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# Texas Veterans Commission Fund for Veterans' Assistance

2023-2024 RFA Webinar

General Assistance Grants · Veterans Mental Health Grants

Housing 4 Texas Heroes Grants · Veterans Treatment Court Grants

Veterans County Service Officer Funding

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# Purpose

Provide overview of Request For Applications (RFA) for 2023-2024 grant cycle

Present FVA program changes and TVC grant policy updates for the 2023-2024 grant cycle

Encourage all current & past grantees (and future applicants) to critically examine the 2023-2024 RFA, Key Term definitions, and Program Requirements

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# 2023-2024 Request for Applications

High-Level Overview

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Texas Veterans Commission Fund for Veterans' Assistance

Request for Applications 2023-2024 FVA Grants:

General Assistance Housing for Texas Heroes Veterans Mental Health Veterans Treatment Court Veteran County Service Offices

Application Portal Opens: September 30, 2022

Application Deadline: November 30, 2022, 5:00 PM

Fund for Veterans' Assistance website: https://www.tvc.texas.gov/grants

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# 2023-2024 RFA Outline & Orientation

- All TVC grant programs consolidated into One RFA 42 pages
- Six Sections
  - I. Purpose
  - II. Grant Programs and Goals
  - III. Grant Program Guidelines
  - IV. 2023-2024 Funding Opportunities & Application Guidelines
  - V. Application Review and Award Processes
  - VI. Key Terms & Definitions
- Funding Announcement: \$30M

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### FVA Program Changes/Updates for 2023-2024

#### Section II (Grant Programs and Goals)

- 1. Removed Veteran Homelessness Prevention sub-category. Veterans and their families can receive financial assistance and/or supportive services to prevent them from becoming homeless.
- 2. Pro Bono Legal Services description expanded to provide list of reimbursable services provided to beneficiaries.
- 3. Clinical counseling can be supplemented with non-clinical services if supervised under the licensure of a credentialed mental health provider.

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### Changes/Updates to TVC Grant Policies

#### Section II (Grant Programs and Goals)

- 1. Updates and specifications added to the Italicized Notes under each service category.
- 2. Clinical counseling grantees must administer Patient Health Questionnaire (PHQ-9) and General Anxiety Disorder (GAD-7) assessments prior to, during, and after treatment to measure results.
- 3. Peer Support service grantees must administer VA's Whole Health personal inventory to beneficiaries prior to, during, and after peer support activities to measure results.
- 4. Homeless veteran support grantees must document services provided to all beneficiaries in the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS).

#### Section III (FVA Grant Program Guidelines)

- 1. Release time shall be included into indirect cost.
- 2. Accrued annual leave pay out not allowable.

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### Changes/Updates to TVC Grant Policies

#### Section IV (2023-24 Funding Opportunities and Application Guidelines)

- Grant amounts can be requested in increments of \$5,000.
- VTC grants limited to \$300,000 for one county and \$400,000 for regional courts.
- Audit findings and or exclusions recorded in GSA SAM result in renewal non-eligibility.



# 2023-2024 Application Window

Opens: Friday, Sep 30 at 12:00pm Closes: Wednesday, Nov 30 at 5:00pm

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### **Questions About The RFA?**

- Staff is not allowed to answer applicant questions on an individual basis during the open application period
- All questions and answers must be posted publicly while TVC actively accepts applications in GovGrants
- Must be submitted in writing to <a href="mailto:rfaquestions@tvc.texas.gov">rfaquestions@tvc.texas.gov</a>



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# Thank You

Please email all questions about 2023-2024 Fund for Veterans' Assistance Requests For Applications

RFAquestions@tvc.texas.gov

by November 22, 2022

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