The background of the slide features a large, faint watermark of the Brevard County Seal. The seal is circular and contains several elements: a central figure of a Native American holding a bow and arrow, a sunburst, a ship, and a figure in a space suit. The year '1513' is at the top and '1854' is at the bottom. The words 'BREVARD COUNTY' are written around the perimeter of the seal.

Housing and Human Services Department Veterans Service Office Budget Presentation

Brevard County, Florida

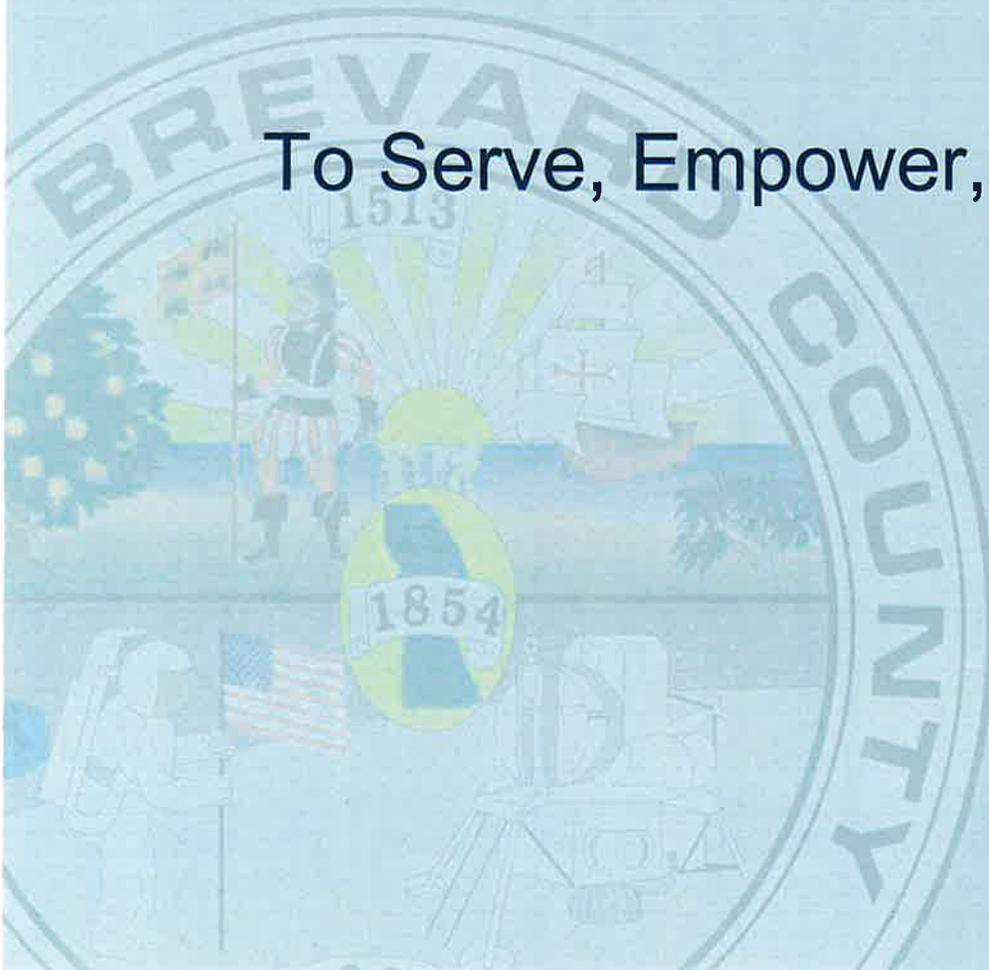
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Presentation Outline

- Housing and Human Services Mission
- Funding Sources
- Budget by Major Roll-Up
- Services
- Trends and Issues
- Critical Needs

