



TEXAS VETERANS COMMISSION

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Over Four Million Dollars Available to Organizations Helping Veterans and Their Families

AUSTIN – Today the Texas Veterans Commission announced the availability of over four million dollars in grants to be awarded to organizations that provide services to veterans and their families.

A wide variety of services are eligible for funding including housing and employment assistance for homeless veterans, emergency financial assistance, counseling for Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), and family and child services.

Over nine million dollars in grants have been awarded to 38 organizations over the past year.

“We look for organizations of all sizes that provide high quality services to Veterans,” says Bill Wilson, Director of the Fund for Veterans’ Assistance. “Recent changes to the grant process expanded both the types of organizations that will be considered and the possible services to be funded.”

Grant funds will be awarded to qualified charitable organizations, Veterans Service Organizations and local government agencies of all sizes, from local organizations with only a few employees to organizations with thousands of employees.

“A high priority of the Fund for Veterans’ Assistance is to attract those organizations that meet the needs of Veterans and their families,” adds Wilson.

The Texas lottery scratch-off game, *Veterans Cash*, is the primary source of funds for the Texas Veterans Commission Fund for Veterans’ Assistance. The new, camouflage, instant ticket was released earlier this year.

Information outlining the grant application and other grant details can be found at <http://www.tvc.state.tx.us/about/fund-for-veterans-assistance>. Applications must be received by the Texas Veterans Commission no later than 5:00 PM Central Time on March 28, 2011.

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The mission of the Texas Veterans Commission's 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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