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COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

ONE HUNDRED EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS

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December 15, 2023

The Honorable Bryan Steil
Chairman
Committee on House Administration
1309 Longworth HOB
Washington, DC 20515

Honorable Steil:

Complying with regulations of the Committee on House Administration, I am submitting the monthly report for the Committee on Veterans' Affairs for the month of November 2023.

Attached are the following:

- (1) Monthly Financial Statement of expenses and fund balance.
- (2) Summary of Committee meetings.
- (3) A listing of Committee travel.
- (4) A copy of the Committee payroll certification.

A copy of this report is available to each member of the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Sincerely,



MIKE BOST
Chairman

U.S. House of Representatives
 Monthly Financial Statement by Legislative Year

Office: 10VR000 VETERANS' AFFAIRS	Authorization Year 2023 2023:118th Congress 1st Session Month: November 2023
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Budget to Actual

Program	Object Class	YTD Budget Original	YTD Budget Adjusted	YTD Budget Revised	YTD Committed	YTD Obligated	YTD Received	YTD Disbursed	YTD Total Actual	YTD Total Available
EXPEN	** Authorization	5,271,000.00	0.00	5,271,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,271,000.00
	11 Personnel Compensation	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,979,450.32	3,979,450.32	(3,979,450.32)
	21 Travel	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	102,354.26	102,354.26	(102,354.26)
	23 Rent, Communications, Utilities	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	59,434.55	59,434.55	(59,434.55)
	24 Printing and Reproduction	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,818.10	1,818.10	(1,818.10)
	25 Other Services	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	142,837.34	142,837.34	(142,837.34)
	26 Supplies and Materials	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	94,557.72	94,557.72	(94,557.72)
	31 Equipment	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	74,603.66	74,603.66	(74,603.66)
	Total		5,271,000.00	0.00	5,271,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,455,055.95	4,455,055.95
AE200	** Authorization	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00
	FM Franked Mail	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.12	1.12	(1.12)
	Total		5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.12	1.12

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Disbursed Summary

Program	Object Class	Budget Object Class	MTD Disbursed	YTD Disbursed
EXPEN	11 Personnel Compensation	1101 Non-Statutory Compensation	428,415.28	3,897,725.32
		1104 Accrued Leave	4,111.11	50,225.00
		1106 Bonus	31,500.00	31,500.00
		Total	464,026.39	3,979,450.32
	21 Travel	2101 Airfare Commercial Transport	6,215.65	42,841.65
		2102 Non-Airfare Commercial Transp	(115.00)	390.00
		2105 Lodging	2,130.71	31,755.48
		2110 Meals	622.09	11,088.75
		2115 WI-FI On Travel	0.00	96.95
		2120 Car Rental	0.00	6,308.75
		2125 Gasoline	0.00	645.49
		2130 Private Auto Mileage	0.00	1,678.26
		2135 Taxi/Ride Share	296.06	3,387.99
		2136 Parking	116.00	1,676.88
		2137 Tolls	0.00	69.77
		2175 Field Hearing Support Cost	0.00	2,414.29
		Total	9,265.51	102,354.26
	23 Rent, Communications, Utilities	2320 DC Telecom Equip (TRANSFER)	156.00	5,000.00
		2321 DC Telecom Serv (TRANSFER)	439.00	4,204.00
		2322 DC Telecom Tolls (TRANSFER)	4,523.49	49,656.35
		2335 HIR Graphics (TRANSFER)	0.00	542.00
		2350 Postage / Courier / Box Rental	0.00	32.20
		Total	5,118.49	59,434.55
	24 Printing and Reproduction	2402 Non-Frankable Printing & Repro	0.00	1,788.00
		2403 Photographic (TRANSFER)	0.00	30.10
		Total	0.00	1,818.10
	25 Other Services	2502 Non-Technology Service Contr	0.00	95.40
		2511 Framing	0.00	169.87

