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TEXAS VETERANS COMMISSION **FUND FOR VETERANS' ASSISTANCE**

October 6, 2020

Re: Veterans County Service Officer Grant GT-VSO20-004

Dear Hidalgo County,

The Texas Veterans Commission is grateful for your continued service to Texas veterans and their families. Because of organizations like yours, we can provide meaningful services, support and resources to veterans that truly make their lives better.

As you all know, the Commission has changed the requirements for submitting applications for the 2021-2022 grant period. The good news is that for organizations like yours, that were awarded grants for this 2020-2021 grant period, you are not required to submit applications for the next year. In lieu of a grant application, your organization has already been placed in a renewal consideration category for next year.

The Request for Applications (RFA) outlines the requirements for renewal. In short, organizations must meet the 3rd Quarter performance and expenditure benchmarks (70% of annual target served and 70% of grant award expended). The 3rd Quarter performance and expenditure reports provided by the grantees in April 2021 are the basis for this determination. Also, grantee organizations must have resolved or addressed any compliance findings presented by the FVA staff during the first 3 quarters of the grant period.

The Commission will meet in May 2021 to make grant renewal and awarding decisions for next year.

If you have any questions about the renewal process, please do not hesitate to contact any of the FVA staff members listed below. Or, you can call our FVA main line at (512) 463-1157.

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Yours in Patriotism and in Service to Texas Veterans,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James D. Bracken".

James Bracken, Director
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