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Wounded Warrior Project Provides \$9 Million to The Mission Continues

Veteran Service Organizations Join Forces to Give Back through Local Community Service

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., April 25, 2016 /[PRNewswire-USNewswire](#)/ -- For years, Wounded Warrior Project® (WWP) has funded organizations that share the WWP mission to honor and empower Wounded Warriors. Through a continued partnership, WWP will be investing \$9 million in The Mission Continues, another veteran service organization (VSO) that gives injured veterans a chance to use their skills and talents to give back to local communities.

"Today's veterans volunteered to serve in the military," said Spencer Kympton, president of The Mission Continues. "Upon transition from military service, many are looking to serve again. When we help them find ways to contribute here at home, everyone benefits. Thanks to funding provided by Wounded Warrior Project, our services are expanding, giving many veterans the chance to reconnect with the meaning and purpose they found in the military, making our communities become better places to live, and giving our kids the chance to see what it takes to make a country stronger on the inside."

WWP's commitment to fund The Mission Continues builds on the idea of putting the injured veteran's needs first and turning our past VSO competitors into allies by establishing relationships with organizations like Team Rubicon (\$9 million) and America's Warrior Partnership, Inc. (\$20 million), which are designed to dramatically improve services being provided to injured veterans and their families.

Through funding provided by WWP, The Mission Continues has been able to establish 30 service platoons in 2014, and 31 in 2015. Service platoons are teams of veteran and civilian volunteers that mobilize together to solve a specific challenge in their community. Over 6,400 platoon members participated in more than 280 service projects in 36 cities nationwide. By the end of 2016, a total of 70 service platoons will be operating thanks to the support of WWP's continued funding.

WWP's direct investment in other VSOs allows these exceptional organizations to operate in underserved areas, fulfill a need outside the scope of WWP's direct programs and services, or enhance existing WWP programs with services or support that amplifies our existing work. All organizations that receive funding from WWP must serve WWP Alumni, injured veterans, caregivers, and families at no cost and are expected to provide regular, detailed reporting of their programs' impact.

"We understand that no single organization will solve complex societal challenges alone," said Ned Breslin, executive vice president of Partnerships and Programmatic Investments at WWP. "Together, we have a much stronger chance of transforming communities and supporting injured veterans by combining skills and resources. This is precisely what we are doing by funding The Mission Continues."

Between 2012 and 2015, WWP devoted nearly \$11 million to more than 90 organizations that share the WWP vision of fostering the most successful, well-adjusted generation of wounded service members in our nation's history. This funding has allowed more than 95,000 wounded veterans, 6,500 family support members, and 3,900 children across the country to access life-changing programs and services. To learn more, visit: <https://www.woundedwarriorproject.org/programs/community-partners>.

About Wounded Warrior Project

The mission of Wounded Warrior Project® (WWP) is to honor and empower Wounded Warriors. The purpose of WWP is to raise awareness and to enlist the public's aid for the needs of injured service members, to help injured servicemen and women aid and assist each other, and to provide unique, direct programs and services to meet their needs, free of charge. WWP is a national, nonpartisan organization headquartered in Jacksonville, Florida. To get involved and learn more, visit woundedwarriorproject.org.

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