

# THE VIRGINIA VETERANS FOUNDATION

## *The Colonial Downs and Virginia Veterans Foundation VFW Post Home Improvement and Assistance Grant*

The purpose of the Colonial Downs VFW Post Home Improvement Assistance Grant is to assist VFW Posts in Virginia who need assistance with funding projects to improve, expand, or repair their Post home as well as assisting those Posts in financial need. There will be five (5) \$2500 grants for the 2025-2026 year. All requirements must be met, or the Post will be required to return the grant, in part or in whole, depending on the circumstances. **Grant application is due no later than September 30, 2025.**

The requirements of the grant are as follows:

- 1) Projects must be initiated and completed in the period of October 1, 2025, through March 31, 2026. The Post must submit a thorough justification for the grant.
- 2) The VFW Post in question must have a current non-profit status on file with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and must provide the IRS paperwork proving this.
- 3) The Post must be in good standing with the VFW National and Department Headquarters.
- 4) Post must own or lease the post home and must provide a copy of the documents showing either ownership or a current lease. For Posts who lease the property, there must be at least 2 years remaining on the lease to receive a grant.
- 5) The Post must not allow smoking in their Post building but may use the grant to repair damage after voting to ban smoking. A ban on smoking is defined as no smoking allowed inside the building of the Post home. It may be allowed outside of the building.
- 6) Receipts for the project or bills covered by the assistance requested must be provided at the end of the project. Payment of the grant will be made to the supplier or contractor.
- 7) Should the project costs or assistance requested total less than \$2500 once complete, the balance of the grant will not be paid. If total cost is greater than \$2500, the Post will be responsible for remaining payment.
- 8) The VFW Post receiving the grant must agree to allow the VFW Department of Virginia and Virginia Veterans Foundation the opportunity to promote the funded project on social media, in official communications, and in other forms of marketing.
- 9) All decisions on grants are final and will be made by the Board of Directors of the Virginia Veterans Foundation.
- 10) Funding from this grant program may be combined with other grants but the total of the funding received cannot exceed actual costs and the amount received from this grant may be reduced accordingly.

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### Official Grant Application

(All questions must be answered in full)

Name and number of the Post: \_\_\_\_\_

Post mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

Physical address of the Post: \_\_\_\_\_

Post Commander name, phone number, and email address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Post Quartermaster name, phone number, and email address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Estimated cost of the project or assistance requested: \_\_\_\_\_

How will labor be provided: \_\_\_\_\_

**On a separate page, give either a description of the project to be completed or justification for assistance requested.**

By signing below, you acknowledge the requirements of the grant program. Furthermore, you acknowledge that you have provided all needed documents and that the decision on this grant application rests solely with the Virginia Veterans Foundation. Finally, you agree to provide all needed receipts for the project and to cooperate with the Virginia Veterans Foundation and VFW Department of Virginia in promoting the project and grant.

Post Commander: \_\_\_\_\_ Post Quartermaster: \_\_\_\_\_