



**STATE OF OKLAHOMA  
DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

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**Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs Honored with 2024 Advocate of the Year  
Award by Tinker Federal Credit Union Foundation**

**Oklahoma City, OK – January 21, 2025** – The Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs (ODVA) is proud to announce that it has been awarded the 2024 Advocate of the Year Award by the Tinker Federal Credit Union Foundation (TFCUF). This recognition highlights ODVA's dedication to connecting Oklahoma veterans with vital services provided by TFCUF.

ODVA has actively referred veterans to TFCUF's programs, including:

- **Home Repair Program:** Offers home repair services and accessibility modifications to ensure safe and accessible living environments.
- **Success for Veterans Program:** Provides financial assistance to organizations serving veterans by issuing grants to meet unfunded needs.
- **Branch Community Impact Program:** Connects veterans with necessary services and supports mental wellness initiatives for first responders in communities surrounding TFCU branches.

"We are honored to receive this award from the Tinker Federal Credit Union Foundation," said James "Jay" Bynum, Executive Director of the Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs. "Our collaboration with TFCUF has been instrumental in providing essential services to veterans, ensuring they receive the support they deserve."

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The Oklahoma Department of Veterans Affairs is dedicated to ensuring that all Oklahoma veterans and their families receive the highest quality services and support. Through a variety of programs, ODVA provides benefits assistance, and other essential services and programs to enhance the well-being of veterans across the state.