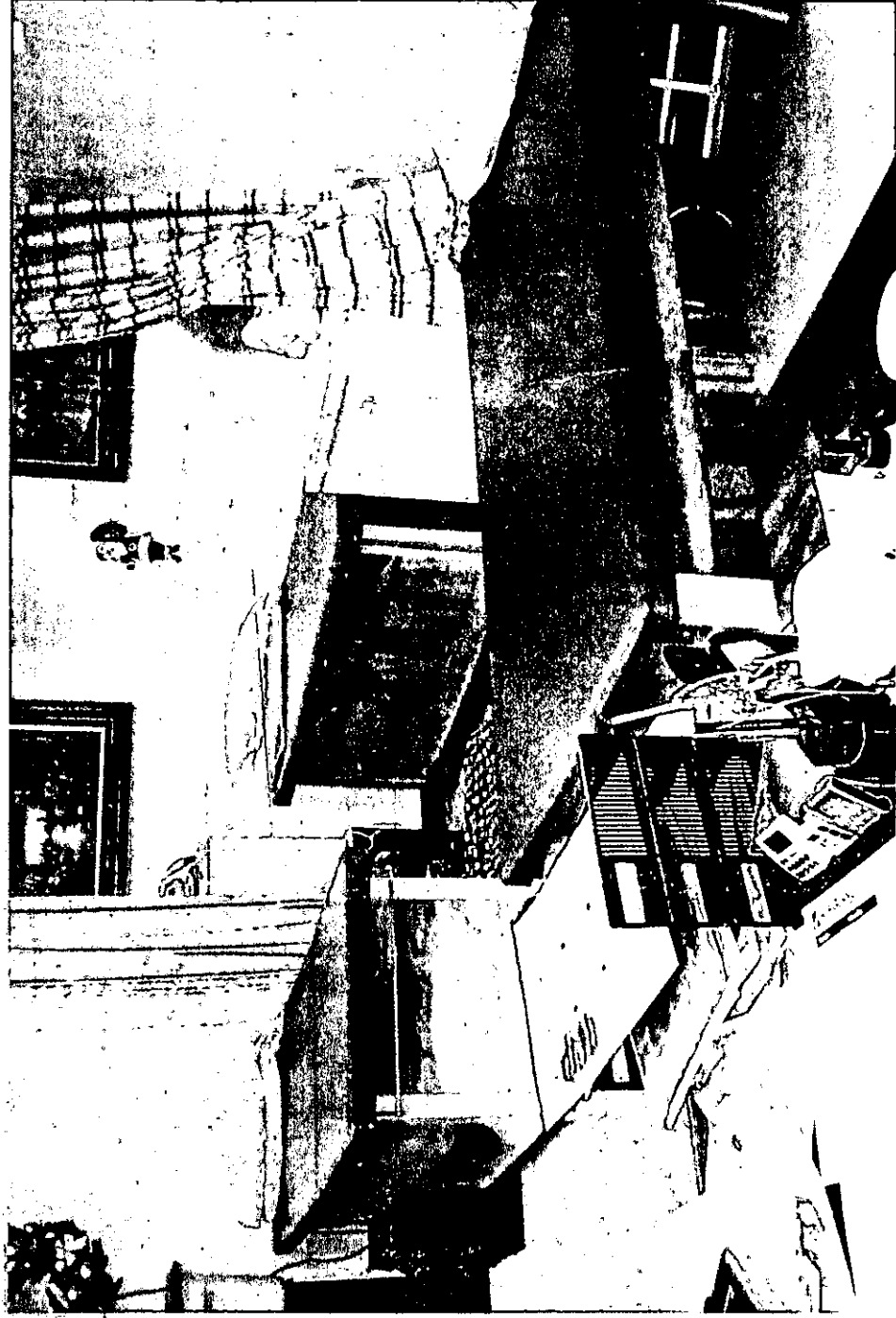
Minimal Space for motorized
cart.

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Typical Hallway & Doorway Crowding
6 Foot Hallways

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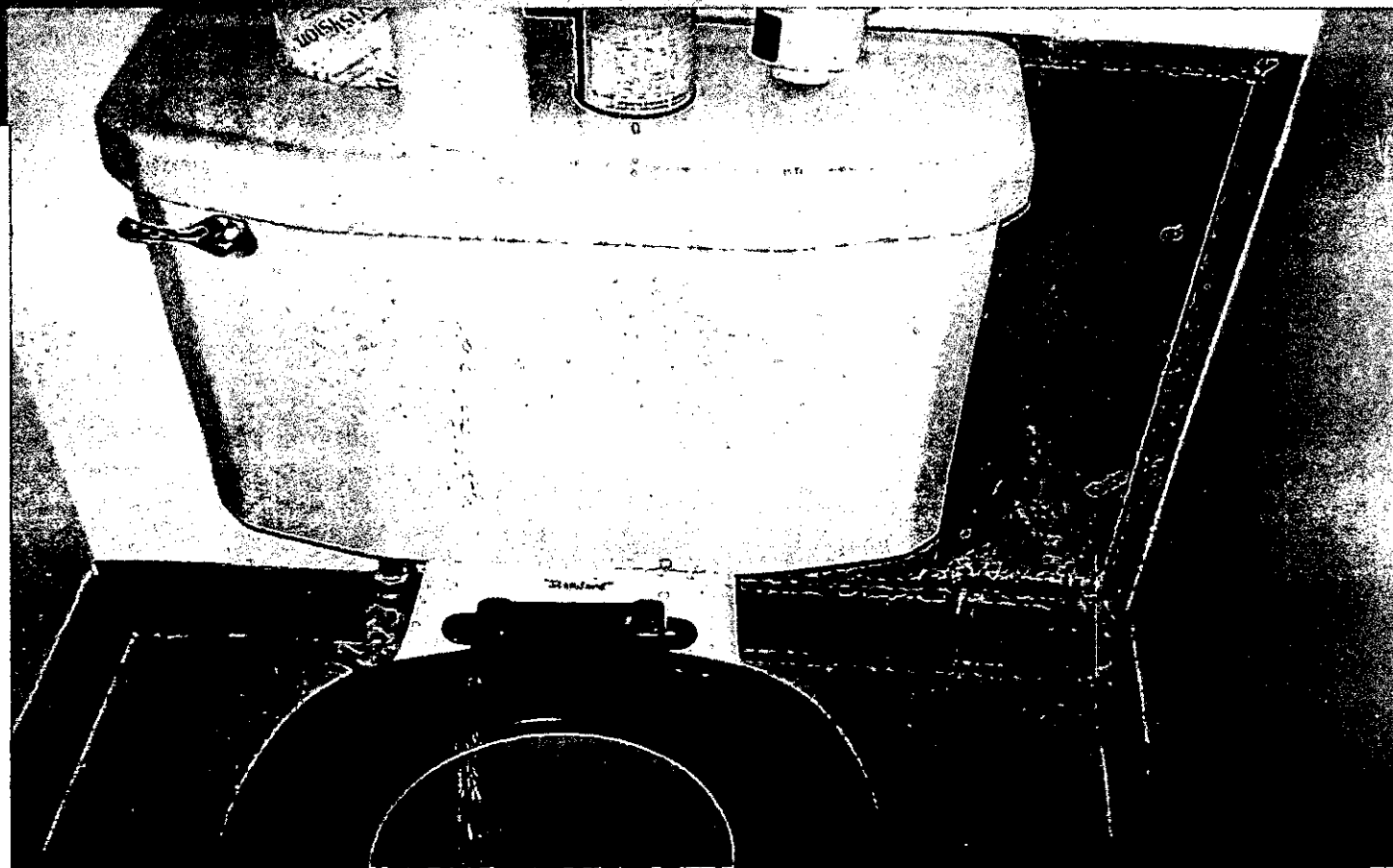
Therapy Room Crowding

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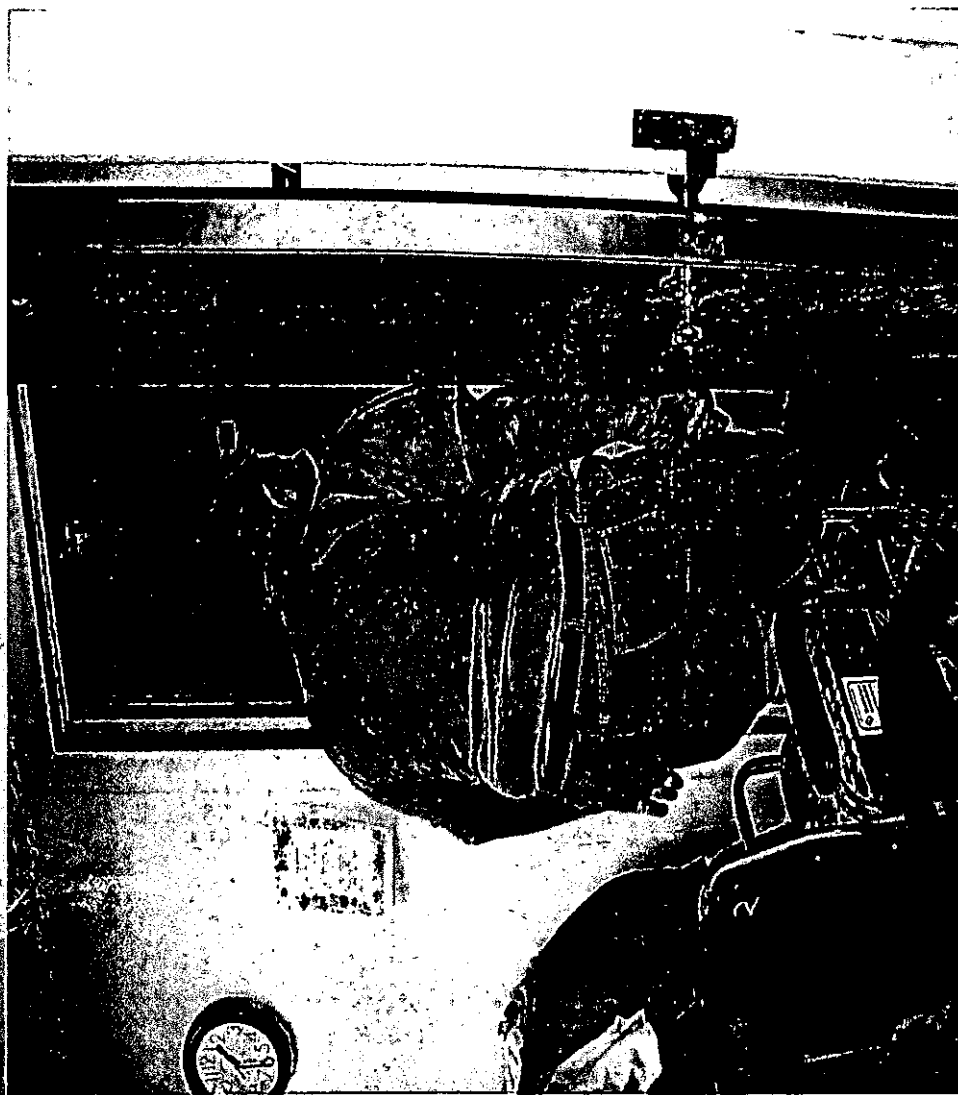
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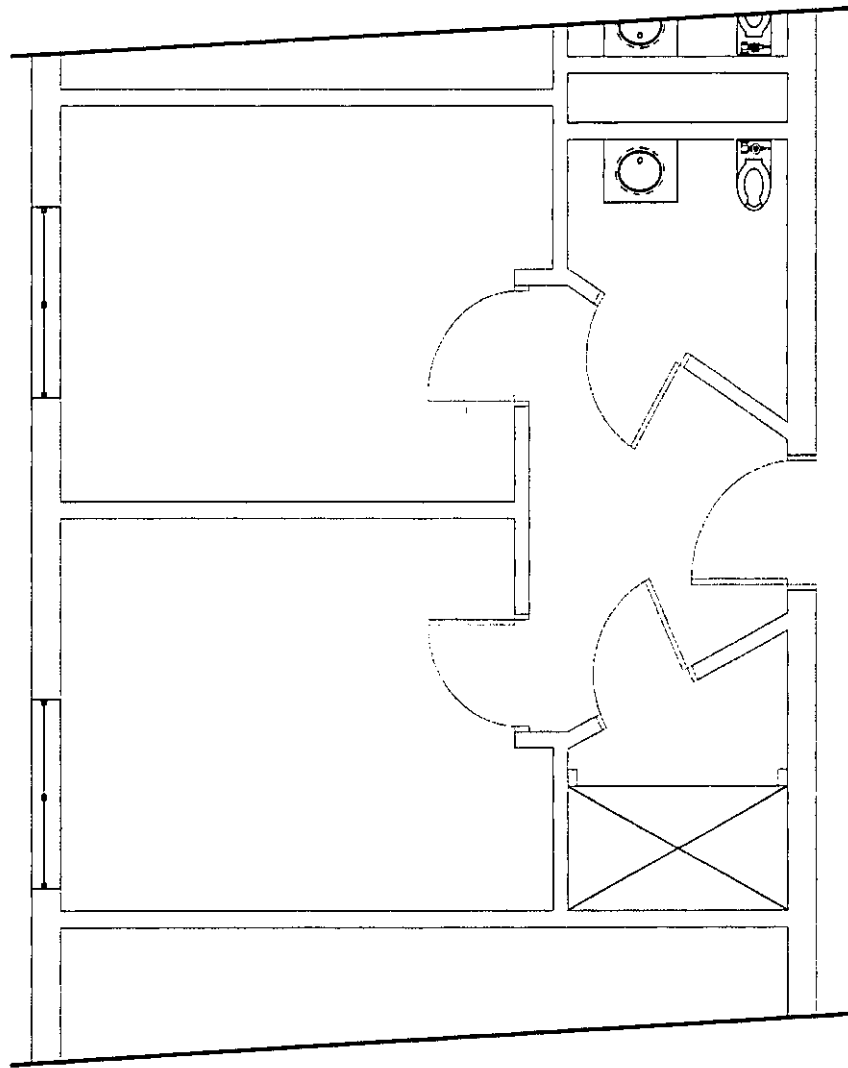


Resident Bathrooms 2'10" by
3' 10" - 1950

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Resident going into bathroom.



4 Residents Sharing Bathroom and Shower



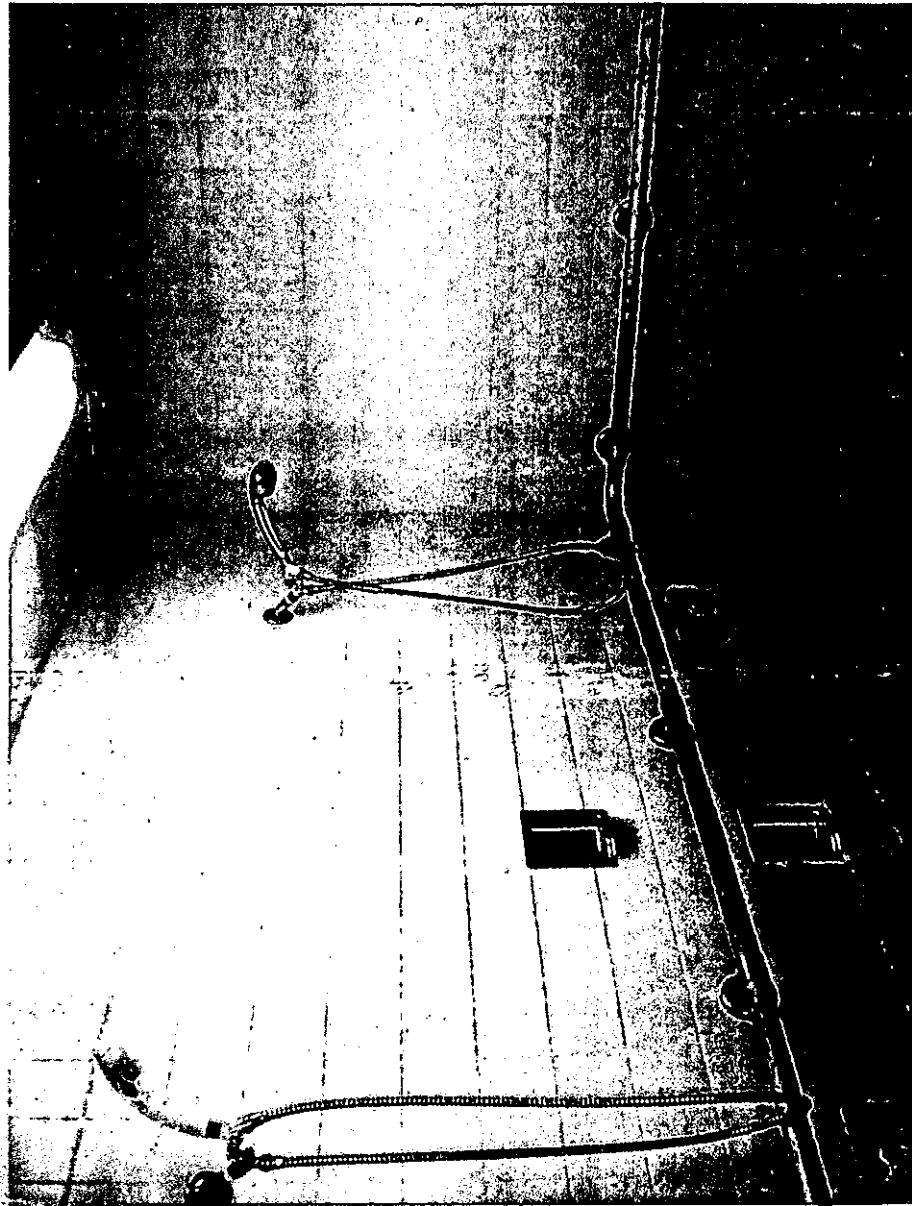
1950 Addition – 2 – 4 Residents Sharing Bathtub

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Rooms too small for
living space.

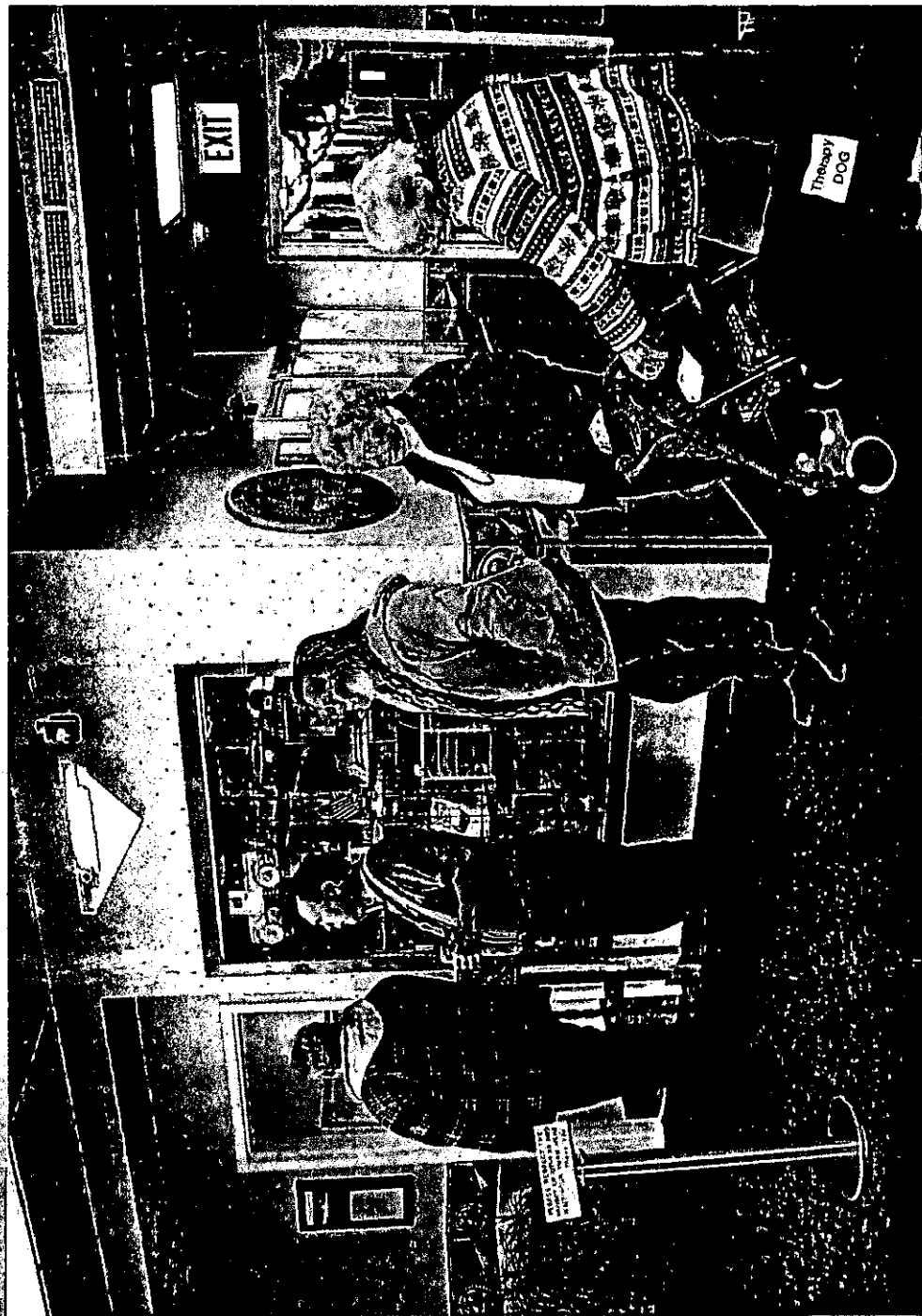


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Lack of private showers.

