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VETERANS HEALTH ADMINISTRATION
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1. Funding Table

A full funding description is provided in the Appendix.

2. Objectives

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA or Recovery Act) provides \$150 million in funding for Geriatrics and Extended Care (GEC) Grants for State Extended Care. All of the funds will be awarded to States for new construction and renovation projects selected from the Fiscal Year (FY) 2009 and FY 2010 Priority Lists.

3. Activities

GEC identified State Veterans' Home construction and renovation projects from the FY 2009 and FY 2010 Priority Lists that were eligible to receive grants from the \$150 million in appropriated Recovery Act funds (GEC also identified 7 contingency projects able to meet the Recovery Act requirements). States were notified by letter of the funding opportunities and informed that the funds will remain available until September 30, 2010. States were advised of the additional Recovery Act requirements and conditions and were required to certify they would be able to meet these requirements. Funds are paid out once the States meet all requirements for grant award. By May 2010, 27 grants were awarded, totaling \$122,799,941. The remaining funds will be obligated by September 30, 2010 with 12 projects from the FY 2010 Priority List. The table below describes each grant that has received a final award in FY 2009.

Grants for VA Construction of State Extended Care Facilities Stimulus Expenditure Plan

Signed as Final Grants

Federal Application Identification Number	State (Locality)	Description	Final Obligations	Spend Down of ARRA
				150,000,000
04-002	AZ (Tucson)	180-Bed NHC (New) & 35 Participant ADHC	17,144,752	107,261,672
09-013	CT (Rocky Hill)	Domiciliary Renovations - Buildings 2, 3 and 4	5,959,863	101,301,809
12-015	FL (Daytona Beach)	General Renovation & Facility Upgrade	3,250,000	144,031,982
17-027	IL (Quincy)	Bus & Ambulance Garage	643,500	143,388,482
18-003	IN (Lafayette)	Facility Upgrade	706,145	100,595,664
19-031	IA (Marshalltown)	Dining & Activity Room Expansion	2,248,320	147,281,982
26-016	MI (Grand Rapids)	Code Fire Suppression, Nurse Call Replacement	760,099	99,835,565

Federal Application Identification Number	State (Locality)	Description	Final Obligations	Spend Down of ARRA
27-022	MN (Fergus Falls)	Dementia - Special Care Unit - (24 Beds - New)	6,177,058	137,211,424
29-019	MO (Cameron)	Emergency Generator, Etc.	827,801	99,007,764
29-021	MO (Mexico)	Emergency Generator, Etc.	1,446,585	97,561,179
29-022	MO (Mt. Vernon)	Emergency Generator, Etc.	855,855	96,705,324
29-023	MO (St. James)	Emergency Generator, Etc.	558,457	96,146,867
29-024	MO (Warrensburg)	Emergency Generator, Etc.	759,785	95,387,082
34-025	NJ (Paramus)	Multipurpose Room Addition	1,754,256	69,403,091
36-015	NY (Stony Brook)	Emergency Generator and System Upgrade	469,698	149,530,302
37-004	NC (Kinston)	100-Bed NHC (New)	10,745,800	84,641,282
37-005	NC (Swannanoa)	100-Bed NHC (New)	13,483,935	71,157,347
39-021	OH (Sandusky)	Corridor Renovation	277,622	68,040,771
39-023	OH (Sandusky)	Kitchen Upgrade - Secrest Hall	286,000	68,467,882
39-024	OH (Georgetown)	Security Upgrades, Phase 1	285,134	69,117,957
39-025	OH (Georgetown)	Security Upgrades, Phase 2	364,075	68,753,882
42-021	PA (Spring City)	112-Bed DOM Replacement + 8 Additional Beds	26,791,224	41,249,547
48-009	TX (Tyler)	160-Bed NHC (New)	11,546,795	29,702,752
49-002	UT (Ogden)	120-Bed NHC (New)	12,805,000	124,406,424
51-007	VA (Roanoke)	General Renovations	894,178	28,808,574
55-047	WI (King)	Replace Resident Wandering Monitoring System	1,289,672	27,518,902
55-049	WI (King)	Remodel Laundry Facility	318,843	27,200,059
		Total	122,353,652	

*Anticipate award of 12 grants in FY 10, obligating all \$150 million

**6 contingency projects that have been offered funding for FY 10 and are ready to receive either regular appropriations or ARRA funds if one of the 12 grants does not complete the final requirements. These projects total \$36,227,196.

