

THE HONORABLE JOHN R. ROACH, JR., PRESIDING JUDGE







The Regional Court:

- The North Texas Regional Veterans Court is the model program for Regional Veterans Courts across the Nation.
- The regional concept maximizes community resources & outreach in North Texas.
 - Assists smaller counties lacking the ability to effectively support veterans' treatment programs.





One Court, One Fight:

Collin – 25 March, 2013 Rockwall – 23 June, 2015 Grayson – 2 February, 2016 Kaufman – 28 March, 2016 Fannin – 21 June, 2016

September 16, 2016 – five counties celebrated their official partnership as the North Texas Regional Veterans Court, to continue as one under Judge Roach, Jr.





The program currently supervises 64 participants:

County	Total Participants	Most Common Offense	Predominant Age Range	I Phase I	Participants Phase II	s Phase III	Graduates
Collin	27	Misdemeanor DWI	26-35	16	4	7	12
Rockwall	12	Misdemeanor DWI	26-35	7	4	1	9
Grayson	8	Felony DWI	26-35	3	3	2	6
Kaufman	8	Misdemeanor DWI	26-35	4	3	1	3
Fannin	9	Misdemeanor DWI	36-45	6	0	3	0





Recidivism Rates:

• Regular Probationer:

21.4%

• National Veterans Treatment Courts:

7-9%

• North Texas Regional Veterans Court:

6.7%





Program Funding:

- Zero cost to taxpayers
- All program funds (100%) are provided by the Texas Veterans Commission
- Apply for TVC grants annually





Grant funds provide Veterans Court participants with financial assistance for:

- Treatment
- Counseling
- Abstinence Monitoring
- Mental Health and Substance Abuse Evaluations

Assists with critical needs to support the veterans' overall wellbeing, such as:

- Emergency Utility & Housing
- Medical
- Transportation
- Education
- Employment Assistance





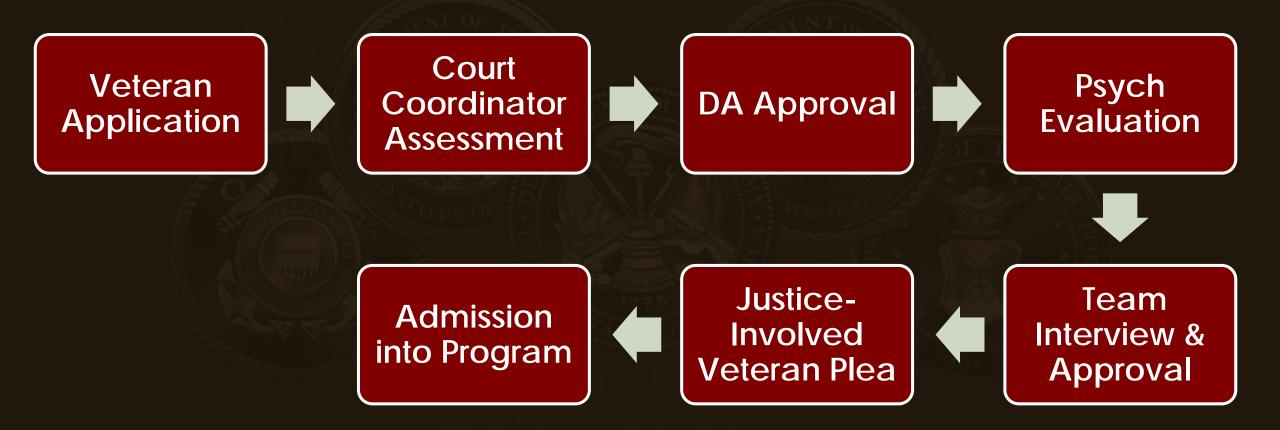
Program Phases:

- Phase I Orientation/Assessment
 - Assessment/Crisis Stabilization/Intervention & Early Recovery
 - > Typically 120 days.
- Phase II Treatment & Recovery
 - Active Recovery & Relapse Prevention
 - > Typically 90 days.
- Phase III Reintegration
 - Continuing Care
 - > Typically 160 days.





Standard Process Flow:







Future Plans:

- Aftercare & Transition Assistance
 - ➢ GallantFew
- Dallas County Community Colleges
 - College Credit for Heroes
 - Program specifically for
 Veterans Treatment Court

- Grayson Community College
- Social Worker / Case Manager





GallantFew Mission: Prevent veteran isolation by connecting new veterans with local veteran mentors, thereby facilitating a peaceful, successful transition from military service to a civilian life filled with hope and purpose.

• Every veteran graduating from Veterans Court will be transitioned or "handed off" to a local veteran mentor/guide.

• When possible, the guide will be from the same branch of service and/or same military skill.



- This relationship is used to proactively address transition issues and prevent isolation.
- GallantFew guides will begin attending Court during third phase to facilitate a smooth handoff after graduation.





How to Help the Court:

- Elected Officials and community members can show support by attending Court sessions
- More community involvement within the program
 - Provide breakfast for the veteran participants before Court, facilitating fellowship
 - Volunteer as a Mentor, especially in smaller counties





Questions?