



**NH Veterans Home
Senate Capital Budget Committee
SFY 24-25 Capital Budget Request**

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About the NHVH

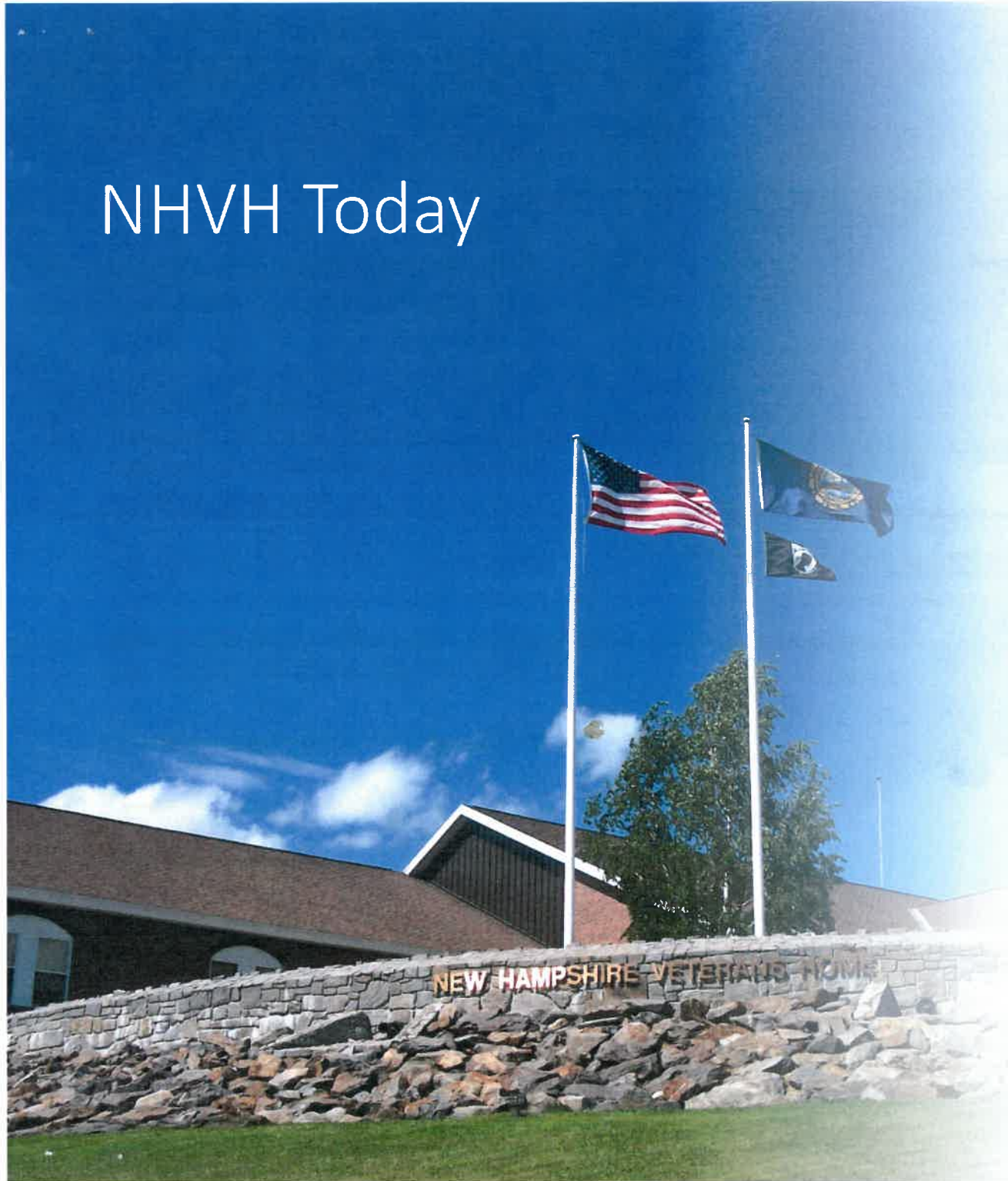
In 1889, to take advantage of the federal assistance, Governor David H. Goodell established a veterans' Board of Managers, made up of prominent citizens, to select a site for a Soldiers' Home for Civil War veterans unable to care for themselves by reason of wounds, old age, or other infirmities. They chose Tilton NH as their location and The New Hampshire Soldiers' Home was dedicated during ceremonies on December 3, 1890.



