

WWP News & Media: Veteran Group Outings, Charity Events, Helping Vets

Wounded Warrior Project Secures More Than \$220 Million for Injured Veterans

St. Petersburg Next in Line for Benefits Claim Day

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla., July 11, 2016 /[PRNewswire-USNewswire](#)/ -- Veterans with service-related health issues receive instant relief as Wounded Warrior Project® (WWP) hits a huge milestone, securing more than \$220 million in monetary benefits for wounded servicemen and women since the inception of its Benefits Service program in 2007. With long-term financial and medical support playing a critical empowerment role in the recovery process, WWP created the Benefits Service program, helping injured veterans navigate the complexities of the Department of Defense (DoD) and Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to obtain the care they need.

With the support of generous donors, WWP reaches into local communities through a variety of events, filing thousands of claims each year and immediately changing the lives of injured veterans, their families, and caregivers. Benefits Claim Day is one of the events gaining traction across the nation as an innovative collaboration between WWP and the VA.

"Wounded Warrior Project is breaking through organizational boundaries and putting the injured veteran first," said John Roberts, executive vice president of WWP Warrior Relations. "This is an innovative event that places a veteran face-to-face with a WWP staff member and the VA representative who impacts the outcome of their claim."

The success of the WWP Benefits Service program lies in its efforts to ensure claims are filed and processed correctly – the first time.

"WWP staff works individually with injured veterans to understand their unique needs, provide information and education on the claims process, advise them of benefit options, file benefit claims, and help to obtain necessary evidence," John said. "The staff stays connected with these heroes through the entire claim life cycle."

Who: All injured veterans are invited

What: WWP connects injured veterans with VA representatives for more effective, quicker claim process

When: Saturday, July 16, 2016

Where: St. Petersburg Regional Benefit Office, Veterans Affairs | 9500 Bay Pines Blvd., St. Petersburg, FL 33708

Why: Injured veterans should not wait for claims they earned serving our country

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About Wounded Warrior Project

The mission of Wounded Warrior Project® (WWP) is to honor and empower Wounded Warriors. The WWP

purpose 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. WWP is a national, nonpartisan organization headquartered in Jacksonville, Florida. To get involved and learn more, visit woundedwarriorproject.org.

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