## Hardship Assistance Program

## **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this assistance is to provide monies taken from earned interest of the Veterans Post War Trust Fund to give aid and comfort to veterans as defined in North Dakota Century Code (N.D.C.C.) 37-14, and their spouses, un-remarried widow or widower. The applicants must have a need of dental work, dentures, optical needs, hearing aids, deposit funds for secure housing, transportation for medical reasons or a special medical requirement.

## The Applicant Requirements Policy

The Applicant must be either a Veteran as defined in N.D.C.C. 37-14-01.1, a spouse of an eligible Veteran or an un-remarried widow/widower of an eligible veteran.

37-14-01.1 Definition of a veteran. As used in this chapter, "veteran" means an individual who served in the armed forces of the United States on federal active duty for reasons other than training and who has been discharged under other than dishonorable conditions.

-Documentation will be required for all applicants.

The applicant must be a resident of North Dakota for one year prior to date of application.

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If application is found to have false information, applicant will not be considered.

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Applicants may be eligible for both the hardship assistance program as well as the loan program.

\*\*Income Guidelines for applicants

Documentation will be required

Income will be based on established indexes such as pension rates and poverty guidelines which will be reviewed annually.

Public Assistance will not be counted in the income guidelines.

Household Size	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Income Limit	\$1200	\$1400	\$1600	\$1800	\$2100	\$2400	\$2600

Applicant cannot have over \$2000 in cash assets, with the exception that they and their spouse may have \$5000.00 in a CD locked in for a minimum of 12 months from date of application.