



#### Milwaukee VA Soldiers Home

Community Advisory Council Meetings
Thursday, November 5, 2015

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## **Community Advisory Council**





### Representatives from:

- Veterans' Organizations
- Neighborhood Associations
- Preservation Organizations
- Civic, community and business leaders

## **Projects in Process**

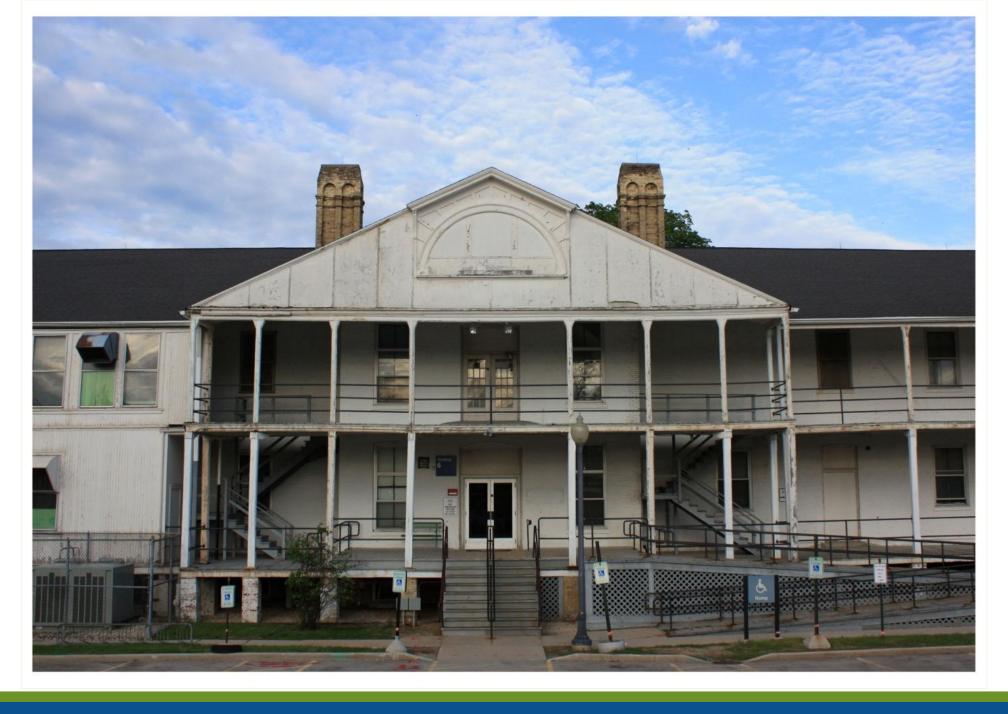
- •Ward Theater (Bldg 41) Re-roof project completed; porch almost completed;façade repairs completed.
- •Old Hospital (Bldg 6) Masonry, window restoration, exterior painting and re-roof almost completed.
- Barracks (Bldgs 5 & 7) Façade repairs & painting completed.















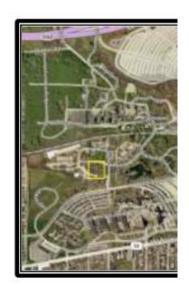


## **Projects in Process (cont'd)**

- •CLC First is completed & occupied; next two completed in Jan. '16 with occupancy by Spring **'16**
- Fisher House Construction underway; open in June '16
- Building 43 Substance abuse treatment & mental health
- SE Parking Lot Completed; Parking Structures – Lot 4 underway; Lot 7 next

