

**WOUNDED
WARRIORS
FAMILY
SUPPORT**

2020 Annual Report

Mission Statement

Our mission is to provide support to the families of those who have been wounded, injured or killed during combat operations. The families of our casualties suffer in many ways: some financially, some psychologically.

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Wounded Warriors Family Support serves hundreds of military families across the country. Our unique programs help improve the quality of life of veterans and their spouses, children, and caregivers. We are grateful to the many donors, volunteers, and partners whose support makes our work possible. 2020 provided a challenging year for our families with the physical and mental health of their children.

"Our family is very thankful for Wounded Warrior Family Support. My husband is a combat wounded veteran, I am his caregiver & we have 2 daughters. This organization has done so much for our family, they've been such a blessing the last few years. They offer assistance for not only the wounded veteran, but the entire family. WWFS has provided us with childcare during some of my husbands procedures, they helped pay for a much needed family vacation to Universal & Legoland. Most recently, with the kids having to give up so much with trying times of COVID, they gifted our children an activity grant, which is helping us pay toward the things they love to do, like dance, volleyball, & piano lessons. We are forever grateful for the donors & Wounded Warrior Family Support for everything they do for us & wounded warrior families like ours."



Christal Zavodny
Veteran Caregiver

"My husband is a combat injured veteran of the Iraq war. We have 3 young daughters. Our middle daughter has a complex mitochondrial disease. I have to travel 1200 miles for her specialty care. Due to my husbands injuries, he can not care for himself or our other two girls. WWFS grants me the ability to travel for the specialized care and have someone capable at home to keep my husband and children well cared for. That is a piece of mind that nothing can repay. I am incredibly grateful for WWFS."



Bethany Travis
Veteran Caregiver

PROGRAMS

RESPIRE CARE

Caring for a wounded veteran can be demanding physically, psychologically and financially. Oftentimes, caregivers are spouses or family members who have many other responsibilities, such as work, managing bills and taking care of children. Caregivers of veterans often spend long hours caring for their loved one, feel high levels of stress and neglect their own personal health.

Wounded Warriors Family Support's Caregiver Respite Program provides respite and supplemental services nationwide to the caregivers and families of wounded war veterans. Our program aims to ensure that family members who were thrust into the role of caregivers are provided with the support they need to keep their families intact while keeping themselves healthy.

Wounded Warriors Family Support's Respite Program focuses on injury, illness and medical events in the family including those of the veteran, the caregiver, and the dependent children. It may include services such as housekeeping, meals, child care, and transportation as deemed needed by our case management. The program also provides assistance with other agencies offering resources and support.

Wounded Warriors Family Support provided 596 services and added 131 new families during 2020. Providing these services during the COVID-19 Pandemic brought unique challenges for our organization and families to overcome.

RETREATS

Family Retreats provide wounded warriors and their families a peaceful, non-stress environment to heal and reconnect with their loved ones.

Retreats allow wounded veterans and their families an escape from stress they face daily for an opportunity to become stronger as individuals and families.

2020 brought many travel challenges. Wounded Warriors Family Support still sent 35 families to Bahama Bay Resort in Florida and Yellowstone National Park.



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JOB TRAINING

Our nation's military veterans have fulfilled great commitments in protecting our country's freedom. When returning to civilian life, these veterans often have difficulty finding jobs.

UAW-Ford and Wounded Warriors Family Support collaborate to provide a job training program in welding for U.S. military veterans. UAW-Ford offers six-week training classes where qualified veterans train and test for 1G through 6G welding certification. The program prepares participants for apprenticeships and entry-level positions throughout the country in industries such as automotive, ship building, and construction fields.

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic no welding training courses were offered in 2020. We look forward to 2021 to continue this educational opportunity.

