- (b) Funding opportunities will be announced to all designated MSNJ districts management organizations. Applications for funding will be available through the Department's grants application and management system.
- 5:103-4.2 Scope of project; activities
- (a) During the first year following designation, each MSNJ district management organization will be eligible to apply for a start-up grant for operational support. All local program activities assisted through this grant shall be in accordance with the transformation strategies defined by Main Street New Jersey and the National Main Street Center®.
- (b) Designated MSNJ district management organizations may also apply for funding for physical improvement projects that result in visible and tangible change, foster private and public reinvestment, local economic growth, and quality placemaking within the district including, but not limited to, the following:
- 1. Improvement and restoration of mixed-use and commercial buildings and storefronts following the minimum standards of the MSNJ Design Guidelines for Facades and Storefronts;
- 2. Improvement and creation of placemaking projects in public and publicly accessible spaces meeting or exceeding the MSNJ placemaking project criteria; and
- 3. Costs of professional services directly related to implementing the project.
- (c) The MSNJ district management organization shall submit a budget for the project, in a form to be provided by the Department, that shows the breakdown of how the grant is to be used and other additional funds leveraged for the project.
 - (d) All activities shall take place within the designated MSNJ district.
- (e) Buildings and facilities used for the general conduct of government and schools within the MSNJ district may not be included in a project receiving MSNJ grant funding.
- (f) The MSNJ district management organization shall submit a timeline for completion of the qualified project(s) that are the subject of the project application.
- 5:103-4.3 Funding criteria
 - (a) The operational grant shall meet the following criteria:
- 1. The grant funding will support the development or refinement of strategic transformation strategies for the local MSNJ program as defined by Main Street New Jersey and the National Main Street Center®.
- (b) The physical improvement grant project shall meet the following criteria:
- 1. The project shall clearly fit within the MSNJ district management organization's comprehensive annual workplan and be located within the MSNJ district. Grant applicants shall submit the comprehensive annual workplan with the MSNJ grant application.
- 2. A façade and storefront improvement project shall meet or exceed the minimum standards as defined by the MSNJ Design Guidelines for Façades and Storefronts.
- 3. A placemaking project shall meet or exceed the minimum standards as defined by the MSNJ placemaking project criteria.

MILITARY AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS

(a)

OFFICE OF THE ADJUTANT GENERAL New Jersey Distinguished Service Medal Adopted Amendments: N.J.A.C. 5A:3-2.1 and 2.3

Proposed: January 22, 2019, at 51 N.J.R. 132(a).

Adopted: April 23, 2019, by Brigadier General Jemal J. Beale, The Adjutant General, Commissioner, Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs.

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Summary of Public Comment and Agency Response:

The Department of Military and Veterans' Affairs (Department) received one comment from Reshef Harpaz.

COMMENT: The commenter thanked the Department for updating the rules

RESPONSE: The Department acknowledges and appreciates the commenter's expression of support.

Federal Standards Statement

The adopted amendments are not subject to any Federal requirement or standards. Therefore, a Federal standards analysis is not required.

Full text of the adoption follows:

SUBCHAPTER 2. AWARD CRITERIA, APPLICATION PROCEDURES, AND ISSUANCE

5A:3-2.1 Criteria for award

- (a) Any member of the organized militia or the Armed Forces of the United States or a Reserve component thereof, or who was honorably discharged therefrom, shall be eligible for the New Jersey Distinguished Service Medal.
- (b) To qualify for the New Jersey Distinguished Service Medal, the individual must have been a resident at the time of entry into service or has been a resident of this State for at least 20 years in the aggregate; and:
- 1. Has served in a combat theater of operations during a time of war or emergency as attested to by the awarding of an honorable discharge (DD 214 or WD 53) by the respective Armed Forces; or
- 2. Has been officially listed as a prisoner of war or missing in action by the United States Department of Defense.
- (c) Individuals eligible for the award, whose service was recognized by the award of the Bronze Star, Purple Heart, Air Medal, or equivalent, or higher medal, shall also be awarded the silver oak leaf cluster to be affixed to surface and suspension ribbons.
 - (d) (No change.)
- 5A:3-2.3 Procedures for requesting award

(a)-(b) (No change.)

(c) The New Jersey Distinguished Service Medal for a deceased person or a person absent as a prisoner of war or missing in action may be requested by, and shall be issued to, a parent, spouse, sibling, child, or other relative who submits all of the required forms and documentation on behalf of that person. The request must include a copy of the veteran's death certificate (if applicable), and proof of relationship, such as a birth certificate, marriage certificate, or baptismal certificate.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

(b)

NEW JERSEY WATER SUPPLY AUTHORITY Schedule of Rates, Charges, and Debt Service Assessments for the Sale of Water from the Raritan Basin System

Adopted Amendments: N.J.A.C. 7:11-2.3, 2.4, 2.5, and 2.6

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