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Program		Object Class	Budget Object Class	MTD Disbursed	YTD Disbursed
EXPEN	General Expenditures	25 Other Services	2527 Training	0.00	80.00
			2540 Representational Expenses	0.00	260.70
			2571 Technology Service Contracts	12,149.94	132,620.26
			2572 Web Dev Hst,Email & Rltd Serv	385.00	9,063.11
			2599 Miscellaneous Other Services	320.00	548.00
			Total	12,854.94	142,837.34
		26 Supplies and Materials	2602 Water	4.99	2,092.45
			2603 Food & Beverage	410.29	2,728.69
			2610 Habitation Expense	0.00	13.89
			2620 Office Supplies (Outside)	924.50	31,894.87
			2621 Office Supply (TRANSFER)	340.04	6,636.48
			2623 Software < \$500	8,792.84	26,386.06
			2630 Publications/Reference Mat'l	18.00	24,805.28
			Total	10,490.66	94,557.72
		31 Equipment	3105 Office Equip Purch<\$25,000	0.00	3,820.00
			3112 Computer Hardw Purch <\$25,000	3,303.69	65,713.33
			3115 Computer Softw Purch <\$10,000	3,017.49	3,017.49
			3118 Maintenance / Repairs	124.00	2,052.84
			Total	6,445.18	74,603.66
		Total	508,201.17	4,455,055.95	
		AE200	Official Mail	2352 Franked Mail	0.00
Total	0.00			1.12	
Total	0.00			1.12	

November Committee Meetings

Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs Oversight Hearing
“Examining the VA Appeals Process: Ensuring High Quality Decision-Making for Veterans’
Claims on Appeal”

360 CHOB

November 29, 2023 | 11:00 AM

Subcommittee on Technology Modernization Oversight Hearing
“Electronic Health Record Modernization Deep Dive: System Uptime”

360 CHOB |

November 15, 2023 | 12:00 PM

RESCHEDULED - Subcommittee on Health Oversight Hearing
“Emerging Therapies: Breakthroughs in the Battle Against Suicide?”

360 CHOB | Posted in Hearings

November 14, 2023 | 2:00 PM

RESCHEDULED - Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs Legislative Hearing on Pending
Legislation

"Legislative Hearing on: H.R. 1753 Jax Act; H.R. 3790 Justice for ALS Veterans Act of 2023;
H.R. 4016 Veteran Fraud Reimbursement Act; H.R. 4190 Restoring Benefits to Defrauded
Veterans Act; H.R. 4306 Michael Lecik Military Firefighters Protection Act; H.R. 5559:
Protecting Veterans Claim Options Act; H.R. 5891: Veteran Appeals Decision Clarity Act; H.R.
5870: Veteran Appeals Transparency Act of 2023; H.R. 5890: Review Every Veterans Claim Act
of 2023; and H.R. 5938: Veterans Exam Expansion Act of 2023"

360 CHOB | Posted in Hearings

November 8, 2023 | 12:00 PM

RESCHEDULED - Full Committee Oversight Hearing
“Veterans Serving Veterans: The Impact of America’s Businesses on Veteran Employment and
Opportunity.”

360 CHOB | Posted in Hearings

November 7, 2023 | 10:45 AM

RESCHEDULED - Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity Legislative Hearing on Pending
Legislation

Legislative Hearing on Pending Legislation

360 CHOB | Posted in Hearings

November 2, 2023 | 2:00 PM

RESCHEDULED - Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations Oversight Hearing
“Trust in Transparency: Holding VA Accountable and Protecting Whistleblowers.”

