



**County of El Dorado  
T.O.T. Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
Veteran Affairs Commission**

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Todd Smith, District I – Alternate Robert Fischer  
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 Kurt Raffetto, District III – Alternate Stephanie Carlson  
 Ken Welch, District IV – Alternate Tim Thompson  
 Gary Norton, District V – Alternate David Rogers  
 Jon Brown, VSO, Secretary Ex-Officio  
 Lauren Odell, Recording Clerk of Veteran Affairs Commission

**Wednesday July 5, 2023 @ 1100 hours**  
**Veterans Memorial Building**  
**130 Placerville Drive**  
**Placerville, CA 95667**

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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**Roll Call Committee Members:**

Kurt Raffetto	Roger Reynolds
Donna Mullens-Becker	Gary Norton

**II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion made by Roger Reynolds to approve the agenda; second made by Donna Mullens-Becker; Motion passes by vote 4-0.

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – June 8, 2023 meeting**

Motion made by Donna Mullens-Becker to approve the agenda; second made by Roger Reynolds; Motion passes by vote 4-0.

**IV. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. Finalize FY23/24 Annual Grant Amounts**

Motion to approve the Annual Grant table as modified below made by Roger Reynolds; seconded by Donna Mullens-Becker; Motion passes by vote 4-0.

Organization Name	Proposed 23/24 Grant Amount	Notes for 23/24	Approved 23/24 Grant Amount
Folsom Lake College	TBD	Kurt spoke with FLC, no funds needed	\$0
Lake Tahoe Community College	\$6,000	Gary spoke with Emily; funding is continued	\$6,000
Snowline Hospice	\$25,000	Roger will contact; new team in place	\$25,000
El Dorado County Veterans Alliance (formerly Friends of Veterans Monument)	\$10,000	Kurt contacted; funding continued	\$10,000
Sierra Chaplaincy	\$4,000	Kurt/Tim spoke; funding continued	\$4,000
MFSG/EDVR	\$8,000	Roger to contact / approved	\$8,000
Only Kindness	\$12,000	Lauren contacted; increase annual grant and withdraw mini-grant	\$15,000
El Dorado Food Bank	\$5,000	Increase and withdraw mini-grant application	\$10,000

EDCVSO General Trainee	\$21,000	Prior funding continued	\$21,000
		<b>Total Amt:</b>	<b>\$99,000.00</b>
<b>Total TOT Funds Available</b>	<b>\$175,000.00</b>		
<b>Amount allocated to El Dorado Community Foundation for Mini-Grants</b>			<b>\$76,000.00</b>

**V. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Review/Discuss Mini-Grant Applications**

Motion to approve the Mini-Grants as modified in the table below made by Donna Mullens-Becker; seconded by Roger Reynolds; Motion passes by vote 4-0.

App ID	Organization Name	Grant Title Description	Geographic Area Served	Grant Amount Approved	Notes
4170029	Sierra Community Access Television	Continue Telling History	El Dorado County and Beyond	\$ 2,890.00	Ok, no follow up needed
4187012	Hearts Landing Ranch	Veterans Equine Psychotherapy Program	El Dorado Country	\$ 10,000.00	Donna followed up; equipment need is justified.
4191181	The Elders Community Fund	Medical Transportation & Care Management Assistance - Veterans El Dorado County	El Dorado County	\$ 6,500.00	Ok, no follow up needed
4191193	El Dorado County Fire Safe Council	Develop and/or maintain fire safe defensible space around veterans' homes	Western Slope	\$ 10,000.00	Ok, no follow up needed
4193452	El Dorado Veterans Alliance	So Lake Tahoe Mini Stand Down	So Lake Tahoe, El Dorado County	\$ 565.00	Ok, no follow up needed
4199636	American Legion Post 795	American Legion Post 795 - Replace 30 + Year Old Roof!	Lake Tahoe Basin, Carson Valley (NV) and Markleeville (CA)	\$ 10,000.00	Ok, no follow up needed
4200635	Food Bank of El Dorado County	No Vet Goes Hungry	El Dorado County	\$ 0.00	Increasing annual grant; no mini-grant awarded
4204162	Arts and Culture El Dorado	Veterans' Voices Writing Workshop	El Dorado County	\$ 8,000.00	Approve \$8,000 to cover cost of facilitator only
4205415	Only Kindness, Inc.	Only Kindness Veteran Services	El Dorado County	\$ 0.00	Increase annual grant and withdraw mini-grant
4208100	Tahoe Coalition for the Homeless	Veteran Housing Sustainability	South Lake Tahoe	\$ 10,000.00	Gary followed up; saw 3 hotels that are used for housing veterans.
			<b>Total Approved</b>	<b>\$ 57,955</b>	

**VI. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public comment is limited to three minutes per person.

**VII. ADJOURNMENT**