



TEXAS VETERANS COMMISSION

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Almost \$7 Million Awarded to Organizations Providing Direct Support to Texas Veterans

TEXAS – The Texas Veterans Commission recently awarded 38 organizations \$6.95 million in General Assistance, Housing4TexasHeroes, and Veterans Mental Health grants from the Texas Veterans Commission Fund for Veterans’ Assistance. These grants offer funding to non-profit and local government organizations which, in turn, provide direct services to Texas Veterans and their families.

“These new grantees will serve Texas Veterans and their family members through programs and services in their communities all over Texas,” said Kathy Wood, Director of the Fund for Veterans’ Assistance. “To date, the Commission has awarded over 200 grants – which translates to nearly \$40 million in grants awarded to help serve over 170,000 Texas Veterans and their family members.”

In partnership with the Texas Department of State Health Services, the Texas Veterans Commission awarded the first ever Veterans Mental Health grants. These grants fund projects providing direct counseling and mental health services to Veterans and their families across the state.

Awarded Housing4TexasHeroes grants will assist with home modifications for disabled and/or low income Veterans, providing needed repairs and accessibility improvements enabling those Veterans to safely live in their homes.

Additionally, the funding cycle included General Assistance grants awarded to organizations providing much needed financial assistance such as transportation, rent and utility assistance, and supportive services to Texas Veterans and their families.

The following 38 organizations received grants in the categories of General Assistance, H4TXH, and Veterans Mental Health totaling \$6,945,000 in grant funds.

Series XIV-B General Assistance Grants Totaling \$2,495,000

Alamo Area Council of Governments, Bexar Area Agency on Aging, and Alamo Area Development Corporation – Awarded \$300,000

Counties Served: Atascosa, Bandera, Bexar, Comal, Frio, Gillespie, Guadalupe, Karnes, Kendall, Kerr, Medina, McMullen, Wilson
Transportation Services Provided

Anderson County Veteran Service Center - Awarded \$20,000

Counties Served: Anderson, Cherokee, Freestone, Gregg, Henderson, Houston, Leon, Limestone, Rusk, Smith
Supportive Services Provided

Big Brothers Big Sisters Lone Star – Awarded \$75,000

Counties Served: Childress, Collin, Dallas, Denton, Ellis, Fort Bend, Harris, Jack, Johnson, Kaufman, McLennan, Montgomery, Palo Pinto, Parker, Rockwall, Tarrant, Taylor, Tom Green, Wichita, Wise
Family Services Provided

Bring Everyone In The Zone, Inc. – Awarded \$20,000

Counties Served: Bell, Coryell, Lampasas, Milam, Mills
Financial Assistance Provided

Child Crisis Center of El Paso – Awarded \$200,000

Counties Served: El Paso
Family Services Provided

Communities In Schools of Greater Central Texas, Inc. – Awarded \$300,000

Counties Served: Bell, Coryell
Family Services Provided

Community Healthcore – Awarded \$200,000

Counties Served: Bowie, Camp, Cass, Gregg, Harrison, Marion, Morris, Panola, Red River, Rusk, Titus, Upshur
Homeless/Housing Services Provided

Goodwill Industries of Central Texas – Awarded \$75,000

Counties Served: Bastrop, Burnet, Hays, Travis, Williamson
Financial Assistance Provided

Green Doors – Awarded \$125,000

Counties Served: Travis
Homeless/Housing Services Provided

Hale County Meals on Wheels, Inc. – Awarded \$50,000

Counties Served: Hale
Supportive Services Provided

Hidalgo County Community Supervision and Corrections Department – Awarded \$75,000

Counties Served: Hidalgo
Veterans Court

Meals on Wheels and More, Inc. – Awarded \$100,000

Counties Served: Bastrop, Caldwell, Fayette, Hays, Lee, Travis, Williamson

Supportive Services Provided

Nueces County – Awarded \$125,000

Counties Served: Nueces

Financial Assistance Provided

Operation Relief Center, Inc. – Awarded \$50,000

Counties Served: Dallas

Homeless/Housing Services Provided

Salvation Army-Tyler – Awarded \$150,000

Counties Served: Anderson, Cherokee, Gregg, Henderson, Rains, Rusk, Smith, Van Zandt, Wood