Mission Statement

To Serve, Empower, and Enhance Brevard



Programs and Services

Housing and Human Services

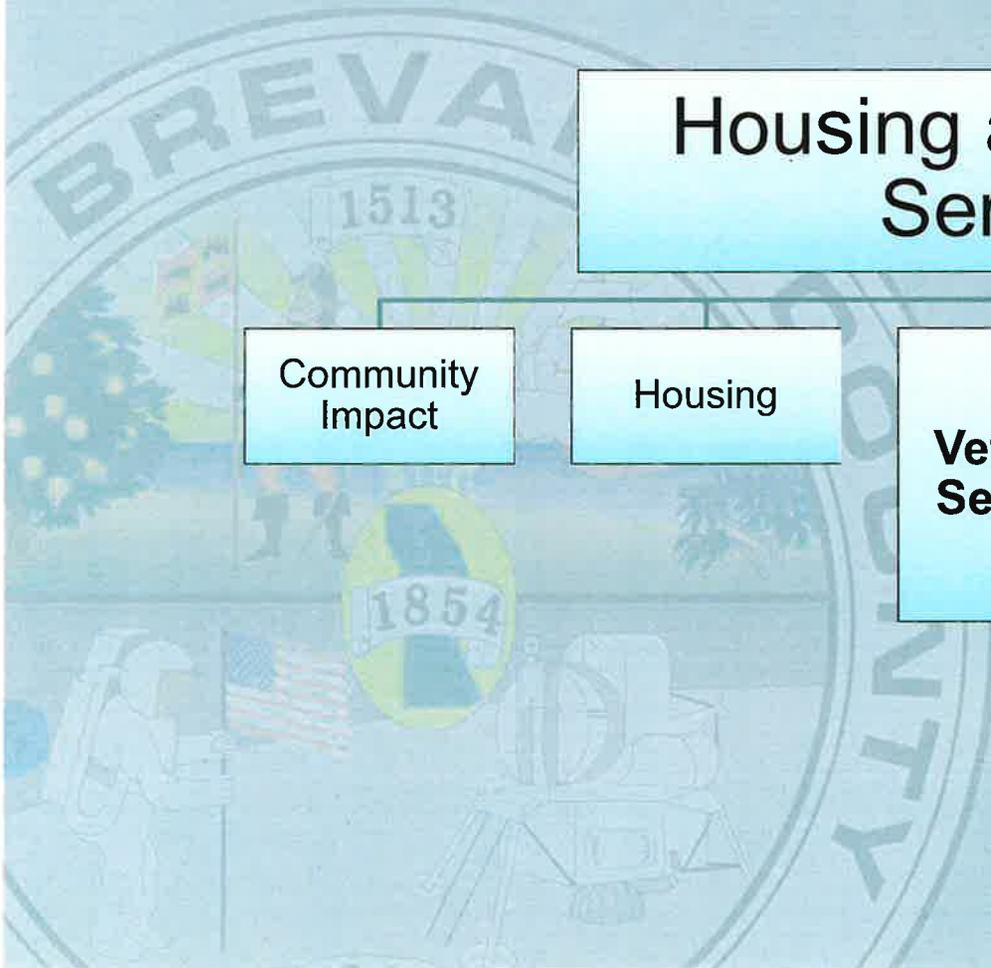
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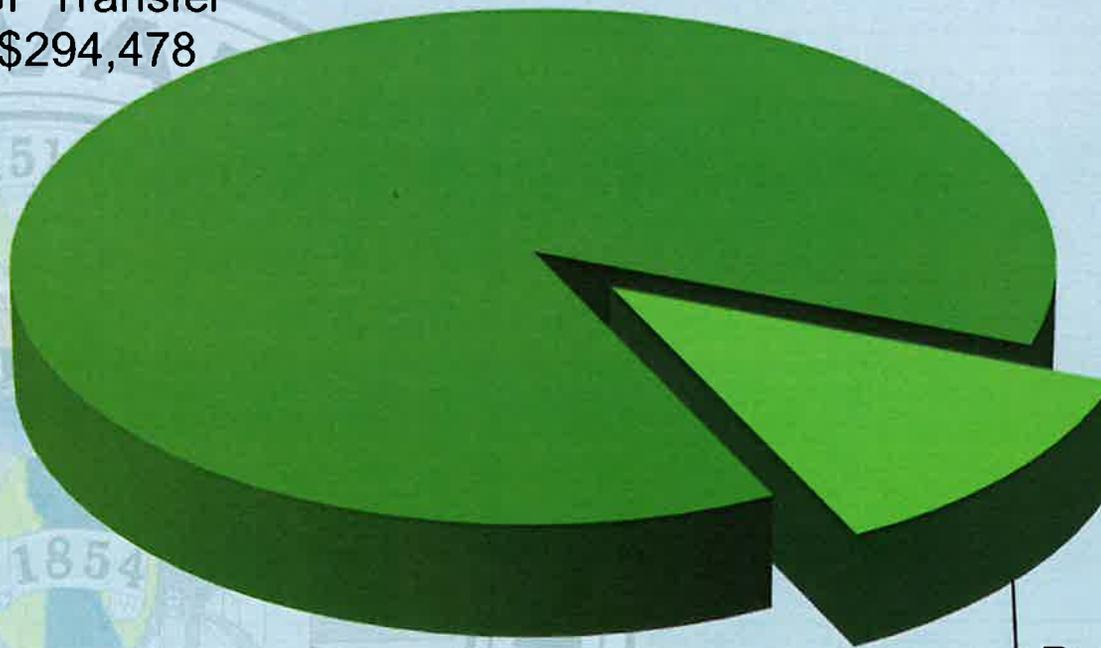
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Veteran's Services