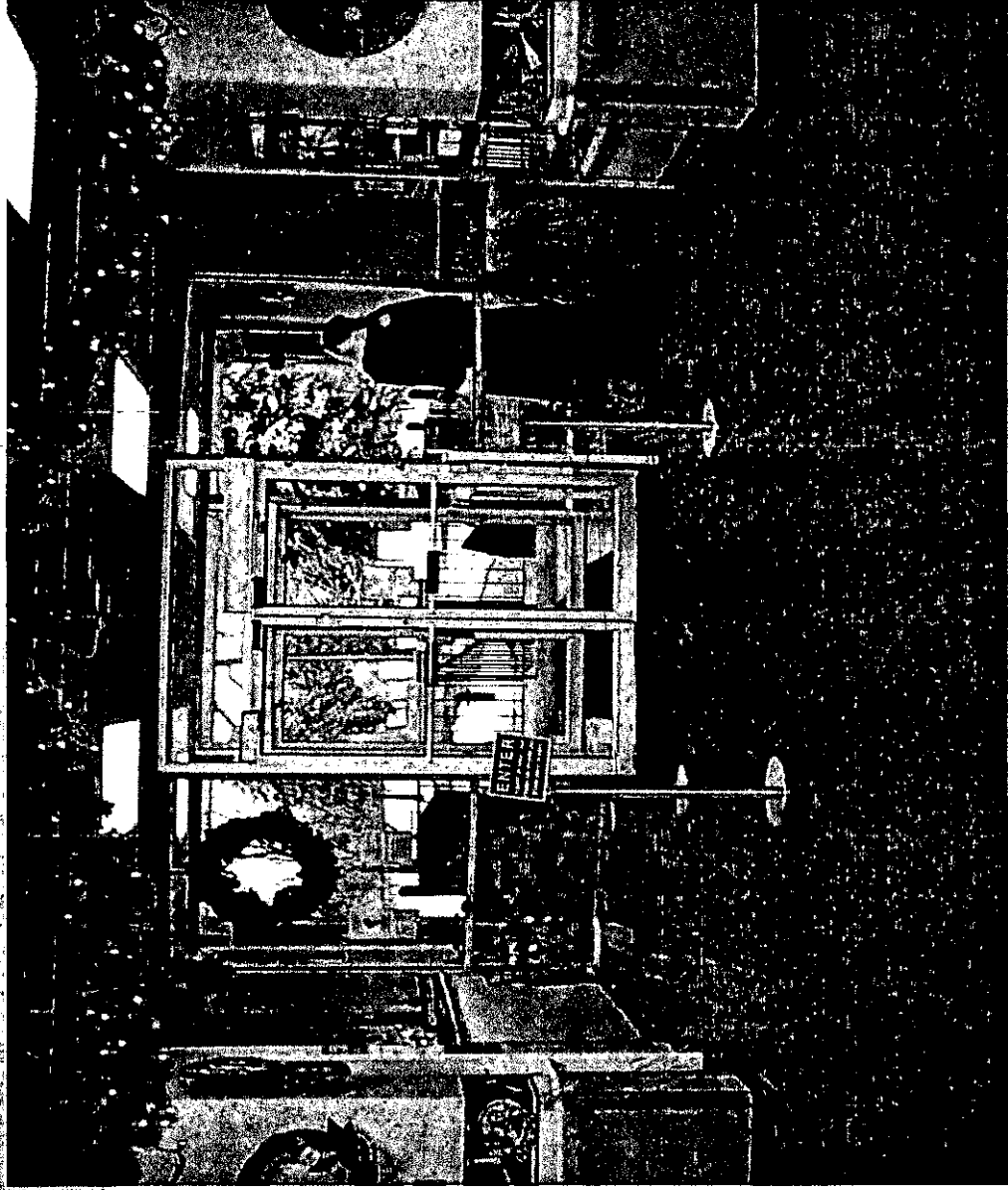
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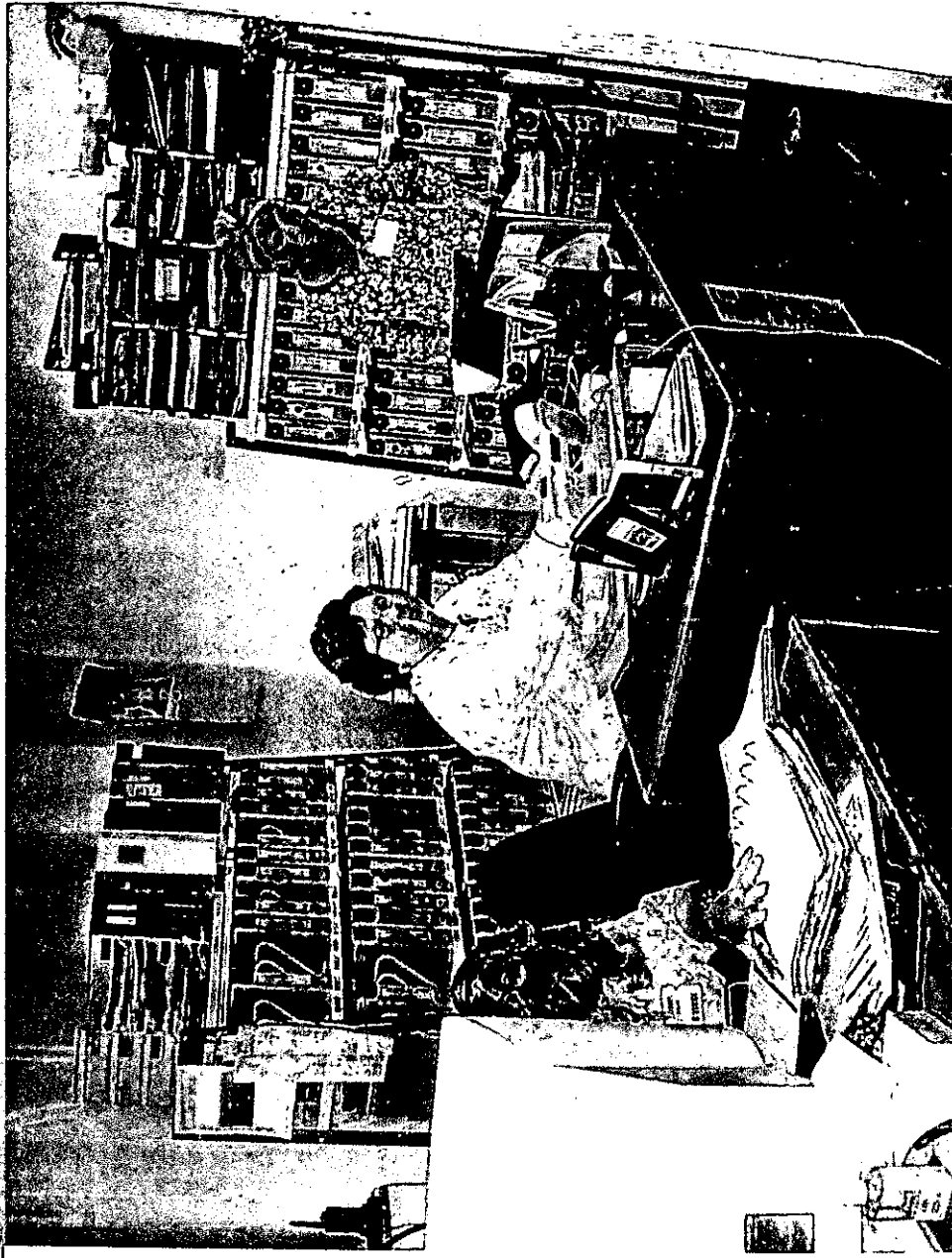
Residents in
the Med Line

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Front Entrance



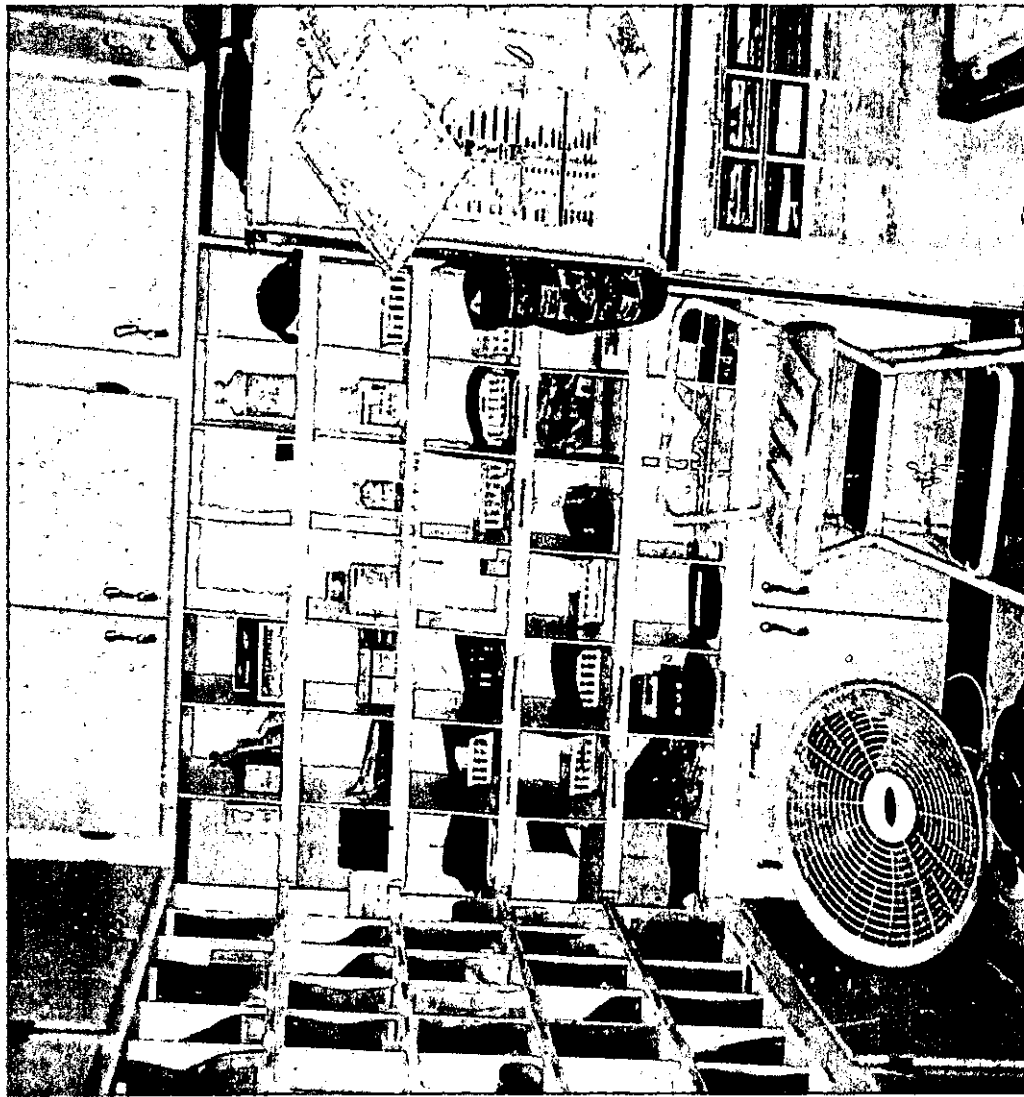
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Poor Working Conditions in the
Basic Care Nurses Station

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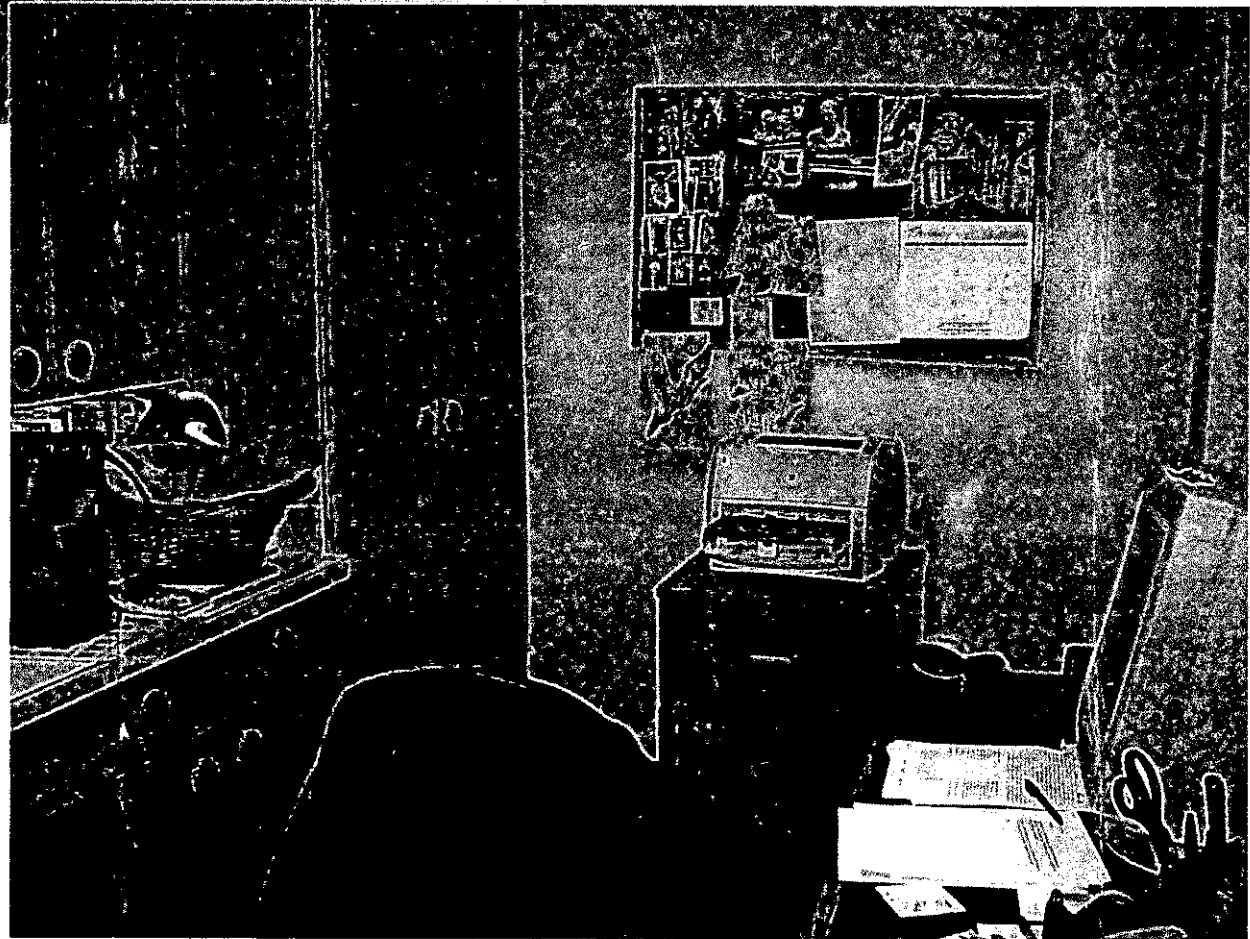
Med Room: Basic Care
Humidity Issue



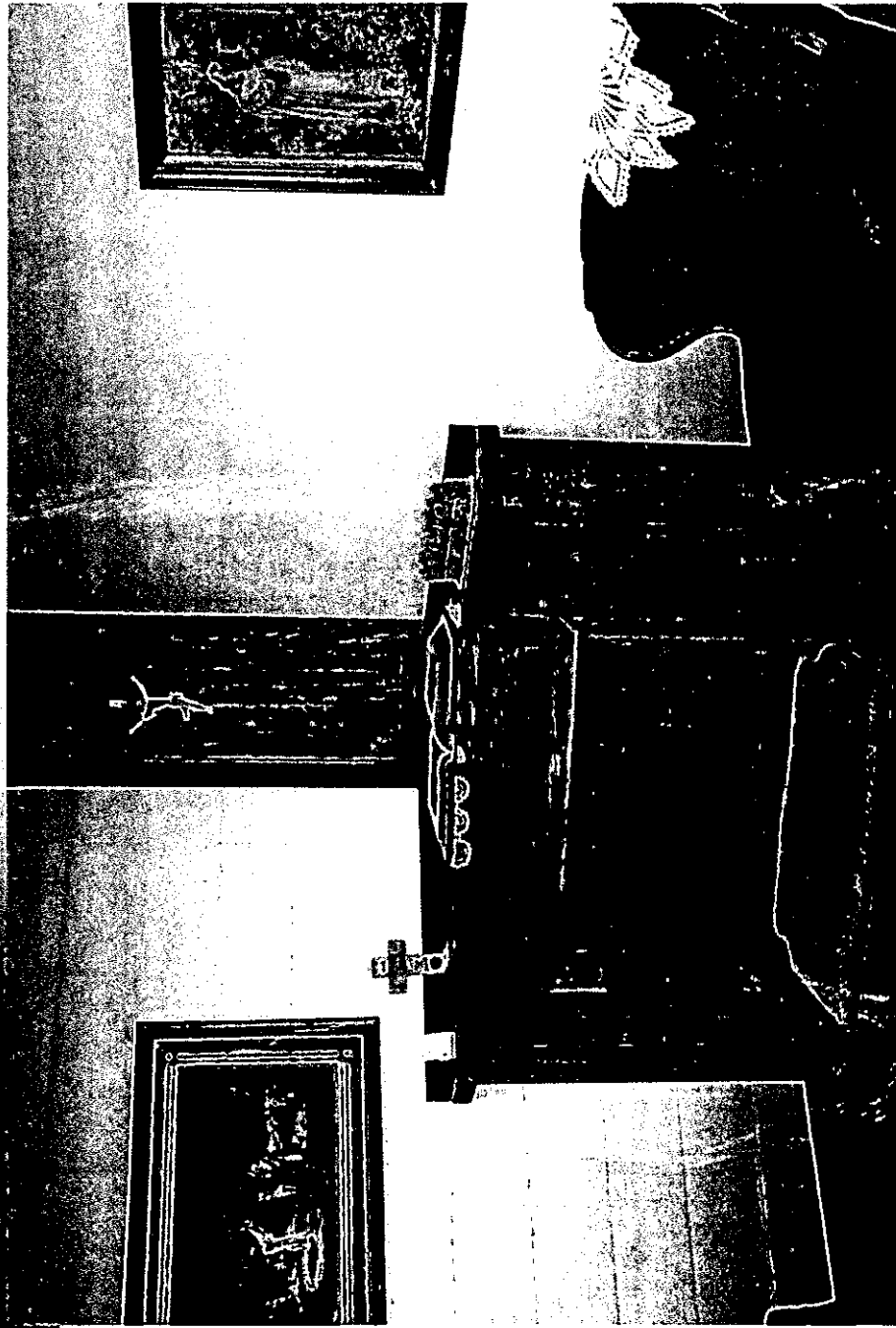
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Insufficient office space.



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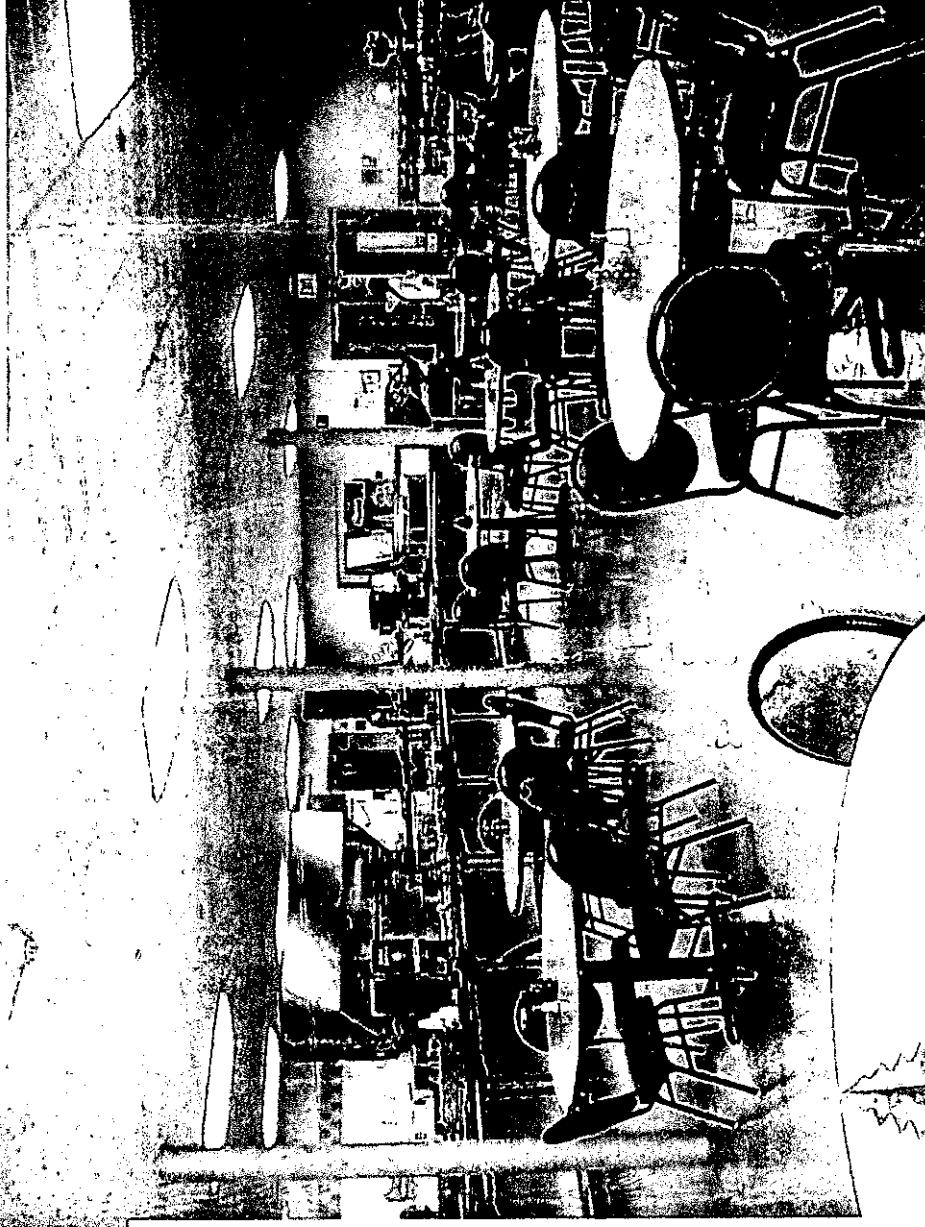


Small Chapel

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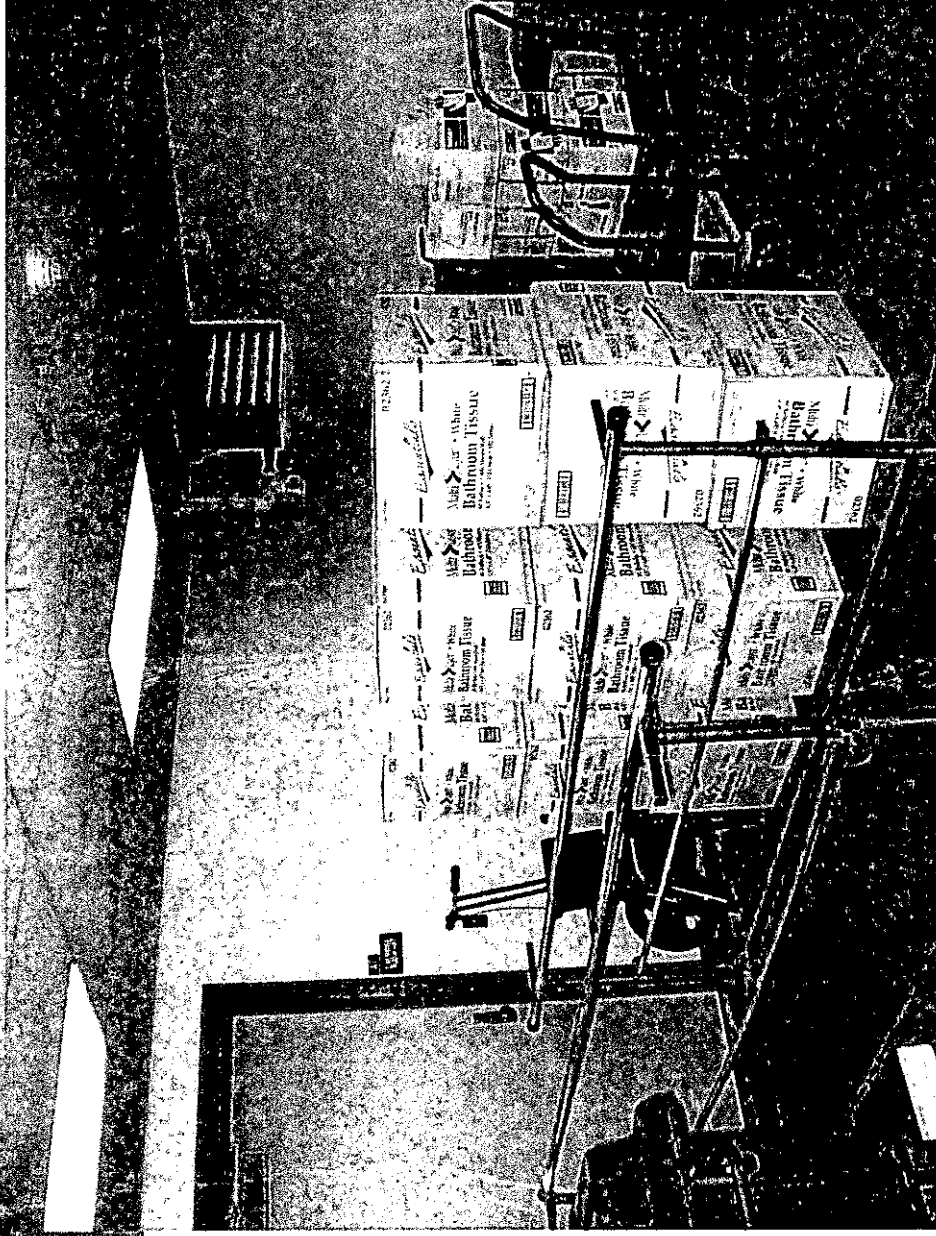
Outdated facilities.

