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Veterans Affairs, Department of

Projects Summary

(\$ in Thousands)

Project Title	2014 Agency Priority	Agency Project Request for State Funds (\$ by Session)				Governor's Recommendations 2014	Governor's Planning Estimate	
	Ranking	2014	2016	2018	Total		2016	2018
Asset Preservation	1	\$11,273	\$212	\$212	\$11,697	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Project Requests		\$11,273	\$212	\$212	\$11,697	\$0	\$0	\$0

Asset Preservation

2014 STATE APPROPRIATION REQUEST: \$11,273,000

AGENCY PROJECT PRIORITY: 1 of 1

Project At A Glance

- Provides funding for upgrades to over 50 buildings statewide
- Continues to provide a safe environment to care for vulnerable adults
- Ensures continued full use of all physical assets
- Timely repair/replacement of building components eliminates future high costs
- Projects located at the Minnesota Veterans Homes (Minneapolis, Hastings, Luverne, Fergus Falls, Silver Bay) and the Little Falls State Veterans Cemetery
- Does not qualify for 65 percent federal VA reimbursement

Project Description

This request is for \$11.3 million for department-wide renovation and upgrade of the 50 buildings in this agency. Nine of these buildings have 24/7 occupancy requiring ongoing repair and maintenance support. This request will address building repair items that go beyond the day to day maintenance needs of each facility. This request will also assure facilities used to care for over 900 residents are in good condition.

Examples of projects in this request include: roof replacement and repairs, tuckpointing, sanitary sewer repairs, mechanical and electrical replacements and repairs, water tower repair, driveway resurfacing, and updates to resident bathrooms. This request would update a variety of resident building components. These projects serve to maintain a safe, efficient, and manageable environment for the residents at the homes and guests at the cemetery.

The amount identified in this asset preservation request reflects a backlog of asset preservation needs.

Impact on Agency Operating Budgets (Facilities Notes)

The nature of these asset preservation improvements should not have any significant impact on the ongoing operating costs of each facility and may correct inefficiencies in mechanical equipment, ultimately reducing operating costs.

Previous Appropriations for this Project

Past amounts appropriated for asset preservation include: \$6 million in the 2006 bonding bill, \$4 million in 2008, \$1 million in 2009, \$4 million in 2010, \$2.3 million in 2011, and \$3 million in 2012.

Other Considerations

This project is not eligible for 65 percent reimbursement under the federal State Home Construction Grant Program, administered by the federal Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).

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Project Narrative

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