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Wounded Warrior Project Registers Veteran 100,000

Milestone Shows Growing Needs of Warriors

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., March 13, 2017 / PRNewswire-USNewswire/ -- Wounded Warrior Project® (WWP) reached a milestone by registering our 100,000th post-9/11 injured veteran. While the number is a significant landmark, it more importantly symbolizes the need for services for this generation of wounded veterans is great – and growing.

"Wounded Warrior Project originally formed to give back to these veterans who answered the call for our freedom," said WWP CEO Lt. Gen. (Ret.) Mike Linnington. "It is our sacred obligation to honor and empower Wounded Warriors every minute of every day."

WWP started in a Virginia basement in 2003 with the goal of providing comfort to injured men and women as they returned from war. Thousands of backpacks have been delivered to hospital bedsides, providing clothing, toiletries, and other relief items over the past 14 years.

WWP connects warriors to other veterans and their communities. It serves these men and women with free lifesaving programs and services, made possible through generous donations from the American public. These opportunities empower warriors to live life on their terms, to mentor other veterans in need, and to serve as productive members of their communities.

WWP has grown to meet the evolving needs of warriors, adding programs to encourage warriors to connect with one another and their communities. In 2016 alone, more than 144,000 warriors took part in connection events in communities in all 50 states. Additionally, WWP expanded mental and physical health efforts, increased advocacy by working closer with Congress, and boosted career and benefits counseling to warriors. In 2016, WWP career and benefits counseling resulted in more than \$175 million in economic impact to warriors and their families.

To learn and see more about how WWP's programs and services connect, serve, and empower wounded warriors, visit https://newsroom.woundedwarriorproject.org/.

About Wounded Warrior Project

Wounded Warrior Project[®] (WWP) connects, serves, and empowers wounded warriors.

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