Institutional Style



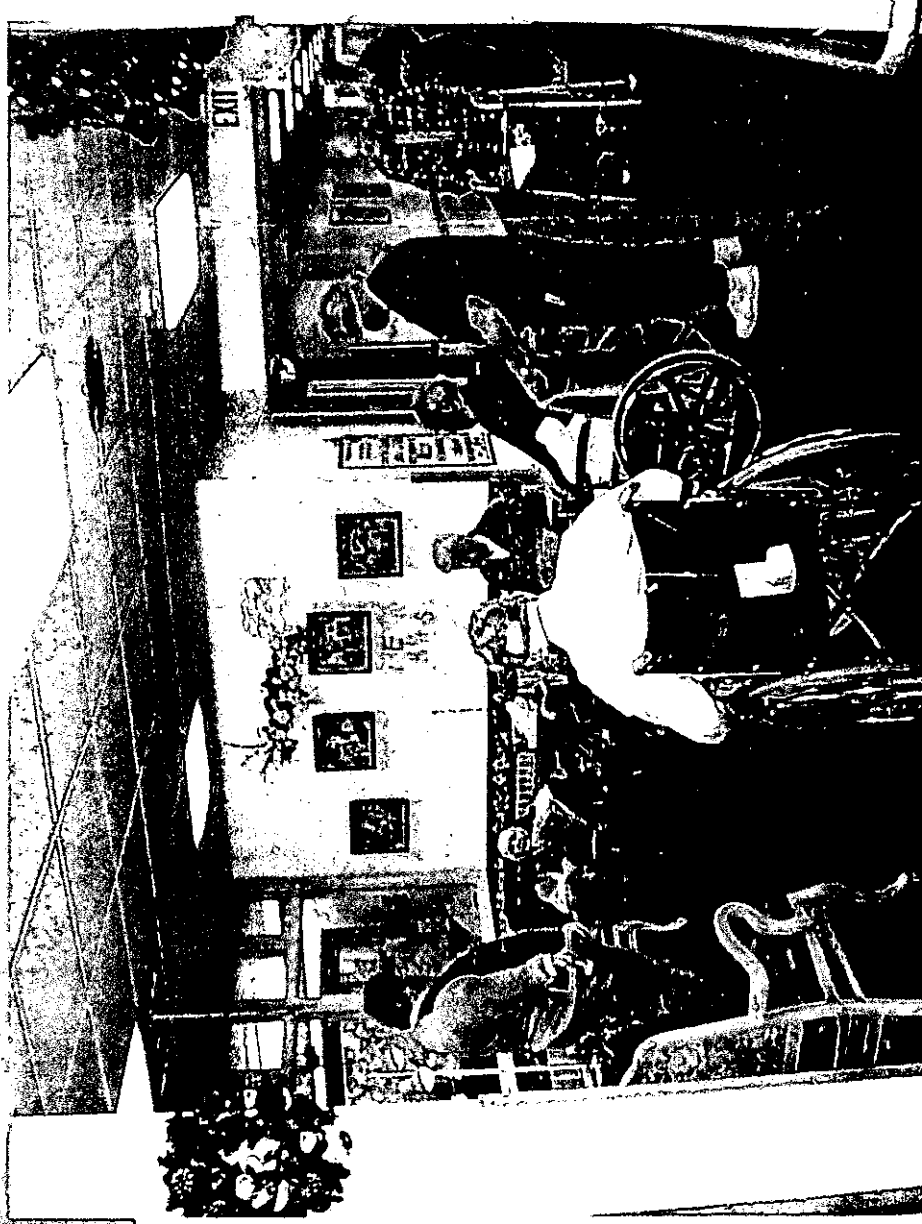
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Poor Receiving Area



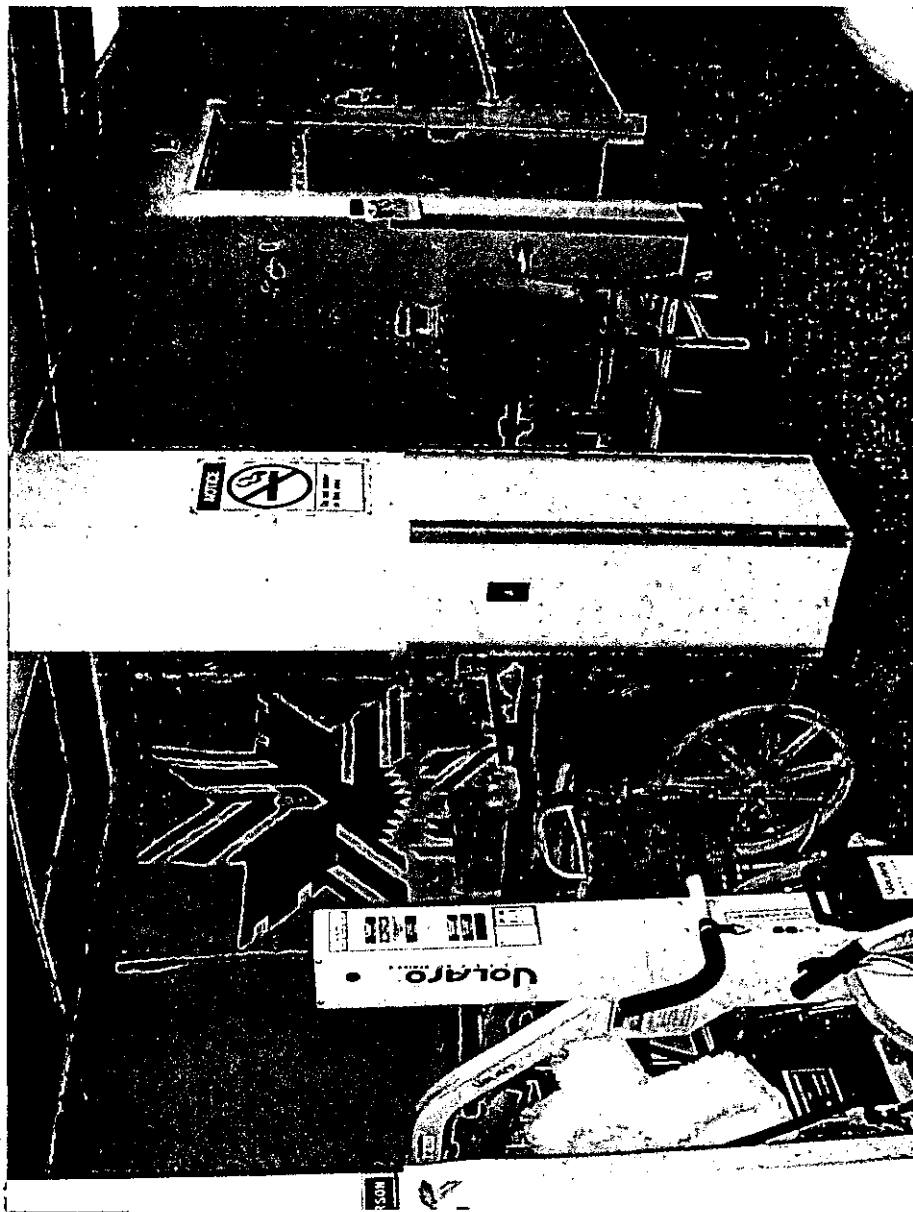
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Lack of lounge space
Next to Nurses Station



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No adequate storage or
lounge space.



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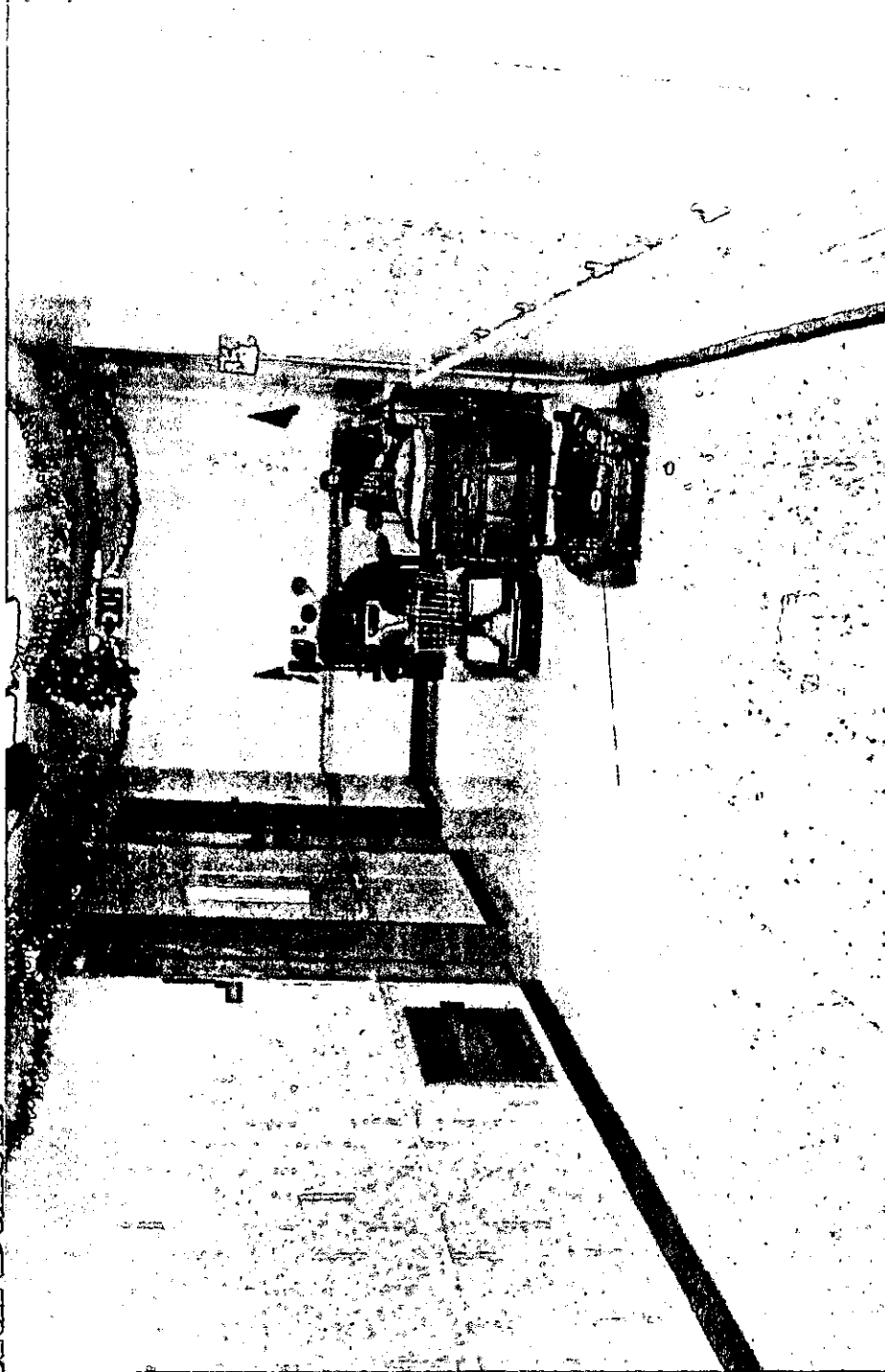
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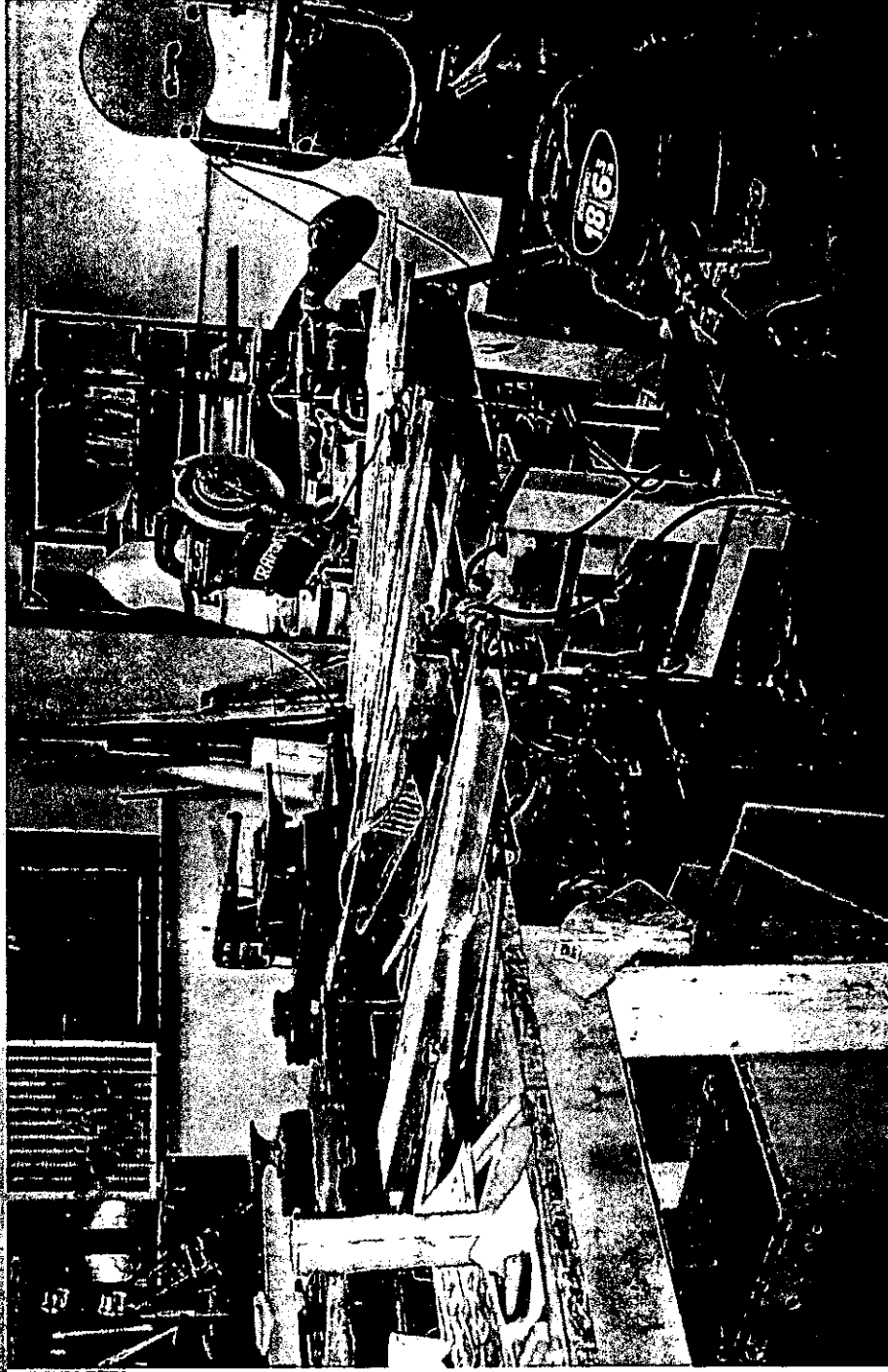
Image and Egress Issue

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Lack of Motorized Cart Storage – Block
Doorway

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Poor Working Conditions Wood
Shop



Safety and Liability Issues for Home

Admission Criteria

- ❑ Bona fide resident of North Dakota for at least 30 days.
 - ❑ Served in a North Dakota Regiment (activated ND National Guard).
 - ❑ Entered the Armed Services as a North Dakota resident.
 - ❑ Spouse or surviving spouse of a veteran.
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Mental Health Disorders

└ Mood Disorder

- Major Depression
- Bipolar Disorder
- Dysthymic Disorder

└ Anxiety Disorder

- Obsessive-Compulsive
 - Post Traumatic Stress
 - Generalized Anxiety
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Mental Health Disorders

■ Psychotic Symptoms

- Schizophrenia
- Schizoaffective Disorder
- Delusional Disorder
- Psychotic Disorder

┘ Personality Disorder

- Paranoid
 - Antisocial
 - Borderline
 - Narcissistic
 - Schizotypal
 - Avoidant
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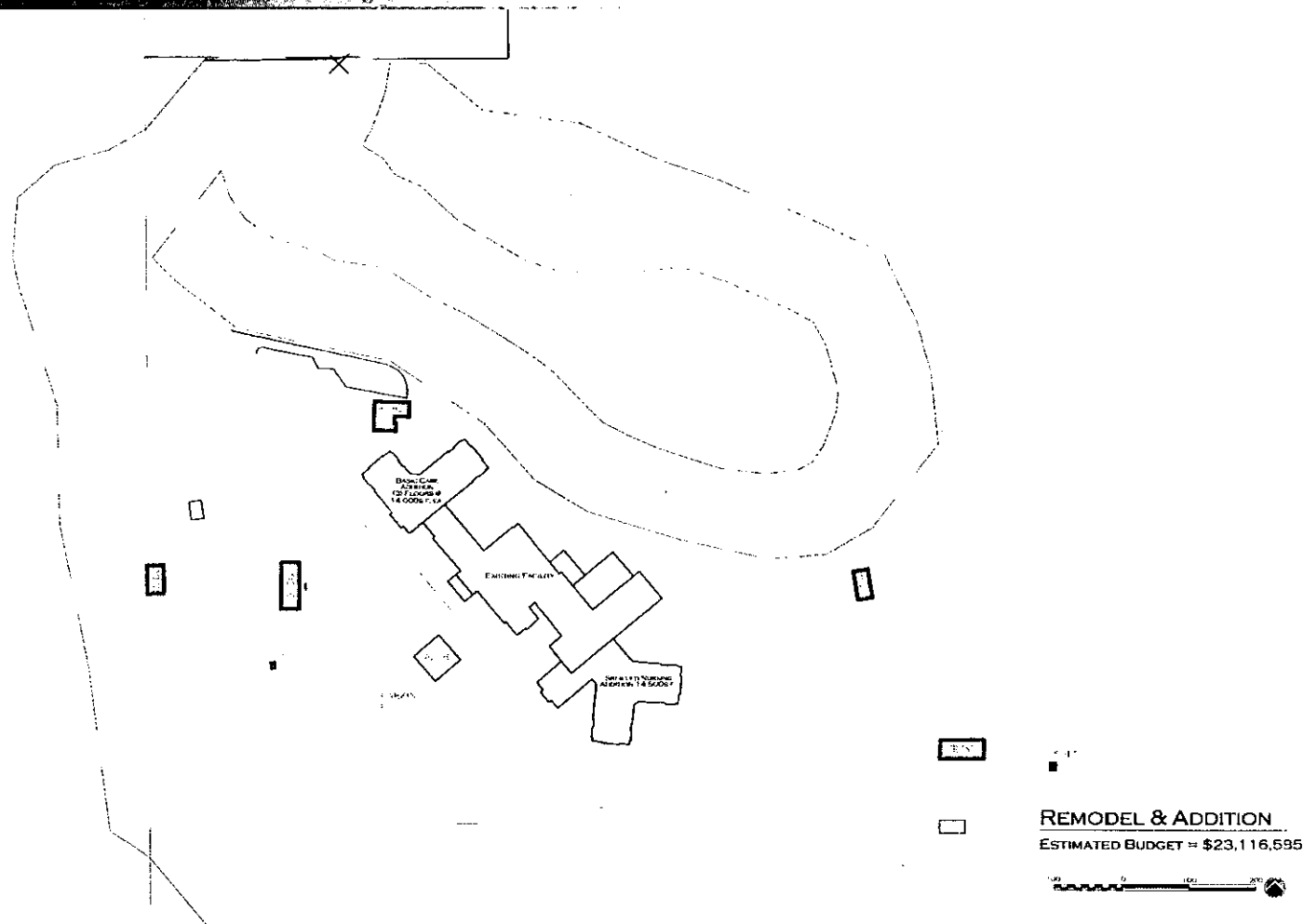
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New Facility Plan

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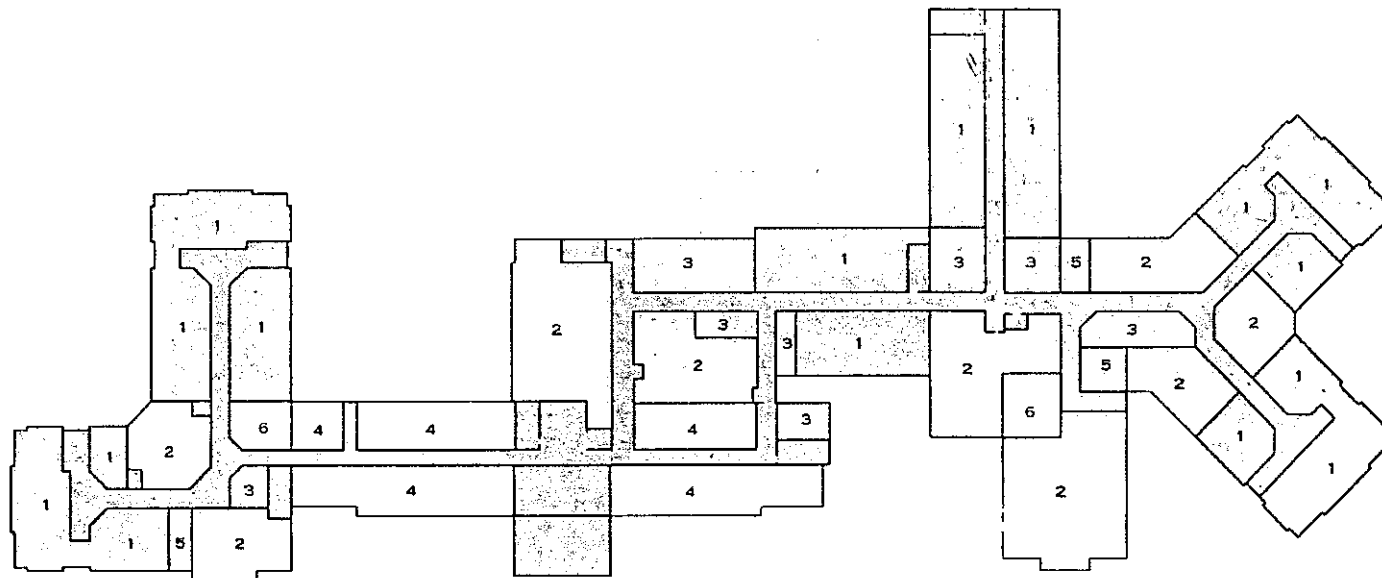


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
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ENTRY

LEGEND

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|  CIRCULATION | 4 ADMINISTRATION |
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| 2 COMMON RESIDENT AREAS | 6 BUILDING SUPPORT |
| 3  STAFF AREAS | |

FIRST FLOOR

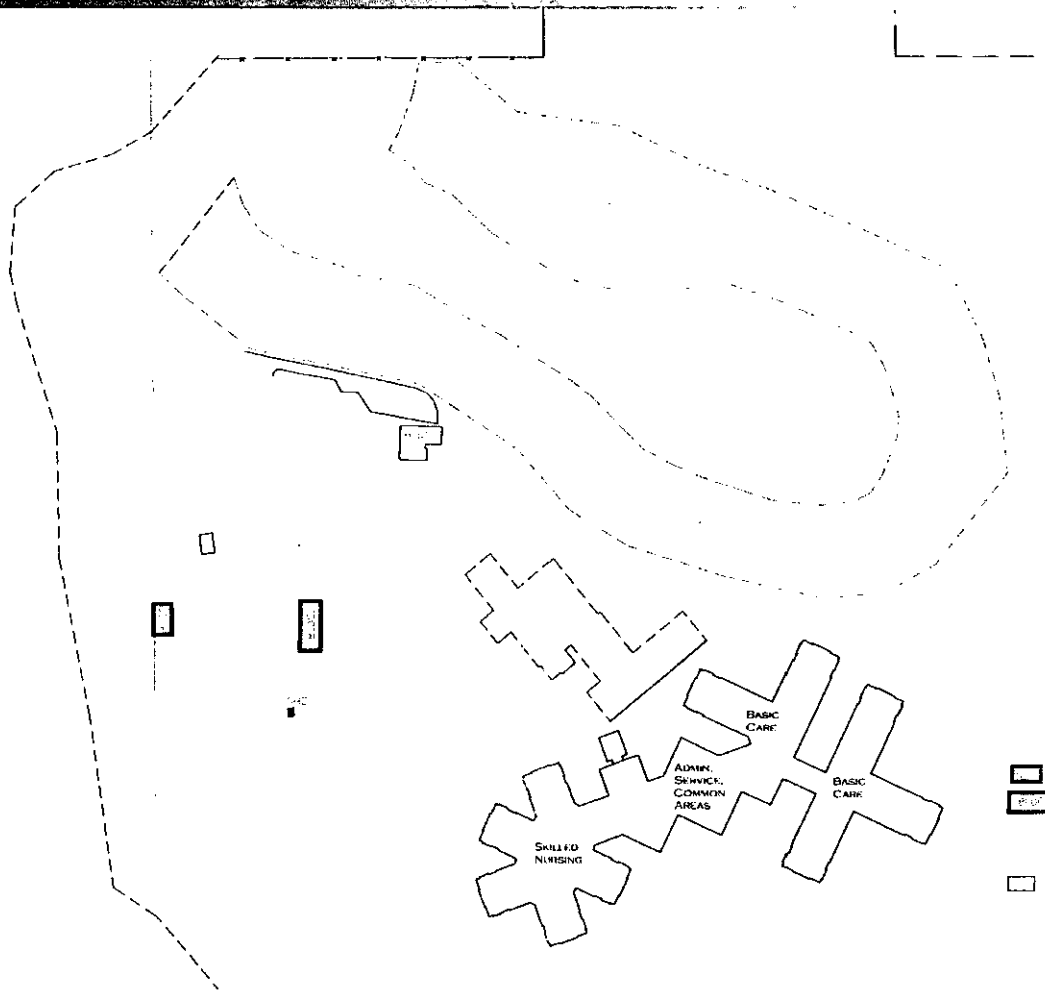


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NEW FACILITY

BASEMENT - STORAGE, MECH. = 10,000 S.F.

FIRST FLOOR = 98,500 S.F.

SECOND FLOOR = 43,750 S.F.

