



**State of New Hampshire
Department of Military Affairs and Veteran Services**

**2022-2023
House Approved Budget**

**Senate Finance
Monday, April 26, 2021**

Department of Military Affairs and Veteran Services

The New Hampshire National Guard’s mission triad is to secure the homeland; fight and win America’s wars; and build partnerships by:

- Providing the State and its political subdivisions with operationally ready units and personnel to protect life and property and to preserve the internal security of the State when ordered by the Governor.
- Providing the Departments of the Army and Air Force with operationally ready units and personnel in support of the total force, and for war or national emergencies as ordered by the President; upon declaration of war by the Congress; or as otherwise specified by federal law.
- Forging and maintaining associations with our civilian and military partners and at the local/state/federal/tribal/global levels.



**THE DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS AND
VETERANS SERVICES**

**State Business Administration
(ADG120010)**

**NH State Veterans Cemetery
(SVC121010)**

**NH Division of Veterans
Services
(SVC121010)**

**NH Division of Community
Based Military Programs
(SVC121010)**

- Financial Management**
- Human Resources**
- Asset & Inventory**
- Appendices Management**
- Military Records**
- Facility Rentals**
- Administrative Support**
- Data Analysis**
- Construction Management**
- Contract and Procurement**

- Provide and maintain a dignified final resting place to honor all veterans and eligible dependents.**
- Facility Operation**
- Application and Certification**
- Process Interments**
- Burials Installation**

- Assist Veterans who are residents of New Hampshire or their dependents in securing all benefits or preferences to which they may be entitled under any state or federal laws or regulations.**
- Process Claims**
- Appointments with Veterans**
- Provide specialized Service-Specific license Plate Decals**

- Collaborate, coordinate, and communicate with military and civilian provider groups to promote the delivery of quality services to New Hampshire Veterans, Service Members, and their families.**

The Federal Military Budget provides for Soldier and Airman pay, training, equipment, and uniforms. Our State Operating (and Capital) Budget must support this \$200 million dollar Federal Military Budget at the State level by providing facilities and support to the New Hampshire National Guard - and also provide for the New Hampshire Veterans Services. These two separate budgets complement and support each other.

FY 2020 Actual and FY 2021 Adjusted Authorized compared to House Approved 2022/2023 Operating Budget (HB1 Compare Report page 258)

	FY20 ACTUAL	FY21 ADJ AUTHORIZED	FY22 TOTAL REQUEST			FY23 TOTAL REQUEST		
			House Recommended	\$ Change FY22 vs FY21	% Change FY22 vs FY21	House Recommended	\$ Change FY23 vs FY21	% Change FY23 vs FY21
FEDERAL FUNDS	\$20,206,175	\$30,713,196	\$32,362,093	\$1,648,897	5.37%	\$32,917,010	\$2,203,814	7.18%
GENERAL FUNDS	\$4,503,191	\$5,357,830	\$5,190,892	(\$166,938)	-3.12%	\$5,450,145	\$92,315	1.72%
OTHER FUNDS	\$82,000	\$119,382	\$118,114	(\$1,268)	-1.06%	\$118,066	(\$1,316)	-1.10%
TOTAL FUNDS	\$24,791,366	\$36,190,408	\$37,671,099	\$1,480,691	4.09%	\$38,485,221	\$2,294,813	6.34%

Summary of Changes

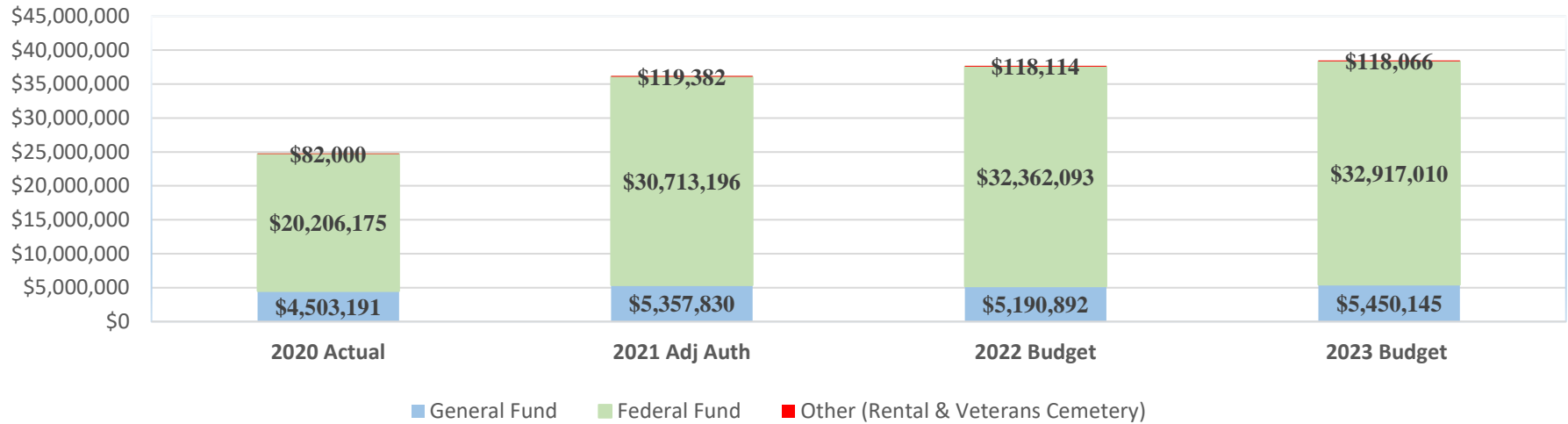
- 1) Change four (4) currently funded positions to 100% Federal Funds by eliminating their associated General Funds (saves \$215,406):
 - Two (2) positions from 100% General-AU2220 to 100% Federal-AU2245 (ARNG maintenance related)
 - Two (2) positions from 75% Federal/25% General-AU2233 to 100% Federal-AU2252 (ANG maintenance)

