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**"There is no better way to honor the sacrifices of the men and women who have protected us than to make a small sacrifice financially to support their needs."**

**-State Senator Wendy Davis**

**"Thanks to The Texas Veterans Commission we can now also focus on our courageous veterans who are managing the demands – and sometimes unexpected crises – of civilian life."**

**-Christine Hockin-Boyd  
Executive Director,  
Community Lifeline Center**

# FUND FOR VETERANS' ASSISTANCE ANNUAL REPORT 2011

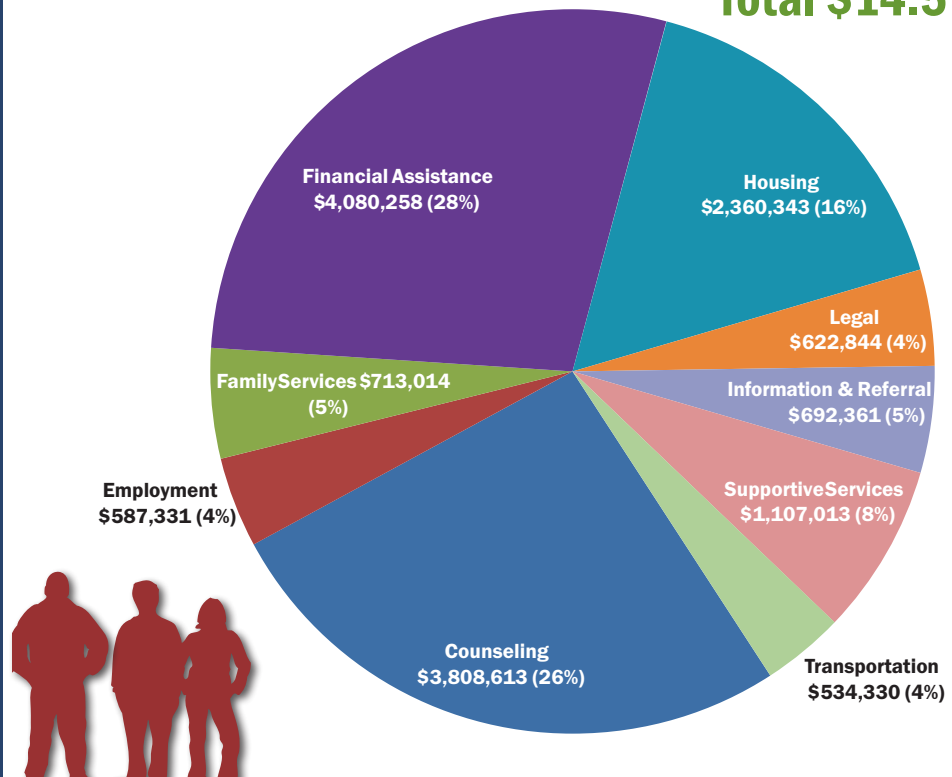
The Fund for Veterans' Assistance (FVA) program awards reimbursement grants in two categories: FVA General Assistance Grants and Housing4TexasHeroes. Both categories offer funding to non-profit and local government organizations to provide direct services to Texas Veterans and their families. The Housing 4Texas Heroes Program was established in 2012 and awards grants to organizations that provide veterans with permanent and temporary housing.

Since the first award in 2009, the Fund for Veterans' Assistance has provided \$15.5 million to over 60 grantee organizations statewide providing financial assistance, mental health counseling, housing, transportation and much more. During 2011 these FVA grantees assisted 65,700 veterans, dependents and surviving spouses.

In Fiscal Year 2011, the FVA program received \$8.7 million, primarily from Veterans Cash lottery ticket revenue. In 2012 the FVA program expects to award more grants through an increase in direct, tax-deductible individual and corporate donations as well as an expanded vehicle registration donation opportunity approved by the Texas Legislature.

**Current Grants by Service Category**

**Total \$14.5 million**



**38,461**  
Veterans

**27,045**  
Dependents

**194**  
Surviving Spouses

**65,700 TOTAL SERVED**

## Fund for Veterans' Assistance (FVA) General Assistance Grants

The FVA General Assistance category awards reimbursement grants to eligible charitable organizations, local government agencies, and Veterans Service Organizations that provide direct services to Texas Veterans and their families. Texas Veterans Commission Fund for Veterans' Assistance grants address a broad range of needs, including:

- Limited emergency financial assistance;
- Transportation services;
- Counseling for Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder and Traumatic Brain Injury;
- Housing assistance;
- Family and child services; and
- Information and referral to other services.

