

“WOUNDED WARRIOR PROJECT HAS BEEN THERE THROUGH THE UPS AND DOWNS, WHEN WE NEEDED THEM MOST.”

— WWP ALUMNUS CARLOS DE LEÓN
WITH HIS FAMILY



**WOUNDED WARRIOR
PROJECT®**



MAKING A POSITIVE AND LASTING IMPACT TODAY, TOMORROW, AND FOR A LIFETIME.

MISSION

To honor and empower Wounded Warriors.

PURPOSE

To raise awareness and 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.

VISION

To foster the most successful, well-adjusted generation of wounded service members in our nation's history.

HEADQUARTERS

Jacksonville, Florida serves as Wounded Warrior Project® (WWP) headquarters and is also the location of our Sacrifice Center, a space that tells stories of empowerment through donated pieces and the words of Alumni and their families. Additional program offices are located throughout the United States and Germany.

ESTABLISHED

Wounded Warrior Project was established in 2003 in Roanoke, Virginia; WWP relocated to Jacksonville, Florida in 2006.

HISTORY

WWP began when several veterans and friends, moved by stories of the first wounded service members returning home from Afghanistan and Iraq, took action to help others in need. What started as a desire to provide comfort items to wounded service members at Walter Reed Army Medical Center has evolved into a widespread rehabilitative effort to assist warriors with visible and invisible wounds as they recover and transition back to civilian life. Tens of thousands of wounded service members, their families, and caregivers receive support each year through WWP programs.

LEARN MORE

Visit woundedwarriorproject.org.

PROGRAMS

Wounded Warrior Project programs are specifically structured to engage warriors, promote their mental and physical well-being, and encourage their economic empowerment. Family members and caregivers are provided comfort, care, and education to help support the recovery of their injured warrior. WWP programs are provided free of charge for warriors, their families, and caregivers.

ENGAGEMENT

WWP understands the importance of building a community of support for our nation's wounded service members. WWP teammates are located in offices across the country and internationally to meet warriors at any stage in their recovery process. WWP offers opportunities for warriors, family members, and caregivers to engage with others who have shared similar experiences on the journey to recovery.

92.9%

WARRIOR
SATISFACTION RATE
WITH ALUMNI EVENTS
AND SERVICES
(FISCAL YEAR 2015)

The Alumni program offers warriors long-term support and camaraderie through sporting events, personal and professional development summits, and recreational activities.

International Support provides assistance and comfort items to wounded service members arriving at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center (LRMC) in Germany. The resiliency initiative also brings some of those same warriors back to LRMC to personally thank the doctors, nurses, and staff for their lifesaving efforts.

WWP Packs are provided to injured service members in the hospital at the outset of their recovery. The backpacks are filled with essential care items such as clothing, toiletries, playing cards, and more — all designed to make a hospital stay more comfortable.

The WWP Resource Center is a home base equipped to help warriors, caregivers, and family members identify the tools and resources they need to meet a wide range of issues.

**“THE CAMARADERIE HELPS YOU SHARE EXPERIENCES —
BOUNCE THINGS OFF EACH OTHER, WHAT HAS HELPED
YOU AND WHAT HAS HELPED THEM.”**

WWP ALUMNUS **MARK LALLI** (LEFT)
WITH **MIKE DELANCEY** (RIGHT)



MIND

Wounded Warrior Project offers programs specifically dedicated to mental health and empowerment. For our nation's most seriously injured veterans who rely on their families or caregivers, WWP brings together warriors, family members, medical or therapeutic treatment providers, community-support professionals, and WWP program staff. Together, this support team can create an individualized plan, helping seriously injured service members with daily tasks and meaningful activities — including social pursuits, volunteer work, and education.

98.1%

OF THE 2,668 WARRIORS AND CAREGIVERS WHO PARTICIPATED IN PROJECT ODYSSEY SAID THEY WOULD CONTINUE TO SEEK OUT MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT IN THE FUTURE (FISCAL YEAR 2015)

The Combat Stress Recovery Program (CSRP) helps warriors and their families maintain healthy, meaningful relationships while pursuing life goals, free from the barriers or stigmas associated with mental health issues.

Project Odyssey® is a three- to five-day event that provides warriors with new tools to help on the journey to recovery from combat stress, post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), and other invisible wounds. During this event, warriors are supported by peers as they are challenged through a variety of activities that may include hiking, rock climbing, obstacle courses, and high-ropes courses.