360 CHOB | Posted in Hearings

November 2, 2023 | 10:00 AM

November Committee Travel

November 6 – 9 ,2023 – St. Petersburg, FL

November 15 – 17, 2023 – Buffalo, NY

November 28 – 29, 2023 – Chicago, IL

REPORT ON TRAVEL PERFORMED
Committee on Veterans' Affairs
118th Congress, 1st Session
September 2023

MAJORITY								
Traveler	Dates of Travel		Purpose	Itinerary	Reimbursement Claimed			
	From	To			Commercial Transportation	Meals, Lodging & Incidentals	Other	Total
Halle Sarkisian	11/7/2023	11/9/2023	Oversight of Department of Veterans Affairs facilities and other matters within the Subcommittee's jurisdiction	IAD/TPA/DCA	\$517.80	\$906.36	\$0.00	\$1,424.16
Thomas Finnigan	11/7/2023	11/9/2023	Oversight of Department of Veterans Affairs facilities and other matters within the Subcommittee's jurisdiction	IAD/TPA/DCA	\$517.80	\$1,020.89	\$0.00	\$1,538.69
Samuel Kaardal	11/7/2023	11/9/2023	Oversight of Department of Veterans Affairs facilities and other matters within the Subcommittee's jurisdiction	IAD/TPA/DCA	\$517.80	\$895.89	\$0.00	\$1,413.69
Donald Mathis	11/7/2023	11/9/2023	Oversight of Department of Veterans Affairs facilities and other matters within the Subcommittee's jurisdiction	IAD/TPA/DCA	\$517.80	\$1,085.97	\$0.00	\$1,603.77
Halle Sarkisian	11/15/2023	11/17/2023	Oversight trip	DCA/BUF	\$244.90	\$344.97	\$0.00	\$589.87
Halle Sarkisian	11/17/2023		return	BUF/IAD	\$495.90	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$495.90
John Bergerson	11/15/2023	11/17/2023	Oversight trip	DCA/BUF	\$244.90	\$700.79	\$0.00	\$945.69
John Bergerson	11/17/2023		return	BUF/IAD	\$495.90	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$495.90
Katy Flynn	11/15/2023	11/17/2023	Oversight trip	DCA/BUF	\$244.90	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$244.90
Katy Flynn	11/17/2023		return	BUF/IAD	\$495.90	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$495.90
Thomas Finnigan	11/28/2023	11/29/2023	Oversight trip	DCA/ORD/DCA	\$625.00	\$253.84	\$0.00	\$878.84
Samuel Kaardal	11/28/2023	11/29/2023	Oversight trip	DCA/ORD/DCA	\$654.00	\$21.93	\$0.00	\$675.93
Total Majority Travel Performed								\$10,803.24

MINORITY								
Traveler	Dates of Travel		Purpose	Itinerary	Reimbursement Claimed			
	From	To			Commercial Transportation	Meals, Lodging & Incidentals	Other	Total
Justin Vogt	11/15/2023	11/17/2023		IAD/BUF/IAD	\$991.80	\$452.79	\$0.00	\$1,444.59
Total Minority Travel Performed								\$1,444.59

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11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023

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Accounting Organization: 10VR000