TOTAL S.F. = 152,250

ESTIMATED BUDGET = \$22,747,275

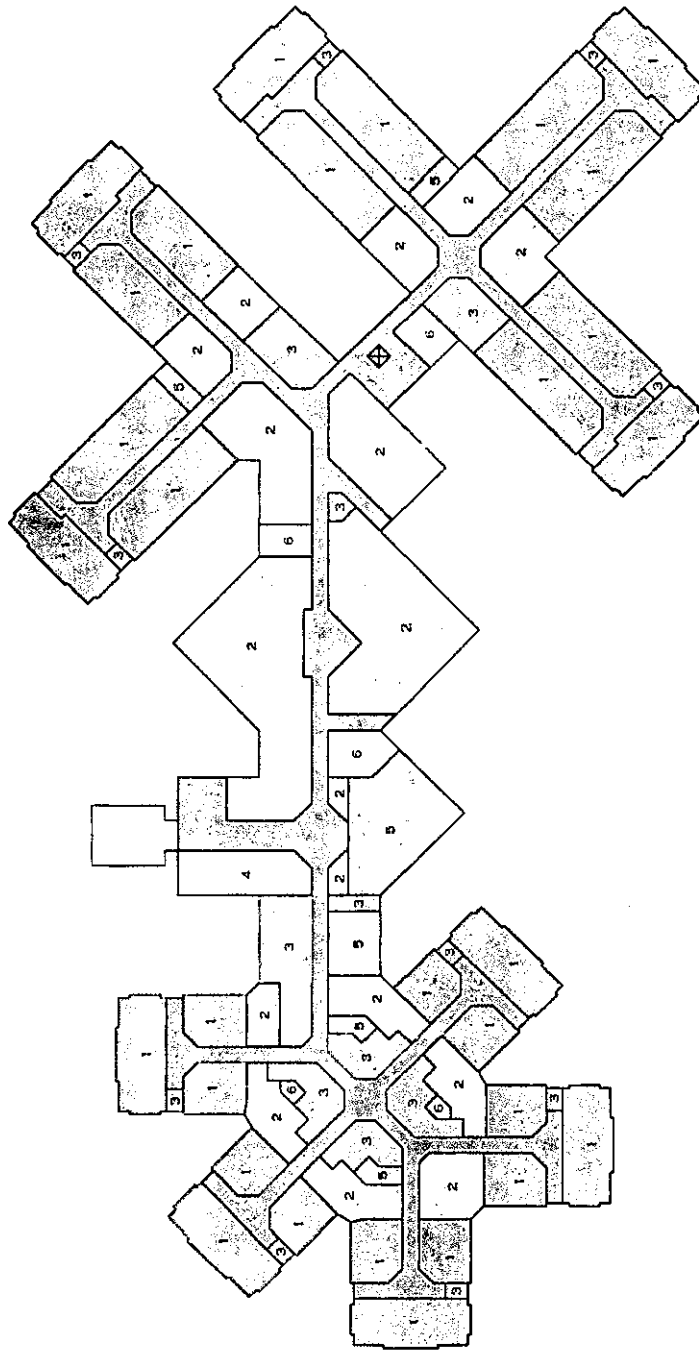


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

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LEGEND

-  CIRCULATION
-  LIVING AREAS
-  COMMON RESIDENT AREAS
-  STAFF AREAS
-  ADMINISTRATION
-  BUILDING SERVICES
-  BUILDING SUPPORT

FIRST FLOOR



New Plan

What does the future hold
for the North Dakota
Veterans Home ?



NORTH DAKOTA VETERANS HOME



History

2002 - Agencies saw problems

2003 - Legislature wanted changes

- Board structure

- Leadership

- Strategic Plan

 - Mission

 - Vision

 - Capital Improvement Plan

 - Facility Assessment/Condition report



NORTH DAKOTA VETERANS HOME



Major construction/renovation

- 1993
- 1949
- 1980 (Bond)
- 1991 (Bond)



NORTH DAKOTA VETERANS HOME

Vision: Best State Veterans Home

- Current situation
 - Major problems, not cost effective to repair
- Replacement
 - Long term effort - \$23M
 - Federal grant available for up to 65%

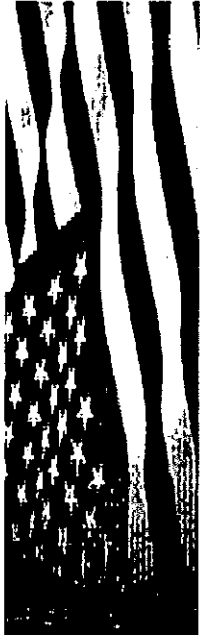


Demographics

- 60,000 veterans
- General Fund Appropriation to NDVH & Dept - Approx \$4M
- Federal \$ to ND/Yr: Approx \$200M
- EIS: \$600M
- ROE: 300:1
- Annual expenditures per veteran: \$ 17



NORTH DAKOTA VETERANS HOME



Trends

■ Newly enrolled veterans since OIF

- VISN 23: 13,000
- North Dakota: 1,308

■ 2017 - 2027

- Nationwide: slightly lower
- North Dakota: slightly higher

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TECHNICAL CONDITION ASSESSMENT

for

North Dakota Veterans Home Lisbon, North Dakota

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INTRODUCTION

The following Technical Condition Assessment is a description and evaluation of the building systems at the North Dakota Veterans Home. The purpose of the survey is to evaluate the technical conditions of the buildings, to aid in prioritizing maintenance needs, determining appropriate allocation of resources for building improvements, and understanding issues which could be addressed concurrent with any expansion or remodeling campaign.

The building evaluation is documented in the following categories:

SITE: Parking Areas, Walks, Lawns, Plantings, Misc. Structures, Utilities/Lighting, Signage, Drainage, Fire Department Access.

STRUCTURE: Foundations, Bearing Walls, Skeleton, Floor Structures, Roof Structures.

ENVELOPE: Roofs, Walls (Skin), Windows, Exterior Doors, Soffits.

INTERIOR: Ceilings, Flooring, Wall Finishes, Interior Openings, Stairs/Ramps, Elevators/Lifts, Specialties, Food Service, Toilet & Bath Accessories, Miscellaneous.

CODES: Compliance with Life Safety/Building Codes - Means of Egress, Smoke/Fire Detection & Alarm Systems, Fire Suppression, Area/Occupancy Separations, Lighting Systems, Construction Type.
Handicap Accessibility- Parking/Drop Off, Site Routes, Entrances and Exits, Building Routes, Rooms/Spaces, Toilet Rooms, Signage/Signals.

MECHANICAL: Plumbing System, Plumbing Fixtures, Central Sources, Distribution System, Air Handlers, Air Distribution & Returns, Radiation/Convectors, Temperature Control Systems. (Sprinklers are under Codes)

ELECTRICAL: Main Service, Distribution/Panelboards, Power Distribution System/Outlets, Illumination, Communication/Data Systems, Electric Heating, Mechanical Equipment Connections, Other Systems (Clocks, Security, etc.), Generators.

The number evaluation rating for each entry is based on the rating scales following this summary. The Physical Ratings Scale is used in all categories except for Codes where the Code Compliance Scale is utilized. By glancing through the ratings, chronic deficiencies can be quickly noted. The illustrations and brief descriptions provide further insight into each deficiency.

The conditions were evaluated by visual inspection and consultation with Bob Nelson, Maintenance/Security Officer. Evaluation was conducted by James Simpson, AIA, CSI, CCS of this firm, Dave Obermiller, mechanical engineer of Obermiller Nelson Engineering, and Brian Poykko, electrical engineer of Obermiller Nelson Engineering.

RATING SCALES***PHYSICAL SERVICEABILITY SCALE***

9 - 10	New or Performing like new in all aspects.
7 - 8	All major elements performing as intended, minor defects in some areas.
5 - 6	Most major elements performing well even though aged/worn, a few major defects or numerous minor defects.
3 - 4	Some major elements performing well even though aged/worn, some major defects and numerous minor defects.
1 - 2	A few major elements performing well but many in failure, many minor defects.
0	All aspects/elements in failure mode.

CODE COMPLIANCE SCALE

9 - 10	Appears to be in Full Compliance.
7 - 8	In General Compliance with minor elements in violation.
5 - 6	Generally Compliant, but a few large exceptions.
3 - 4	Generally Compliant with numerous large exceptions to Compliance.
1 - 2	Mostly Non-Compliant.
0	Totally Non-Compliant.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The North Dakota Veterans Home is located at 1400 Rose Street in Lisbon, North Dakota. The 92-acre site is on the south side of Lisbon, just east of the Sheyenne River, and it has numerous large trees and is surrounded by gently rolling hills.

Established in 1891 and originally called the North Dakota Soldiers Home, the first barracks facility was constructed in 1893. In 1899 a hospital was built. The hospital was closed in the late 1940's and it became the Civilian Employee Quarters. The original barracks building was demolished in 1952. The main portion of the present structure was built in 1949-1950. It is a four-story building, with brick veneer. A four-story addition was built onto the east end of the building in 1980. In 1981 a new central heating plant was constructed on the site, along with an addition to the existing boiler room. The name of the facility was changed to the North Dakota Veterans Home in 1983. In 1990 another addition was constructed. It consisted of a two-story infill between the Resident Dining Room and the 1980 addition, and a two-story addition to the east end of the 1980 episode. A single-story Gazebo with a wrap-around deck was added to the east end of the 1990 episode. The original portion and the 1980 addition were re-roofed in the mid-1990's, and the Gazebo was re-roofed in 2006. In addition there have been numerous smaller re-modeling, repair and maintenance projects.

The site has a small park to the SW of the building, along with several picnic areas and pieces of war memorabilia. There is visitor parking immediately in front of the main entrance, with staff parking to the south, and on the north side of the building, and resident parking to the east.

For the purposes of this report, the main entrance of the building faces west.



View of building from NW.



View of building from west.



View of 1990 episode from SW.



View of Gazebo from SE.

CODES SUMMARY

While the actual serviceability of various elements of the buildings is important in assessing overall condition, the arrangement of the parts of the building and their relationship to various codes which can affect the use of the building is also important. Three types of regulations apply to building construction, layout and use. They are the International Building Code, the Life-Safety Code (NFPA 101), and the Americans with Disabilities Act. In addition, requirements of the North Dakota Health Dept. and the Dept. of Veterans Affairs also apply.

The International Building Code (IBC) is applicable when a building is initially constructed and again whenever the building is substantially remodeled or modified. The International Building Code has as its purpose the protection of occupants and it prescribes certain building materials and methods based upon the numbers of occupants, size of building, location on the property, use of building and number of stories. Sizes, locations, and numbers of exits are established by the IBC. The International Building Code has as companion codes, the International Mechanical Code and the National Electrical Code. These codes set standards for sanitary facilities, heating, ventilation, and lighting, among others. All of these conditions must be satisfied to obtain building and occupancy permits.

The International Building Code is a dynamic set of regulations updated every three years, and in many case has become more stringent with each new code. As a result, often what was acceptable construction practice at the time the structure was built may not be acceptable today. In addition, many states and cities have modified the IBC adding their own requirements. Owners are not required to keep their buildings current with the International Building Code except when substantial remodeling or additions to existing facilities are undertaken. The definition of 'substantial' is at the discretion of the local code official.

The second regulation is the Life-Safety Code (NFPA 101) which is generally enforced by local fire departments. The Life Safety Code can be enforced on any existing facility to ensure the on-going safety of the occupants. Periodic review of facilities by State Fire Marshals administers these requirements. The compliance requirements placed on owners varies considerably from jurisdiction to jurisdiction.

The intent of both the International Building Code and Life-Safety Code is the protection of life and property.

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) is federal legislation that provides for equal access to buildings and accommodations for those with disabilities. While ADA compliance is dictated as a matter of law, and exempts some facilities, the ADA requirements are now incorporated into the International Building Code without exemptions.

PRIORITY CORRECTIVE ACTIONS SUMMARY

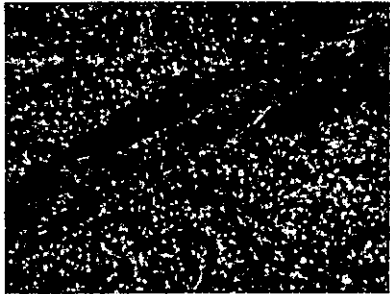
The following chart is a compilation of top priority deficiencies as described in the Condition Assessment Report. The deficiencies have been ranked according to physical serviceability and code compliance scales which are outlined on the previous pages. These rankings are based on our professional judgment with maintaining the integrity of the buildings and protection of life being the primary criteria. They are subject to interpretation and change based on other criteria, but establish a point of departure for developing a strategy for implementing corrective actions.

The estimated cost of the corrective actions for deficiencies assumes that the each action is handled on a individual basis, unless otherwise stated. Efficiencies may be gained by combining corrective actions into a more comprehensive project.

RATING	ELEMENT	DEFICIENCY	POSSIBLE CORRECTION	COST
1	Toilet Rms.	Not accessible	Revise as required; note 2	\$ 235,000
2	Separations	Non-compliant	Revise as required; note 3	\$ 235,000
2	Central sources	Exceeded expected life span	Replace boilers; modify per report; notes 4, 11	\$ 310,000
2	Dist. Syst.	Inefficient	Replace piping/insul. & valves	\$ 370,000
2	AHU's 5, 6, & 7	Deteriorated	Replace air handlers; modify controls; notes 5, 11	\$ 575,000
3	Roofs	Deteriorated built-up roofs	Re-roof original & 1980	\$ 115,000
3	Windows	Poor thermal efficiency	Replace windows	\$ 185,000
3	Rooms	Not accessible	Revise as required	Note 6
3	Signage	Non-compliant	Replace signs, add strobes	\$ 34,000
3	Plumbing	Piping/valves	Replace piping, install valves	\$ 300,000
3	Air Dist.	Non-compliant	Revise/install ductwork & dampers	Note 7
4	Ext. Doors	Poor thermal efficiency	Replace doors	\$ 27,500
4	Ceilings	Deteriorating	Replace ceilings	\$ 158,000
4	Elevators	Old equipment	Replace elec. traction elevators	\$ 260,000
4	Cabinets	Deteriorating	Replace cabinets	\$ 229,500
4	Means of Egress	Non-compliant	Revise as required; note 8	\$ 60,250
4	Bldg. Routes	Not accessible	Revise as required	Note 9
4	Plumb'g fixtures	Excess water usage	Replace fixtures & faucets in original portion	Note 10
4	Temp. Control	Limited coverage; old system	Replace system; add thermostats	\$ 115,000
4	Nurse Call	Old system	Replace system	\$ 82,500
4	Health Dept.	Toilet at Hydrotherapy	Add toilet	\$ 15,000
Total				\$3,306,750

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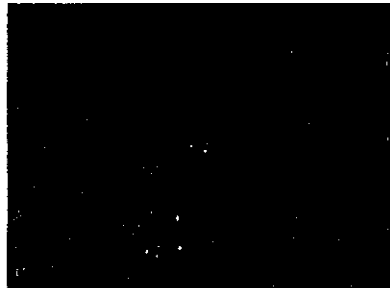
1. This Summary does not include corrective actions to accessory buildings.
2. Modifying toilet rooms may reduce the number of resident beds/rooms.
3. Dampers in ductwork are included under AHU's.
4. Cost includes replacing all boilers.
5. Includes modifications to ductwork, dampers etc.
6. Cost included under Separations and Cabinets.
7. Cost included under AHU's.
8. Includes egress control devices and modifications to center stair and Lobby.
9. Cost will vary significantly depending on how problems are solved. Estimate \$100,000 minimum expense.
10. Cost included under Toilet Rooms.
11. Building may have to be un-occupied during HVAC modifications.

CONDITION ASSESSMENT REPORT

Crack in asphalt paving. Note ravelling.



Spalling concrete paving. Note pop-outs.



Parking striping fading away.



Damaged concrete curb.



Finish on ramp at Gazebo deteriorating.

SITE**Parking Areas****Rating: 5**

There are four main parking areas around the building: Visitor parking at the main entrance; employee parking areas on the east and southwest sides; and resident parking to the south. The resident parking lot is paved with concrete while the others have asphalt. The resident lot and the employee lot to the SW have concrete curb and gutter. Asphalt-paved areas were re-sealed in 2003.

The asphalt is ravelling in some areas (losing pavement from the top down), as well as showing slight signs of frost heave and both slight longitudinal and transverse cracking probably caused by substrate settlement and movement.

The resident parking lot is paved with concrete. The surface has many pop-outs, and is both scaling and spalling in numerous places. There are also numerous cracks, ranging from hairline to significant.

Concrete curbs exhibit some minor damage, most likely caused by snow removal equipment.

In all the parking areas the striping is either worn off or fading away.

Roads around the site are paved with asphalt. There are numerous cracks and places where the surface is ravelling.

Walks, Etc.**Rating: 8**

Walks are paved with concrete, and except for minor cracking and pop-outs are in satisfactory condition.

The finish on the plywood ramp from the Gazebo deck is deteriorating. Staff indicated that the Health Dept. required the area beneath the ramp to be completely filled so that sprinklers would not have to be installed. Because of this there is little ventilation, allowing moisture to build up.

Lawns**Rating: 7**

Lawn areas were dormant at the time of the assessment. They appear to be generally healthy, however there are some bare spots. A portion of the site has an automatic sprinkler system

Plantings

Rating: 7

Trees and shrubs were dormant at the time of the assessment, however they appear to be generally healthy.

Misc. Structures

Rating: 6

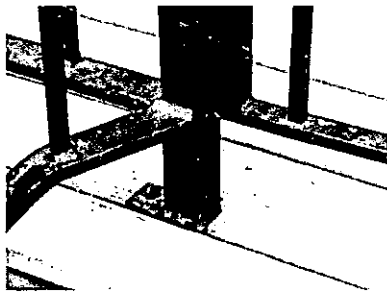
There are several accessory buildings on the site, including the boiler plant, the original boiler plant, a 3-stall garage and a metal storage building. These buildings are discussed at the end of this report. The Commandant's Residence is in a separate report.

There is a granite monument just south of the visitor parking area. Except for minor rust stains on the base it is in satisfactory condition. The rust is most likely due to minerals in the local water supply being deposited on the granite by the irrigation system, then rusting when rained on.

There is a chain link fence on the north side of the building. A hole has been cut for drainage adjacent to the staff parking lot. In addition there are other minor defects in the fabric and the posts.

There is a metal railing at the main entrance. The paint is deteriorating and the metal is rusting in many places.

There is a deck with a wooden railing around the Gazebo, with a ramp down to grade on the south side. A small piece of wood trim is missing from the cap at the bottom of the ramp. The painted finish on the ramp has virtually worn away exposing the plywood.



Rust on metal railing.

Utilities/Lighting

Rating: 8

No problems were observed or reported with any site utilities.

Signage

Rating: 6

There is a lighted monument/planter sign at the entrance to the site. The sign itself is in satisfactory condition, however the joints in the brick base are deteriorating due to water in the planter, and lichens are growing on the brick on the north side.

There is another monument/planter sign just east of the main entrance. The metal letters are in satisfactory condition, but the mortar joints in the brick base are deteriorating due to water in the planter.

There is a wooden address sign adjacent to the entrance to the residents parking lot. Other than slightly deteriorating finish, the sign appears to be in satisfactory condition.



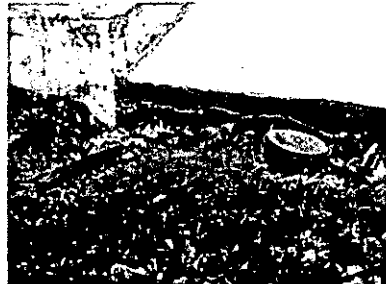
Lichens growing on brick sign base.



Deteriorating mortar joints.



Erosion at staff parking lot.



Erosion under sidewalk at north end of building.



Exposed PVC storm drainage piping near Gazebo.



Settlement adjacent to west side of laundry allows ponding.



Limited access to fire department siamese connection.

Drainage

Rating: 5

Site drainage on the surface, and runs generally to the north and east. There are numerous swales and other surface drainage elements. Holes have been provided in curbs and planter borders to allow for drainage. Exposed PVC pipe is used to drain storm water adjacent to the Gazebo. On the north end of the original portion, and on the west side of the 1980 addition, the soil adjacent to the building has settled, creating areas where water will pond adjacent to the structure. Staff reported that storm water used to infiltrate the Laundry. Additional fill has been added, and more is necessary. On the north side of the staff parking lot on the east side of the building, there is some minor erosion where the drainage passes under a chain link fence. There is also some minor erosion at the east end of the 1990 episode adjacent to where the rain water leader discharges, and also under the sidewalk at the north end of the original portion.

Additional asphalt had to be added adjacent to the north wall of the 1990 addition to provide positive drainage away from the building after the original paving had settled. See also "Structures: Floor Structures".

Emergency Vehicle Access

Rating: 7

There is emergency vehicle access to three sides of the facility. The roadways are somewhat narrow for fire trucks, but for the most part they are looped or ample turn-around space is provided.

There is one fire hydrant near the building. It is just south of the main entrance. Another hydrant is near the Commandant's Residence.

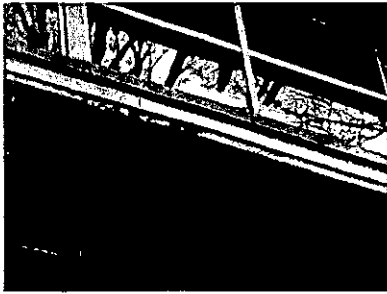
The siamese connection for the fire department is adjacent to the main entrance, but access is limited due to adjacent steps and ramps.

STRUCTURES

Foundations

Rating: 7

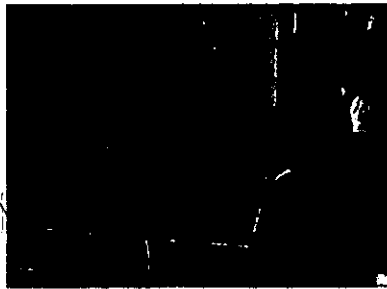
The building has reinforced concrete footings and foundations throughout. Several minor cracks in both interior and exterior walls were observed which could indicate slight settling of the structure. Nothing was observed that would indicate any serious problems with the footings or foundations.



Concrete sun shade spalling.



Crack in concrete bearing wall, SE corner of south wing, 1990 addition.



Crack in concrete masonry bearing wall, first floor, 1990 episode.



Gaps in joints between tile in Receiving Room, 1990 addition.

Bearing Walls

Rating: 7

The original portion of the building has cast-in-place concrete bearing walls around the perimeter, and structural clay tile bearing walls on each side of the center corridor. No problems were observed. At the north and south ends of the original portion there are cast-in-place concrete beams with painted, cantilevered concrete sun shades above the windows. The paint on the sun shades is deteriorating and the concrete is spalling.

Drawings of the 1980 episode were not available for review. However, based on site observations it appears that interior and perimeter bearing walls are concrete masonry. There is a small crack adjacent to the door to the Laundry. No other problems were observed.

The first floor of the 1990 episode has cast-in-place concrete bearing walls at new perimeter walls. On the second floor the new perimeter walls are concrete masonry units. This episode also utilizes the bearing walls of the original portion. One small crack was observed at the SE corner of the south wing, 1990 episode. There are a couple of small cracks in the concrete masonry bearing walls in the corridor on the first floor.

Skeleton

Rating: N/A

The building has no skeleton.

Floor Structures

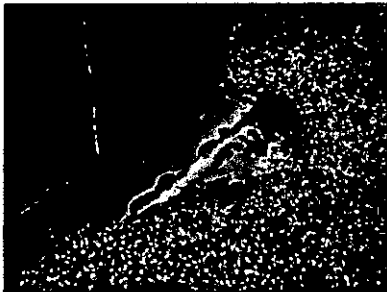
Rating: 7

The ground floor (lowest level) in the original portion of the building is a concrete slab on metal deck supported by steel joists. There are cracks in the vinyl tile behind the serving line in the Resident Dining Room that could indicate some minor deflection. No significant problems were observed. The ground floor in the remainder of the facility is a concrete slab-on-grade. There are significant floor tile cracks and gaps in joints adjacent to the exterior doors at the Receiving Room. Staff reported that a portion of the floor slab was cut out and replaced because it had settled. The existing cracks and gaps have occurred since that replacement. Minor cracks in the vinyl tile adjacent to the elevator in the 1980 episode could be indicative of slab settlement.

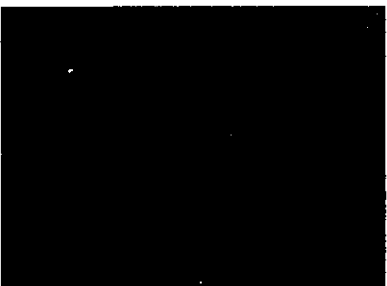
The upper floors in the original portion of the building, and the in the 1990 episode are concrete slab on metal deck, supported by steel joists. In the 1990 addition, steel beams and columns support the joists at interior walls, and where the existing walls could not be used to support the structure. Nothing was observed that would indicate any problems with the floor structure in these areas.



