

VKCCI Grant Summary 2016-2017

VKCCI Grants processed July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017:

17-001 – A \$2,701 grant to assist a Brother Knight who lost his wife, the sole breadwinner of the family. The Brother Knight is a disabled veteran. The grant paid the monthly bills until his wife's life insurance proceeds and retirement savings were available.

17-002 – A \$2,250 grant to assist a widow repair the roof of her house so that she can prepare it for sale. Sale of the house would enable her to pay off debts and live off her annuity, and Social Security, and enable her to move in with her sister.

17-003 – A \$3,105.86 grant to assist a family of five, whose wage earner was unable to work due to open heart surgery. The grant paid for two month's rent and health insurance while he recuperated.

17-004 – A \$3,000 grant to assist in the acquisition of a customized, motorized, computerized wheelchair for a Brother Knight afflicted with Muscular Dystrophy.

17-005 – A \$2,000 grant to purchase materials for a wheel chair ramp for a woman who suffered a debilitating stroke, confining her to a wheelchair. The Council provided the labor.

17-006 – A \$690 grant to assist an elderly woman who just suffered her fourth stroke, leaving her severely debilitated and immobile. The grant would provide for special customized seat cushions to prevent sitting sores.

17-007 – A \$3,000 grant to providing funding to repair the transmission of a specially modified van with electric lift for the wheelchair of a disabled veteran and Brother Knight.

17-008 – A \$3,000 grant to assist a single mother of two who has managed to get out of an abusive relationship with her husband. The approved grant funds will assist her in paying back rent to avoid eviction and possible loss of custody of her children.

17-009 – A \$662.20 grant to assist a family of five whose sole income producer lost his job and has fallen behind on his electric bill. The approved grant funds will assist in paying back utility bills to avoid termination of service.

17-010 – A \$3,000 grant to provide funding to pay off some predatory "payday" loans and delinquent rent and utility payments for a Brother Knight who had a run of bad luck and unanticipated expenses.

17-011 – A \$763.13 grant to assist an elderly widow on Medicare and Food Stamps obtain emergency dental work and pay delinquent utility bills to avoid termination of service. We denied payment of car insurance as it does not meet the criterion "necessity of life – food, clothing, shelter, or medical services."

17-012 – A \$3,011.18 grant to assist the family of the only breadwinner who has suffered a stroke. The grant would pay two months' major bill: mortgage, utilities, health insurance, etc.

17-013 – A \$3,000 grant to assist a mother with two children who are victims of an abusive relationship pay for two month's mortgage, utilities, food, gas to work, septic tank repair and maintenance, etc.

17-014 – A \$3,000 grant to help a Brother Knight obtain a knee replacement, necessary for him to continue his profession as a chef.

17-015 – A \$3,000 grant to assist a prospective Brother Knight and his wife in avoiding eviction from their apartment due to delinquent rental payments.

17-016K – A \$3,000 KOVAR funded grant to assist a single mother with five children, ages 12 to 19. The youngest is deaf in both ears, has a number of congenital physical abnormalities and has mental retardation. The oldest is also mentally retarded. The grant would provide for rent, utilities, and other bills while she recovers from multiple surgeries.

17-017 – A \$2,700 grant to purchase a new furnace for an elderly lady of limited income.

17-018 – A \$2,346 grant to assist an elderly woman who is caring for her grandchildren and a bipolar, substance abusing son who cannot care for his family. The grant would assist by paying delinquent mortgage and utility payments.

17-019 – A \$1,816.50 grant to assist a widow with two children who has fallen behind on her rent and electric bills. The approved grant funds will assist in paying the late monthly lease payment plus late fee and daily penalties, and the late electric bills plus late fees to avoid termination of the lease and electric service.

17-020 – A \$3,000 grant to assist a Brother Knight and his family get through a period of extraordinary medical expenses due to poor health insurance (expensive and poor coverage).

17-021 – A \$2,610 grant to assist a widow of a deceased Brother Knight who is without hot water due to plumbing issues. The grant would provide a new hot water system to provide radiator heat and hot water.

17-022 – A \$1,125.02 grant to pay overdue electric bills to avoid suspension of service. Delinquency was due to funeral costs for a family member.

17-023 – A \$2,000 grant to purchase materials to build a wheelchair ramp for a child afflicted with Muscular Dystrophy. The grant also provided the co-payment for a specially designed wheelchair.

