

**Veteran Treatment Court with TVC  
Misdemeanor Court- Judge Bender**

**Additional Organization Information**

**1. What is the organization's mission statement and when was it created or last revised?**

The mission of the Collin County Misdemeanor Veterans Treatment Court is to restore the lives of justice-involved veterans through accountability, structure, and compassion—providing access to mental health, substance use, and rehabilitative services that promote long-term stability and reintegration.

Established in 2025, this court was created to meet the growing need for specialized treatment and supervision among veterans facing misdemeanor-level offenses in Collin County. The mission reflects a commitment to evidence-based practices, trauma-informed care, and collaboration between judicial and clinical partners to strengthen both veteran outcomes and community safety.

**2. How did your organization determine the need that this grant proposal will address? What modalities did it use to gather the data and how did it assess the information to ensure the need is present?**

The need for this new court was determined through data analysis and collaboration with county stakeholders. Collin County has experienced a steady rise in misdemeanor referrals involving veterans with untreated behavioral health and substance use conditions. Jail screenings, probation reports, and VRSS veteran identification data indicate that a significant number of these veterans would benefit from structured diversion and treatment rather than traditional sentencing.

Consultation with the District Attorney's Office, and the North Texas Veterans Treatment Court confirmed the importance of establishing a dedicated misdemeanor division to manage increased demand, ensure timely access to treatment, and reduce recidivism.

This new court will operate separately from Judge Roach's felony Veterans Court, maintaining its own administrative staff, meetings, and docket, while receiving mentorship and programmatic guidance from Judge Roach to ensure consistency in quality and standards.

**3. How many grants and total funding has the organization been awarded the current calendar year?**

N/A

**4. List the top two funding organizations/agencies, grant(s), award amount, brief description of project.**

N/A

**5. Is the organization currently "doing business" with any individual(s) whom is a principal stakeholder or is related to a principal stakeholder of your organization.**

The Veterans Treatment Court operates under Collin County oversight and adheres to all county and State of Texas conflict-of-interest policies. No vendors, contractors, or staff have personal or familial relationships with any principal stakeholder.

**6. Does your organization use contractors to perform duties or services for beneficiaries? If yes, how are contractors vetted to ensure their reliability and safety of the beneficiary.**

All staff are contracted professionals. This approach allows maximum allocation of resources toward direct client services rather than administrative overhead. Contractors are vetted through a formal selection process including background checks, license verification, and experience review to ensure participant safety and service quality.

**7. What types of services does the organization currently provide to the community in the proposed service area?**

The Collin County Misdemeanor Veterans Treatment Court offers a structured, treatment-centered alternative to traditional prosecution for veterans facing misdemeanor charges connected to trauma, mental health challenges, or substance use. By targeting the root causes of justice involvement, the program supports rehabilitation, reduces recidivism, strengthens public safety, and fosters long-term stability within the community.

**8. On average, how many veterans does the organization server annually?**

The misdemeanor court anticipates serving 40 veterans annually during its first year of operation.

**Application**

**1. Proposed Project Service Area(s).**

Collin County, Texas

**2. Who will the organization provide direct services to under the proposed project?**

Justice-involved veterans facing misdemeanor charges.

**3. Provide a summary of the services your organization proposes to provide to clients through this grant.**

This project will provide case management, clinical services, and continuous substance monitoring to promote accountability, sobriety, and successful reintegration. The dual-role Program Coordinator/Case Manager will oversee participant intake, compliance tracking, and service coordination. Clinical providers will deliver counseling and assessments, while substance monitoring will ensure program integrity and community safety.

**4. Describe how your organization will ensure that beneficiaries reported to FVA are unduplicated.**

All participants are verified at intake to ensure each beneficiary is counted only once per grant cycle.

**5. Describe how the eligibility verification documents are securely maintained.**

All veterans are verified through documentation and intake review. Participant data is securely maintained on the Collin County network and managed through encrypted databases to ensure accuracy and confidentiality.

**6. Can beneficiaries request services over the phone?**

Yes. Veterans may contact the program directly by phone to request services or begin the application process.

Phone: TBD

If yes, provide phone number for beneficiaries to contact for application and/or client intake?

**7. Can beneficiaries request services or make an appointment online?**

Yes. Veterans may request services by email

If beneficiaries can make an appointment online, please provide the application link for beneficiaries to utilize for application and/or client intake.

**8. Can beneficiaries apply for services via walk-in?**

Yes. Veterans Can walk-in to the County Court at Law #6 or other office location TBD.

**9. Are services provided by appointment only?**

No. Veterans may walk in or call to begin the intake or referral process at any time during operating hours.

**10. How will beneficiaries be evaluated to determine priority of service?**

After approval. Those with the most urgent clinical or safety needs receive immediate support and connection to treatment.

**11. Once eligibility is determined, how many days will it take for requested services to be provided?**

7-30 days

**12. Must beneficiaries have an appointment with an employee/case manager to request/apply for services?**

No. Veterans may request services by phone, email, online, or in person without a scheduled appointment.

**13. If a beneficiary does not provide required documents or information at the first meeting when requesting services how many days will pass until the case manager contacts the beneficiary to follow-up?**

The program coordinator/case manager will follow up within three business days of receiving an incomplete application to obtain missing documentation or assist the veteran in verifying eligibility. When appropriate, the Veterans Justice Outreach (VJO) specialist may assist in providing required military documentation.

### **Marketing and Outreach**

**1. Describe the organization's marketing and outreach plan. How will your organization conduct marketing to mass audiences promoting grant-funded services in the selected service area (County or Counties)? What marketing techniques will your organization be using to promote grant funded services?**

The Collin County Misdemeanor Veterans Treatment Court will implement a coordinated outreach strategy to raise awareness and promote program access throughout the county. Staff will conduct presentations to municipal and county courts, law enforcement agencies, probation departments, and veteran service organizations to strengthen referral pathways.

**2. Statewide Service Area-Describe how Veterans across the state will be made aware of your services and how they can apply for services. Answer N/A if not statewide.**

N/A

**3. How many hours a week, on average, will conduct in-person outreach within the service area with grant funding?**

2 hours