Total Revenue \$334,478

GF Transfer
\$294,478



Palm Bay Transfer
\$40,000

Budget by Roll-Up

	Community Impact	Housing	Veterans' Services	Community Resources*	Medical Examiners Office**	Total Budget
Revenue						
Intergovernmental	\$ 2,071,973	\$ 4,398,385	\$ -	\$ 3,528,178	\$ -	\$ 9,998,536
Charges for Services	\$ 159,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 140,000	\$ 299,000
Fines and Forfeits	\$ 174,188	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 174,188
Miscellaneous	\$ 2,592	\$ 77,325	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 22,000	\$ 101,917
Statutory Reduction	\$ (120,388)	\$ (223,785)	\$ -	\$ (176,409)	\$ (8,100)	\$ (528,682)
Balance Forward	\$ 400,433	\$ 1,707,891	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,108,324
General Fund Transfer	\$ 1,559,627	\$ -	\$ 334,478	\$ 2,111,564	\$ 1,446,667	\$ 5,452,336
Transfers-Other	\$ 208,815	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 208,815
Totals	\$ 4,456,240	\$ 5,959,816	\$ 334,478	\$ 5,463,333	\$ 1,600,567	\$ 17,814,434
Expenditures						
Compensation and Benefits	\$ 1,496,429	\$ 439,112	\$ 273,882	\$ 1,267,043	\$ 1,072,542	\$ 4,549,008
Operating Expenses	\$ 2,959,811	\$ 4,454,207	\$ 18,396	\$ 1,122,605	\$ 484,025	\$ 9,039,044
Capital Outlay	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,200	\$ 3,000	\$ 44,000	\$ 49,200
Grants and Aid	\$ -	\$ 1,066,497	\$ 40,000	\$ 701,756	\$ -	\$ 1,808,253
CIP	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,368,416	\$ -	\$ 2,368,416
Transfers	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 513	\$ -	\$ 513
Totals	\$ 4,456,240	\$ 5,959,816	\$ 334,478	\$ 5,463,333	\$ 1,600,567	\$ 17,814,434
Personnel	24.75	20	5	16.5	11	77.25

*Inclusive of County Mandates: ADA Coordination \$74,753 (funds one position responsible for County's ADA Coordination), and Guardian Ad Litem \$8,500: F.S.29.008.