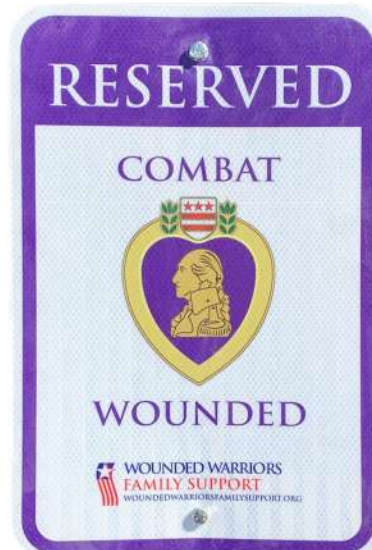


PARKING SIGNS

There are an estimated 1.8 million Purple Heart recipients, combat-wounded service members who have transitioned back into civilian life. They have made great sacrifices to ensure our freedoms but often go unrecognized.

Wounded Warriors Family Support offers combat wounded parking signs, free of charge, to establishments as a way of honoring and recognizing these veterans.

The response has been tremendous, stretching from coast to coast. In 2020, 180 additional signs were placed in parking lots of businesses, churches, schools, medical, and government offices.



PROGRAMS

SOLDIER SUPPORT/UNMET NEEDS

Our military families suffer in many ways: some psychologically, some financially.

We improve the quality of life for military families and help “fill the gaps” for services not provided by the Veteran Administration and other organizations.

In 2020, we provided additional services to deserving families including: COVID-19 family activity grants, auto repairs, assistance with unmet medical and dental expenses, energy grants, home modifications and repairs, and moving expenses.

MOBILITY

In 2020, the “Mobility Is Freedom” program once again addressed the need for veterans to have reliable, mobility-equipped vehicles to drive. The program gives wounded veterans added freedom and independence to live productive and quality lives with their families.

Wounded Warriors Family Support granted more than \$315,000 in funds and vehicles to deserving Purple Heart veteran families in 2020. This includes 3 directly delivered vehicles with needed mobility modifications. Availability of vehicles and also mobility equipment supplies became a large obstacle as the year progressed.

Pictured is the McCardle Family, watch their story at wwfs.org/mccardle.



PROGRAMS

DUNHAM HOUSE

In 2018, Wounded Warriors Family Support started efforts to build and operate a long term care facility for combat-wounded veterans with spinal cord and/or moderate to severe traumatic brain injuries. The Dunham House will be a first class 24 bedroom facility with a homelike design that these veterans can call home. This will be a home for veterans who have limited family resources to continue the specialized care needed.

To make this possible, the residence will be built in the country on 40 acres to provide a peaceful, pastoral setting, yet close enough to Omaha for medical facilities and other support. Wounded Warriors Family Support has completed the purchase of the land and is actively working through zoning and planning requirements with the assistance of HDR, an architectural, engineering, and consulting firm based in Omaha, Nebraska.



The Dunham House is named in honor of Corporal Jason L. Dunham, USMC. Jason deliberately covered an enemy grenade to save his fellow Marines and died eight days later from his wounds. Jason was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor for his actions while serving in Iraq.

“Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.” John 15:13



PROGRAMS

VETERAN BASKETS

Veteran Baskets is a push to encourage organizations to thank our aging veteran populations while we have them with us. Most from World War II have already passed on. But we have so many who fought in the Vietnam and Korean Wars with us still.

In it's second year, Wounded Warriors Family Support challanged the Girl Scouts of America to thank veterans once again over the Veteran's Day holiday. Troops from every state participated. The girls prepared their baskets and presented in a COVID-19 safe manner.

Grant winners included the Girl Scouts of West Central Florida Council which rallied together and not only presented individual girls efforts but then presented their "Caravan of Kindness" of 80 baskets to the veterans at the Bay Pine VA in St. Petersburg, Florida.

Grant funds were used for renewing membership dues and other community projects. Some troops decided to hold the funds awarded to prepare for next years Veteran Baskets Challenge!