SPECIAL & SELECT COMMITTEE - PERSONNEL

Employee and Job Title	Annual Salary	Gross Pay	Period	Remarks
AUDO, AUSTIN DAVID STAFF ASSISTANT	103,000.00	8,583.33	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	
BARGER, NOAH JACKSON SENIOR ADVISOR	64,100.00	5,341.67	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	
BENNETT, CHRISTOPHER PATRICK PROFESSIONAL STAFF MEMBER	110,000.00	9,166.67	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	
BERGERSON, JOHN CHARLES RESEARCH ASSISTANT	144,000.00	12,000.00	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	
BURCH, JENNIFER APRIL PROFESSIONAL STAFF MEMBER	86,000.00	7,166.67	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	P/R CHANGE 11/01/23
CARLSON, ELIZABETH E COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR	110,000.00	9,166.67	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	
CIMINO, ALEXANDRA DAY SBCMTE STAFF DIR, O&I	120,000.00	10,000.00	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	P/R CHANGE 11/01/23
CLARK, JONATHAN ANDREW FULL COMMITTEE STAFF DIR	212,100.00	17,675.00	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	
DEAN, SARAH SOPHIA PROFESSIONAL STAFF MEMBER	107,000.00	8,916.67	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	
DOTSON, BERNADINE N FIN ADMINISTRATOR/OFC MGR	212,100.00	17,675.00	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	
FINNIGAN III, THOMAS JOSEPH INVESTIGATOR	111,000.00	9,250.00	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	P/R CHANGE 11/01/23
FLYNN, KATHLEEN CROOKS FC GENERAL COUNSEL & EO SUBCOMMITTEE STAFF DIRECTOR	212,100.00	17,675.00	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	
GARCIA, SARAH RAE GENERAL COUNSEL & DEPUTY STAFF DIRECTOR	212,100.00	17,675.00	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	P/R CHANGE 11/01/23
GONZALEZ, STEVE LEE DEPUTY STAFF DIRECTOR	212,100.00	17,675.00	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	
HARRY, JONATHAN BRIAN SUBCOMMITTEE STAFF DIRECTOR, TECH MODERNIZATION	120,000.00	10,000.00	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	P/R CHANGE 11/01/23
HILL, CHRISTINE O SUBCOMMITTEE STAFF DIRECTOR	212,100.00	17,675.00	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	
KAARDAL, SAMUEL PARKER SENIOR LEGISLATIVE ASSISTANT	154,200.00	12,850.00	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	P/R CHANGE 11/01/23
MACDONALD, ALEXIS C SUBCOMMITTEE STAFF DIRECTOR	130,000.00	10,833.33	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	P/R CHANGE 11/01/23
MALLISON, WILLIAM F SUBCOMMITTEE STAFF DIRECTOR	212,100.00	17,675.00	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	

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MATHIS, DONALD AUSTIN RESEARCH ASSISTANT	120,000.00	10,000.00	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	
MCCARTHY, KATHLEEN WINIFRED COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR	208,200.00	17,350.00	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	P/R CHANGE 11/01/23
MENDOZA IRIZARRY, LUIS A LEGISLATIVE ASSISTANT	72,000.00	6,000.00	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	P/R CHANGE 11/01/23
MURRAY, CAROL S LEGISLATIVE COORD/DIR OF OPERATIONS & MNGMT	104,550.00	8,712.50	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	
NAUGHTON, OLIVIA CATHERINE RESEARCH ASSISTANT	144,000.00	12,000.00	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	
PHILLIPS, LUKE SHERWOOD RESEARCH ASSISTANT	52,000.00	4,333.33	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	
REEL, MATTHEW N STAFF DIRECTOR	212,100.00	17,675.00	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	P/R CHANGE 11/01/23
RICHARDSON, KAYLIE ELIZABETH PRESS ASSISTANT	120,000.00	10,000.00	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	P/R CHANGE 11/01/23
SARKISIAN, HALLE E RESEARCH ASSISTANT	122,000.00	10,166.67	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	
SHUBAT, ELAIN I DEMOCRATIC DIGITAL MANAGER	70,000.00	5,833.33	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	
SULAYMAN, RAMZI S SUBCOMMITTEE STAFF DIRECTOR	165,000.00	0.00	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	APPOINTMENT 11/27/23
TANG, JENNY JINGJING SUBCOMMITTEE STAFF DIRECTOR	211,800.00	17,650.00	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	
TRENT, JULIA JEAN CHIEF CLERK	148,000.00	12,333.33	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	P/R CHANGE 11/01/23
VOGT, JUSTIN SUBCOMMITTEE STAFF DIRECTOR	140,000.00	11,666.67	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	
WHITTAKER, JAMES PETER SUBCOMMITTEE STAFF DIRECTOR	180,000.00	15,000.00	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	P/R CHANGE 11/01/23
WILLOX, KENDYL GRACE PROFESSIONAL STAFF MEMBER	185,000.00	13,361.11	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	TERMINATED 11/26/23
WOODWARD, GARY WAYNE STAFF DIRECTOR, SUBCMTE, ON DAMA	130,000.00	10,833.33	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	
YOUNG, BENJAMIN PAUL PROFESSIONAL STAFF MEMBER	102,000.00	8,500.00	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	P/R CHANGE 11/01/23