Badly bent metal flashing.



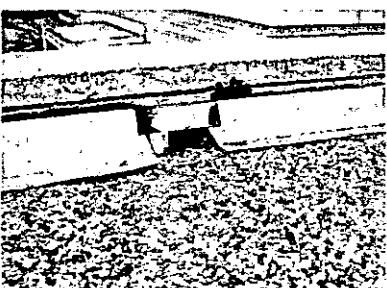
Aggregate surfacing shifting.



Crack in surface of roof repair.



Built-up roof on sun shade.



Typical scupper.

No drawings of the 1980 episode were available for review, but nothing was observed that would indicate any problems with the upper floor structures.

Roof Structures

Rating: 8

The roof on the original portion of the building, and the on the 1990 episode is a concrete slab on metal deck, supported by steel joists. Nothing was observed that would indicate any problems with the roof structure in these areas.

No drawings of the 1980 episode were available for review, but nothing was observed that would indicate any problems with the roof structure.

ENVELOPE

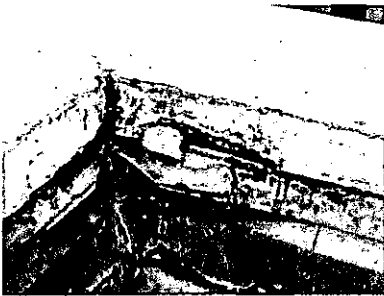
Roofs

Rating: 3

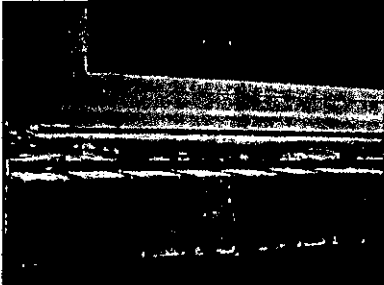
The original portion of the building along with the 1980 addition, have built-up asphalt roofs. These areas were re-roofed in 1996. Both roof drains and through-wall scuppers are provided. Metal perimeter flashing was bent up to accommodate the re-roofing. In most cases it was not bent back down sufficiently to prevent water from getting under the flashing. In addition the presence of the flashing prevents visual inspection of the roof-to-wall intersection. When this portion was re-roofed, the roofing was installed so as to drain away from rather than towards the scuppers. The aggregate surfacing has shifted in some places exposing the asphalt flood coat and membrane. Staff reported several recent roof leaks that appear to have been repaired. There is a large crack in one of the repaired areas.

The concrete sun-shades on the west side of the building also have a built-up asphalt roof system. The edge of the concrete shows signs of spalling in several places, indicating water infiltration beneath the roof membrane. Also, the aggregate is missing from significant areas, exposing the roof system to UV rays. In addition, the mineral-surfaced cap flashing is cracking in many places.

The 1990 episode has a ballasted EPDM roof system, which was replaced in 2006. No problems were observed or reported. The nature of EPDM is that it will shrink over time. With a ballasted roof system, this shrinkage will be noticeable at the roof-to-wall transition where the membrane will form a "tent" between the roof and wall. Because this "tent" is in tension, any small puncture or other hole will rapidly increase in size.



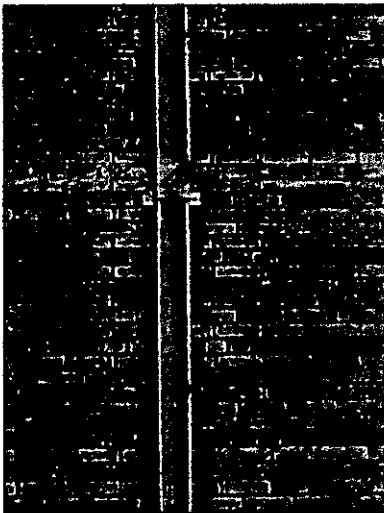
Deteriorating concrete coping.



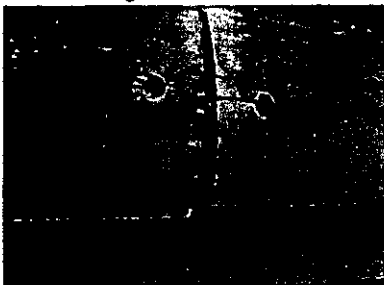
Deterioration of window sill and caulking.



Mortar joints at sill deteriorating.



Mortar joints behind downspout deteriorating.



Log siding shrinking and splitting.

The parapet around the entire building is capped with a precast concrete coping. The coping on the original portion of the building is spalling and pitting. In addition head joints have deteriorated or are deteriorating and should be replaced. Directly above the main entrance, one section of coping has shifted such that it sticks out past the wall 1" - 2".

Walls (Skin)

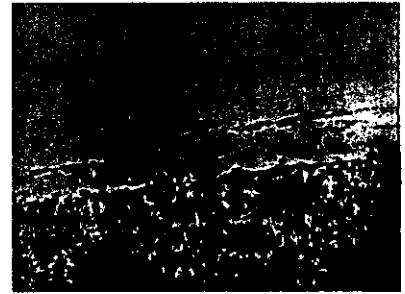
Rating: 6

The walls are mostly face brick veneer, with some areas of painted concrete.

The brick is in satisfactory condition, however mortar joints are deteriorating at some window sills, and behind downspouts on the north side of the original portion and the 1990 infill portion. In addition there are several small holes in the mortar on the north side of the east wing, 1990 episode. The lintel supporting the brick above the window on the west end of the 1990 Activity Room does not extend the full width of the opening.



Lintel does not extend full width of opening.



Paint damaged by lawn care equipment.

The paint is spalling off of the concrete in several places. In addition the paint is being scraped off the walls at the bottom by lawn care equipment. One small area adjacent to the main entrance was not re-painted when a sign was removed. On the west side of the east wing, 1990 addition, the painted wall is badly soiled from an exhaust vent.

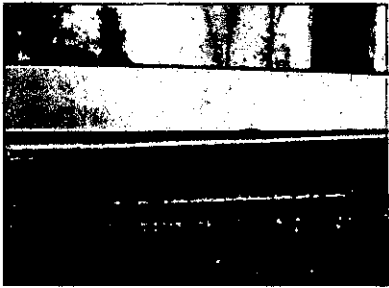
The Gazebo has split-log type wood siding. Some boards are shrinking creating gaps between boards. Some boards are also splitting at the fasteners.

The painted finish on window-well covers is deteriorating, and the screens are bent.

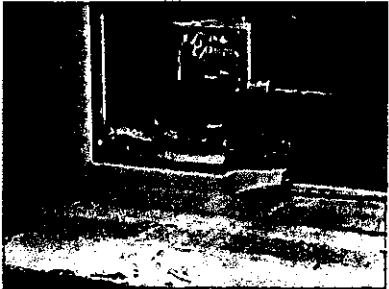
Windows

Rating: 3

The original portion of the facility has painted, single-hung, single-glazed wood windows with storm windows in most areas, with aluminum fixed and casement windows with insulating glass at the SE and SW ends of the building and



Failure of caulking at aluminum window adjacent to entrance.



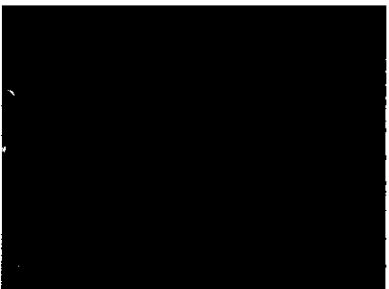
Duct tape used to repair window.



In-filled window; note paint deterioration.



Lack of weatherstripping between door leaves.



Paint on door scratched.

adjacent to the main entrance. These aluminum windows are not original to the building as the plans indicate steel sash windows. The caulking around the perimeter of the aluminum windows adjacent to the entry has failed. Only the windows in the 1980 episode provide satisfactory thermal insulation.

The interior finish of the wood windows is in satisfactory condition for the most part, however the painted finish on the exterior has deteriorated, especially at sills, allowing the wood to check and split. Duct tape was used to make repairs to a window on the west side of the Resident Dining Room. One pane of glass in the Resident Dining Room is broken. Windows on the Ground Floor (lowest level) are difficult to open for some residents and staff due to the height of the sash above the floor. No problems were observed with the aluminum windows at the north and south ends of the original portion.

The 1980 and 1990 episodes have metal-clad wood fixed and casement windows. The windows in the 1980 addition have insulating glass, while those in the 1990 episode have double panes of single glazing. One pane of insulating glass on the east end of the third floor of the 1980 episode was fogged, indicating that the insulating seal has been broken. Several windows have been modified to accommodate air conditioning units.

Several windows have been filled in with painted wood. The paint is deteriorating in most of these cases.

The caulking around the perimeter of the windows in the original portion of the building has deteriorated. Caulking around windows in the later episodes is beginning to deteriorate, especially on the east and south sides.

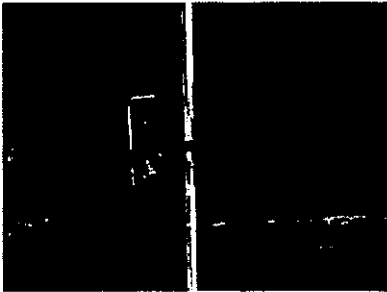
Exterior Doors

Rating: 4

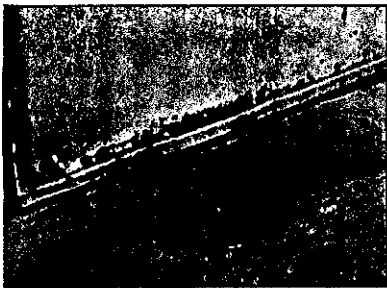
The main entrance doors are aluminum with single glazing. The weatherstripping around and between the door leaves does not provide an adequate seal. Light is visible between the door leaves. The sidelites have single glazing in wood frames. The finish on the wood, both interior and exterior, is deteriorating. Other exterior doors in the original portion of the building are painted hollow metal in painted steel frames, with wired glass and old hardware and weatherstripping.

There are no exterior doors in the 1980 addition.

Exterior doors at the 1990 episode are painted hollow metal in painted steel frames. The paint on the door from the SE corner of the Activity Room is scratched and deteriorating. At the pair of doors on the north side of the Mechanical Room, north of



Lack of weatherstripping between door leaves.



Door to Mechanical Room rusted.



Stained ceiling above serving line.



Damaged ceiling tile.



Non-water-resistant tile in shower.

the 1980 addition, there is no weatherstripping between the doors, and the bottom of the doors is rusted.

The doors in the Gazebo are metal-clad wood French Doors. No locking hardware is provided on these doors, only a door position alarm. See also "Codes - Life Safety/Building Codes: Means of Egress".

Soffits and Fascias

Rating: 8

The only soffits are at the porch at the main entrance and the underside of the concrete sun shades. These soffits are painted and no significant problems were observed.

There are no fascias on the building.

INTERIORS

Ceilings

Rating: 4

Most of the building has a suspended acoustical ceiling system. Ceilings in mechanical spaces and other secondary rooms are painted concrete. The ceiling in the Gazebo is wood.

There are many places throughout the facility where the ceiling tiles have or are beginning to warp, as evidenced by corners raising up from the grid, or sag. The ceiling, including the suspension system, above the serving line in the Resident Dining Room and in the Smoking Lounges is badly stained. Tiles adjacent to a couple of supply air registers are dirty. Tiles and suspension systems in shower areas in the original portion of the building do not appear to be moisture-resistant type. There are water stains on only a few tiles. And tiles in several areas are scratched and otherwise slightly damaged. Tiles in several places have been cut or otherwise modified to accommodate new wiring etc.

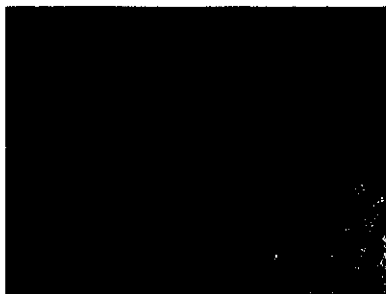
Painted ceilings are showing typical signs of normal wear and tear.

The ceiling in the Gazebo appears to be in satisfactory condition. See also "Codes: Life Safety/Building Codes - Construction Type".

Flooring

Rating: 6

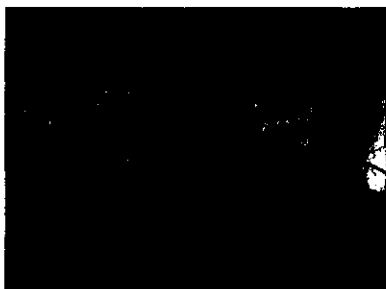
Floors in corridors, resident rooms in the original portion and the 1980 addition, dining rooms, activity rooms, smoking lounges, TV rooms, stairs etc. are vinyl composition tile. Several tile behind the serving line in the Resident Dining Room are cracked. In addition, several tile adjacent to the elevator in the 1980 addition are cracked. Floor tile in the



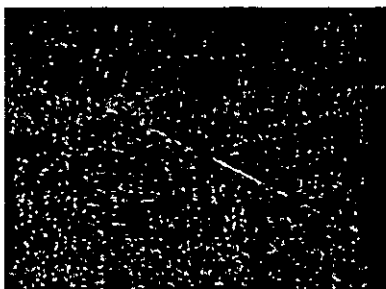
Cracked tile at serving line.



Water stain under electric water cooler.



Excessive joints in corridor.



Seam between corridor and resident room carpet.

Smoking Lounge in the 1980 addition are badly stained from cigarette smoke. Tiles in the Activity/Dining Room in the 1990 episode are slightly scuffed. In the Employee Dining Room in the original portion chairs have small rags attached to their feet apparently to prevent damage to the floor. A couple of tile towards the north end of the east wing, 1990 episode, are damaged, and there is a water stain on the floor beneath the electric water cooler at the east end of the corridor on the second floor of the original portion. The joints between floor tile in the corridor outside the Resident Dining Room are larger than normal. Some asbestos floor tile, which also have asbestos-containing mastic, still remain.

Resident rooms and first floor corridors in the 1990 addition, the first floor corridor in the 1980 episode, the Lobby, most offices, the Mail Room, the two small Chapels, the Multi-Purpose Room, the Lounge at the east end of the third floor in the original portion, the Library and Lounge on the second floor in the original portion, and the Gazebo all have carpet. Some areas have apparently been re-carpeted recently as they show no signs of wear and tear. The carpet in several offices is showing signs of aging including wear marks and seams becoming evident. There are stains on the carpet in a couple of the lounges, and the carpet in some resident rooms in the 1990 addition is slightly soiled. Seams between the resident room carpet and the corridor carpet in the 1990 episode are coming apart in a few places.

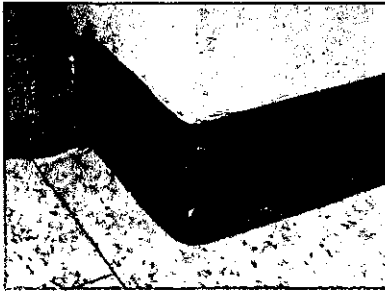
Floors in the resident laundry rooms, toilet rooms, employee locker rooms, Hydrotherapy Room, in the original portion, and in resident shower rooms and toilet rooms in the 1980 episode are ceramic tile. Other than soiled grout joints, no problems were observed.

Floors in resident toilet rooms and soiled linen rooms in the 1990 episode are vinyl sheet flooring. No problems were observed.

The floor in the Kitchen and Dishwashing area is quarry tile. Other than soiled grout joints, no problems were observed, although staff did report one hairline crack that could not be found at the time of the observation.

Where vinyl tile and carpet exists there is rubber wall base. The base is damaged in several places in the original portion of the building, and scuffed and scratched from carts, walkers etc. in other parts of the building.

Painted concrete floors in mechanical rooms etc. are exhibiting typical signs of normal wear and tear.



Damaged wall base in original portion of building.



Wall corner damage.



Water damage beneath lavatory.



Ceramic tile missing at window jamb.



Paint peeling from wall in Library.

Wall Finishes

Rating: 7

The majority of walls are painted, with concrete, concrete masonry, plaster or a gypsum board substrate. Some areas have vinyl wall coverings and/or borders. The walls in the Gazebo have stained wood paneling (see also "Codes: Life Safety/Building Codes - Construction Type"). Walls are cracked in several locations, there is slight damage at some corners where carts, wheelchairs or walkers have chipped the substrate, and the paint finish shows signs of normal wear and tear such as pin holes, chips and small areas where tape has peeled away the paint. A small area beneath a resident room lavatory has water damage. It appears that the damage was caused by a leak as the escutcheon for the hot water pipe does not cover the hole in the wall (hole made to repair the pipe). There is also water damage to the wall below an electric water cooler at the south end of the second floor in the original portion. In the resident room at the NE corner of the second floor of the original portion, and at the south side of the Library on the same floor, the paint is peeling off of the walls due to water infiltration. At the resident room the paint is peeling directly behind a downspout, behind which the mortar joints appear to be deteriorating due to water infiltration. Inside the Mail Room, the wall below the mail boxes appears to have been re-finished or repaired. Some areas have not been completely re-painted.

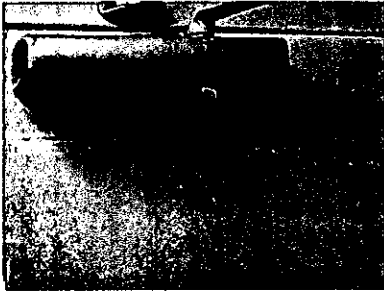
Walls in toilet rooms, showers and the Kitchen are ceramic tile. In the Men's Toilet Room on the north end of the second floor in the original portion, the tile has fallen off the window jamb.

Window sills in the original portion of the building are stone. A few have small cracks. Sills in the 1990 addition are plastic laminate. Gaps have formed between adjoining sections.

Interior Openings

Rating: 7

Doors to resident rooms and public spaces are wood doors with a clear finish in painted hollow metal frames. Doors to mechanical rooms, stairs, cross-corridor doors etc. are painted hollow metal in painted hollow metal frames. All doors and frames are showing signs of normal wear and tear including scratches, dents and other minor surface problems. The closer on the door to the stairway on the ground floor (lowest level) of the 1980 episode leaked hydraulic fluid staining the door. Some hardware in the original portion and the 1980 addition has been replaced during remodeling or as required, however there are still numerous closers that are not commercial grade. In addition, panic devices are old, standard tubular bar type



Closer leaked fluid staining door.

which give an "institutional" appearance. Some closers shut doors too hard and should be adjusted or replaced.

There is a customer service window at the reception desk in the Lobby that consists of a pane of glass with a transaction slot and voice hole.

There is a Cookson manual rolling counter door at the dish return in the Resident Dining Room that is in satisfactory condition.

There is a wood folding door in the Multi-Purpose Room in the 1990 addition. There is minor damage to some of the wood panels.

The borrowed lites at the Waiting Area adjacent to the Activity Room have a single glass pane in wood frames. No problems were observed.

See also, "Codes - Life Safety/Building Codes - Means of Egress", "Codes - Life Safety/Building Codes: Area/Occupancy Separations" and "Codes - Handicapped Accessibility: Rooms/Spaces".

Stairs/Ramps

Rating: 8

There are four public stairways in the original portion of the building, one in the 1980 addition, and one in the 1990 episode. All have vinyl tile treads (vinyl asbestos tile in 1980 addition according to drawings) with vinyl risers and steel nosings. Handrails are painted steel, aluminum or stainless steel. The paint on handrails is deteriorating.

The stairway in the mechanical room on the ground floor of the original portion is a painted steel stair. The paint finish has deteriorated.

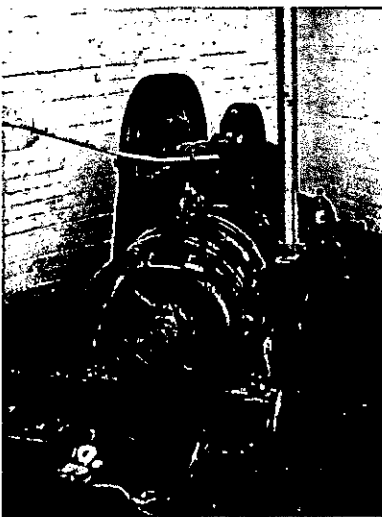
The stairway from the second floor of the 1980 addition to the roof also has vinyl asbestos tile and painted steel handrails. No problems were observed.

See also "Codes - Life Safety/Building Codes: Means of Egress" and "Codes - Handicapped Accessibility: Building Routes".

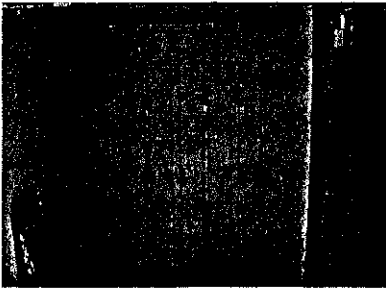
Elevators/Lifts

Rating: 4

There are three elevators in the facility. The elevator in the original portion is an Otis, electric traction type, with a capacity of 4,000 pounds. It has vinyl composition tile flooring, baked enamel on steel wall panels, and a stainless steel handrail. The floor tile is scuffed. The elevator in the 1980 addition is also an electric traction type with a 4,000 pound capacity. It has carpeting, wood-grain plastic laminate wall



Electric motor for traction elevator.



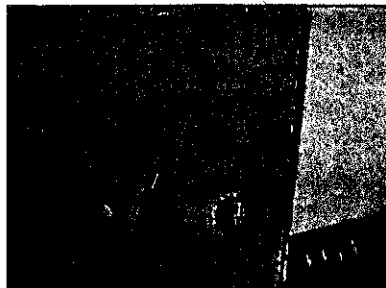
Narrow staff lockers.



Dishwashing machine.



Panel loose at serving line.



Deteriorating finish on toilet partition.



Deteriorating cabinets in original portion of building.

panels, and a stainless steel handrail. The finishes appeared to be in satisfactory condition. The elevator in the 1990 episode is a Dover hydraulic elevator with a 2,500 pound capacity. It has carpeting, wood-grain plastic laminate wall panels, and a stainless steel handrail. Controls and signals at all elevators appeared to be in satisfactory operating condition, although they are dated and showing signs of age.

Staff reported that the motors and generators for the electric traction elevators should be replaced as they are obsolete and repairs are problematic because replacement parts are difficult to find.

See also "Codes - Handicapped Accessibility: Building Routes".

Specialties

Rating: 7

The lockers in the staff locker rooms in the original portion of the building are very narrow making storage of winter coats difficult, and there is minor damage to the doors and painted finish.

Mailboxes in the original portion of the building are in satisfactory condition, however they no longer conform to USPS requirements.

Shelving in the libraries, TV rooms etc. is showing signs of aging.

There is an operable partition in the Multi-Purpose Room of the 1990 addition. No problems were observed.

Food Service / Laundry

Rating: 8

Staff reported that the dishwasher breaks down frequently. Other kitchen equipment was reported to be in satisfactory operating condition. One panel on the front of the serving counter in the Resident Dining Room has come loose.

No problems were reported with the laundry equipment.

Toilet & Bath Accessories

Rating: 5

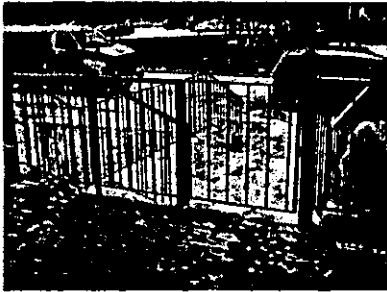
Toilet partitions are steel with a baked enamel finish. Partitions are dented and the finish is deteriorating in many places.

See also "Codes - Handicapped Accessibility: Toilet Rooms".

Miscellaneous

Rating: 4

Most cabinets in the original portion of the building are showing signs of aging, although some have recently been re-finished. "Codes - Handicapped Accessibility: Rooms/Spaces".



Gate at main entrance.



Doors to Activity Room in 1990 episode. Note direction of swing and exit sign.



Exit from Gazebo. Note deck in background.



Gate obstructing means of egress at stairs adjacent to Activity Room.



Exit door blocked off. Note motorized wheelchairs adjacent to exit.

Furniture in lounges, TV rooms etc., especially the smoking rooms, is showing signs of aging. Upholstery is fading and/or stained, wood finishes are deteriorating, and there are scratches and dents.

CODES - LIFE SAFETY

The following analysis is based on the requirements for an existing Health Care and Residential Board and Care occupancies as stipulated in NFPA 101 Life Safety Code (LSC), 2003 edition. Applicable requirements of the International Building Code (IBC), 2003 edition, North Dakota State Building Code, and North Dakota Health Department requirements are noted where they would be necessary as part of any significant remodeling project.