NHVH Today

Today we have the statutory capacity to care for 250 residents; about half live in the Welch/Tarr Units and the other half live in our Life Enhancement Dementia Unit (LEDU). Prior to the COVID-19 Pandemic, we were budgeted for nearly 400 staff. We are an intermediate, long term care facility, offering a broad range of residential, medical, and nursing care. Recently, our greatest challenge has been recruiting and retaining staff in both our clinical and support services.

The NHVH utilizes a VA Grant program enabled under 38 CFR 51:41. Veterans receive either partial or full cost of living reimbursement. To maintain this reimbursement, the NHVH undergoes annual recertification meeting standards related to Administrative, resident rights, clinical services, and Health Life Safety requirements.





Mission Statement



The mission of the New Hampshire Veterans Home is to provide the best quality of life for NH Veterans with dignity, honor and respect.





Strategic Infrastructure Priorities



- 1. Health Life Safety*
- 2. Meet VA Survey Requirements*



Current Projects



- 1. Building Wide Sprinkler System Upgrade –
Cancel request due to new information from VA*
- 2. Parking Lot Repair and Expansion*
- 3. LEDU 3rd Story Addition (Awaiting Federal Award)*
- 4. Medical Lift Installation Phase 1 – Under way*



SFY 24-25 Project List



Priority	Project	Funding Requested
1	Sitewide Drainage and Water Life safety Improvements	\$350,000
2	Entryway Life Safety Improvements	\$250,000
3	Medical Lift Installation (Phase 2)	\$152,000



Sitewide Drainage and Water Life Safety Improvements (\$350,000)



This project will design, and correct health life safety issues related to poor drainage and overall water issues throughout the NHVH Site in Tilton. Currently, significant amounts of water seeps into the LEDU basement electrical room and is frequently mopped up by staff or await evaporation.



Flooded LEDU Basement shop vacuumed during each rainstorm. Water flows directly towards an emergency generator.



Water spews out of data port conduit during rainstorm April 2022



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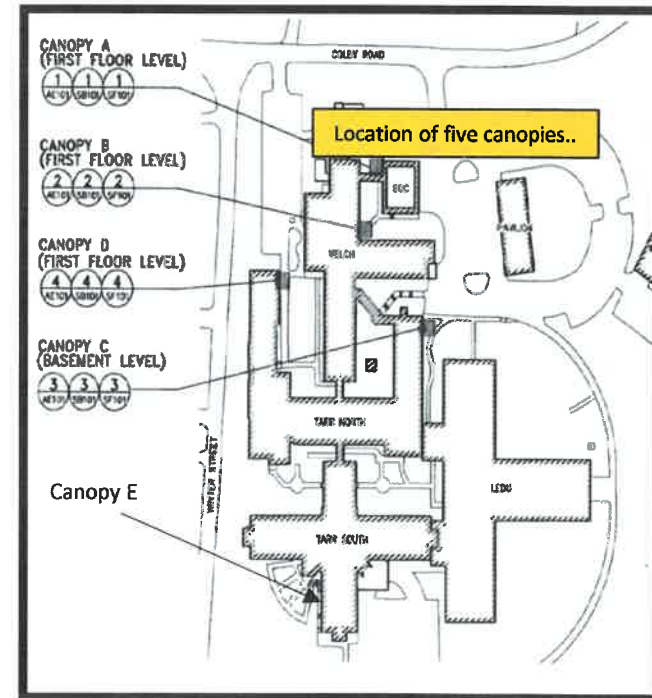
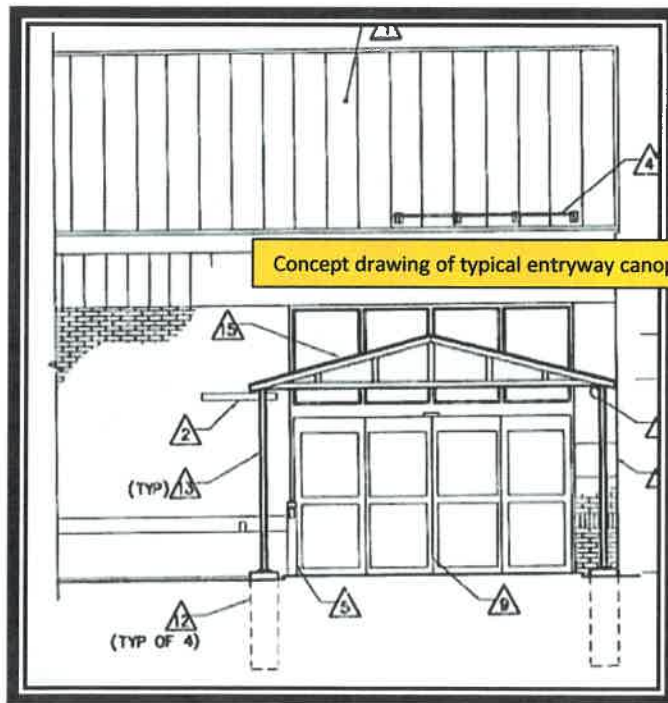




