
(OVH) OHIO VETERANS' HOME

Veterans' Home Improvement Fund	\$1,711,000
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VETERANS' HOME IMPROVEMENT FUND (604)

CAP-760	Security System Improvements (Erie)	Renovation/ Replacement	\$110,000
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These funds will be used to purchase an agency-wide paging system during the 2001-2002 capital biennium. The current paging system is comprised of several different manufacturers' units; the incompatibility of the different systems cause them to be barely audible and lack clarity. The new system will assure that safety, fire alarm, and medical emergency announcements can be heard throughout the entire agency.

CAP-761	Giffin Nursing Home Improvements (Erie)	Renovation/ Replacement	\$710,000
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Funds appropriated to this capital line item will be used to address safety related items, and maintenance and repair renovations to the Giffin Care Facility during the 2001-2002 capital biennium. This appropriation includes three renovation projects specifically reserved in the following funding amounts:

- \$300,000 will be used to replace the facility's roof, which was originally replaced in 1983. The new roofing system will provide a 20-25 year life span and additional energy savings;
- \$140,000 will be used to replace seven separate exterior step and landing units, which provide both daily and emergency exits for the nursing home. The current step and landing appendages were constructed forty years ago and have deteriorated beyond repair; and
- \$270,000 will be used to replace the Thorn-Merlin Simplex Fire detection and Alarm System in the Giffin "A" and "B" Buildings and the Boiler House. The current Thorn-Merlin system was installed in the Giffin Care Facility and the Administration Building in 1983, and extended to the Boiler House in 1990. The system allows only area coverage, operates on hi-voltage power, and repair parts are now unavailable.

CAP-762	Renovate Secrest Floors And Walls In Bathroom (Erie)	Renovation/ Replacement	\$492,000
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Funding will be used to replace the existing floors and sidewalls in the Secrest Nursing Home resident bathrooms during the capital biennium 2001-2002. The current bathrooms, which were

originally remodeled in 1978, are floored with individual tiles and drywall sidewalls. To date, the Home has been addressing the sanitation and safety concerns with patchwork repairs in the bathrooms. The purposed renovations will consist of strengthening the metal studding in the sidewalls and replacing the floor tiles with seamless linoleum that will wrap up the walls four feet high.

CAP-763	Secrest Case Goods Second Floor (Erie)	Renovation/ Replacement	\$235,000
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These funds will be used to renovate the second floor unit of the Secrest Nursing Home. This renovation will replace a portion of the current sidewalls with a soft vinyl substance that has a cushion backing, which will be installed four feet above the floor at handrail level, to help prevent injury to the residents.

CAP-764	O Cottage Roof And HVAC Improvements (Erie)	Renovation/ Replacement	\$84,000
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The “O” cottage is presently being utilized for the Ohio Veterans Home Carpenter Shop and meeting rooms for OVH members’ AA organization. The Home’s long-range plan is to use the 2nd floor for storage space. The first floor will be used for the consolidated relocation of residential therapeutic activities.

Funds appropriated to this capital line item will be used to complete two phases of the “O” cottage renovation project. The first phase of the project will involve replacement of the 11,000 square foot roof, originally replaced when the building was constructed in 1961. These funds will be used to replace the roof and install aluminum edging around the top of the building, as well as flashing for all roof penetrations. The final phase of the project will be the installation of a new HVAC system.

CAP-765	Install Warehouse Freezer (Erie)	Renovation/ Replacement	\$80,000
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This capital money will be used to replace an existing freezer located in the Secrest Nursing Home kitchen with a new twenty by fifteen foot freezer. The current freezer storage in Secrest was originally installed when the building was constructed in 1977 and the insulation is deteriorating, causing units to run longer to maintain temperatures. The new freezer will be more energy efficient.