Warrior Care Network™ is a group of national leading academic medical centers of excellence that connects warriors and their families with world-class, evidence-based mental health care.

The Independence Program supports severely injured service members using the combined efforts of the warrior, family member or caregiver, a treatment team, and community-support professional. Together, they craft a personalized plan to help the warrior reach his or her goals.

The Long-Term Support Trust (the Trust) was developed to ensure that services including life-skills training, home care, transportation, and financial assistance remain available to the severely wounded who, upon the loss of their caregiver, are at risk for institutionalization.

Peer Support offers warrior-led support groups across the country, allowing WWP Alumni to share their stories and build camaraderie with fellow veterans and service members.

WWP Talk provides telephonic emotional support to service members living with mental health wounds. Through one-on-one interaction, warriors and family members begin the first steps toward connecting with others and gaining a sense of empowerment.

BODY

Wounded Warrior Project offers wellness programs for wounded veterans that are designed to maximize physical rehabilitation and promote an overall healthy and active lifestyle. This is achieved through a variety of activities and inclusive sports opportunities.

89.2%

OF WARRIORS AND CAREGIVERS SAID THEY ARE MORE CONFIDENT THEY CAN ACHIEVE THEIR PHYSICAL FITNESS GOALS AS A RESULT OF A WWP PH&W EVENT (FISCAL YEAR 2015)

Physical Health & Wellness (PH&W) encourages warriors and families to lead positive, active lifestyles by introducing them to recreational opportunities, adaptive sports programs, and overall strategies for wellness. The program focuses on four areas: inclusive sports and recreation, nutrition, wellness, and fitness. The goal is to create a generation of injured service members well-adjusted in body and pursuing independent living.

Soldier Ride® is a unique, four-day opportunity for warriors to use cycling and the bonds of service to overcome physical, mental, or emotional wounds. Warriors of all ability levels can cycle on adaptive hand cycles, trikes, and bicycles and experience a confidence boost as they tackle the challenge along roads lined with cheering crowds. The event is also a chance to develop peer support among other veterans and friendships that last long after the ride.



"EXERCISE HAS BOOSTED MY SELF-ESTEEM!"

WWP ALUMNA MARY MCGRUFF

ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT

Through WWP economic empowerment programs, we provide injured warriors, family members, and caregivers with opportunities to achieve long-term financial stability. We provide educational resources and help warriors find their calling for fulfilling and successful careers.

\$158.6M

IN ECONOMIC IMPACT
BASED ON ANNUAL BENEFIT
AMOUNTS AWARDED AND
EMPLOYMENT EARNINGS
THROUGH WARRIORS TO WORK
(FISCAL YEAR 2015)

Benefits Service assists warriors in filing claims as well as advocating on their behalf for missed compensation opportunities in prior claims.

Transition Training Academy (TTA) introduces warriors, family members, and caregivers to information technology (IT) through free classes across the country. TTA instructors engage each student, both on-site and online, with a “learn-by-doing” technique that increases the potential for success. Graduates of the program have earned industry-recognized credentials, obtained full-time civilian employment, started businesses, or returned to service in information technology-related military career fields.

Warriors to Work® offers career guidance and support to wounded service members, family members, and caregivers under this program. Specialists help participants set attainable goals, market their skills, prepare for interviews, and connect with local employers. For Alumni who already have a career, WWP teammates can provide guidance to help them advance. They also educate employers on working with warriors. Warriors to Work focuses on how to recruit and retain veterans and provides reasonable accommodations.

Partnerships & Program Investments are provided to organizations dedicated to honoring and empowering this generation of wounded service members, their families, and caregivers. These investments allow WWP to reach out on a local level, thereby increasing the scope of programs and services provided to registered warriors.

Policy & Government Affairs creates, advocates, and helps implement legislation on a federal level to benefit warriors, family members, and caregivers and make sure they are honored, empowered, and informed far into the future.



"I ENJOY MY JOB, BECAUSE I GET TO BUILD AND WORK WITH MANY DIFFERENT PROSTHETIC DEVICES ... I AM ALSO ABLE TO GIVE BACK BY TALKING TO NEW AMPUTEES TO TELL THEM WHAT AMPUTATION RECOVERY WAS LIKE FOR ME AND HOW I ADJUSTED TO A NEW NORMAL."

WWP ALUMNUS CHAD BRUMPTON



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