

State of Nevada

Department of Veterans Services

FY2026 – 2027 Biennium Budget

Budget Accounts
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Mary L. Devine, Director
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Mission

Serve Nevada Veterans by honoring their remarkable legacy and by connecting them to earned benefits and services.

Vision

All Nevada Veterans and their families understand, and can connect to, benefits and services they have earned.

Nevada Veteran Demographics

Who We Serve: veterans, service members, their families, and their survivors

Total Veterans: 215,627*

- Gulf War (I & II): 51%
- Peacetime: 23%
- Vietnam War: 31%
- Korean War: 2.8%
- World War II: 0.5%

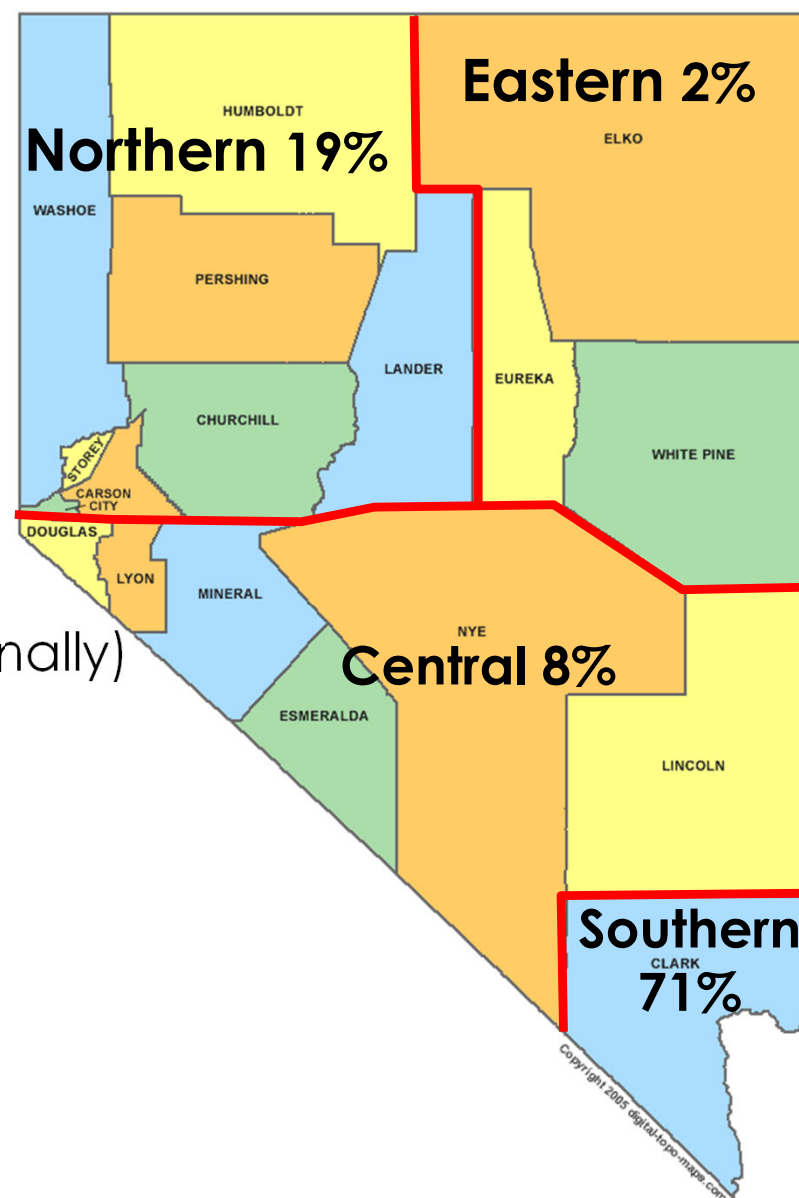
(Some may have served in more than one war)

Demographics:

- 7% of Nevada Adults are Veterans (6% Nationally)
- 11.5% Women Veterans (11% Nationally)
- 12,273 Active Duty in Nevada
- 644 Vets Homeless*

*Veteran Data: VA GDX 2023 Report

*Homeless Data: HUD Exchange Data Snapshot of Population in Need



Governor's 3-Year Plan

Health and Wellness

- 3.1. Attracting talent to address healthcare workforce shortages
- 3.4. Ensuring veterans have access to appropriate services
- 3.5. Improving healthcare quality metrics and outcomes

Government Support Services

- 5.1. Recruiting and retaining a talented workforce, while ensuring a positive, respectful work environment
- 5.2. Providing outstanding customer service

Major Challenges Facing NDVS in 25-27 Biennium

- Recruitment and retention of clinical staff
- Increasing cost of construction

Budget Priorities in 25-27 Biennium

- Staffing
- Capital Improvement Projects
- Equipment Replacement and Maintenance
- Workforce Development
- IT Security
- Travel

NDVS Budget Account Overview

- Three Veterans Skilled Nursing Facilities
- Eleven Veteran Service Officer Locations
- Two Veterans Cemeteries
- Two Headquarters Offices
- 257 FTE and 249 Contract Staff

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 Southern Nevada State Veterans Home
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(2560) General Fund/Federal
 (2561) **No General Fund**/Multiple Sources
 (2569) General Fund/Federal

SFY 26 General Fund \$5,430,421	SFY 27 General Fund \$5,380,524	SFY 26-27 General Fund \$10,810,945
SFY 26 Non-General Fund \$71,819,084	SFY 27 Non-General Fund \$81,993,679	SFY 26-27 Non-General Fund \$153,812,763

SWOT Analysis

Strength

Staff, advocates, veteran service organizations
Community partners
Established funding sources
Comprehensive programs

Weaknesses

Budget allocation to expand framework for growth
Capitalize on public-private partnerships
Clinical staff retention

Opportunities

Public-private partnership
Non-profit collaboration
Targeted veteran outreach and engagement
Veteran transition assistance
Expansion of digital ecosystem

Threats

Rising demand for services
Rising cost of healthcare
Aging veteran population
Population influx
Changing demographics

CLOSING

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BACK-UP

Budget Account 2560

Headquarters/VAST/Cemeteries

Assist veterans, service members, and their families prepare and submit claims for benefits, provide dignified burial support, and help veterans successfully integrate into Nevada communities

We are seeking new critically needed positions to align with Governor's 3-Year Plan and support our ongoing development and workload.

Replacement of outdated equipment and proposing new equipment to improve the efficiency of the department and the security of our systems.

Training to ensure our staff is up to date and have the knowledge necessary to tackle the issues of the biennium

Budget Account 2561

Southern Nevada State Veterans Home

Provides 24-hour skilled nursing care in a 180-bed state skilled nursing facility to eligible veterans, spouses of veterans, and Gold Star Parents

Main Areas of Focus

- Staffing and Operations
- Education and Workforce Development
- Training & Skill Development
- Maintenance of Building & Grounds
- Equipment Replacement
- New Equipment

Budget Account 2569

Northern Nevada State Veterans Home

Provides 24-hour skilled nursing care in a 96-bed state skilled nursing facility to eligible veterans, spouses of veterans, and Gold Star Parents

Main Areas of Focus:

- Equipment Replacement
- New Equipment