



TEXAS VETERANS COMMISSION

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Women Military Veterans to Receive Special Services

AUSTIN – Today the Texas Veterans Commission announced the award of a \$250,000 grant from the Fund for Veterans' Assistance to address the unique needs of women Veterans in Texas.

Grace After Fire, (www.graceafterfire.org), a non-profit organization which provides confidential support and access to trauma, mental health, addiction and community services, received the grant.

“Many women Veterans who have experienced combat trauma find themselves homeless, alone and without hope,” says Bill Wilson, Director of the Fund for Veterans' Assistance. “Grace After Fire provides critical support to enable women Veterans to live the lives they fought for and deserve.”

Without access to services like those provided by Grace After Fire, women Veterans might find themselves falling into a downward spiral of substance abuse, family dissolution, and homelessness.

Providing online and in-person support for women Veterans and their family members is one of the primary functions of Grace After Fire. Utilizing women Veterans as mentors, coaches and moderators is an essential part of this process.

Ensuring women Veterans have access to local resources is another key function of the organization. Through identifying, tracking and partnering with community organizations and agencies, they are able to provide women Veterans with referrals to the right services to meet their needs.

The Texas Veterans Commission Fund for Veterans' Assistance provides grants to organizations that provide services to Texas Veterans. Over \$8.8 million in grants have been awarded to 37 organizations over the past year.

Texas Veterans Commission

The Texas Veterans Commission's mission is to advocate for and provide superior service to Veterans and their families in the areas of disability claims assistance, employment services, education benefits and grant funding. Over 200 skilled counselors in 75 cities provide one-on-one guidance to Veterans and their families to ensure they receive all the benefits to which they are entitled.

For more information about the Texas Veterans Commission visit www.TexasVeteransCommission.org.

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