Entryway Life Safety Improvements (\$250,000)



This project will construct four entryways at the NHVH in Tilton NH. Currently, snow falls off the existing metal roofs and risk injury to residents, staff, and visitors alike. To mitigate this, the NH Veterans home has had to block off sections of the sidewalk in winter times.





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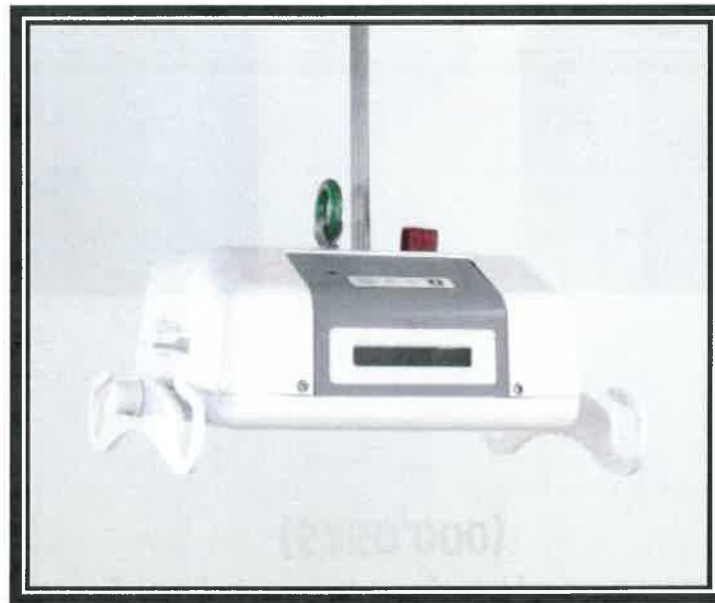




Medical Lift Installation Phase 2 (\$165,000)



This project will begin to outfit the building with ceiling lift systems to accommodate our growing bariatric population at the NH Veterans Home in Tilton NH. To phase-in requirement, this installation will consist of Phase 2, 11 lifts. This project is consistent with the strategic priority to admit more in need veterans and grow the census.



Typical 650 LB Bariatric Lift. It is the Long term plan to outfit, incrementally, the entire building.



New Hampshire Veterans Home Lapse Date Extension Requests For 24-25 Capital Budget



Bureau/Division	Accounting Unit (AU) Description	Encumbrances	Balance Forward	Available	Project Number	Explanation	Estimated Date of Completion
NH VETERANS HOME	17-228:1-XXIII:A LEDU Fire Wall	\$ (8,681.37)	\$ 1,301,681.37	\$ 1,293,000.00	80984B	Project Complete	Project Complete
NH VETERANS HOME	15-220:1-XVII - A - LEDU Build	\$ (334,600.00)	\$ 3,924,423.04	\$ 3,589,823.04	80896R	Project has been submitted to Federal VA for consideration	Project has been submitted to Federal VA for consideration
NH VETERANS HOME	L21:1XII1-Prking Lot Rep&Upgrd	\$ (97,536.51)	\$ 1,380,000.00	\$ 1,282,463.49		Project projected to be bid April 2023, and construction Summer 2023.	10/31/2023



The New Hampshire Veterans Home has a tradition of providing high quality care and cost-effective operations in serving the disabled and elderly veteran population in New Hampshire. With the continuing support of Governor Sununu and this Committee, the Veterans Home will be able to continue in this tradition.

Respectfully submitted: Kimberly MacKay, Commandant