

## Arizona Military Family Relief Fund Pre 9/11 Advisory Committee Meeting

Arizona Department of Veterans' Service  
3839 N. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Ste 209, Phoenix, Arizona 85012  
January 17th, 2024, 2:00 p.m.

### Committee Members Present

Robert Garcia  
Mark Holmes  
Patrick Diomede  
Cynthia Olortegui Vargas

### Committee Members Absent

Nicholas Bielinski  
Martin Garcia  
Jack Moore  
Jeremy Farr

### Arizona Department of Veterans' Services Staff

London Anderson  
Kayla Snider  
Miles Morell  
Kalli Gill

### **CALL TO ORDER and APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Patrick Diomede called the meeting to order at 2:08 p.m. and called for motion to approve the draft minutes of the public meeting held on December 20th, 2023. Robert Garcia moved to approve the draft minutes from last month, Cynthia Olortegui Vargas seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

### **DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Patrick Diomede read the Advisory Committee's Disclosure Policy. Advisory Committee members must disclose their knowledge of an applicant to the Advisory Committee during the consideration process. Knowledge of an applicant that benefits all members of the Advisory Committee during the consideration process does not create a conflict of interest. If an Advisory Committee member has knowledge of an applicant and has a vested interest in the outcome of the Committee's findings or seeks to benefit or gain from a vote on a particular application, he/she is required to recuse his or herself from consideration of that applicant as it creates a conflict of interest.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Chairman Nicholas Bielinski moved the meeting to executive session at 2:12 p.m. to discuss Military Family Relief Fund (MFRF) applications in meeting packet that are according to ARS 41-608.04. E., confidential. Executive Session is allowable under ARS 41-608.04.E.

### **APPLICATION RECOMMENDATIONS**

Patrick Diomede returned the meeting to public session at 3:19 p.m. to vote on applications in meeting packet.

#### **1. 2024-01 G TIP**

Mark Holmes motioned to approve the application as requested. Robert Garcia seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

#### **2. 2024-01 I**

Mark Holmes motioned to the application as requested plus 2 extra months. Cynthia Olortegui Vargas seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

### **3. 2024-01 B TIP**

Cynthia Olortegui Vargas motioned to approve the application as requested. Mark Holmes seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

### **4. 2024-01 E**

Robert Garcia motioned to approve the application for past due and one month with proof of financial counseling upon return. Patrick Diomede seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

### **5. 2024-01 K**

Mark Holmes motioned to approve the application as requested up to 6 months plus request quote for car maintenance. Cynthia Olortegui Vargas seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

### **6. 2021-11 L**

Patrick Diomede motioned to deny the application as requested. Robert Garcia seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

## **MARKETING REPORT**

There was no marketing report.

## **CALL TO PUBLIC**

No members of the public were present.

## **ADJOURNMENT and NEXT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

Patrick Diomede moved to adjourn the Advisory Committee meeting at 3:28p.m. The next Advisory Committee meeting date is tentatively scheduled virtually for Wednesday, February 21st, 2024.