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Evers announces money to support veteran employment, housing, and mental health services. Will build on recommendations from the Blue Ribbon Commission on Veteran Opportunity.

MADISON — Gov. Tony Evers announced Wednesday a \$10 million investment in a variety of programs benefitting Wisconsin veterans. The investment comes on the heels of recommendations made by the governor's Blue Ribbon Commission on Veteran Opportunity in their final report [released last month](#) and building on Gov. Evers' previous budget proposals.

Earlier this year, in his [2022 State of the State address](#), Gov. Evers announced he would [create a Blue Ribbon Commission on Veteran Opportunity](#) to develop comprehensive, long-term recommendations to help address challenges facing Wisconsin's more than 300,000 veterans. Shortly thereafter, Gov. Evers [signed Executive Order #157](#)

to create the Blue Ribbon Commission on Veteran Opportunity. The Commission was charged with identifying gaps in existing services, areas in need of robust investment, and reducing barriers to economic security, including efforts to expand access to higher education and job training, address housing insecurity, and increase mental and behavioral health support and substance use disorder treatment.

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