

Fund Historical Highlights

- Public Act 336 approved May 21, 1919 by Governor Holcomb
- \$2.5 million in trust as relief for "needy fighting men" (of WWI) in lieu of \$30 bonus
- 1943 — World War II veterans made eligible
- 1946 — Increased funding (1/2 cent per pack cigarette tax)
- 1953 — Korean War veterans made eligible
- 1965 — Cigarette tax rescinded
- 1967 — Vietnam War veterans made eligible
- 1991 — Persian Gulf War veterans made eligible
- 2003 — Persian Gulf War Era extended to present
- 2004 — Homeland Security (Active Duty Title 32) Service made eligible
- July 1, 2014 — Public Act 14-217 eliminates the state agency, the American Legion assumes responsibility

The Fund At a Glance

- Established by Connecticut General Assembly May 21, 1919
- Trustee— State Treasurer
- Statutory Authority— Connecticut General Statutes Section 27-103, 27-138 and 27-140
- Field Offices— 5
- Volunteer Representatives— 100+

Field Offices

Bridgeport— (203) 332-5648

Hartford—(860) 246-0096

New Haven — (475) 241-3975

Norwich — (860) 886-8557

Waterbury — (203) 805-6350

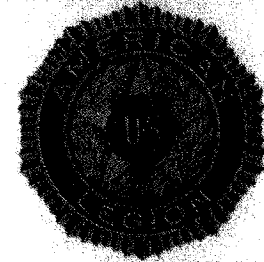
Your Fund Rep

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Mission of the Fund

To provide temporary financial assistance to provide for the basic necessities and health requirements of eligible veterans who demonstrate need, as well as those of their dependents and/or survivors through the provisions of food, apparel, shelter, fuel, utilities, medical and burial expenses.

Eligibility Requirements

- Resident of Connecticut
- Honorably separated from military service
- Ninety days active service during statutory wartime period (unless earlier separated for disability)
- Veteran MUST DEMONSTRATE NEED

Available Assistance

- Care and relief/food/apparel
- Rental payments, mortgage interest, utilities
- Medical expenses
- Emergent dental care expenses (veteran only)
- Medical supplies and equipment
- Audiological examination and hearing aids
- Funeral expenses

NOT Authorized for Assistance

- Payment of educational expenses
- Payment of taxes
- Payment of insurance premiums
- Payment of personal loans
- Payment of mortgage principal
- Purchase of real estate
- Purchase of equities/bonds mutual fund shares
- Purchase of capital goods
- Payment of alimony/child support
- Payment of past-due debts

NOTICE

Information in this pamphlet is general in nature. Requests for assistance must be made through local Fund Representatives who can provide more specific information. Decisions on eligibility for assistance and on the type/level of assistance which may be provided are made by the fund administrator in accordance with the statutes, state regulations, and fund policy. The agency does not discriminate on the basis of gender, race, religious preference, ethnicity, or physical disability. No specific offer of assistance is implied.