



Human Services : Social Services (Grantmaking)

DAV (Disabled American Veterans) Charitable Service Trust

Empowering veterans to lead high-quality lives with respect and dignity

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	Score (out of 100)	Rating
Overall Score & Rating	100.00	★★★★★
Financial	100.00	★★★★
Accountability & Transparency	100.00	★★★★

This rating was published 12/01/2019 and includes data from FY2018, the most recent 990 received at that time.

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Mission

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Impact Information



GuideStar is Charity Navigator's trusted partner in sharing information on how this organization seeks impact. GuideStar has recognized this organization with a Gold Seal of Transparency for voluntarily and publicly describing their goals, strategies, and accomplishments. [Learn More about Impact Information.](#)

CHARTING IMPACT

What is your organization aiming to accomplish?

Through the DAV Charitable Service Trust, charitable organizations receive the financial support needed to build capacity, expand on services provided, and ultimately, increase the impact made on countless veterans and/or military families as they navigate the challenges of life after combat. While the nature of funded programs vary significantly from year to year, many of the supported initiatives provide the services needed to stabilize homeless at-risk veterans struggling to establish suitable employment and/or housing, in addition to challenges associated with declining physical

What are your strategies for making this happen?

Recognizing that veterans of all backgrounds can benefit from services catered to their unique experiences with the military, the DAV (Disabled American Veterans) Charitable Service Trust partners with an increasingly large number of charitable organizations to ensure that veterans of both the aging and newly returned eras; rural and urban regions; and other distinctions have access to programming for enrichment. In doing so, the Trust has maintained a single, primary program since its initiation: the DAV Charitable Service Trust Grant Program. Each year, thousands of ill and injured

What are your organization's capabilities for doing this?

Undoubtedly, the DAV (Disabled American Veterans) Charitable Service Trust has managed generous gifts with ongoing dedication and controlled spending. As evidence of its sound fiscal management, more than 96 cents out of every dollar went directly to support programs and services for veterans and their families in 2018. The Trust also boasted more than \$28 million in Net Assets which demonstrates its strong financial position. Further, the Trust recently received the coveted 4-star rating for "sound fiscal management and commitment to accountability and transparency" from Charity

How will your organization know if you are making progress?

The DAV (Disabled American Veterans) Charitable Service Trust aims to support quality programs for ill and injured veterans through a variety of grants to other not-for-profit entities. In doing so, the Trust ensures that funds distributed are well-accounted for through the review of timely accountability reports from grant recipients. Each granted organization is required to submit detailed reports and fund expenditure outlines approximately every six months until a balance of \$0 is reported and confirmed. Timely reports must be received and specific criteria met for a given

What have and haven't you accomplished so far?

The DAV (Disabled American Veterans) Charitable Service Trust has administered a nation-wide grant program to ensure that other not-for-profit entities have the resources to provide a number of services and programs for ill and injured veterans and their families. As a well-known grantmaker to an increasing volume of recipients each year, the Trust has been able to support programs that meet a wide variety of needs among the military community. Notably, a full 96% of our 2018 total expenses went directly to service programs for our ill and injured veterans and only 4% was

GuideStar's Gold Seal of Transparency is earned by completing five questions around an organization's strategies, progress, and results, known as Charting Impact. Charting Impact encourages strategic thinking about how an organization intends to achieve its goals. The end result is a report that lets nonprofits share concise, detailed information about plans and progress with key stakeholders, including the public. This data is provided directly by nonprofits to GuideStar via their Nonprofit Profile.

This impact information is current as of January 2020, when it was provided to us by GuideStar. At this time, Impact information published on this organization's page has no effect on its rating per our methodology.

Learn more about how we calculate the overall score and rating.


















Financial Performance Metrics

Program Expenses <i>(Percent of the charity's total expenses spent on the programs and services it delivers)</i>	94.6%
Administrative Expenses	3.9%
Fundraising Expenses	1.4%
Fundraising Efficiency	< \$0.01
Working Capital Ratio (years)	3.85
Program Expenses Growth	10.8%
Liabilities to Assets	14.6%

All data for Financial Performance Metrics calculations was provided by DAV (Disabled American Veterans) Charitable Service Trust on recent 990s filed with the IRS.

Accountability & Transparency Performance Metrics

Information Provided on the Form 990

Independent Voting Board Members	
No Material diversion of assets	
Audited financials prepared by independent accountant	
Does Not Provide Loan(s) to or Receive Loan(s) From related parties	
Documents Board Meeting Minutes	
Provided copy of Form 990 to organization's governing body in advance of filing	
Conflict of Interest Policy	
Whistleblower Policy	
Records Retention and Destruction Policy	
CEO listed with salary	
Process for determining CEO compensation	
Board Listed / Board Members Not Compensated	
Is the following information easily accessible on the charity's website?	
Donor Privacy Policy	
Board Members Listed	
Audited Financials	
Form 990	
Key staff listed	

Income Statement

(FYE 12/2018)