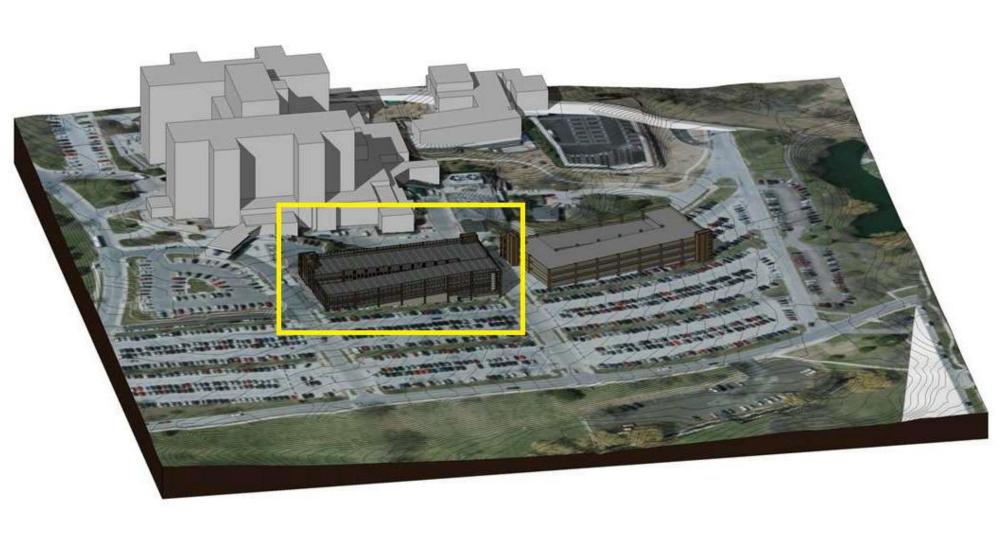
#### Wisconsin Fisher House

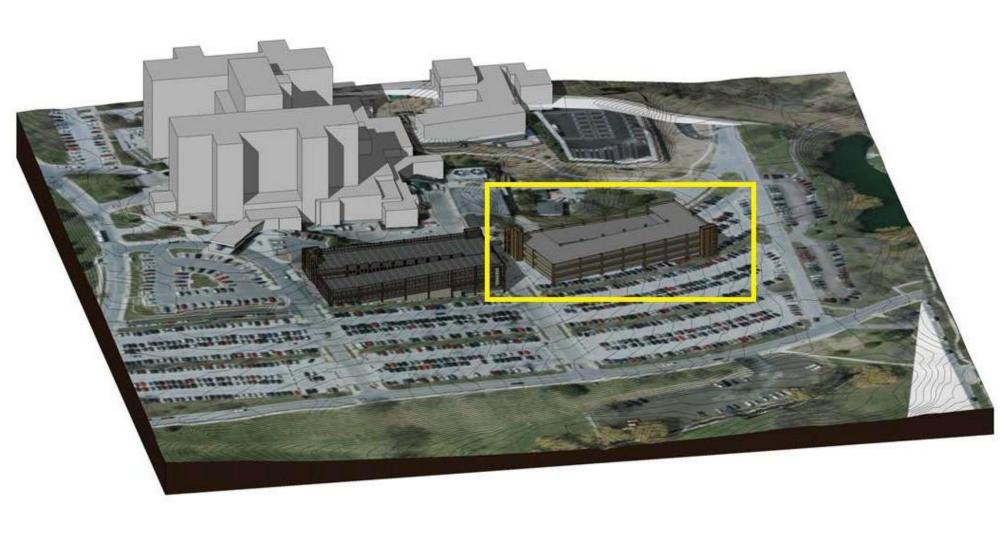












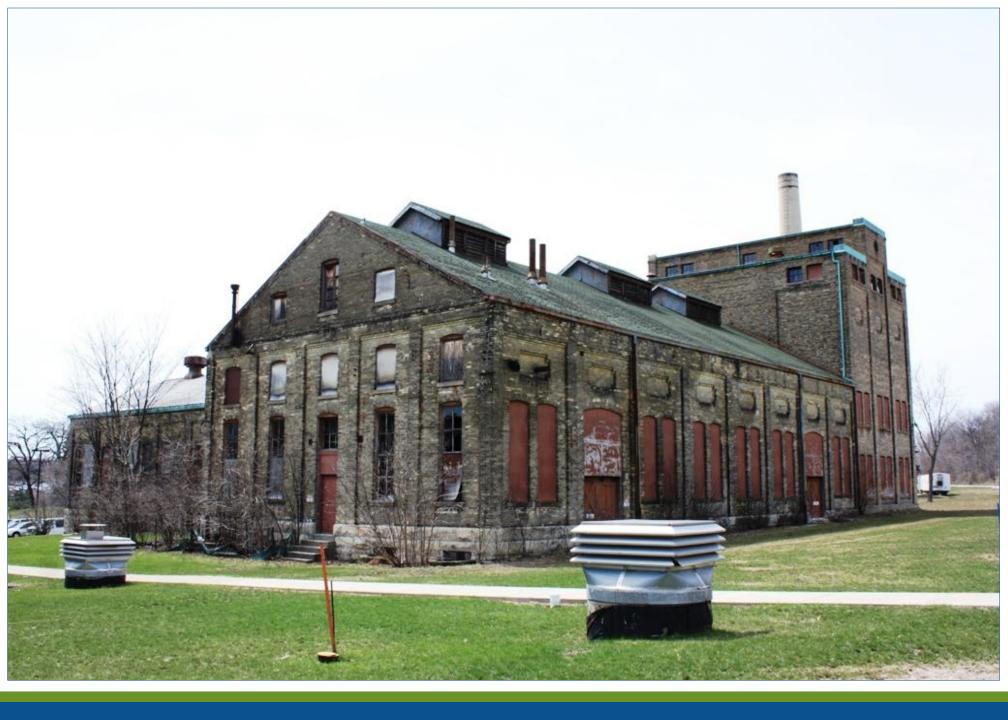
# **Current & Ongoing Challenges**

Get Vacant Buildings Rehabbed (Old Main, Administration Bldg, Chapel, Power Plant, Governor's Mansion)

