Arizona Military Family Relief Fund Advisory Committee Meeting

Director's Conference Room 3839 North 3rd Street, Suite 209, Phoenix, AZ 85012 June 16th 2015 – 2:00 p.m.

Committee Members Present

Randy Meyer (Chairman) Stanley Zeitz (Vice Chairman) Anthony Irby John Aldecoa Paul Clark Thomas Troxell George Cushing Carol Culbertson

Committee Members Absent

Robert Barnes, ADVS Deputy Director/Designee Larry Struck Kathy Pearce Martin Badegian

MFRF Committee Staff

Michelle Sullivan, ADVS/MFRF

Assistant Arizona Attorney General - Invited

CALL TO ORDER and APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Randy Meyer called the meeting to order at 2:04 p.m. George Cushing moved to approve the draft minutes of the public meeting held on May 19th 2015. John Aldecoa 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 2:05 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 2:39 p.m. to vote on applications.

- 1. 2012-01 B 06-09-2015 George Cushing moved to recommend application be approved for two months' rent, electric, garbage assistance. Approval of water and phone are contingent upon receipt of bills. The Committee is requesting the applicant provide employment verification. Anthony Irby seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.
- 2. 204-09 D 06-06-2015 Anthony Irby moved to recommend application be approved for three months' rent, only one vehicle, auto insurance, SRP, and up to allowable amount for phone. The Committee recommends applicant eliminates one of the personal vehicles to help reduce the financial burden. John Aldecoa seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.
- 3. 2015-05 F George Cushing moved to recommend application be approved for three months of rental and auto assistance only, with the recommendation to add applicant's dependents on disability income as well as meet with a DVOP/LVR or employment specialist to help with job search. Carol Culbertson seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.
- **4. 2015-06 A** John Aldecoa moved to recommend application be approved for two month's rental assistance with the recommendation to apply for VA Disability and receive treatment from VAMC. Thomas Troxell seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously
- **5. 2015-06 B** George Cushing moved to recommend application be approved for two month's rent, auto, auto insurance, Internet, SRP, and phone only. The Committee recommends the applicant seek financial counseling. Carol Culbertson seconded the motion, and the motion carried by majority vote.
- 6. 2015-06 C John Aldecoa moved to recommend application be approved two months' rent, electric, and food contingent upon receipts for the food. The Committee recommends the applicant apply for food stamps and social security to supplement income. Carol Culbertson seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

MARKETING REPORTS

CALL TO PUBLIC

Chairman Randy Meyer presented George Cushing with a plaque of appreciation from the Arizona Department of Veteran Services for serving on the Military Family Relief Fund Advisory Committee since October, 2007.

ADJOURNMENT and NEXT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

George Cushing moved to adjourn the Advisory Committee meeting. Carol Culbertson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm.

The next Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 21st, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. in the Director's Conference Room.