- 2) Seven (7) new positions. Three positions are 100% federally reimbursed and will directly support the NH National Guard. One position is 75% federally funded, 25% general funded and will provide maintenance support to two NH National Guard facilities. The three remaining are 100% general fund positions required in the 2020 Veterans Bill of Rights. These positions will allow us to comply with the provisions of the newly passed law.
 - Clerk of the Work: AU2245 - 100% Federal
 - Accountant I: AU2245 - 100% Federal
 - Technical Support Specialist III: AU3133 - 100% Federal
 - Maintenance Mechanic II: AU3003 - 75% Federal and 25% General
 - Grants Program Coordinator: AU1015 - 100% General - 2020 Veterans Bill of Rights
 - Program Specialist II: AU1015 - 100% General - 2020 Veterans Bill of Rights
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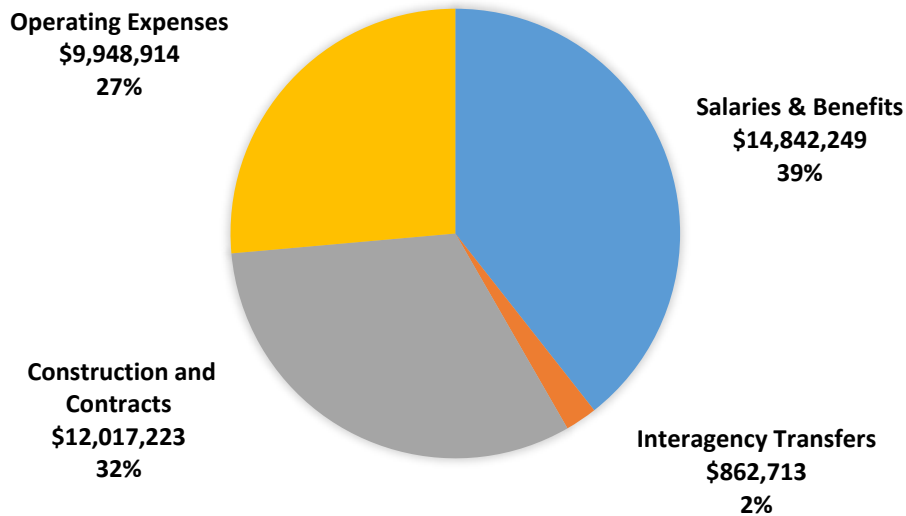
- 3) Increase Utilities Funds
 - New Pembroke Armory (completed in FY20)-\$60,000: AU2240 - 50% Federal and 50% General
 - New Joint National Guard/State Police Hangar in Concord (FY23)-\$60,000: AU2220 - 100% General

- 4) DoIT Fees - AU 2220 - 100% General

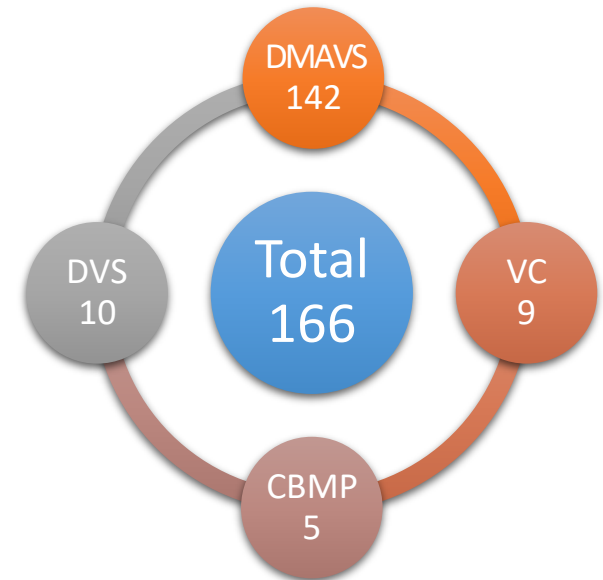
FY2020, FY2021, FY2022 and FY2023 --- Sources of Funds



FY 2022 --- Uses of Funds



FY2022/2023 FT Positions



House Amendment Changes:

Amendment to HB 2-FN-A-LOCAL

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37 New Section; Department of Military Affairs and Veterans Services; Support for Veterans Mental Health and Social Isolation. Amend RSA 110-B by inserting after section 73-c the following new section:

110-B:73-d Support for Veterans Mental Health and Social Isolation. The Department of Military Affairs and Veterans Services shall coordinate access to mental health programs available through the United States Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), including but not limited to the VA Solid Start program, which contacts every veteran multiple times by phone in the first year after they leave active duty to check in and help connect them to VA programs and benefits, the Buddy Check program through which veterans reach out to each other to provide peer support, and the proposed Green Alert Act, which will help to locate veterans when they go missing so they can receive appropriate care, in a manner similar to the Silver Alert system for older Americans and the Amber Alert system for children. The department will help veterans to find and enroll in the variety of mental health programs offered by the VA.

Section XII of SB 143

There is currently no appropriation associated with Section XII of SB 143. This bill seeks to convert the NH National Guard Scholarship Program to the NH National Guard Enlistment Incentive Program. Recruiting is currently the number one priority for the NH National Guard. This program authorizes a cash incentive up to \$500 to current members of the New Hampshire National Guard in the pay grades of E-1 to O-3 or any former member of the New Hampshire National Guard for each new or prior service recruit that they bring into the New Hampshire National Guard. This legislation was filed after we submitted our budget, so there is no request in the current proposal. We ask that the committee consider adding 25,000.00 to the budget to support this program.