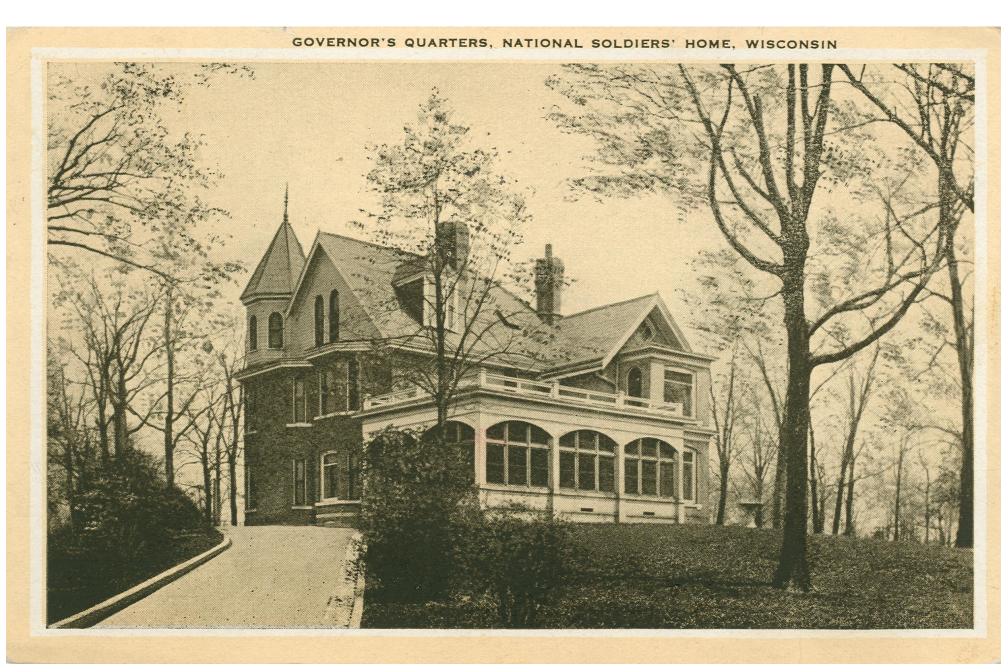
Revise "Freeze the Footprint"/ "Reduce the Footprint" Regulations (Power Plant)











# **Options for Vacant Buildings**



# **Preferred Options**

Option #1: Lease to Another Party for Homeless Veteran Programs (EUL)

Option # 2: Lease building to any person or organization that will ensure preservation of the historic property (Section 111)

Option # 3: Short-term Lease to a Third Party

MEMO: Lease or Transfer through GSA

# **Enhanced Use Lease (EUL)**

The VA would enter into an Enhanced Use Lease with a non-governmental entity for homeless or at risk for homelessness veteran programs.

 Process is moving forward for Bldgs. 1, 2, 14, 18,19, & 62

 Next step is Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> public hearing and then RFPs issued

#### **EUL PUBLIC HEARING**

Wednesday, December 2, 2015 7:00 p.m. Clement J. Zablocki VAMC Matousek Auditorium 5000 West National Avenue Milwaukee, WI 53295







#### **EUL PUBLIC HEARING**

#### **WE NEED YOU TO:**

- Attend the hearing.
- Promote public meeting far and wide.
- Engage as many interested parties as possible in responding to RFPs.

#### **Discussion**

- What Questions Do You Have?
- Observations? What would you like to tell VACO?
- Thoughts/ ideas for VACO to address at the EUL Public Hearing?

# Section 111 of the National Historic Preservation Act

Lease building to any person or organization that will ensure preservation of the historic property (Section 111)

The VA Central Office has drafted guidance for use of Section 111 and is going to pilot test the program.

## **Next Steps**

EUL – Promote public meeting and RFPs.

 Continue to pursue Section 111 as an option for the VA.

 Move forward to change the Reduce-the-Footprint regulations.

#### **More Information**



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### **Questions?**

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