4. Characteristics

Grant project awards will be made to individual States for up to 65% of project costs (in accordance with 38 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 59). The tracking of State Extended Care funding will be by the specific Treasury Appropriation Account Symbol (TAFS) assigned to this program (36-0184 2009 \ 2010). This TAFS was established by the Department of the Treasury to distinguish Recovery Act funds for this program.

5. Delivery Schedule

All projects and their phases will be tracked by GEC with input from the Office of Construction and Facilities Management (OCFM) and the States, and appropriate information on project status will be available on VA's Recovery Act Web site. All grants will be obligated by September 30, 2010.

6. Environmental Review Compliance

The Office of GEC, with input from OCFM, and the State Veterans Homes will review all projects for compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act, and other related statutes. The VA General Counsel determined that the National Environmental Policy Act is not applicable to these projects. State Veterans Homes Project managers must comply with all pertinent laws, rules, and regulations.

7. Measures

VHA will use the following performance measure to assess the impact of the Recovery Act funding. This is a new performance measure. The previously listed four additional measures were not relevant performance measures applicable to the State Veterans Home Construction Grant Program.

Measure #1

Percent of ARRA funding obligated to ARRA-identified projects (\$ millions).

Performance Table

Targets		Actual	
2009 ARRA	2010 ARRA	2009 ARRA	2010 ARRA
50%	100%	81%	TBD

Other Required Information

New or Existing Measure	Results Data Collection Frequency	Public Accessibility Modality	Results Calculation	Results Data Source	Strategic Goal Link	Strategic Objective Link
New	Weekly	www.va.gov/recovery	Dollar value of obligations incurred compared divided by total ARRA appropriation (\$150M)	Financial Management System	SG 1: Restoration and Improved Quality of Life for Disabled Veterans	SO1.1: Specialized Health Care Services

Impact of ARRA on Performance

Recovery funding provides for modification and/or construction of facilities that will provide needed care for Veterans. VA exceeded its original goal to obligate \$75 million in FY 09 and now plans to obligate \$28.55 million in FY 10.

8. Monitoring/Evaluation

The performance measure listed above will monitor GEC's progress in meeting the targeted performance.

9. Transparency

GEC's funding list is included on VA's Recovery Web site. Grants.gov provides information available to the public on grant opportunities including Recovery Act grant opportunities. Applicants can track the status of their applications using a login function. Grantors can access applications to their programs, also using a login function. [Note: To our knowledge, the site does not provide information about grants that have been issued.] Information regarding project status and jobs created will be reported by States on FederalReporting.gov and published as public record.

10. Accountability

GEC has developed a detailed spend plan and performance measures. The new performance measure will track the ARRA-funded State Extended Care projects and purchases. Responsibility for ARRA-related activities will be incorporated in performance assessment of appropriate manager(s). If measures are not met, assessment will be adversely affected unless there is an appropriate justification for the outcome.

11. Barriers to Effective Implementation

GEC has to rely on the States to meet the regulatory requirements by the established timelines.

12. Federal Infrastructure Investments

Not applicable

Appendix

Grants – State Extended Care Funding Table

Table 1A – Account Summary

	TAFS (pick from dropdown)	Appropriated to TAFS (\$000s)	Program Allocations	
			BA Allocation (\$000s)	Program Name
One account funding one program	Grants for Construction of State Extended Care (36- 0184 2009/2010)	150,000	150,000	Grants for Construction of State Extended Care

Table 1B – Obligations/Gross Outlays – January 2009 through December 2010
(\$000)

Obligations and Planned Gross Outlays (\$000s)													
Funding Type	Funding Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Planned Obligation	2009									0	5	5	5
Actual Obligation	2009									0	9.9	9.9	9.9
Gross Outlay	2009									0	0	0	0
Planned Obligation	2010	5	20	20	20	120	120	120	120	150			
Actual Obligation	2010	122.3	122.3	122.3	122.3								
Gross Outlay	2010	0	0	0	2	5.1	9.2	13.3	16.2	20.4			