REVENUE

Contributions

Contributions, Gifts & Grants	\$10,868,297
Federated Campaigns	\$1,225,288
Membership Dues	\$0
Fundraising Events	\$0
Related Organizations	\$0
Government Grants	\$0
Total Contributions	\$12,093,585
Program Service Revenue	\$0
Total Primary Revenue	\$12,093,585
Other Revenue	\$691,635
TOTAL REVENUE	\$12,785,220

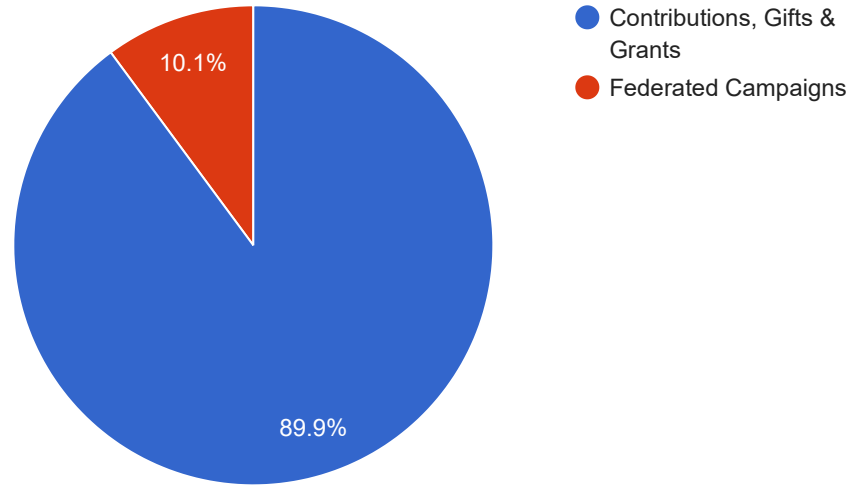
EXPENSES

Program Expenses	\$8,608,387
Administrative Expenses	\$336,992
Fundraising Expenses	\$116,732
TOTAL FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES	\$9,062,111

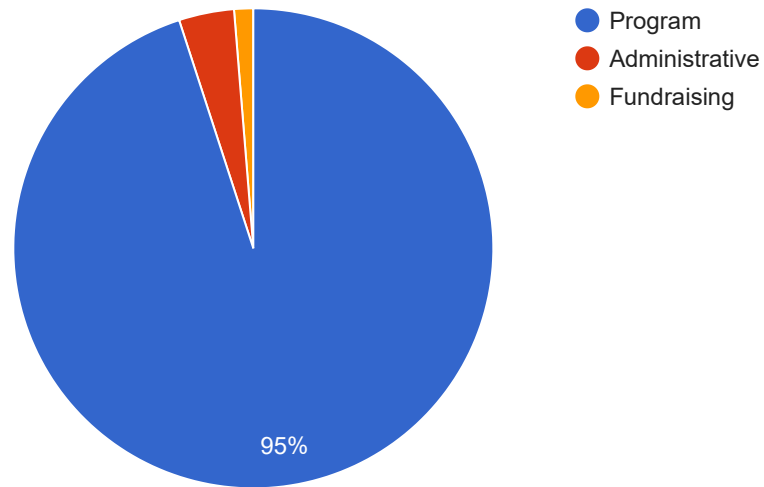
Payments to Affiliates	\$0
Excess (or Deficit) for the year	\$3,723,109
Net Assets	\$28,479,819

Charts

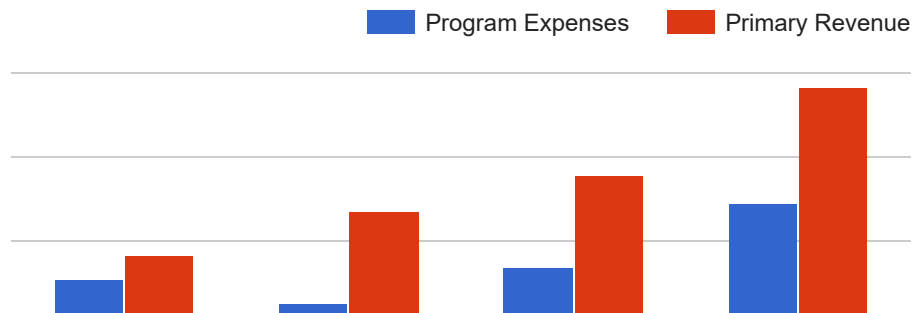
Contributions Breakdown (FYE 12/2018)



Expenses Breakdown (FYE 12/2018)



Revenue/Expenses Trend



Compensation of Leaders

(FYE 12/2018)



Compensation		Title	
Not compensated	--	Richard E. Marbes	President

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Charities Performing Similar Types of Work

Highly Rated

Charity Name & State	Overall Score	Overall Rating
DAV (Disabled American Veterans) Charitable Service Trust (KY)	100.00	★★★★★
Wounded Warriors Family Support (NE)	92.58	★★★★★
Vail Veterans Foundation (CO)	87.16	★★★★☆
Veterans of Foreign Wars Foundation (MO)	96.66	★★★★★

Bob Woodruff Family Foundation (NY)

95.95



Compare These Charities (Highly Rated)