Means of Egress

Rating: 4

The stair in the center of the original portion of the building cannot be used as a means of egress since it discharges into the Lobby which has a lesser fire-resistive construction rating than the stair, and the landings are not long enough. (It does not need to be a means of egress.) In addition, just outside the main entrance there is a gate at the top of the stairs that does not swing in the direction of egress travel.

The corridor on the ground floor between the original portion and the 1980 addition forms a dead-end traveling in both directions. The dead end is created by doors not swinging in the direction of egress travel. The corridor on the ground floor of the 1990 addition, adjacent to the elevator, forms a dead-end. These would be classified as dead-ends only under IBC provisions that would take effect if significant remodeling is undertaken in these areas.

One means of egress from the upper floor of the 1990 episode passes through the Activity Room. This is not permitted since the Activity Room is not constructed as a corridor and does not qualify as an intervening room.

The door at the north exit from the Gazebo swings in the wrong direction. And the south exit leads to a deck which wraps around the Gazebo to the south and west, directly adjacent to the building.

A gate at the first floor landing for the stairs on the east side of the Activity Room in the original portion of the building swings in the wrong direction and is equipped with non-compliant latching hardware. The gate should be removed.

Several stairway doors were taped off with "Do Not Enter" signs to prevent some residents from leaving the facility. These signs would confuse guests etc. It is recommended that another solution be found for this problem.

Motorized wheelchairs are parked at the north end of the ground floor corridor in the 1990 episode somewhat restricting access to the exit door.

Handrails at stairs in the original portion and the 1980 episode lack the required extensions at landings.

Smoke/Fire Detection & Alarm Systems Rating: 6

In the original portion of the building, there are no smoke detectors in the Activity Room, the toilet rooms, Lobby or offices. Staff reported that the fire alarm system was installed throughout the building in 1990 and updated in 2000. It is a Pyrotechnics brand, with a MXL Series Control panel, analog detection loops, discrete output circuits, and separate output circuits for chimes, horns and visual appliances. The wiring in the original portion and the 1980 addition was re-used when the system was upgraded. This wiring should be replaced. See also "Codes: Handicapped Accessibility - Signage/Signals".

Fire Suppression Rating: 5

The entire facility is equipped with an automatic fire sprinkler system which was updated in 2000, however there is some question as to the type(s) of sprinkler heads installed. The Health Dept. has cited the facility for failure to maintain and test sprinklers in accordance with its requirements.

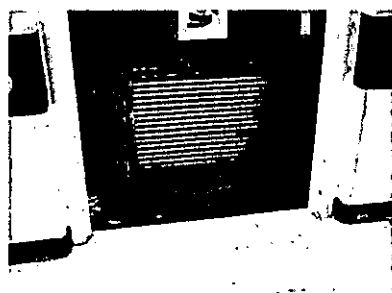
Area/Occupancy Separations Rating: 2

Many corridor doors and stairway doors in the original portion of the building have no fire rating label, no closer, no intumescent gasketing and no smoke seal. In addition some doors have no latch, and others have louvers.

The service window at the reception desk is not a protected opening. Windows on west side of the 1980 addition are not protected (wall is 3-hour rated).

The exhaust air shaft between resident storage units and the corridor walls in the original portion of the building is not a fire-rated enclosure, and there are no dampers at each floor level.

Cross-corridor doors on the ground floor between the 1980 and 1990 episodes have a non-compliant smoke seal, as does a door between the 1980 episode and the original portion on that floor.



Louver on corridor door.



No opening protection at reception desk.

There is no door between the corridor and the resident Dining Room, 1990 episode.

Doors to the Receiving Room in the 1990 episode have non-compliant smoke seals.

Storage areas below stairways do not have fire-resistive rated doors.

There is no smoke/fire damper in the exhaust duct from the hood behind the serving line in the Resident Dining Room. Staff also believes that there are un-sealed penetrations in the fire wall between the Kitchen and the Dining Room, and between the Activity Room (original portion) and adjacent rooms in the 1990 addition.

There are un-sealed floor penetrations in the stairways of the original portion of the facility. There are also items in the stairwells such as piping which are not allowed in the stairs.

Any modifications made to the Activity Room in the 1990 addition, or adjacent corridor, will require replacement of the borrowed lites adjacent to the door to the Activity Room since it is not a protected opening.

According to the latest Health Department survey, stairway enclosures and return air shafts in the original portion of the facility do not meet the required fire-resistive or smoke containment standards. These findings were corroborated by this investigation; see comments in this section.

Lighting Systems

Rating: 9

Exit lights appear to be located in accordance with Code requirements.

Emergency lighting is provided by fluorescent fixtures connected to the generator.

Safety Features

Rating: 7

Guardrails at stairs in the 1980 episode do not conform to current IBC height requirements.

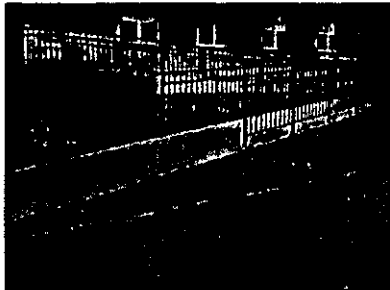
Construction Type

Rating: 7

The wood paneling on the walls and ceilings in the Gazebo is permitted by Code in an existing facility, but would not be allowed in a new facility because it does not meet flame spread or smoke development limits.



Parking space striping fading.



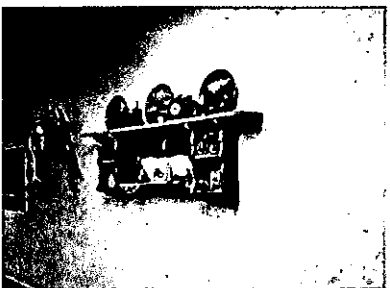
Lack of handrail extensions at ramp.



Electric water cooler forms obstacle.



Wall-mounted fan forms obstacle.



Bric-a-brac shelves form obstacle.

CODES - HANDICAPPED ACCESS

Parking/Drop Off

Rating: 5

There is no compliant van-accessible parking space. In addition the location of the accessible parking spaces forces persons to cross the driveway to get to the building.

There is no passenger loading zone.

The access aisle adjacent to accessible parking spaces is not striped to discourage people from parking in it. In addition, the striping is beginning to fade.

Site Routes

Rating: 5

The upper run of the ramp adjacent to the main entrance exceeds the maximum allowable slope, and it exceeds the maximum allowable rise of 30 inches. In addition, the handrails do not extend as required at the bottom of the ramp runs.

There is no sign identifying the accessible entrance.

Entrances and Exits

Rating: 6

There are an insufficient number of accessible exits.

Building Routes

Rating: 4

Areas of refuge at stairs are not required because the building is fully sprinklered.

Maneuvering clearances are not provided at many doors.

Electric water coolers, wall-mounted oscillating fans and bric-a-brac shelves (1990) form obstacles to visually-impaired persons by protruding into the accessible route.

The reception counter at the Lobby is not accessible.

At the elevator in the 1980 addition, the floor designation is provided on only one side of the hoistway entrance, and it is a non-compliant sign (no Braille). In addition there are no tactile symbols or characters at the access to the emergency phone in the elevator in both the original portion and the 1980 episode.

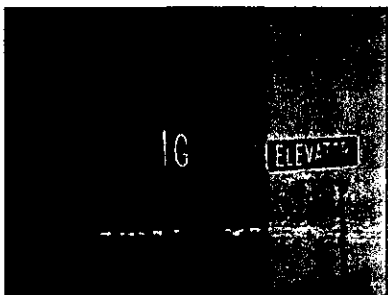
Rooms/Spaces

Rating: 3

Many doors still have knobs and a few, including doors at stairs in the original portion of the facility, have thumbpiece latchsets.

Storage facilities within resident rooms are not accessible.

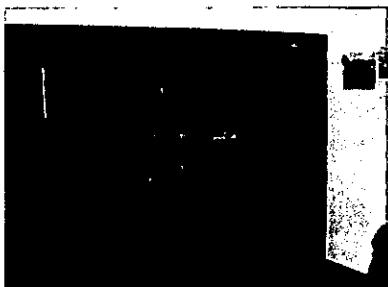
Clothes rods in the 1980 episode are 70 inches above the floor.



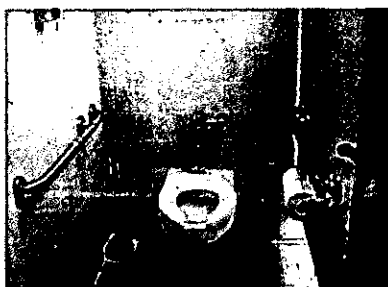
Non-compliant hoistway sign.



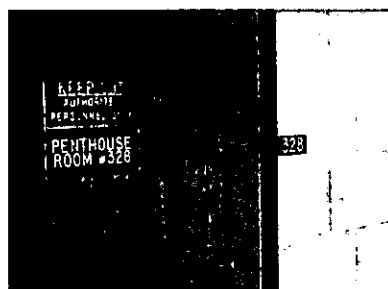
Thumbpiece latch on door.



Resident storage unit in original portion.



Toilet stall in original portion.



Non-compliant room and door sign.

Doors to resident storage units in the 1990 episode have recessed pulls.

Resident laundry equipment is not accessible (too high).

Toilet Rooms

Rating: 1

There are no fully wheelchair accessible public or multiple-user toilet rooms in the facility. Some toilet compartments at multiple-user toilet rooms comply only with the requirements for ambulatory toilet stalls. Lavatories in the original portion of the building have grab bars installed in front and along the sides, presumably to help people stand at the lavatory, but they restrict the reach to faucets somewhat. Shower spray units are and lavatory faucets are non-compliant.

Resident toilet rooms in the original portion of the building are totally inaccessible, as are the resident toilet rooms in the NE corner of the 1980 addition. Other resident toilet rooms in the 1980 episode do not provide the required clearance at the water closet and there is no grab bar behind the water closet. The resident toilet rooms in the 1990 addition appear to conform to ADA requirements.

Drainage and water supply piping at lavatories is not insulated and protected as required.



Resident toilet room in 1978 addition; note lack of rear grab bar.

Signage/ Signals

Rating: 3

In the original portion of the building and the 1980 addition, room signs are non-compliant. Directional signs throughout the facility are non-compliant.

There are no strobe-type fire alarm horns in many group spaces in the original portion of the building including toilet rooms, TV rooms, the libraries, the Museum, the Activity Room, and the smoking room. There are no strobe-type horns in the smoking room of the 1978 addition, or in the Physical Therapy Room in the 1990 episode.



Alarm bell in Activity Room in original portion.

CODES - HEALTH DEPT.

There is no accessible toilet or dressing room adjacent to the Hydrotherapy Room.

There are an insufficient number of water closets on the third floor of the original portion.

Some single rooms have a dimension of less than 10 feet.

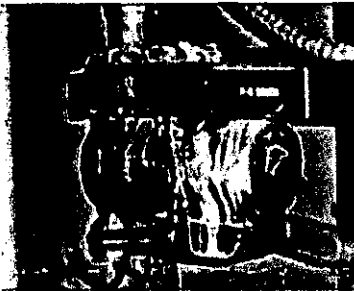
MECHANICAL

Plumbing System (including gases and compressed gases)

Rating: 3

Except where it has been replaced, domestic water piping in the original portion of the facility is galvanized steel. Because of its age it is in poor condition and should be replaced. The remainder of the domestic water piping is copper and is in satisfactory condition.

There are very few piping isolation valves in the facility. When repairs need to be made to the domestic water piping, a good deal of the facility must go without water.

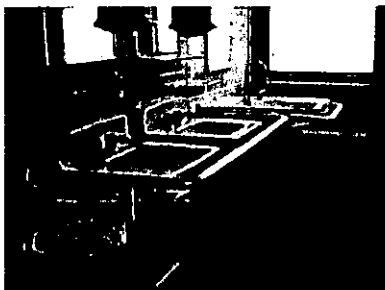


Efflorescence on pump.

Recirculating pumps for the domestic hot water system were replaced in 1990, however one pump in the Laundry is in poor condition and should be replaced. And one pump in the ground floor mechanical room in the original portion of the facility has significant efflorescence from apparent water leaks.

Sanitary sewer piping in the original portion is cast iron and is in need of replacement. When waste piping from the Kitchen clogs, sewage backs up into the chiller mechanical room. A sewage ejector pump was installed in the basement of the original portion as part of the 1980 addition.

There is a Chemtron medical gas (oxygen) and vacuum system in the 1990 addition. The oxygen supply system has been deactivated because it required extensive maintenance and was expensive to operate. Portable oxygen generating equipment is used as required. The vacuum pumps and connections appear to be in satisfactory condition.



Lavatory in original portion of building. Note faucets.

Plumbing Fixtures

Rating: 4

Plumbing fixtures, faucets and trim in the original portion of the facility have exceeded their useful life and should be replaced. Those fixtures, as well as those in the 1980 addition do not conform to current, recommended water-usage limits. Fixtures in the 1990 episode are in satisfactory condition. See also "Codes - Handicapped Accessibility: Toilet Rooms".

Central Sources

Rating: 2

The campus has five (5) boilers, three in the Power House and two in the Laundry.



Boilers #1 and #2.

Two of the Power House boilers (#1 and #2) are 1956 Cleaver Brooks fuel oil boilers used for additional heating capacity during cold weather and as standby units, while the third (#3) is a CAM'S Industry electric boiler, installed in 1981. This boiler operates continually and is taken off-line only for maintenance and repair. The fuel oil boilers require a good deal of maintenance to remove by-products of combustion. In addition, while all three boilers appear to be in relatively good operating condition, the fuel oil boilers have exceeded their expected useful life-span, and the electric boiler is approaching its expected useful life-span.

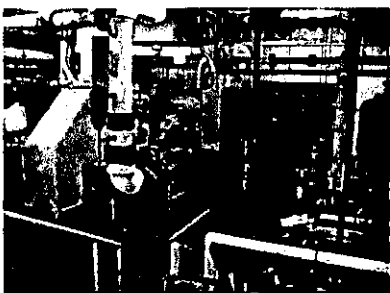
One boiler (#4) in the Laundry is a 1980 Cleaver Brooks, fuel oil boiler, while the other (#5) is a CAM'S Industry electric boiler. Both were installed in the 1981 episode. The electric boiler operates continually and presently only serves the laundry equipment. The fuel oil boiler is used as a standby for the electric boiler. These boilers have also reached their expected useful life-span.

While these boilers are in fairly good condition for their age, and repairs to all the boilers can continue to be made to keep them operational, the repairs will become more difficult and more expensive as time goes by. Metal parts begin to exhibit fatigue due to frequent heating and cooling. This fatigue is evidenced by cracks. In addition, replacement parts will become more difficult to obtain.



Deteriorating finish on fuel storage tanks.

No. 2 fuel oil is stored in three above-ground, painted steel tanks adjacent to the old power house. One tank has copper tubing wound around it through which steam is piped to heat the fuel oil and prevent it from gelling. The piping is insulated and covered with black polyethylene. Because of the limited amount of fuel oil used annually (16,000 gallons on average), it would be cost efficient to use No. 1 fuel oil, or a winter blend, and remove the steam heating system. Also, the paint is deteriorating at the top of all three tanks. Spill protection is provided by an earthen dike.



Trane chiller.

A water-cooled Trane Series R chiller was installed in the late 1990's. It is in satisfactory operating condition, and operates at approximately 70 percent of capacity at peak load.

There are two steam to hot water converters. One is used to provide hot water for the fan coil units in the original portion and the 1980 episode. The other is used to provide hot water/glycol mixture to the heating coils in the air handling

units. Heating efficiency is reduced slightly by converting steam to hot water. The unit that provides hot water to fan coil units etc. is located in the penthouse on the 1980 episode. The controls on this unit are in poor condition, the outside anticipator does not work for either the hot water pumps or the hot water reset schedule. The steam trap for the drip leg on the converter was blowing by steam. The converter controls should be upgraded to DDC and connected to the BMS.



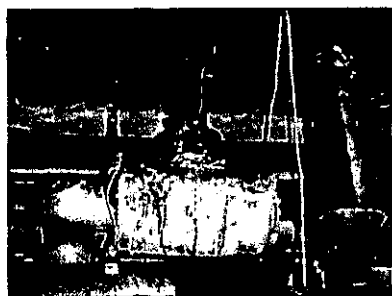
Water heater; note lack of insulation on piping.

Two Aerco water heaters produce hot water for the facility by converting steam. One is used for domestic hot water and the other is dedicated for the Laundry. They are 26 years old and in satisfactory condition and can be expected to last up to 35 years. If the steam pressure-reducing station on the Laundry boiler were upgraded and connected to the two water heaters, the laundry boilers could then provide steam for all domestic hot water. This would allow the Power House boilers and steam distribution system to be taken off-line when heating is not required. This would reduce fuel costs, and heat loss in steam distribution lines and equipment rooms (heat gain in adjacent rooms), as well as boiler heat losses during the summer.

There are hot water unit heaters in several ancillary spaces. The units are thermostatically controlled. No problems were observed or reported.

Distribution System

Rating: 2



Deteriorating insulation on piping.

Steam distribution is provided by black iron piping. There is a 6 PSI steam header originating in the Power House that is used continually for the production of hot water, and in the winter months for heating the facility. Much of this piping is under-insulated or has no insulation resulting in significant heat losses and additional energy costs. There is an 8-inch steam line connecting the old power house to the campus distribution system that is approx. 180 feet long and operates at a nominal 6 PSI. This line is used to heat the old boiler room in the winter, and because of heat losses and other inefficiencies, it should be decommissioned, and a new fuel-oil furnace installed to heat the old boiler room.

There are very few isolation valves on the piping runs, making repairs difficult. In addition many of the valves are in poor condition due to their age. Steam valves are in need of new gaskets and seals.

There are two circulating pumps for the both the hot water and chilled water systems. The pumps are operated alternately, which has helped keep them in good operating condition.



Condensate pumps at boiler #4.

Because of the age of the piping, problems will most likely become more frequent and more difficult to repair (concealed within construction).

Condensate piping, except that to the 1980 addition, was installed in 1990. Condensate and steam piping from the Power House to the building is nearly 60 years old and should be replaced. Condensate pumps for boiler #4 are in poor condition.

Air Handlers

Ratings are provided for each air handler individually at the end of the comments.

AHU #1 serves the 1990 addition. It uses 100 percent outside air and works in parallel with exhaust fan #9. The AHU provides a constant volume of air at a constant discharge temperature. The unit has a heating coil which is fed with the hot water/glycol mixture. A chilled water coil was added to this unit. There is a 3-way valve which controls the discharge air temperature. The unit has no control valve. An inline booster pump was added. There are no known sequences of operation for this unit. In addition the filter access doors were propped open causing the unit to draw the majority of its air from inside the equipment room. The unit has direct digital controls (DDC) and is connected to the existing building monitoring system (BMS). Exhaust fan #9 runs continuously, resulting in a negative air pressure in the facility. Review of the existing system indicates that 100 percent exhaust and 100 percent make-up air are not required for the areas this unit serves. Exhaust fan #9 should be decommissioned and its ductwork removed. Return air ductwork should be installed, along with a mixing box to reduce the amount of outside air intake. In addition AHU #1 should be added to a time schedule on the BMS to reduce its operation from 168 hours/week to 80 hours/week. And the DDC controls for mixed air system and cooling coil should be updated. **Rating: 5**

AHU #2 provides make-up air to the Kitchen and Dining Room. It has a hot-water heating coil and a chilled water cooling coil. It has DDC controls and is connected to the existing building automation system (BAS). This unit operates 24/7. The associated range hood (Exhaust fan #15), Serving Line exhaust (EF #16), and Dishwash exhaust (EF #10) are manually turned on in the morning and turned off when staff leaves each day. However AHU #2 is not turned off because of freeze-up problems in the range hood exhaust automatic water wash-down and fire suppression system. By leaving AHU #2 running, this creates positive pressure in the room, pushing

warm air up through the exhaust fans keeping them warm enough to prevent freeze-up. A variable frequency drive should be installed on the range hood exhaust fan and to the serving line exhaust fan so the fan speeds could be reduced to 20 percent when the Kitchen is unoccupied or the range hood is not being used. Back-draft dampers should be installed on the dishwasher exhaust allowing the unit to be turned off during unoccupied times or when the dishwashing machine is not in use. A variable frequency drive should be installed on AHU #2 so that the unit could track the exhaust fans and adjust the CFM based on the amount of make-up air required. Finally, kitchen staff should be trained to turn off exhaust fans when they are not required. **Rating: 5**

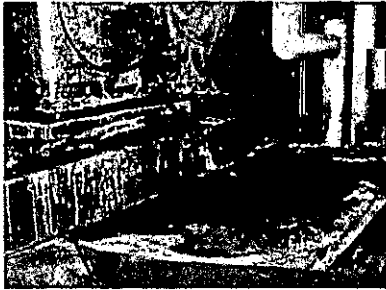
AHU #3 serves the Multi-Purpose Room, Chapel, Barber/Beauty Salon, general offices and two patient rooms on the first floor of the 1980 episode. It is a mixed air unit, providing a constant volume of air at a constant discharge temperature. There are heating and cooling coils (hot water/glycol and chiller sources respectively). There is a 3-way valve that controls the discharge. The unit has DDC controls and is connected to the BMS. This unit operates 24/7 even though most spaces are occupied from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM daily. The two resident rooms should be disconnected from this unit and connected to AHU #7. AHU #3 should be on a time schedule to operate for 14 hours per day, 7 days a week.

Rating: 7

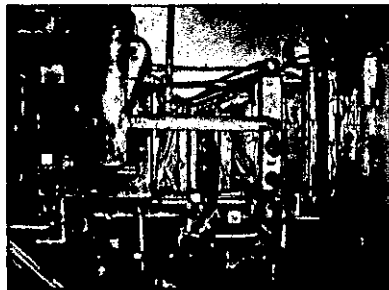
AHU #4 provides ventilation and air conditioning to the first floor of the 1990 episode, including the Activity/Dining Room and resident rooms. The unit utilizes some return air, however it supplies air at a uniform temperature (no individual thermostats) which results in uneven cooling in the summer.

Rating: 6.

AHU #5 provides make-up air to the north half of the original building. It has a hot water heating coil and a chilled water cooling coil, an automatic humidifier, and it utilizes 100 percent outside air. It provides make-up air to a combination of resident rooms, general occupancy areas and offices. It has DDC controls and is connected to the existing BMS. The unit operates 24/7. Exhaust fan #1 works in conjunction with this unit and provides exhaust for the same area. The fan runs 24/7 and is not connected to the BMS. The exhaust air is drawn through shafts behind the storage units in these rooms. See also "Codes - Life Safety/Building Codes: Area/Occupancy Separations". The entire air supply and exhaust system in this area of the facility should be replaced. **Rating: 2**



Water on AHU #6 from leaking humidifier.



AHU #7 in penthouse.

AHU #6 provides make-up air to the south half of the original building. It has a hot water heating coil and a chilled water cooling coil, an automatic humidifier, and it utilizes 100 percent outside air. It provides make-up air to a combination of resident rooms, general occupancy areas and offices. It has DDC controls and is connected to the existing BMS. The unit operates 24/7. Exhaust fan #2 works in conjunction with this unit and provides exhaust for the same area. The fan runs 24/7 and is not connected to the BMS. The humidifier leaks onto the AHU cover and the unit is noisy. The exhaust air is drawn through shafts behind the storage units in these rooms. See also "Codes - Life Safety/Building Codes: Area/Occupancy Separations". The entire air supply and exhaust system in this area of the facility should be replaced. **Rating: 2**

AHU #7 provides make-up air to a combination of resident rooms, general occupancy areas and offices on the ground floor. It has a steam heating coil with a face and bypass, and an independent DX cooling system. The unit uses 100 percent outside air, has no DDC controls and is not connected to the BMS. This unit is in very poor condition as a result of apparently having been fabricated from a jumble of components. The unit operates 24/7. There is an exhaust fan that works in conjunction with this unit. It runs 24/7 and is not connected to the BMS. The air conditioning unit has problems keeping up during cooling conditions. AHU #7 and the associated exhaust fan and cooling unit should be decommissioned. A plate and frame heat recovery unit with a steam coil should be installed to replace them. Zone control dampers should be installed on the ground floor to eliminate unnecessary make-up air ventilation. Variable frequency drives should be installed to reduce ventilation levels by shutting off the unit during unoccupied periods (ground floor), and reducing ventilation levels to minimum requirements in resident rooms during evening hours. The controls should be upgraded and the unit connected to the BMS, including a time schedule for control of the occupancy dampers and variable frequency drives. **Rating: 2**

AHU #8 serves the Activity Room in the original portion of the building. It is a mixed air, constant volume, single zone AHU. The unit has steam heat with DX cooling. The controls are in poor condition and the unit is not connected to the BMS. Because the room is used as a smoking room at all hours of the day, the unit runs continuously to ventilate the space. The unit generates more noise than should be expected, and staff indicated that the unit is in less than satisfactory operating condition. The controls should be upgraded and the unit should be connected to the BMS. **Rating: 5**

The Laundry has a stand-alone cooling unit that utilizes 100 percent return air. The unit has two DX cooling units rated at 5 ton each. It is controlled by a wall-mounted thermostat that only has a single setting (no set-back for unoccupied times). The thermostat should be removed and DDC controls installed. The unit should be connected to the BAS and a time schedule developed to disable the unit when the Laundry is unoccupied.

