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## **COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE COMMISSION EXPENDITURES – FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE EXPENDITURES AS PERCENT OF TOTAL VSC EXPENDITURES IN 2013**

Ohio law requires the establishment of a Veterans Service Commission (VSC) in each county to provide financial assistance to any veteran, active duty member of the U.S Armed Forces or the spouse, surviving spouse, dependent parent, minor child or ward of a veteran or active member of the U.S. Armed Forces that meets the eligibility requirements of the law. The law requires the Veterans Service Commission to establish policies and procedures for the administration of the commission and the veterans service office. The law also permits the commission to employ an executive director and veterans service officers to assist needy veterans and their families in obtaining financial assistance and to perform other duties of the commission.

Ohio law requires each board of commissioners to levy an amount, not to exceed five-tenths of a mill per dollar of the assessed value of property in the county, to fund the operation of the commission and the veterans service office. Ohio courts have determined that this five tenths levy is not a voted levy but is in fact a part of the county's inside millage. From this amount the commissioners appropriate the amount determined to be necessary to provide financial assistance to persons entitled to such aid and for the operation of the veteran's service office in the following year.

The following table provides information on financial assistance requested by the VSC, financial assistance appropriated by the board of county commissioners, VSC financial assistance expenditures, total expenditures, and financial assistance as a percentage of the total VSC expenditures by the Veterans Service Commission and Veterans Service Office in each county for eligible applicants.

County	Financial Assistance Requested by VSC in \$	Financial Assistance Appropriated by BOCC in \$	VSC Financial Assistance Expenditures in \$	Total Expenditures in \$	Financial Assistance Expenditures as % of Total Expenditures
Adams	153,749	152,662	149,904	282,287	53.1%
Allen	408,790	408,790	172,497	435,444	39.6%
Ashland	118,000	118,000	55,584	294,341	18.9%
Ashtabula	250,000	250,000	102,603	571,186	18.0%

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Athens	228,962	228,962	258,335	465,759	55.5%
Auglaize	100,000	100,000	59,104	307,520	19.2%
Belmont	150,000	150,000	104,552	507,933	20.6%
Brown	65,000	65,000	46,999	312,726	15.0%
Butler	189,000	185,000	220,120	1,360,993	16.2%
Carroll	93,000	93,000	92,987	260,015	35.8%
Champaign	55,000	55,000	58,583	199,798	29.3%
Clark	183,000	183,000	161,707	773,336	20.9%
Clermont	800,000	800,000	720,669	1,435,938	50.2%
Clinton	73,600	73,600	48,984	307,506	15.9%
Columbiana	62,000	62,000	76,044	603,505	12.6%
Coshocton	45,000	45,000	30,846	344,575	9.0%
Crawford	123,429	123,429	44,455	132,962	33.4%
Cuyahoga	3,239,190	3,259,190	3,437,425	6,882,505	49.9%
Darke	35,345	35,345	32,902	451,309	7.3%
Defiance	95,902	95,902	95,677	321,577	29.8%
Delaware	137,500	137,500	59,406	370,373	16.0%
Erie	300,000	300,000	184,047	511,842	36.0%
Fairfield	750,000	750,000	240,794	634,296	38.0%
Fayette	130,000	130,000	149,025	324,697	45.9%
Franklin	2,613,893	2,497,384	2,473,273	5,117,533	48.3%
Fulton	80,000	80,000	19,114	311,609	6.1%
Gallia	40,000	40,000	21,783	340,488	6.4%
Geauga	150,000	150,000	55,738	378,631	14.7%
Greene	200,000	171,430	158,215	724,210	21.8%
Guernsey	79,449	96,244	95,918	344,088	27.9%
Hamilton	904,165	904,165	606,041	1,270,884	47.7%
Hancock	250,000	250,000	231,990	598,401	38.8%
Hardin	45,000	45,000	43,829	204,258	21.5%
Harrison	17,000	17,000	9,934	123,144	8.1%
Henry	90,600	90,600	68,940	254,762	27.1%
Highland	55,000	70,443	70,442	299,888	23.5%
Hocking	136,000	125,000	109,528	257,758	42.5%
Holmes	176,248	176,248	125,451	286,331	43.8%
Huron	161,000	161,000	33,340	302,632	11.0%
Jackson	60,000	68,551	68,551	246,072	27.9%
Jefferson	110,000	110,000	83,796	455,403	18.4%
Knox	204,217	204,217	153,467	574,358	26.7%
Lake	800,000	650,000	462,817	1,076,793	43.0%
Lawrence	169,328	139,267	129,624	327,529	39.6%

