

**STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
DEPARTMENT POLICIES**

SUBJECT: Veterans Aid Loan - Applicant Eligibility

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- 1) The Applicant must be either a Veteran as Defined in N.D.C.C. § 37-14-01.1 or an un-remarried widow/widower of an eligible Veteran. 

37-14-01.1. Definition of veteran.

1. As used in this chapter, "veteran" means:

a. An individual who served in the armed forces of the United States on federal active duty:


(1) For reasons other than training and who has been discharged under other than dishonorable conditions; or

(2) To whom the United States veterans administration has assigned a service-connected disability rating;

b. Current members of the national guard or reserve; or

c. Former members of the national guard or reserve who have been discharged under other than dishonorable conditions.

- 2) The applicant must have the financial ability to repay the loan.

- 3) The applicant must be a resident of North Dakota for one (1) year prior to date of application. 

a. Applicants that have been incarcerated in a Correctional or Correctional Treatment Facility.

1) Applicants must provide proof of one (1) year North Dakota residency prior to entering a correctional or correctional treatment facility.

2) Time spent incarcerated does not count toward the one (1) year residency time requirement.

3) Applicants currently incarcerated in a correctional or correctional treatment facility are not eligible to apply.

- 4) If application is found to include fraudulent information, the application shall not be considered.

- 5) Applicants may be eligible for both the hardship assistance program and the loan program.

- 6) Applicants who have outstanding delinquent Veterans Aid Loans are eligible for the Grant Program.