## Fund for Veterans' Assistance Community Partnership Award for Distinguished Service to Texas Veterans

In 2011, the Texas Veterans Commission recognized two grantees for excellent administration of the FVA grant and distinguished services to Texas Veterans and their families

### Child Crisis Center of El Paso

- Provides emergency shelter for children of Veterans whose families are in crisis.
- Awarded: \$313,953

### United Way of San Antonio

- Provides information and referral services to Veterans and their families.
- Awarded: \$260,335

## Three Ways To Help Texas Veterans

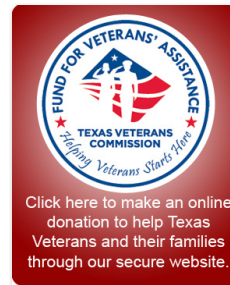
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YEAR/MAKE/BODY STYLE	2007/CHEV/PK
VEHICLE IDENT. NO.	NNNNXXXXNNNN1234
FUEL TYPE	GAS
EMPTY WT./CARRYING CAP.	4700/1000
GROSS WEIGHT/TONNAGE	5700/0.50
REGISTRATION FEE	\$ 52.75
LOCAL FEE	10.00
TOTAL-FEE	\$ 62.75
IF MAILED	63.75
Donate to Support TX Veterans	\$ _____
Donate \$5 (or more) to State Parks	\$ _____
Grand Total Due in Fees & Donations	\$ _____

### Vehicle Registration

Your tax-deductible donation of any amount will support the Fund for Veterans' Assistance. Just fill in the amount you would like to contribute on the front of your Vehicle Registration Form in the fee box (sample pictured) or when you register online.

### Online Donation

You can also help support Texas Veterans and their families by making a tax-deductible donation online to the Fund for Veterans' Assistance. Look for the button at right on [www.tvc.state.tx.us](http://www.tvc.state.tx.us).



Click here to make an online donation to help Texas Veterans and their families through our secure website.



### Lottery Ticket

The Texas Veterans Commission Fund for Veterans' Assistance is also supported by proceeds from the sale of \$2 Veterans Cash scratch-off tickets.

**“We’re honored by the recognition from the Texas Veterans Commission,” said Jeff Vance, senior vice president of 2-1-1 operations and administration for United Way. “We have been serving military members from United Way’s call center since 2008 and are dedicated to providing them with both military and community resources.”**

## Grants Awarded

Alamo Area Mutual Housing  
Aliviane, Inc.  
America Supports You  
Bexar County Veterans Court  
Burnet County VetRides  
Catholic Charities, Archdiocese of San Antonio  
Center for Life Resources  
Child Crisis Center of El Paso  
Communities in Schools  
Community Council of Dallas  
Community Lifeline Center  
Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Greater San Antonio  
Dallas County Veterans Court  
DAV – Taylor County Chapter #36  
Families in Crisis  
Family Service Association of San Antonio  
Family Services of Houston

Fort Bend Seniors Meals on Wheels  
Goodwill – West Texas  
Green Doors  
Harris County Veterans Court  
Haven for Hope  
Hill Country Community MHMR Center  
Homeless Veterans Services of Dallas  
Housing & Community Services  
Kleberg County Veterans Service Office  
Lubbock Regional MHMR Center  
Luke’s Wings  
Mental Health America of Greater Dallas  
MHMR of Tarrant County  
Neighborhood Centers, Inc.  
Project Mend  
Rains County Veterans Services  
Ride on Center for Kids  
Rocky Top Therapy Center

Salvation Army – Port Arthur  
Salvation Army - Waco  
Samaritan Center for Counseling and Pastoral Care  
San Antonio Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse  
Santa Maria Hostel  
Scott & White Healthcare: Military Homefront Services  
Sheltering Arms Senior Services  
Tarrant County Veterans Court  
Texas Legal Services Center  
Texas National Guard Family Support Foundation  
Texas Rio Grande Legal Aid  
Travis County Veterans Court  
United Way of San Antonio and Bexar County  
US Vets  
Vets 4 Vets  
Workforce Solutions Greater Dallas  
VFW Foundation