



July 2025 - June 2026 ANNUAL IMPACT REPORT

Our Mission:

To provide a Legion of support for Florida veterans and their families by delivering emergency assistance, expanding benefits support, engaging communities, funding trusted mental health programs, preventing suicide, training volunteer advocates, and hosting outreach events that strengthen the transition to civilian life.

►► Emergency Assistance

PROJECT: VetRelief provides one-time emergency financial assistance to eligible Florida veterans and their families facing unexpected hardship, helping keep a roof overhead, food on the table, and essential utilities running during times of crisis. This year, we *experienced a significant increase* in both our caseload and the number of approved applications. The average amount of assistance per case also increased by *more than \$300*, reflecting the rising cost of living across Florida and the growing needs of the veterans and families we proudly serve.



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VETERANS & THEIR FAMILIES
RECEIVED EMERGENCY FUNDS

YEARLY OVERVIEW



\$333,747

PROVIDED IN
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

TYPE OF ASSISTANCE



*AVERAGE AMOUNT PER CASE: \$1,660



►► Suicide Prevention

We believe ending veteran suicide requires a community working together. Through our Suicide Prevention Initiative (SPI), PROJECT: VetRelief brings together Florida organizations that share a common purpose: providing veterans with access to proven, non-prescription mental health programs tailored to their individual needs.

Rather than competing for resources, our Strategic Partners collaborate to **expand access to life-changing services**, ensuring every veteran can find the support that best meets them where they are on their journey toward healing and hope.



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SPI PARTNERS



\$210,300

GIVEN TOWARDS
SUICIDE PREVENTION

YEARLY OVERVIEW



Pictured above: PVR Board Member with a few SPI Strategic Partners

FORMS OF TREATMENT



ART



CRISIS LINE



EXERCISE



EQUINE



FAITH



K9



OUTDOOR



THERAPY

►► Largest Fundraising Events

GOLF TOURNAMENT



RAISED \$96,932 (NET)

120 GOLFERS | 12 VOLUNTEERS

STATEWIDE UNITY RIDE



RAISED \$314,918 (NET)

366 RIDERS | 2,465+ MILES TRAVELED



Major Contributors



Board President, Bob James, receiving recognition from Florida Veterans Foundation.

Milestones Achieved

- GOAL:** Increase approved Emergency Assistance cases by 50%
Outcome: Approved cases grew by **45%**, while total Emergency Assistance funding increased by **74%**, enabling PROJECT: VetRelief to provide more meaningful support as the cost of living continues to rise.
- GOAL:** Add a Grant Writer to the Team
Outcome: Expanded our team by welcoming a Grant Writer and new Case Manager, strengthening our outreach, increasing service capacity, and improving support.
- GOAL:** Enhance veteran experience by improving access to services, streamlining the application process, and expanding available resources.
Outcome: Launched a redesigned website leveraging usability testing and data research to streamline our financial assistance application process, and introduce new online resources.
- GOAL:** Grow our overall impact by helping more veterans in crisis
Outcome: Celebrated all-time milestones by exceeding 2,000 veterans served and \$2 million in Emergency Assistance. Plus, provided the highest level of funding to SPI Strategic Partners.



Looking Ahead

- Develop a Veteran Follow-Up Program**
 Implement a proactive follow-up process for veterans who receive Emergency Assistance to measure long-term impact, strengthen connections to benefits and community resources, identify emerging needs, and ensure lasting stability beyond the initial crisis.
- Strengthen Access to Life-Saving Resources**
 Continue expanding the reach of our Suicide Prevention Initiative by connecting with organizations across Florida that provide proven alternative therapies, creating more pathways to healing for veterans and their families.

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