17-024 – A \$2,457.69 grant to pay for overdue utility bills and avoid cutoff. Delinquency due to suspension of income during recovery from surgery for a veteran suffering from a service connected injury.

17-025 – A \$824.20 grant for a man on disability and food stamps who was robbed and lost the money to pay his rent and utilities. The grant paid for one month's bills.

17-026 – A \$3,000 grant to help pay for medical bills for an unemployed man's wife's cancer treatments (periodic port cleanouts)

17-027 – A \$2,861 grant to assist a grandmother who has been abused by multiple men, works multiple jobs to provide for her grandchildren, who lost their mother (the grandmother's daughter). The grant provided funds to fix a leaky roof.

17-028 – A \$2,300 grant to help a single mother with three children pay overdue rental payments and avoid eviction. Delinquency was due to being laid off and loss of income.

17-029 – A \$900 grant to pay for Emergency Room surgery expenses for a child afflicted with Cerebral Palsy, who fell and suffered a head injury.

17-030 – A \$3,000 grant was **disapproved** because it was a hopeless case. Monthly expenses were more than double income. The proposed grantee had lost her job and her unemployment, and other income did not come close to meeting her monthly expenses. The grant would have provided no real relief.

17-031 – A \$3,000 grant for a Brother Knight with a large family acquire a new rental home following the loss of his previous rental home and all his belongings due to a devastating fire.

17-032 – A \$3,000 grant for the family of a Brother Knight acquire a new home following the loss of their home to foreclosure. The Brother Knight is a victim of cancer and is now in hospice care. His illness caused him to lose his job and miss his house payments.

17-033 – A \$728 grant to assist an elderly widow in poor health and on a fixed income replace part of her furnace destroyed by fire.

17-034 – A \$1,374.36 grant to assist an elderly woman who was the sole caretaker of her father. When the father passed away, the household lost critical income to maintain the house and pay the monthly bills. The grant was to pay for delinquent electric bills so that the woman could stay in the house while she arranged for the sale of the house.

17-035 – A \$3,000 grant to assist a Brother Knight renovate walk-out basement space for his physically and cognitive disabled seven year old daughter. The grant would fund bathroom and shower renovation to make it handicap accessible. The bathroom renovation is part of a larger renovation that includes exercise and therapy space and furnishings.

17-036 – A \$3,000 grant to pay a Brother Knight's overdue mortgage payments until his summer teaching job produces income. He had lost his regular teaching job.

17-037 – A \$3,000 grant to replace a broken HVAC system with one with a special electronic air filtration systems to lesson airborne particles' detrimental effects on a 5 year old boy with a number of allergic, genetic, immunological, and neurological disorders.

17-038 – A \$1,792 grant to pay overdue mortgage payments. The arrearage occurred when the only wage earner had to take time off of work to provide elder care for her mother.

17-039 – A \$1,412 grant to pay for two months' of new medications for a disabled Brother Knight to control a number of medical conditions including fibromyalgia, nerve damage, diabetes, and narcolepsy. He had been overmedicated. Medicare will take care of the new prescriptions once all the paperwork is completed.

17-040 – A \$3,000 grant to assist a Brother Knight who lost his job due to a medical condition. He will likely never be able to work again. The grant would cover two month's mortgage while he completes paperwork for disability and Medicare.

17-041 – A \$2,700 grant to assist a young man who was injured in a car accident and was unable to do his work as an HVAC technician. He was laid off and fell behind in his rent. To avoid eviction, the grant paid the overdue rent.

17-042 – A \$2,867 grant to assist an elderly woman repair/replace soffit and fascia of her house which had been causing significant water damage to roof, walls, and ceilings. The grant was **disapproved** as, upon further investigation, the entire house was about to collapse. The grant would provide any real relief.

17-043 – A \$2,000 grant to assist a Brother Knight pay overdue water and sewer bills. Service had been cut-off. Delinquency was caused by the death of his mother and the transfer of accounts to the rightful heirs to the house.

17-044 – A \$3,000 grant to assist an elderly woman repair the roof of her home to prevent further water infiltration damage. The death of her son caused the loss of household income, and inability to have the roof repaired.

17-045K – A \$1,000 KOVAR funded grant to help defray the costs of a special summer camp for an intellectually disabled child. The family has two ID children and could not afford to send the second child to the special camp.

17-046 – A \$3,000 grant to assist a single woman pay for orthopedic consultations and prescription drugs until Medicaid coverage kicks in. The grant enabled her to keep her home.