Rating: 7

There are two exhaust fans in the Boiler Room in the 1980 addition. Their function is to cool the room when the boilers are on-line. They are controlled by a wall thermostat. The fans run continuously when the boilers are operating, but they do not have make-up air dampers or make-up air fans that operate when the fans are running. This prevents the room from being cooled with 74-degree air, and it creates negative pressure in the building resulting in increased drafts through doors and windows. There is also a set of combustion air dampers that are controlled by a second thermostat. The thermostatic controls for the exhaust fans should be replaced. A new make-up air unit should be installed, and the existing boiler combustion air dampers should be repaired. **Rating: 5**

The facility has multiple building exhaust fans. All of these fans operate 24/7. Some of these fans could be shut off during unoccupied times. None of the fans are controlled or monitored by the BAS. All fans should be connected to the BAS for monitoring of proper operation and scheduling off during unoccupied periods. **Rating: 5**

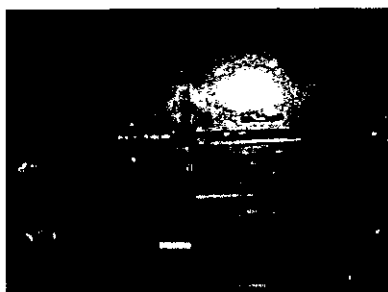
The Paint Shop has an exhaust hood vented directly to the exterior. There is no sawdust collection or evacuation system in the Wood Shop. **Rating: 2**

Air Distribution and Returns

Rating: 3

The original portion of the facility has very little actual ductwork. Exhaust air is drawn in through spaces in storage cabinets and routed through shafts in the building construction. See also "Codes - Life Safety/Building Codes: Area/Occupancy Separations". There is no ventilation in the gang showers/toilets. Ventilation should be added to reduce potential moisture-related problems.

There is no ventilation in the lower level Mechanical Room, resulting in dangerously hot air temperatures caused by heat from the steam operated equipment, and under-insulated steam and condensate piping. Ventilation should be added to reduce the air temperature to safer levels for personnel.



Exhaust air is drawn through gap between upper and lower portions of storage unit.

Ductwork in the 1980 and 1990 additions is galvanized metal and is in satisfactory condition, although there is no return air ductwork only supply and exhaust. See also "Mechanical - Air Handlers".

Radiation/Convectors

Rating: 6

The original portion of the building has through-wall fan coil units to provide heating, cooling and ventilation. They have hot water coils for heating and chilled water coils for cooling. The units do not control the temperature well because the control valves operate poorly. In addition, occupants have a difficult time setting the controls to the desired temperature. In addition many of the control valves leak and repairs are difficult due to the design of the units.

The 1980 addition has cabinet unit heaters in corridors and the stairway, and finned-tube radiation in resident rooms and other rooms with individual room controls (thermostat). There is paint on the covers of the finned-tube radiation from when walls were re-painted.

The 1990 episode has cabinet unit heaters in resident rooms and other areas. No problems were observed or reported.

Temperature Control

Rating: 4

The facility has an older, text-based automatic temperature controls BAS system by Johnson Controls. As noted previously, not all mechanical equipment is connected to the BAS. This equipment should be connected to the BAS to improve energy efficiency. The system should be upgraded to a newer, graphical system to improve operator interface and to allow interface with newer operating software and communication systems.

Resident rooms in the 1980 episode, have wall thermostats to control the radiation units in these rooms. Cabinet unit heaters in corridors and common areas also have thermostats. The fan coil units in the resident rooms in the original portion and cabinet unit heaters in the resident rooms in the 1990 addition are operated by controls within the units, not thermostats. Thermostats are either Honeywell or Johnson Controls. No problems with the thermostats were reported or observed.

ELECTRICAL

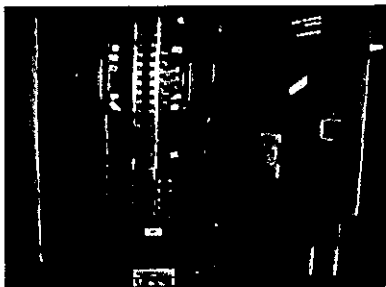
Main Service

Rating: 8

The building has two electrical services. One is located in the 1981 boiler room addition and is rated at 900 amps, 480-volt, 3-phase, 4 wire. This service is dedicated to boiler #5. The other service is in the 1990 episode. It is rated at 2,000 amps, 480-volt, 3-phase, 4 wire, and is a Siemens brand unit operating at 35% capacity. Both services are in satisfactory condition. Based on existing loads this service has spare capacity.



Switchboard and distribution panels.



Typical circuit breaker panel.

Distribution/Panelboards

Rating: 8

There are 480-volt distribution feeders from the main service to motor control centers, distribution panelboards, step-down transformers, lighting and power panels.

There is a 300 KVA step-down transformer and a 1,600 amp, 208/120 volt switchboard next to the 1990 main service. The switchboard serves all 120 and 208/240 volt loads. Some new panelboards were added in the original portion of the building in the 1980 episode, and some were replaced in the 1990 episode. In addition feeders for the original portion were replaced in the 1990 episode. The distribution system for the 1980 addition was connected to the new service in 1990.

Panelboards are either GE or Siemens brand.

Existing conduits have no space for additional feeders.

All equipment appeared to be in satisfactory condition.

Power Distribution System/Outlets

Rating: 5

All branch circuit wiring in the original portion of the facility was replaced during the 1990 episode. Wiring devices are the grounding type.

There are a minimal number of receptacles in the original portion, and parts of the 1980 addition.

In addition, existing conduits have no more space for additional wiring.

Illumination

Rating: 5

For the most part, light fixtures are fluorescent fixtures with T-12 lamps and magnetic ballasts. Many of the fixtures in the original portion of the building, and over-bed fixtures are surface-mounted. There is an on-going maintenance program to replace these fixtures with types that use high-efficiency T-8 lamps and have high-efficiency electronic ballasts.

In addition there are recessed and surface-mounted incandescent fixtures in some areas, heat lamps in the resident showers in the 1980 episode, and pole-mounted fixtures in the parking lots. These fixtures are exhibiting minor problems associated with normal wear and tear.

Communication/Data Systems

Rating: 5

Surface-mounted speakers in the original portion of the building are deteriorating.

The telephone system is used as intra-building communication between offices etc. No problems were observed or reported.

No problems were reported with the computer network cabling.

Electric Heating

Rating: N/A

The only electric heating that was observed are recessed wall units in the resident toilet rooms in the 1990 episode. Staff indicated that these units have been disconnected.



Older disconnects at boiler #4.

Mechanical Equipment Connections

Rating: 7

Most motor controllers were replaced as part of the 1990 episode. Motor controllers are Siemens brand MCC (motor control center) type or stand-alone type. Disconnects for boiler #4 appear to be out-dated.

New labeling should be provided to identify the equipment served and the location of the feed point.

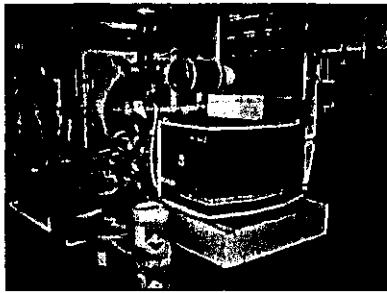
Other Systems (Security systems, etc.)

Rating: 4

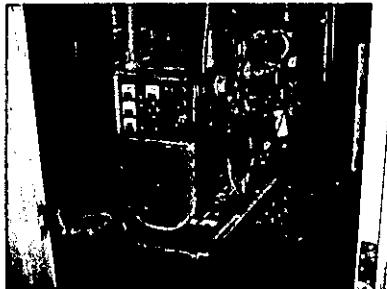
The 1990 episode has door alarms at most exit doors. Many of these doors were closed off with warning tape to prevent residents from activating the alarms. See also "Codes - Life Safety/Building Codes: Means of Egress".

The building has a fire alarm system, as well as smoke and fire detection equipment. See also "Codes - Life Safety/Building Codes: Smoke/Fire Detection & Alarm Systems" and "Codes - Handicapped Accessibility: Signage/Signals".

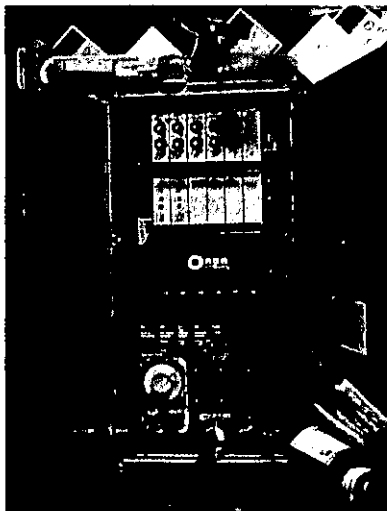
The nurse call system in the original portion of the building and the 1980 episode has Rauland pull stations. Pull stations and the control panel in the 1990 episode are by Dukane. Staff reported that the room numbering system needs to be revised to allow for quicker response. In addition, the system is not equipped with an "emergency" indicator capability. In multiple-user toilets in the original portion, only one toilet stall has a pull. Pulls in showers in the original portion are not within reach of the shower stall.



Kohler generator.



Onan generator.



Transfer switch at Onan generator.

Generators

Rating: 6

The generator is a Kohler, 250 KW, 480-volt, 3-phase generator in the ground floor mechanical room on the east side of the 1990 episode. It has one output circuit for 480-volt emergency equipment loads, and one output for 120/208-volt emergency equipment loads and operates at 30% capacity. It provides power for emergency lighting, resident room and kitchen fan coil units, sewage pumps, some food service equipment, air compressors, vacuum pumps, condensate pumps, generator support loads, temperature controls, fire alarm panels, elevators, some corridor convenience receptacles, medical gas monitoring, and convenience receptacles at nurses stations. There are two transfer switches, one for the 480-volt critical branch loads, and the other for 208/120-volt life safety and critical branch loads. There is no distinction between 208-120-volt life safety circuits and 208/120-volt critical branch circuits. Staff reported that the automatic transfer switch testing circuit has burned out, requiring the generator to be tested manually. There is a double-wall, underground fuel storage tank on the east side of the building.

There is an Onan, 155 KW standby rated generator in Power House. Fuel is stored in the main fuel oil storage tanks. It has three separate distribution circuits. One serves the Power House (except electric boiler) through a 400 amp automatic transfer switch. The other two are for backup of normal power in the original portion of the building. One of these circuits is 120/240 volt single phase, the other is 240/120 volt, 3-phase. Only the 3-phase circuit is in use. It requires a manual transfer switch operation in the main building. Staff reported that the transfer switch is obsolete and replacement parts are no longer available.

APPENDICES

ACCESSORY BUILDINGS

BOILER PLANT

Rating: 3

The boiler plant has brick veneer walls with concrete block back-up and a built-up bituminous roof. The concrete slab-on-grade floor is painted, as is the interior of the concrete block up to approximately 8 feet. The roof structure is steel joists with metal decking.

Staff had to install steel angles on the east and west sides of the building with steel tie rods through the building to keep the walls from bowing outwards.

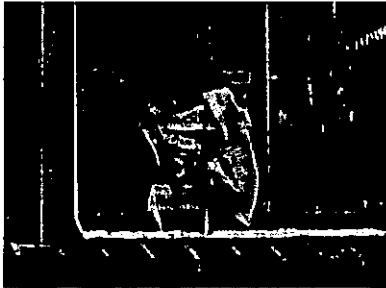
The sealant at control joints is deteriorating, as is the painted finish on the louvers. The paint on the door on the south side has deteriorated, allowing the door to rust.

One window on the east side appears to have been replaced. There are many dead bugs between the panes of glass.

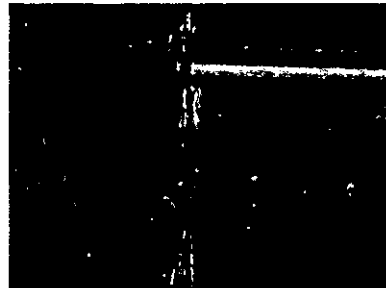
The building has two separate electrical services. One is rated at 2,300 amps, 480-volt, 3-phase and is dedicated to the 1500 boiler #3. The other service is rated at 400 amps, 240/120 volt, 3-phase, and it serves boilers 1, 2 and 4, the generator power plant and other building loads. Each service is not clearly labeled as service equipment, nor do they identify the location of the other service. The branch circuit panelboards are original to the building and should be replaced. In addition, the directories at each Panelboard are out-of-date and need updating. Wiring devices are the grounding type, but are in need of replacement. Wiring is original to the building and should be upgraded. Light fixtures are fluorescent with T-12 lamps and magnetic ballasts. The fixtures should be replaced. Motor controllers have exceeded their expected useful life and should be replaced.



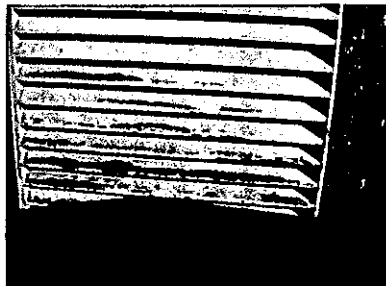
Angles used to secure tie rods through building.



Rusted steel window with broken glass.



Deterioration of expansion joint.



Deteriorating finish on louver.



Deteriorating finish and rusting door.

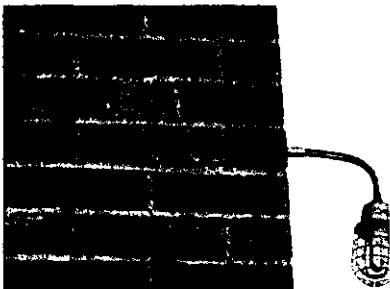
ORIGINAL BOILER PLANT

Rating: 2

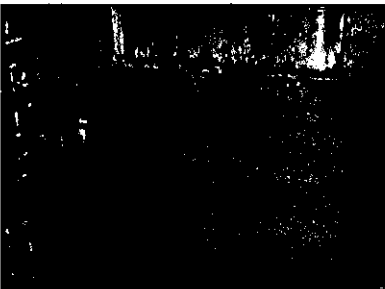
The original boiler plant has brick veneer walls with load-bearing clay tile back-up, and a built-up bituminous roof. The roof structure is steel joists with a concrete deck.

The building has painted steel windows with non-insulating glass. The steel is rusting in most places as the finish is virtually gone, and the glass is cracked or broken in some places.

There are significant cracks in the brick veneer, and the north wall is severely bowed outwards. The mortar joints are also deteriorating.



Cracks in brick veneer and deteriorating mortar joints.



Deteriorating finish and wood.

Both the weatherstripping and the finish on the overhead doors are deteriorating.

The wood entrance door is deteriorating due to paint failure and age of the door.

The building has an overhead electrical service drop to a 100 amp, 120/240 volt, 3-phase, 3 wire loadcenter. Branch circuits are minimal. Light fixtures are fluorescent with T-12 lamps and magnetic ballasts. The fixtures should be replaced. New labeling should be provided for motor controllers.

3-STALL GARAGE

Rating: 8

The 3-stall garage is a wood-framed structure SE of the main building. It has a concrete slab-on-grade, vinyl siding and asphalt shingles. It has gypsum board on the interior and is heated. No problems were reported.



Three-stall garage.



Metal storage building.

METAL STORAGE BUILDING

Rating: 1

There is a pre-engineered metal storage building SE of the 3-stall garage. It has a concrete slab-on-grade floor and painted steel windows.

The metal panels are dented, torn and otherwise damaged, with numerous repair patches. The galvanized finish is deteriorating allowing the base metal to rust.

The sliding door on the west side was removed and replaced with a coiling garage door, an adjacent walk-door and painted plywood. The paint is deteriorating. The sliding door on the east side is difficult to operate.

MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT SCHEDULE

Boilers

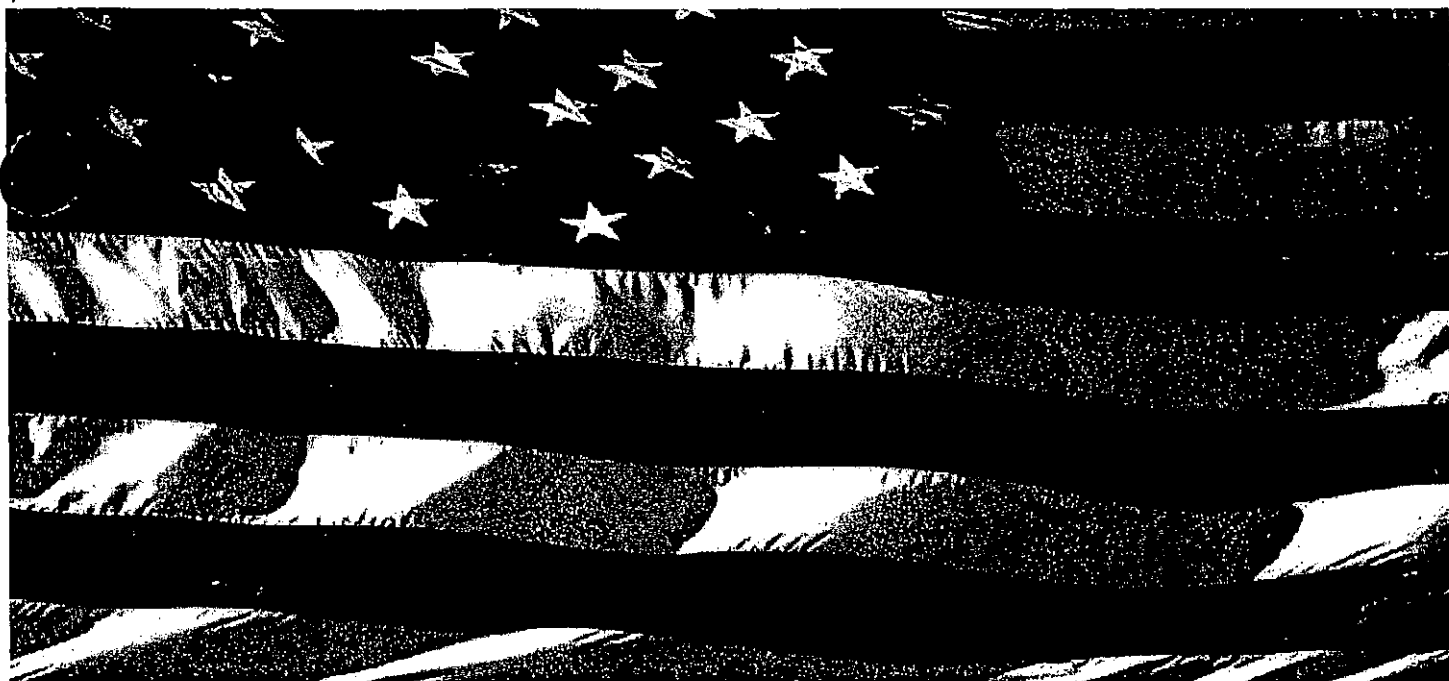
No.	Manufacturer	Model	Year	Fuel	Input	Output	Remarks
1	Cleaver Brooks	CB-135-150	1956	#2 fuel oil	4,455 MBTU	3,118 MBTU	Standby
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3	CAM"S Industry	24SC6	1981	electric	1,530 KW	5,220 MBTU	Primary
4	Cleaver Brooks	CB-100-70	1980	#2 fuel oil	2,929 MBTU	2,050 MBTU	Standby
5	CAM"S Industry	24SC3	1981	electric	600 KW	2,050 MBTU	Laundry

Air Handling Units

No.	CFM	Heating	Cooling	DDC	BMS	Remarks
1	1630	Hot water	Chilled water	Yes	Yes	Parallel with EF #9
2	9400	Hot water	Chilled water	Yes	Yes	Kitchen/Dining
3	2545	Hot water	Chilled water	Yes	Yes	N. end, 1980
4						
5	6310	Hot water	Chilled water	Yes	Yes	Parallel with EF #1
6	6310	Hot water	Chilled water	Yes	Yes	Parallel with EF #2
7	5065	Steam	DX	No	No	Parallel with EF
8		Steam	DX	No	No	Original Activity Rm.

Exhaust Fans

No.	Description	CFM	Current Hours of Operation per week	Proposed Hours of Operation per week
1	N. end, original	4420	168	See Report
2	S. end, original	4195	168	See Report
3	Hydrotherapy	680	168	168
4	1990 Nurse Sta.	75	168	168
5	1990 Toi. Rm.	223	168	168
6	1990 Toi. Rm.	205	168	168
7	Laundry	1300	168	60
8	1990 Act./Dining	1000	168	112
9	Ground Flr., 1990	1635	168	Remove; see report
10	Dish line	550	168	See Report
11	Ground Flr. Bath	125	168	168
12	Barber/Beauty	200	168	60
13	Toilet Rooms	125	168	168
14	Elec. Boiler exhaust	800	168	See Report
15	Range Hood exhaust	6000	168	See Report
16	Serving line exhaust	2500	168	See Report



SURVEY

North Dakota

Dept. of Health

Life Safety Code

for

North Dakota Veterans Home

Basic Care Unit

November 22, 2006

(Surveyed every two years)

North Dakota Department of Health

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES PLAN OF CORRECTION	(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 8044A	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. BUILDING 01 - MAIN BUILDING 01 B. WING _____	(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 11/22/2006
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NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER NORTH DAKOTA VETERANS HOME	STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 1400 ROSE ST S LISBON, ND 58054
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(4) ID PREFIX TAG	SUMMARY STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES (EACH DEFICIENCY MUST BE PRECEDED BY FULL REGULATORY OR LSC IDENTIFYING INFORMATION)	ID PREFIX TAG	PROVIDER'S PLAN OF CORRECTION (EACH CORRECTIVE ACTION SHOULD BE CROSS-REFERENCED TO THE APPROPRIATE DEFICIENCY)	(X5) COMPLETE DATE
K 000	<p>INITIAL COMMENTS</p> <p>This survey used the 1988 Life Safety Code, Chapter 21-Residential Board and Care Occupancies (Large) for this basic care facility in compliance with the provisions of North Dakota Administrative Code 33-03-24.1-10.</p> <p>The facility is a three story building of Type II (111) construction with a full basement and is protected throughout with a NFPA 13 wet automatic sprinkler system. Based on resident evaluation, a Slow level of evacuation difficulty was determined. (E-Score is 3.45)</p> <p>Note:</p> <p>Heat detectors, which only initiate an alarm and have no extinguishing function, are redundant devices when used in conjunction with sprinklers. In areas protected by automatic sprinklers, heat detectors may be omitted. 7.7.1.3. It is recommended that the facility give consideration to replacing existing heat detectors with smoke detectors in most locations.</p>	K 000	<p>K 220</p> <p>1.) This problem was identified for us by the fire marshal out of Fargo on September 12, 2006. We have contracted with an Architect and Engineering firm to do a condition assessment of the North Dakota Veterans Home. All information regarding the study will be forwarded to Office of Management and Budget. After recommendations are made the North Dakota Veterans Home will either remodel or build new to provide a safe and secure environment for the veterans. Please grant us a waiver while we study the building and plan a feasible direction.</p> <p>Fire evacuations have been modified to provide a safe and secure route of exit of the building.</p> <p>A condition assessment by an Architect and engineer firm is currently being completed.</p> <p>A remodeling or new building will be built to solve this issue.</p> <p>A new building project.</p> <p>Completion Date</p>	
K 220	<p>VERTICAL OPENINGS</p> <p>Stairways, elevator shafts, and other vertical openings shall be enclosed with one hour fire resistance when connecting three stories or less and two hour fire resistance when connecting four or more stories.</p> <p>This state licensing rule is not met as evidenced by: Every floor that separates stories in a building must be constructed as a smoke barrier to provide a basic degree of compartmentation.</p>	K 220		1/21/2007

vision of Health Facilities	TITLE Admin. strator	(X6) DATE 12/11/06
LABORATORY DIRECTOR'S OR PROVIDER/SUPPLIER REPRESENTATIVE'S SIGNATURE		
FORM	6899 GXD221	If continuation sheet

Dakota Department of Health

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K 220	Continued From page 1 Openings through floors must be enclosed with fire barrier assemblies. Such assemblies must be continuous from floor to floor. Openings must be protected as appropriate for the fire resistance of the barrier. The facility failed to ensure all vertical openings are constructed to resist the passage of smoke and maintain the 1-hour fire rating of the building. Observation determined the three (3) sleeping room floors are all open to each other via the open space between the corridor wall and the resident room walls.	K 220		
K 256	AUTOMATIC SPRINKLERS Where an automatic sprinkler system is installed for total or partial coverage, the system shall be in accordance with Section 7-6 and 7-7. This state licensing rule is not met as evidenced by: 1. Testing frequencies for automatic sprinkler systems range from quarterly to annually. Inspection frequencies can be as often as weekly to as long as annually. The frequencies for testing, inspection and maintenance of automatic sprinkler systems are dictated by the requirements as outlined by Table 5-1 of NFPA 25 Standard for the Inspection, Testing and Maintenance of Water-based Fire Protection Systems. NFPA 25 requires the facility to complete, maintain and make available to the authority having jurisdiction copies of records which indicate the procedure performed, by whom, the results and the date. These records are to be retained for the life of the system. The	K 256	K256 1. The dry sprinkler system water flow alarm device will be tested quarterly with the wet system. Maintenance will add this test to their quarterly maintenance program. Completion date of	12/08/06



Architecture Planning

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February 13, 2007
North Dakota Veterans Home
Lisbon, ND

INTERIM LIFE SAFETY MEASURES – Revised

The following safety measures would provide an additional level of fire safety for the current building which has numerous life safety code deficiencies. These measures DO NOT bring the building into compliance with current life safety codes. They would provide fire system as allowed by the Fire Safety Evaluation System (FSES). These measures would provide an additional level of warning and safety in order to enhance safe egress from the building in case of an emergency. They would provide additional separation to the corridor for safe egress from the building. The smoke-fire dampers would separate the supply and return air from each floor.

