

Best Defense Foundation

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Requester Information

Legislator: Ballard, Melissa G.

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Section 1: Request Details

Description:

Best Defense Foundation provides combat veterans with opportunities for recreation, healing, job training, and business creation in Utah. This year, BDF will also take veterans to Washington DC and Normandy Beach to honor fallen comrades.

Legislative designee contact information:

- Name: Donnie Edwards
- Organization: Best Defense Foundation
- Position: Founder

Section 2: Funding Information

How will the appropriation be used?

	One-time	Ongoing
Personnel Services	2024: \$0.00 2025: \$200,000.00	\$0.00
In-State Travel	2024: \$0.00 2025: \$100,000.00	\$0.00
Out-of-state Travel	2024: \$0.00 2025: \$50,000.00	\$0.00
Supplies and Equipment	2024: \$0.00 2025: \$100,000.00	\$0.00
Technology Purchases	2024: \$0.00 2025: \$0.00	\$0.00
Infrastructure/Capital Investments	2024: \$0.00 2025: \$0.00	\$0.00
Other Charges/Pass Thru	2024: \$0.00 2025: \$50,000.00	\$0.00
Expenditure Total		
One-time 2024	One-time 2025	Ongoing 2025
\$0.00	\$500,000.00	\$0.00

Funding Sources:

General Fund

- Amount Requested 2024 (One-time) \$0.00
- Amount Requested 2025 (One-time) \$500,000.00
- Amount Requested 2025 (Ongoing) \$0.00

Revenue Total

One-time 2024	One-time 2025	Ongoing 2025
\$0.00	\$500,000.00	\$0.00

Should unused funding be returned to the state at the end of the fiscal year?

No

Is this project scalable if the Legislature does not fund the full requested amount?

Yes

A short explanation describing how the project might be scaled

The level of funding from the State and other sources determines the number of combat veterans that can participate.

Section 3: Agency Information

Subjects:

Health and Wellbeing
Labor and Employment

Agency:

063 / Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity

Type of entity to receive pass-through funding

- Private Not for Profit
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Section 4: Performance Outcome Measurement

Who would benefit from this request (who is the target audience)?

Combat veterans

What is this project or program intended to accomplish?

The program provides vital support for combat veterans in transition to civilian life.

How will the Legislature know whether the project or program achieved its intended purpose?

Annual report to the legislature from combat veterans who participate in the program.

Section 5: Other Supporting Documents

Intent Language

Previous State Funding