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April 6, 2020

Senator Gary Stubblefield, Co-Chair Representative Monte Hodges, Co-Chair Performance Evaluation & Expenditure Review Committee Joint Budget Committee State Capitol Building Little Rock, AR 72201

RE: FY20 Cash Fund Appropriation Increase Request(s)

Dear Co-Chairs:

I am forwarding for appropriate action as required by law, the attached Cash Fund Appropriation Increase Request(s) that have received my approval as Chief Fiscal Officer of the State.

Sincerely,

Larry W. Walther Cabinet Secretary

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Attachment(s)



## STATE OF ARKANSAS

Department of Veterans Affairs 501 Woodlane Drive, Suite 230C Little Rock, Arkansas 72201 (501) 683-1643 / FAX (501) 682-4833

Asa Hutchinson Governor

Nathaniel (Nate) Todd Secretary

March 30, 2020

Mr. Jake Bleed, Administrator Department of Finance and Administration Office of Budget 1509 West 7th Street, Suite 401 Little Rock, AR 72203-3278

Re: FY20 Cash Letter - Arkansas State Veterans Homes

Business Area - 0385 Funds Center - 2QD Fund -NVA0000 & NVA0900 Functional Area - HHS Commitment Item -

> 501:00:01 Extra Help 502:00:02 Maintenance and Operations Total

\$700,000.00 \$723,000.00

\$23,000.00

Dear Mr. Bleed:

We respectfully request \$723,000.00 in FY20 cash appropriation for the Arkansas State Veterans Homes to cover operational costs related to staffing and Residents' needs.

The Agency uses all available staffing methods which include full time staff, part time staff, extra help staff, overtime and contract labor to ensure staffing guidelines set by the Office of Long-Term Care and Veterans' Administration are met. In addition, the increase of Residents meeting service-connected guidelines has increased the utilization of contracted services in the area of medical supplies, medications, foods, and technical/professional services. The Agency receives a daily rate per service-connected veteran from the Veterans' Administration to provide all needs of these veterans.

Fees are collected from the Resident, Medicaid, Medicare, Veterans' Administration and other 3rd party companies to cover the cost of these needs.

Respectfully,

Nate Todd, Secretary

Your favorable review

Fund Balance: 1,141,616



## ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

1 Natural Resources Drive, Little Rock, AR 72205 agriculture.arkansas.gov (501) 225-1598



February 24, 2020

Mr. Jacob Bleed Administrator, Office of Budget Arkansas Department of Finance & Administration 1509 West 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 402 Little Rock, AR 72201

Re: Cash Fund Increase for Operating Expenses

Dear Mr. Bleed,

The Arkansas Department of Agriculture requests an Operating Expense (502:00:02) increase of the cash Operating Fund (NAD0000/N47) of \$60,000. This increase will be used to further promote agriculture in Arkansas by enhancing our support for programs such as the Arkansas Grown program which helps promote the many agricultural products that are grown in Arkansas.

If additional information is required, please contact me or Inoussa Zaki at 501-225-1598.

Sincerely,

Wes Ward

Secretary of Agriculture

State of Arkansas



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February 4, 2020

Mr. Jake Bleed, Administrator DFA Office of Budget 1509 W. 7th St., Room 402 Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Mr. Bleed,

Please accept this letter as a request for an additional line item and cash appropriation for fiscal year 2020 as follows:

Fund Center	Fund	Commitment Item	Cost Center	Amount
C24	1310300	511:00:14	304211	\$250,000

The additional line item and appropriation are required for the Arkansas Judicial Retirement System (AJRS) cash fund (C24) because our new pension administration system now allows members and retirees the option of getting any non-periodic distributions through a direct deposit. These non-periodic distributions include contributions refunds to terminating members. Previously, the only payment method available on these types of payouts was through state warrant. The AJRS trust fund is sufficient to cover this requested increase.

Sincerely,

Duncan Baird **Executive Director** 

cc:

Cole Sanders, Budget Analyst Jason Willett, APERS CFO