SPECIAL & SELECT COMMITTEE - LUMP SUM ACCRUED LEAVE

Employee and Job Title	Annual Salary	Gross Pay	Period	Remarks
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Employee and Job Title	Annual Salary	Gross Pay	Period	Remarks
WILLOX, KENDYL GRACE PROFESSIONAL STAFF MEMBER	185,000.00	4,111.11		

SPECIAL & SELECT COMMITTEE - LUMP SUM BONUS

Employee and Job Title	Annual Salary	Gross Pay	Period	Remarks
CARLSON, ELIZABETH E COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR	110,000.00	3,000.00		
CIMINO, ALEXANDRA DAY SBCMTE STAFF DIR, O&I	120,000.00	3,000.00		
DEAN, SARAH SOPHIA PROFESSIONAL STAFF MEMBER	107,000.00	2,000.00		
HARRY, JONATHAN BRIAN SUBCOMMITTEE STAFF DIRECTOR, TECH MODERNIZATION	120,000.00	3,000.00		
MACDONALD, ALEXIS C SUBCOMMITTEE STAFF DIRECTOR	130,000.00	3,000.00		
MURRAY, CAROL S LEGISLATIVE COORD/DIR OF OPERATIONS & MNGMT	104,550.00	3,000.00		
NAUGHTON, OLIVIA CATHERINE RESEARCH ASSISTANT	144,000.00	750.00		
SHUBAT, ELAIN I DEMOCRATIC DIGITAL MANAGER	70,000.00	3,000.00		
VOGT, JUSTIN SUBCOMMITTEE STAFF DIRECTOR	140,000.00	5,000.00		
WILLOX, KENDYL GRACE PROFESSIONAL STAFF MEMBER	185,000.00	750.00		
WOODWARD, GARY WAYNE STAFF DIRECTOR, SUBCMTE, ON DAMA	130,000.00	5,000.00		

SPECIAL & SELECT COMMITTEE - HOUSE PAID INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

Employee and Job Title	Annual Salary	Gross Pay	Period	Remarks
CASSIDY, SYLVIA MAKENNA COMM. HOUSE PAID INTERN - MAJORITY	14,400.00	1,200.00	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	
DINGLE, LAURYN BREANNA COMM. HOUSE PAID INTERN - MINORITY	18,000.00	1,500.00	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	
FARIELLO, LAUREN GRACE COMM. HOUSE PAID INTERN - MINORITY	18,000.00	1,500.00	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	
MCCRACKIN, SOPHIA MARIE COMM. HOUSE PAID INTERN - MAJORITY	21,600.00	1,800.00	11/01/2023 to 11/30/2023	

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Employee Group	Expenditure	Active	Paid
SPECIAL & SELECT COMMITTEE - PERSONNEL	\$428,415.28	36	36
SPECIAL & SELECT COMMITTEE - LUMP SUM ACCRUED LEAVE	\$4,111.11	0	1
SPECIAL & SELECT COMMITTEE - LUMP SUM BONUS	\$31,500.00	0	11
Total	\$464,026.39	36	48

Employee Group	Expenditure	Active	Paid
SPECIAL & SELECT COMMITTEE - HOUSE PAID INTERNSHIP PROGRAM	\$6,000.00	4	4
Total	\$6,000.00	4	4

COMMENTS: (EXCEPTIONS MUST BE LISTED WITHIN THIS BOX)

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I CERTIFY THAT THE LISTED EMPLOYEES HAVE PERFORMED THEIR ASSIGNED OFFICIAL DUTIES FOR THE OFFICES OF THE EMPLOYING AUTHORITY, AND THAT THEY HAVE CERTIFIED THAT THEY HAVE NO RELATIONSHIP TO A CURRENT MEMBER OF CONGRESS, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED HEREON.


