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From: sundrupal@capitol.local [<mailto:sundrupal@capitol.local>]  
Sent: Wednesday, April 25, 2018 12:12 PM  
To: Sunset Advisory Commission  
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Agency: TEXAS VETERANS COMMISSION TVC

First Name: Jason

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Title: Combat Veteran

Organization you are affiliated with: WWP

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Your Comments About the Staff Report, Including Recommendations Supported or Opposed:

I read in this report that they do not think a CVSO should be a military Veteran; I completely disagree with this. I believe it is imperative that these kinds of positions are filled by former military personnel. As a Military Veteran myself, I can assure this organization that this is important for rapport and understanding. Being a Veteran will give a certain credibility with those seeking help, that people who are not Veterans will not get.

These type of positions are one of those scenarios where it is best to have that experience so that you can relate with your audience. Being in the Military gives someone a very different and unique experience that 99% of the country does not understand. In these types of roles, that experience and being able to quickly relate to one another is huge.

I do not agree that anyone can "just" fill that type of position.

Any Alternative or New Recommendations on This Agency: Hire more Veterans to represent Veterans.

My Comment Will Be Made Public: I agree