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Licking	900,000	928,764	866,611	2,020,170	42.9%
Logan	83,000	107,500	103,105	356,804	28.9%
Lorain	450,000	450,000	402,660	1,105,730	36.4%
Lucas	807,300	807,300	768,506	1,406,027	54.7%
Madison	130,000	110,000	87,374	268,250	32.6%
Mahoning	675,000	675,000	476,215	1,547,017	30.8%
Marion	74,422	89,422	100,764	375,103	26.9%
Medina	750,000	750,000	496,365	983,844	50.5%
Meigs	52,622	52,622	52,218	140,867	37.1%
Mercer	55,000	55,000	30,922	277,868	11.1%
Miami	600,000	600,000	598,383	939,326	63.7%
Monroe	49,520	49,520	39,049	138,079	28.3%
Montgomery	750,000	750,000	534,493	1,340,387	39.9%
Morgan	23,000	23,000	15,838	144,707	10.9%
Morrow	93,000	93,000	86,242	338,541	25.5%
Muskingum	230,000	230,000	202,658	504,379	40.2%
Noble	12,000	11,619	8,312	138,419	6.0%
Ottawa	105,000	105,000	76,423	398,511	19.2%
Paulding	35,000	35,000	26,430	138,188	19.1%
Perry	101,098	101,098	104,637	301,181	34.7%
Pickaway	119,900	119,900	74,402	527,760	14.1%
Pike	49,500	45,000	42,503	183,867	23.1%
Portage	200,000	200,000	83,665	559,219	15.0%
Preble	135,000	135,000	121,917	359,369	33.9%
Putnam	172,321	172,321	114,322	322,489	35.5%
Richland	150,000	150,000	153,823	550,986	27.9%
Ross	266,431	290,403	273,360	680,298	40.2%
Sandusky	130,000	130,000	100,477	420,760	23.9%
Scioto	115,132	88,510	84,356	411,608	20.5%
Seneca	88,574	88,574	79,398	385,991	20.6%
Shelby	192,888	192,888	149,162	433,139	34.4%
Stark	675,000	632,595	710,393	1,760,047	40.4%
Summit	1,163,000	1,163,000	1,162,995	2,796,498	41.6%
Trumbull	380,000	380,000	256,037	1,035,497	24.7%
Tuscarawas	179,663	179,663	70,785	619,556	11.4%
Union	240,000	240,000	222,806	646,444	34.5%
Van Wert	60,000	60,000	33,463	205,677	16.3%
Vinton	25,000	25,000	21,630	93,000	23.3%
Warren	374,712	374,712	338,321	1,208,926	28.0%
Washington	101,832	101,832	99,845	595,510	16.8%

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Wayne	480,000	480,000	294,282	756,915	38.9%
Williams	101,000	101,000	77,783	324,015	24.0%
Wood	70,000	70,000	66,536	422,274	15.8%
Wyandot	35,000	35,000	24,951	152,753	16.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>25,609,283</b>	<b>25,327,172</b>	<b>21,359,456</b>	<b>59,903,192</b>	<b>35.6%</b>

\*\*All dollar amounts are rounded to the nearest dollar and all decimals are rounded to the nearest tenth of a percent.

Source: Ohio Department of Veterans Affairs, Ohio State Association of County Veterans Service Commissions and County Veterans Service Officers, Annual Report of Statistics 2013

Legal References: ORC Sections 5901.02 - 5901.04, 5901.06 - 5901.09, 5901.11.