**HAPPY
VETERANS DAY**

To our brave soldiers,

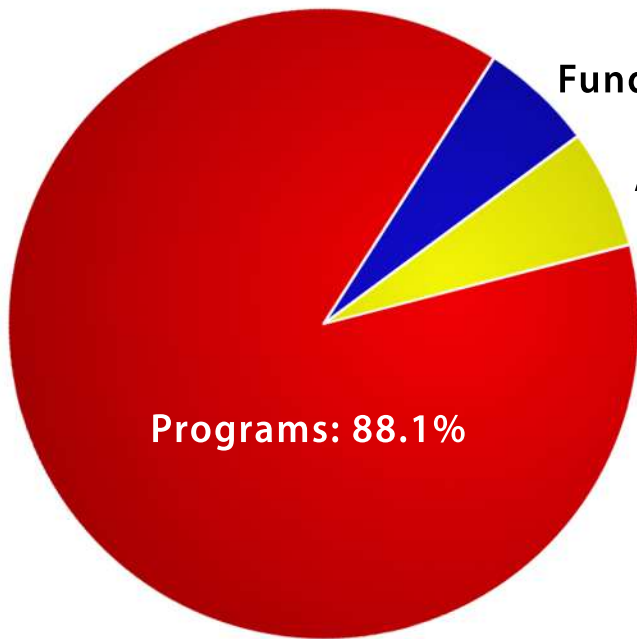
**We honor
you for your
service**

From Mia • Troop 32503
Tampa, FL



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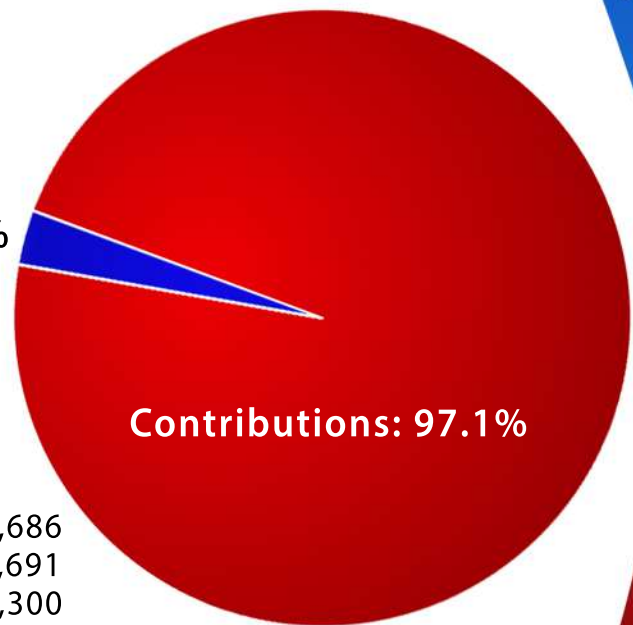
EXPENSES



Program	\$ 3,685,920
Fundraising	\$ 242,605
Administrative	\$ 255,167
Total	\$ 4,180,693

REVENUE

In-Kind Contributions: 2.9%



Contributions	\$ 3,966,686
In-kind Contributions	\$ 137,691
PPP Loan Forgivable Loan	\$ 150,300
Interest/Dividend Income/Other Income	\$ 5,908
Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments	\$ 30,769
Realized Gain (Loss) on Investments	\$ 482,031
Total	\$ 4,773,386

Wounded Warriors Family Support Financial Condition

As of December 31, 2020

ASSETS

Total Current Assets	\$	1,757,395
Total Fixed Assets	\$	1,506,054
Total Other Assets	\$	1,512,885
Total Assets	\$	4,776,334

LIABILITIES

Total Current Liabilities	\$	35,772
Long Term Liabilities	\$	395,451
Total Liabilities	\$	431,223

NET ASSETS

Unrestricted	\$	3,528,608
Temporarily Restricted	\$	816,503
Total Net Assets	\$	4,345,111

TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS \$ 4,776,334

