

**Monterey County Board of Supervisors  
Referral Submittal Form**

**Referral No. 2021.17**  
**Assignment Date: 9/21/21**  
(Completed by CAO's Office)

**SUBMITTAL - Completed by referring Board office and returned to CAO no later than noon on Thursday prior to Board meeting:**

Date: 9/13/2021	Submitted By: Luis Alejo & Wendy Askew	District #: 1 & 4
Referral Title: <b>Monterey Bay Veterans Home at the Former Fort Ord</b>		
Referral Purpose: For the County of Monterey to sponsor state and federal legislation and initiate a process to construct a Veterans Home in the Monterey Bay Region at the former Fort Ord		
<p>Brief Referral Description (attach additional sheet as required): California is home to the largest Veteran population in the nation (over 1.7 million) and Monterey County is home to nearly 21,000 veterans and thousands of active and reserve military members. In Santa Cruz County, San Luis Obispo and San Benito County, there are an additional 10,000, 17,800 and 2,500 veterans, respectively. The California Department of Veterans Affairs (CalVet) currently operates Veterans Homes in Yountville, Chula Vista, Barstow, Fresno, Lancaster, Redding, Ventura, and West LA, but none exist in the Monterey Bay region. These existing sites provide a range of services, from independent living, assisted living, intermediate nursing care, skilled nursing care and memory care to veterans and their spouses/domestic partners. The nearest Veterans Homes in Fresno is 2.5 hours distance, Yountville is also 2.5 hours and Ventura is 4 hours away.</p> <p>This proposal requests that Monterey County sponsor state and federal legislation in the 2022 legislative session and initiate a process to construct and operate a Veterans Home on the Central Coast on the former Ft. Ord on property owned by the County of Monterey or another appropriate site.</p> <p>The legislation should replicate SB 1234 (Johannessen) in 2002 that would authorize the State Public Works Board to issue lease-revenue bonds to finance acquisition, design, and construction of an additional Veterans Home on the former Ft. Ord in Marina, California, and to allow the State Department of General Services, on behalf of the State Department of Veterans Affairs to construct an additional Veterans Home in Marina. The legislation should also seek a continuous appropriation for its operation.</p> <p>Federal legislative efforts would also need to be initiated secure two-thirds of the costs for the acquisition, design and construction and a continuous appropriation for its operation through the United States Department of Veterans Affairs.</p>		
<b>Classification - Implication</b>		<b>Mode of Response</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Ministerial / Minor <input type="checkbox"/> Land Use Policy <input type="checkbox"/> Social Policy <input type="checkbox"/> Budget Policy <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: <u><b>Veterans Affairs/Legislation</b></u>		<input type="checkbox"/> Memo <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Board Report <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Presentation
		<b>Requested Response Timeline</b>
		<input type="checkbox"/> 2 weeks <input type="checkbox"/> 1 month <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 6 weeks <input type="checkbox"/> Status reports until completed <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Specific Date: _____

**ASSIGNMENT – Provided by CAO at Board Meeting. Copied to Board Offices and Department Head(s)  
Completed by CAO's Office:**

Department(s): County Administrative Office- IGLA/ DSS-Office of Military and Veterans Affairs	Referral Lead: Nick Chiulos/Jason Cameron	Board Date: 9/21/21
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**REASSIGNMENT – Provided by CAO. Copied to Board Offices and Department Head(s). Completed by CAO's Office:**

Department(s):	Referral Lead:	Date:
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**ANALYSIS - Completed by Department and copied to Board Offices and CAO:**

Department analysis of resources required/impact on existing department priorities to complete referral:
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Analysis Completed By: _____	<b>Department's Recommended Response Timeline</b>
Date: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> By requested date <input type="checkbox"/> 2 weeks <input type="checkbox"/> 1 month <input type="checkbox"/> 6 weeks <input type="checkbox"/> 6 months <input type="checkbox"/> 1 year <input type="checkbox"/> Other/Specific Date: _____

**REFERRAL RESPONSE/COMPLETION - Provided by Department to Board Offices and CAO:**

Referral Response Date:	Board Item No.:	Referrals List Deletion:
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**Note:** Please cc Karina Bokanovich, Rocio Quezada and Maegan Ruiz-Ignacio on all CAO correspondence relating to referrals.