The required 2 hour shafts would not be accomplished.

These measures would provide additional safe guards during planning, design and construction of a new facility for the North Dakota Veterans Home.

VENTILATION SYSTEM

Supply Air: Install Fire/smoke dampers at the AHU branch duct work on each floor to separate the supply air at each floor. Install fire smoke dampers at the two corridor supplies on first floor.

10 Fire Smoke dampers	\$20,000
General Construction:	5,000

Provide supply air to the group toilet rooms

6 small supply ducts:	\$2,000
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Exhaust Air: Install fire smoke dampers at the floor slab openings to the vertical shafts of the power ventilation system.

8 Fire Smoke Dampers:	\$18,000
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Close off grills at 1st, 2nd, 3rd floor Janitor's Closets and linen closets

General Construction	\$4,000
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FIRE ALARM SYSTEM UPGRADES

Install smoke detectors in all shafts in the existing basic care structure at each floor level and each resident room. Tie to AHU for automatic shut-down

	\$46,000
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Install additional smoke detectors in corridors Approx. every 30 feet

	\$12,000
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EGRESS PROTECTION

Replace Stairwell doors with rated, smoke sealed Doors

	\$8,000
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Replace Louvered Toilet room Doors

	\$4,200
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Seal penetration in Stairwells

	\$3,000
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Provide Smoke seals on all resident room doors

	\$5,000
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Provide automatic Closers at all corridor doors that do not have closers in the 1949 building. (Resident room doors already have closers)

	\$9,000
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VA Requested Safety Measures

Emergency Call back and shut for Elevator

	2,500
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Replace Cross Corridor Doors with Double Egress on 2nd /3rd Floor

	5,000
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Subtotal:	\$143,700
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Contingency:	5,000
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Engineering Design:	\$15,000
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Bidding, Misc. Costs	2,000
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	\$165,700
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North Dakota Veterans Home
Safety Measures for the Existing Building

Schedule for Implementation

Step:	Time Required
Authorization to Proceed	
Construction Documents	4 weeks
Code review/agency review/Advertising/Bid Period	3 weeks
Contracts	3 weeks
Construction	24 Weeks (6 months)
(Material ordering/shop drawings –actual construction 3 months)	
Final review - Punch list.	1 week

SUMMARY OF EXISTING MECHANICAL SYSTEM

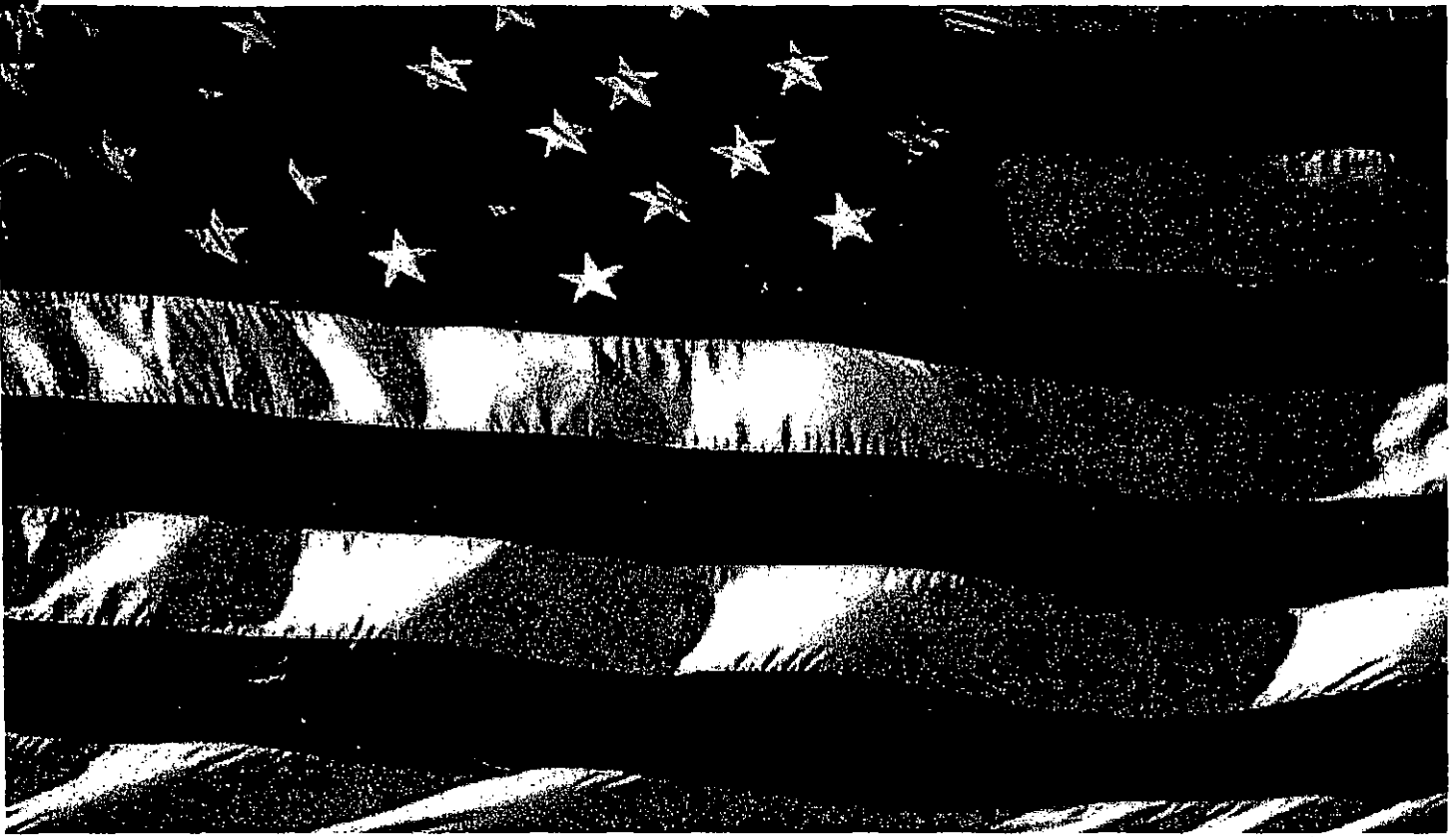
Supply Air:

There are two Air Handling Units (AHU) located on the ground floor at the North and south ends. These units have ducts that rise vertically through a shaft in the corner of this room and the rooms above. At each floor there are ducts that branch off and run down the corridor and supply into the rooms on either side of the corridor with a grill located in the corridor wall. There are fire dampers at each floor with fusible links. The dampers are not tied into the fire alarm system. There are no supply grills into the corridor except on first floor, at the ends located in the entrance lobby.

Return Air (Exhaust):

The exhaust for the 1949 portion of the building is accomplished via power ventilators located on the roof. From these ventilators there are 5 vertical shafts that drop down into the building on each end in the janitor's closet. Two of these shafts on each end continue down to the ground floor and have grills from the linen closet and the janitor's closet on each floor. The other shafts terminate above the ceiling, one per floor with a fire damper. These dampers have a fusible link and are not tied into the fire alarm system. The exhaust or return air from each floor is drawn above the ceilings and through the louvers at the backs of the wardrobes to these vertical shafts at each floor. The east side crosses the corridor in 6 ducted (not verifiable but noted on original drawings) to the west side where the janitor closets are located.

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SURVEY

**North Dakota State Fire
Marshal Safety Inspection
for**

**North Dakota
Veterans Home**

Basic & Skilled Care Units

Sept. 12, 2006



ND State Fire Marshal's Office
Fire Inspection Report

Veterans Home, Lisbon, ND
Inspection Date: September 12, 2006

Veterans Home

Fire Hazard 1: Electrical Service:

Electrical wiring must be in good condition with all covers in place on fixtures. The panel must be kept clear of combustibles for easy accessibility. The use of extension cords is to be kept to a minimum. Cords are not to be overloaded with heavy powered equipment or multiple appliances. Permanent wiring is required except for short-term temporary use. (sp3)

Location: Dining Room – Extension cord to plug strip



Fire Hazard 2: Hazardous Area Separation:

Rooms and spaces with large amounts of combustible storage, or heating equipment considered hazardous, must be separated from other portions of the building for the protection of the occupants. The following separation issues were identified during the inspection: (ha1)

Walls/Ceilings: Must be properly fire rated. (ha1c)

Location: Main Building – There is an unprotected air shaft thru the building - from basement to attic area. This should be protected and enclosed to prevent fire spread

Garage Workshop and Heating Plant – No deficiencies

Important: A response indicating the plan of correction for each of the listed fire hazards is required by October 12, 2006. The plan of correction needs to define when and how each hazard will be addressed with certification that each hazard will be addressed by the end of the budget year unless good cause can be demonstrated to the North Dakota Attorney General. Please address the plan of correction to State Fire Marshal's Office, PO Box 1054, Bismarck ND 58502-1054. Thank you for your efforts in promoting fire safety.



Lisbon Veterans Home

New Facility- One story 150 total Beds

Lisbon, North Dakota

#0623-1

February 14, 2007

	Approx. SF	Cost/Sq. Ft.	Total
Basic Care 83 beds	55,000	\$130	\$7,150,000
Basement for storage and mech below Basic Care	10,000	\$50	\$500,000
Additional 29 Beds to total 150	17,000	\$130	\$2,210,000
Skilled Nursing 38 Beds	22,000	\$130	\$2,860,000
Building Services, Administration, Common Areas	27,000	\$130	\$3,510,000
Site Work: parking, landscaping, water retention, etc.	400,000	\$1.50	\$600,000
Demolition of Existing Building	1	\$250,000	\$250,000
Construction Subtotal	131,000		\$17,080,000
Contingency 5% of construction			\$683,200
Inflation -Construction start 2 years 5%			\$680,000
Construction Total			\$18,443,200
A/E Fees 8% of construction			\$1,475,456
Misc. expenses, bidding, soils boring, survey, etc.			\$100,000
Furnishings-Allowance			\$1,000,000
Mechanic-Wood Shop building			\$80,000

Project Budget

\$21,098,656

SUPPORT THE ND VETERANS HOME

Position Paper of the North Dakota Veterans Home Governing Board, Feb 2007

The ND Veterans Home has a proud history as one of the state's oldest institutions.

- Built in 1891 with a land grant.
- Last major reconstruction in 1949 (58 years ago).
- Basic care was increased in 1980.
- Skilled care was added in 1991.
- Currently licensed for 112 basic & 38 skilled beds, however, many complex issues keep us from operating at capacity.

The ND Veterans Home is routinely inspected by local, state, and federal authorities. We have an obligation to respond to every finding. Very recently, **significant structural design problems** were identified.

- Safety, code, and compliance issues that were not the responsibility of any one specific group or agency have accumulated, and, when taken in their entirety, have become very significant and must be addressed now.
- **There is no concern over quality of care.**
- **In the short term: Immediate measures have been and are being taken to mitigate problems & minimize any and all risks.**
- **In the long term: the structural problems must be eliminated rather than minimized.**

An analysis of the cost effectiveness of repairing or replacing the current home shows that it would be **more cost effective to build a new Veterans Home.**

A comprehensive survey of future needs shows that ND will need a Veterans home at least the size of the current one for the foreseeable future, and it will need to be more capable due to the complicated injuries our veterans are coming home with. The total cost to repair or replace will be in the vicinity of \$20-\$25 million, and will be higher every year that goes by without taking action.

There is a great opportunity before us, as the federal government will currently match 65% of our costs and ND could receive the VA's highest priority for these funds. That would make the state's cost about \$6-\$8 million. Timing is critical. In even a couple of years, the situation could change and ND's priority at the federal funding level could fall sharply.

Many worthy programs compete for state money – this should be one of the highest. Veterans should neither be bashful about nor apologize for their requirements.

We need your help!

Whether we get funding to proceed through the legislature, private & public donations, or issue a bond or borrow money that the veterans themselves pay back -- some how, someway, we need to do this, & we should do it now. In even a couple of years, there is no guarantee that we will have the opportunity that we have right now. If this project does not succeed, it will be a shame, but do not let it be our shame. Let's do what's necessary to make this happen!

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

State Home Construction Grant Program Fact Sheet

ISSUE: This fact sheet provides current information regarding the program.

DISCUSSION: The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) provides financial assistance to the States to construct or acquire nursing home, domiciliary and/or adult day health care facilities. VA may participate in up to 65 percent of the cost of construction or acquisition of State nursing homes or domiciliary or for renovations to existing State homes. A State home is owned and operated by the State. VA assures Congress that State homes provide quality care through inspections, audits, and reconciliation of records conducted by the State home program managers and the VA medical center of jurisdiction. Under a separate State Home Grant program, VA also provides per diem payments to States for the care of eligible veterans in State homes.

The program was authorized by Congress in 1964 and is authorized in Title 38 United States Code (USC) Section 8131-8137 and regulated in Title 38 Code of Federal Regulation (CFR) Part 59.

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The ranking of all pending projects results in an annual fiscal year priority list. On 9/27/05, Secretary Nicholson approved the Priority List of Pending State Home Construction Grant Applications for FY 2006. The Priority List is used as the basis for awarding grants during that fiscal year. There are a total of 129 projects on the FY 2006 Priority List and are currently valued at \$656,111,000. The first 80 projects had certified 35 percent state matching funds and are ranked in priority group 1. The current value of the 80 priority group 1 projects is \$419,597,000. The remaining 49 projects will be considered for priority group 1 status once the state can provide certification of 35 percent state matching funds. According to Title 38 CFR 59.50, the final tiebreaker between ranked projects is the date the initial application is submitted.

Since 1999, VA has awarded over \$607 million in grants to the states for construction of or renovations to state veteran's homes. During the remainder of FY 06, VA will potentially award an additional \$105 million in state home construction grants. During this time, the number of VA grants represents more than \$1 billion dollars in new construction and improvements to existing state home facilities.

The FY 2005 operating budget was \$126,244,942. This amount includes the FY 2005 appropriation of \$104,341,696 and no-year carryover funds in the amount of \$21,923,246. The FY 2006 appropriations are yet to be determined. When and if funds are appropriated for this program, they are authorized until expended.

Annually, VA commits to as many projects as funds are authorized and available.

During FY 2005, 40 new initial applications were submitted to VA for consideration. The total value of the initial applications is \$103,203,713 and if determined to be feasible projects for VA participation, they were ranked on the FY 2006 Priority List. If these projects are awarded future grants, they would add 430 additional beds to the state home system. Annually, initial applications are received prior to the August 15th deadline.

Prepared by Geriatrics & Extended Care SHG (114)

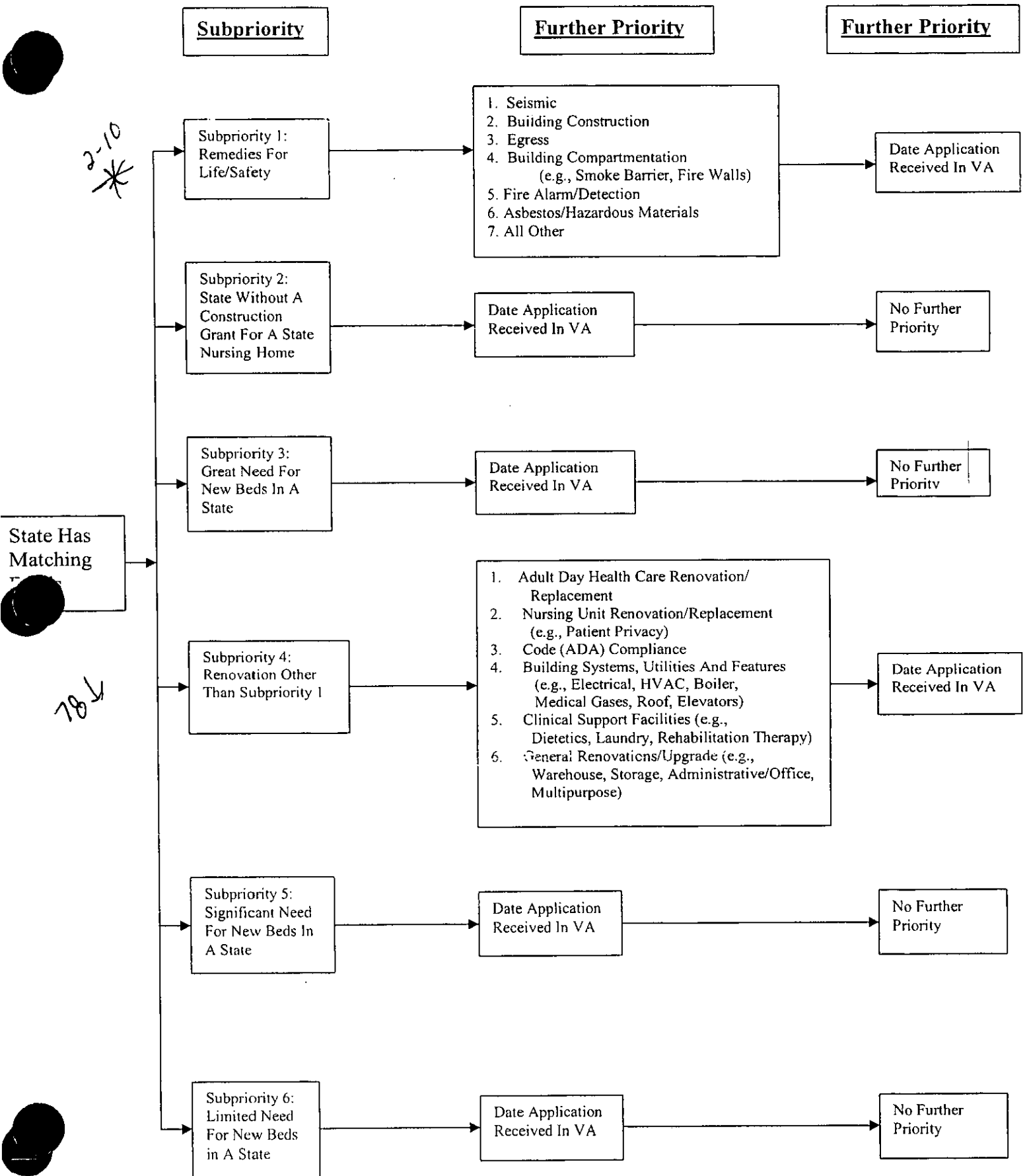
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(i) Priority group 1 – sub priority 1. An application for a project to remedy a condition or conditions at an existing facility that have been cited as threatening to the lives or safety of the residents in the facility by a VA Life Safety Engineer, a State or local government agency (including a Fire Marshal) or an accrediting institution (including the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations). This priority group does not include applications for the addition or replacement of building utility systems, such as heating and air-conditioning systems or building features, such as roof replacements. Projects in this sub priority will be further prioritized in the following order: seismic, building construction, egress, building compartmentalization (e.g., smoke barrier, fire walls), fire alarm/detection, asbestos/hazardous materials, and all other projects. Projects in this sub priority will be further prioritized based on the date the application for the project was received in VA (the earlier the application was received, the higher the priority given).

(ii) Priority group 1 – sub priority 2. An application from a State that has not previously applied for a grant under 38 U.S.C. 8131-8137 for construction or acquisition of a State nursing home. Projects in this sub priority will be further prioritized based on the date the application for the project was received in VA (the earlier the application was received, the higher the priority given).

(iii) Priority group 1 – sub priority 3. An application for construction or acquisition of a nursing home or domiciliary from a State that has a

Example – Prioritization for Priority Group 1



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Subject: August 15th Reminder - Last Notice

Good Morning,

There are 6 working days until the August 15th deadline and I am working on development of the FY 2007 Priority List. Most of you are aware, on August 15, 2006, the year closes for projects to be further considered for that List. **Please make sure that you review your most recent certification to see if it has expired. An expired certification will not qualify for Priority Group 1 status on the FY 07 Priority List.**

If you have received a FY 2006 letter indicating that VA could not commit to your project due to fact that your project did not rank high enough, that letter requested that you provide an updated status of the project by April 15, 2006. Several states failed to timely provide the status of their projects. In those responses, the state should have provided that the project should be considered for the FY 2007 Priority List or that the project should be formally withdrawn.

If you received a FY 2006 letter indicating that your initial application was feasible for further VA consideration, no further response is necessary for placement on the FY 2007 Priority List.

* However, if the State wants the project to be in Priority Group 1 on the FY 2007 Priority List, I will need by the August 15, 2006 deadline (1) a copy of the legislation authorizing the project (by specific legislation or by line item legislation within a larger bill) and (2) the certification of the 35% State Matching Funds (VA Form 10-0388-6) which must be signed by the State Budget Official.

Unless these requirements are received in this office by the deadline, the project will not be in a position to receive a VA commitment letter in FY 2007. If you meet these requirements, the project will remain on subsequent Priority Lists until the project is eventually awarded a grant or it is withdrawn by the State.

Veterans Home Revenue for Current Building @ 150 beds

Skilled Per Diem	\$	1,771,294.00
Skilled Rents	\$	3,509,696.50
Basic Care Per Diem	\$	1,736,524.00
Basic Care Rents	\$	831,053.50

Total	\$	7,848,568.00
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Veterans Home Forecasted Revenue for New Building @ 150 beds

Skilled Per Diem	\$	1,771,294.00
Skilled Rents	\$	3,509,696.50
Basic Care Per Diem	\$	2,441,390.00
Basic Care Rents	\$	1,158,840.00

Total	\$	8,881,220.50
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Additional Revenue From New Building @ 150 beds	\$	1,032,652.50
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Veterans Home Forecasted Revenue for New Building @ 121 beds

If built at the 121 level the state of North Dakota will have to displace approximately 10 residents and take away 29 Basic Care Beds from the Veterans Home.

Skilled Per Diem	\$	1,771,294.00
Skilled Rents	\$	3,509,696.50
Basic Care Per Diem	\$	1,969,387.93
Basic Care Rents	\$	934,797.60

Total	\$	8,185,176.03
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Loss of Revenue if Build @ 121 beds	\$	(696,044.47)
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Potential Additional Savings from New Building

CBOC Clinic On Site	?	
Mileage	\$	50,000.00
Skilled Beds - 10	\$	265,866.00
Energy Savings	\$	200,000.00
Total	\$	515,866.00

Johnson, Mark B.

From: Salvas, Frank [Frank.Salvas@va.gov]
Sent: Thursday, February 15, 2007 11:09 AM
To: Johnson, Mark B.
Subject: FW: Lisbon Veterans Home

Mark,

You faxed me the 424 and asked if that was sufficient.

Below are the requirements for the initial application and here they are again.

The first thing that is needed is an initial application submitted by the State of North Dakota in accordance with 38 CFR Part 59. That includes:

- SF 424
- SF 424C
- SF 424D
- Scope and justification for the project
- Space program analysis
- Schematics

The forms can all be downloaded and saved from the Forms links. The other requirements can/will be submitted at a later date, before grant award.

Will need to evaluate the initial application to determine the feasibility of the project and make a determination of the priority group rank.

Thanks,

Frank

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