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REPORT SUMMARY

*Performance Audit
Emergency Grant Program
Michigan Veterans' Trust Fund
Department of Military and Veterans Affairs*

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Act 9, P.A. 1946 (First Extra Session), established the Emergency Grant Program to provide emergency grants to qualified veterans and their eligible dependents and unremarried widow(er)s to assist with unexpected, temporary hardships. The Emergency Grant Program is funded from the Michigan Veterans' Trust Fund (MVTF), which is governed by the MVTF Board of Trustees (MVTF Board).

Audit Objective:

To assess the efficiency of the MVTF Board's administration of the Emergency Grant Program.

Audit Conclusion:

We concluded that the MVTF Board's administration of the Emergency Grant Program was not efficient. We noted one material condition (Finding 1) and one reportable condition (Finding 2).

Material Condition:

The MVTF Board had not identified methods to increase administrative efficiencies and to reduce State, county, and district administrative costs of the Emergency Grant Program. (Finding 1)

Reportable Condition:

The Department of Military and Veterans Affairs (DMVA) did not provide the Legislature and the State Budget Office with statutorily required updates on the MVTF Board's efforts to reduce Emergency Grant Program administrative costs. (Finding 2)

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Agency Response:

Our audit report contains 2 findings and 2 corresponding recommendations. DMVA's preliminary response indicates that it agrees with the recommendations.

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