Homeless/Housing Services Provided

Salvation Army-Waco – Awarded \$200,000

Counties Served: McLennan

Homeless/Housing Services Provided

Skillpoint Alliance – Awarded \$75,000

Counties Served: Bastrop, Bell, Caldwell, Hays, Travis, Williamson

Employment Services Provided

Texas Legal Services Center – Awarded \$200,000

Counties Served: Statewide

Legal Services Provided

Texas Rural Water Foundation – Awarded \$5,000

Counties Served: Statewide

Employment Services Provided

Worklife Institute – Awarded \$150,000

Counties Served: Austin, Brazoria, Chambers, Colorado, Fort Bend, Galveston, Harris, Liberty, Matagorda, Montgomery, Walker, Waller, Wharton

Employment Services Provided

Housing4TexasHeroes Grants Totaling \$2,900,000

Alamo Area Development Corporation – Awarded \$500,000

Counties Served: Atascosa, Bandera, Bexar, Comal, Frio, Gillespie, Guadalupe, Karnes, Kendall, Kerr, McMullen, Medina, Wilson

Community Learning Center, Inc. – Awarded \$500,000

Counties Served: Dallas, Hood, Johnson, Parker, Somervell, Tarrant

Habitat for Humanity of Smith County – Awarded \$200,000

Counties Served: Smith

Meals on Wheels and More, Inc. – Awarded \$500,000

Counties Served: Bastrop, Blanco, Burnet, Caldwell, Fayette, Hays, Travis, Williamson,

Rebuilding Together-Houston – Awarded \$500,000

Counties Served: Harris

Tierra del Sol Housing Corporation – Awarded \$500,000

Counties Served: El Paso, Hudspeth

StarCare Specialty Health System – Awarded \$200,000

Counties Served: Bailey, Cochran, Crosby, Dickens, Floyd, Garza, Hale, Hockley, Kent, Lamb, Lubbock, Lynn, Motley, Terry, Yoakum

Veterans Mental Health Grants Totaling \$1,550,000

Betty Hardwick Center – Awarded \$75,000

Counties Served: Callahan, Jones, Shackelford, Stephens, Taylor
Drop-In Center

Equest – Awarded \$425,000

Counties Served: Anderson, Collin, Dallas, Delta, Denton, Ellis, Franklin, Grayson, Henderson, Hood, Johnson, Kaufman, Rains, Rockwall, Tarrant, Van Zandt
Equine Therapy

Family Support Services of Amarillo, Inc. – Awarded \$100,000

Counties Served: Armstrong, Bailey, Briscoe, Carson, Castro, Childress, Collingsworth, Dallam, Deaf Smith, Donley, Floyd, Gray, Hale, Hall, Hansford, Hartley, Hemphill, Hutchinson, Lamb, Lipscomb, Moore, Motley, Ochiltree, Oldham, Parmer, Potter, Randall, Roberts, Sherman, Swisher, Wheeler
Drop-In Center

Grace After Fire – Awarded \$200,000

Counties Served: Bexar
Peer Sessions Provided

Heroes Night Out, Inc. – Awarded \$75,000

Counties Served: Bastrop, Bell, Burnet, Hays, Lampasas, Travis, Williamson
Peer Sessions Provided

Marriage Management Consultants, Inc. – Awarded \$75,000

Counties Served: Bastrop, Bell, Bexar, Brazos, Coryell, Dallas, Denton, El Paso, Johnson, Kerr, McLennan, Tarrant, Travis, Williamson
Retreats/Workshops

New Destinations, Inc. – Awarded \$50,000

Counties Served: Gregg, Harrison, Nacogdoches, Panola, Rusk, Shelby
Counseling/Mental Health Services

Paws for Reflection – Awarded \$75,000

Counties Served: Dallas, Ellis, Johnson, Kaufman, Tarrant
Equine Therapy

Triple H Equitherapy Center – Awarded \$75,000

Counties Served: Bandera, Bexar, Comal, Kendall, Kerr, Medina

Equine Therapy

Tropical Texas Behavioral Health – Awarded \$200,000

Counties Served: Cameron, Hidalgo, Willacy

Drop-In Center

United States Veterans Initiative – Awarded \$200,000

Counties Served: Harris

Counseling/Mental Health Services

Veterans, family members and caregivers who may require assistance or services should contact the service provider directly.

Individuals can support these grants by making an online donation through the I Live Here, I Give Here website, here <https://amplifyatx.ilivehereigivehere.org/fundforveteransassistance/overview>. Donations to the Fund for Veterans' Assistance are tax deductible.

Texas Veterans Commission

The mission of the Texas Veterans Commission 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 of the benefits to which they are entitled.

For more information about the Texas Veterans Commission Fund for Veterans' Assistance, please visit <http://www.tvc.texas.gov/Fund-for-Veterans-Assistance.aspx>.

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