



TEXAS VETERANS COMMISSION

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\$3 Million in Grants Available from the Texas Veterans Commission

AUSTIN – Thursday the Texas Veterans Commission announced the availability of up to \$3 million in grants to be awarded from the Texas Veterans Commission Fund for Veterans' Assistance.

The grant funds will be awarded to qualified charitable organizations, Veterans Service Organizations and local government agencies to address nine areas of concern for veterans and their families. Some of the services to be funded include transportation to medical facilities, counseling for Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), housing assistance for homeless veterans, and family and child services. Detailed information about all nine service areas can be found at <http://www.tvc.state.tx.us/TVCFundforVeteransAssistance.html>.

"1.7 million veterans live in Texas, including over 100,000 who served in Iraq and Afghanistan," says James Nier, Executive Director of the Texas Veterans Commission. "They have paid a high price for keeping our country free. These grants fund services to ensure that our veterans and their families receive the services they need and deserve."

The Texas lottery scratch-off game, *Veterans Cash*, has been the primary source of funds for Texas Veterans Commission Fund for Veterans' Assistance. Since its introduction on November 11, 2009, sales of *Veterans Cash* scratch-off tickets have provided over \$4 million to the Texas Veterans Commission Fund for Veterans' Assistance.

The request for proposals outlining the grant objectives and selection criteria can be found at <http://www.tvc.state.tx.us/TVCFundforVeteransAssistance.html>.

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