**County Mandate F.S. 406.08

Veterans Services

- Florida has the third largest Veteran population in the Nation
 - Brevard County is home to the 34th largest Veteran population in the Country
- Brevard County is the tenth largest county in the state by population
 - 7th largest Veteran population

Veterans Services

- Every County (67) in the State has Veteran Service Officers
- Governed by F.S. 292.11
 - must be a veteran who served as a member of the Armed Forces of the United States during a period of war
 - Must be certified by the Department of Veteran Affairs (DVA) as meeting the qualifications
 - Must successfully complete a DVA test prior to assuming any responsibilities

Veterans Services

Veteran Population vs. Staff Positions

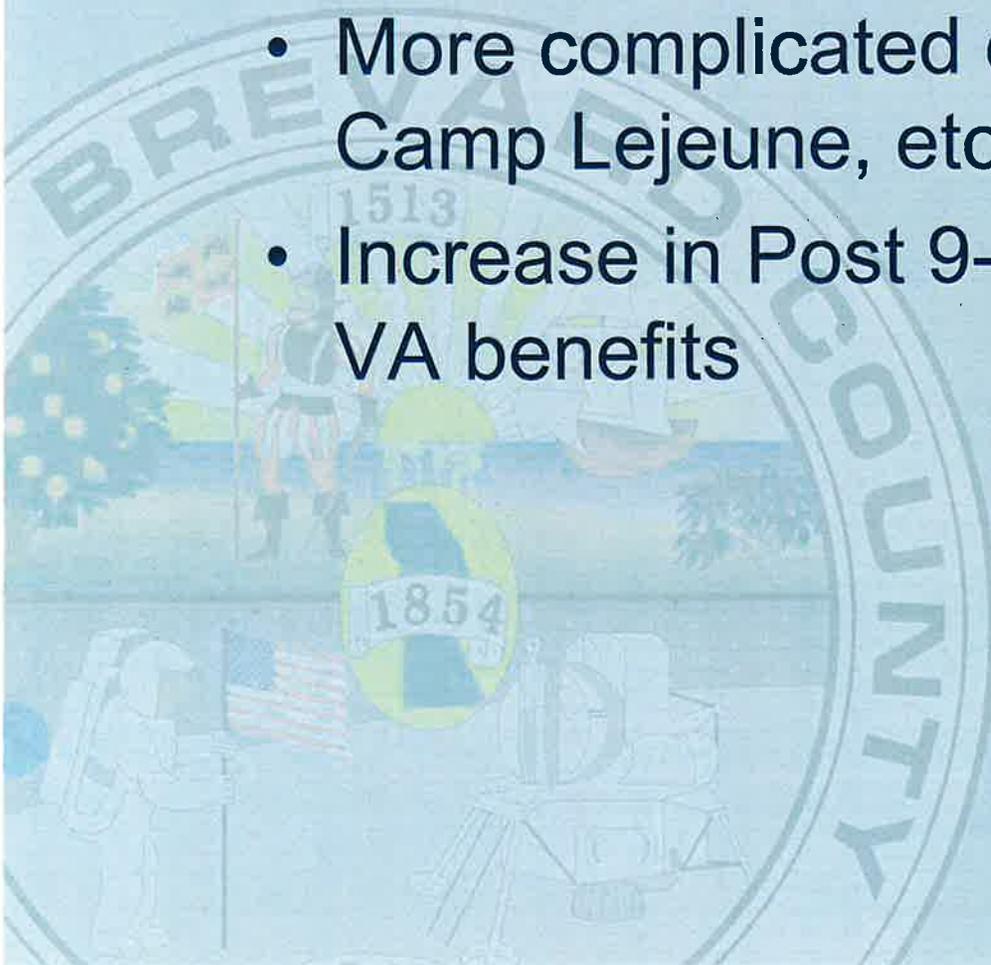


Services

- Assists Veterans, their survivors, and dependents in presenting claims and obtaining benefits
 - Disability
 - Pension
 - Vocational Rehabilitation
 - Medical
 - Insurance
 - Burial
 - Documents (e.g., DD214)
 - Appeals
 - Housing
 - Tax Exemptions
 - Education

Trends and Issues

- Shift in Veteran demographics
- More complicated claims (Agent Orange, Camp Lejeune, etc.)
- Increase in Post 9-11 Veterans seeking VA benefits



Critical Needs

- Primarily addressed when the BOCC approved the 4th Veteran Service Officer
 - Expanded hours of operation
 - Increased time available for analysis of individual claims issues
 - Increased availability for Brevard's Veteran population
 - Wait time decreased from approximately 1.5 hours to 15 minutes