

MICHIGAN VETERANS TRUST FUND: 65+ PEACETIME PROGRAM

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EMERGENCY GRANTS EXPANDED TO PEACETIME VETERANS 65 AND OLDER

Peacetime-era veterans 65 years and older and their surviving spouses are now eligible for emergency assistance as part of the **Michigan Veterans Trust Fund's** (MVTF) **65+ Peacetime Program**.

Similar to its Emergency Grant Program for wartime-era veterans, the MVTF's 65+ Peacetime Program allows veterans who served in a peacetime era, have at least 180 days of service and received an honorable discharge or a general discharge under honorable conditions to apply for emergency assistance. A veteran or the surviving spouse is eligible to apply any time during the year in which the veteran turns (or would have turned) 65 years old.

The assistance helps veterans overcome unforeseen situations causing a temporary or short-term financial emergency or hardship that a grant will resolve and for which the applicant can demonstrate the ability to meet future expenses. Covered expenses under the 65+ Peacetime Program include utility bills, emergency home repairs and rent and mortgage assistance.

APPLYING FOR THE 65+ PEACETIME PROGRAM

Veterans interested in applying for the 65+ Peacetime Program should contact the MVTF county committee serving the county they reside in. Veterans can call the Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency (MVAA) at **1-800-MICH-VET** (1-800-642-4838) to be connected to their county veteran representative. Learn more about the MVTF and how to apply at **Michigan.gov/MVTF**.



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