

2019 Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs

Lottery Ticket

Launch Date:

November 5, 2019



Information:

The first Veterans Cash ticket was launched in 2006. It was the first lottery game in the United States to designate 100 percent of net proceeds to veterans. Since then, Veterans Cash has awarded more than \$13.3 million in grants statewide to veterans' organizations that provide vital services, including job training, housing assistance, and post-traumatic stress treatment.

The Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs awards these funds in the form of Vet Cash Grants. On a quarterly basis, IDVA's Veterans Cash Grant Committee reviews applications and awards grants to groups that help address PTSD, homelessness, health insurance costs, long-term care, disability benefits, and employment.

Since 2006, nearly 300 organizations have shared over \$13 million in funding.