



Franklin County Veterans Service Commission Quarterly Update

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Agency Update

COVID-19 presented many challenges to serving the 65,000 Veterans in Franklin County.

In March we transitioned to a remote operation initially focused on providing assistance with food, emergency dental services, burial assistance and VA medical appointment transportation.

In May, we expanded financial assistance to include rent, mortgage and utilities and started VA benefit claim assistance.

The chart below provides a summary of our COVID-19 food voucher program which ended on 30 June.

We continue to monitor the COVID-19 situation and assess the impact of expiring moratoriums covering evictions and utility disconnects on the Veteran community.

We are still working remotely and applications for assistance can be submitted by e-mail, fax, or in our drop box at Memorial Hall. The financial assistance application is available on our webpage.

Current Services

- Rent Assistance
- Mortgage Assistance
- Utilities Assistance
- VA Benefits Assistance
- VA Medical Appointment Transportation
- Dental Program*
- Vision Program*
- Move In Kits*
- Schools Supplies*

* programs subject to income limits or other criteria

COVID-19 Food Assistance	March	April	May	June	Total
Single	58	349	502	376	1,285
Family	32	108	227	107	474
Homeless	0	3	3	4	10
TOTAL					1,769
Total	\$ 30,200.00	\$148,200.00	\$239,800.00	\$162,400.00	\$ 580,600.00
New Clients	12	35	99	38	184

April—June 2020 Summary

Veterans Served	1,686	Utilities Assistance	39
Met Commission	10	Dental Assistance	97
Financial Assistance	186	Household Items	1
Food Vouchers—Non Covid	29	Bus Passes	0
Rent Assistance	49	Meijer Voucher	20
Mortgage Assistance	1	Gas Vouchers	0

Financial Assistance
\$ 491,744.19
Burial Assistance
\$35,953.29
Transportation
\$156,730.24
Meals on Wheels
\$8,003.32

