

**Arizona Military Family Relief Fund Advisory Committee Meeting**

Arizona Department of Veterans' Service  
3839 N. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Ste 209, Phoenix, Arizona 85012  
April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017 – 2:00 p.m.

**Committee Members Present**

Stanley Zeitz (Vice Chairman)  
Larry Struck  
Carol Culbertson  
Anthony Irby  
Randy Meyer (Chairman)  
John Aldecoa  
Martin Badegian

**Committee Members Absent**

Robert Barnes, ADVS Deputy Director/Designee  
Kathy Pearce  
Teresa Kolodny  
Thomas Troxell  
Raphael Ahmed  
Paul Clark

**MFRF Committee Staff**

Stephanie Michael, ADVS/MFRF  
Monica DeLaRosa, Admin.

Assistant Arizona Attorney General – Benjamin Norris

**CALL TO ORDER and APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Chairman Randy Meyer called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m. Stanley Zeitz moved to approve the draft minutes of the public meeting held on March 21st, 2017. Carol Culbertson seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Chairman Randy Meyer 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 Randy Meyer moved the meeting to executive session at 2:04 p.m. to discuss MFRF applications that are, according to ARS 41-608.04.E., confidential. Executive Session is allowable under ARS 41-608.04.E.

**APPLICATION RECOMMENDATIONS**

Chairman Randy Meyer returned the meeting to public session at 3:08 p.m. to vote on applications.

- 1. 2017-03 G TIP** Anthony Irby recommended application be approved and submitted for participation in the Transition in Place Program up to \$10,000 that provides up to six month housing assistance and supportive services. The Committee recommended applicant add his dependents to his service claim and look into more affordable housing options. Larry Struck seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

2. **2017-03 J TIP** Anthony Irby moved to recommend application be approved as requested for assistance. Stanley Zeitz Anthony Irby seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.
3. **2017-03 F TIP** John Aldecoa recommended application be approved and submitted for participation in the Transition in Place Program up to \$10,000 that provides up to six month housing assistance and supportive services. The Committee recommended applicant make contact with his navigator and MFRF in order to verify his status on the Chronically Homeless Veteran By Name List (BNL), as well as file a VA claim. Anthony Irby seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.
4. **2017-03 I** The Committee denied application because it was found to be incomplete.
5. **2017-01 C TIP** Anthony Irby moved to recommend application be approved and submitted for participation in the Transition in Place Program up to \$10,000 that provides up to six month housing assistance and supportive services. Carol Culbertson seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.
6. **2017-04 C** Anthony Irby recommended application be approved as requested for past due rent and an additional five months of rental assistance. John Aldecoa seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.
7. **2017-04 D TIP** Stan Zeitz recommended application be approved as requested, contingent on applicant making contact with the CRRC to obtain his referral letter. Anthony Irby seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.
8. **2013-07 E** Stan Zeitz recommended application be approved for three months of auto payment assistance only. Carol Culbertson seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.
9. **2017-04 E TIP** The Committee decided to table application until additional documentation could be provided, as well as a referral letter.
10. **2017-01 C** Stan Zeitz recommended application be approved as requested for assistance and recommended applicant add his second child to his service connected disability claim. Carol Culbertson seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.
11. **2017-04 F** John Aldecoa recommended the application be approved as requested. Carol Culbertson seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

## **MARKETING REPORTS**

Carol Culbertson and the MFRF Committee Staff attended Congressman Biggs' Veterans Resource Fair in Gilbert on March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Randy Meyer mentioned the Committee Bylaws and discussed the need for third party verification when submitting MFRF applications to the Committee. The MFRF Committee Staff served roughly 100 female veterans and over 50 vendors at the Women's Expo on April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

## **CALL TO PUBLIC**

Call to the Public at 3:08pm. No public present.

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

Stan Zeitz moved to adjourn the Advisory Committee meeting. Carol Culbertson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 3:43pm.

The next Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 16th, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. at the Arizona Department of Veteran Services.