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Honoring Our Nation's Veterans from Coast to Coast

Wounded Warrior Project Celebrates Veterans Day with Events Across the Country

New York (November 10, 2014) – As America recognizes the heroes who have selflessly served and sacrificed for this country, Wounded Warrior Project[®] (WWP) is celebrating our nation's veterans with Veterans Day events taking place across the country.

On Veterans Day, November 11th, WWP will be joining "America's Parade," the annual New York City Veterans Day Parade down 5th Avenue in Manhattan, with over 1,000 wounded veterans, caregivers, family members, friends, and supporters participating. WWP will host a number of events before and after the parade including a pre-Veterans Day dinner on the evening of November 10th and a special luncheon for marching warriors and their families in Times Square after the parade.

In addition to the NYC parade, WWP will participate in events across the country in cities including Washington, D.C., Phoenix, Atlanta, and many more. In Jacksonville over 100 wounded veterans and family members will participate in the Jacksonville Veterans Day Parade and an evening of bowling with professional football players; while in Dallas, wounded service members will be honored while riding in classic vehicles during the Greater Dallas Veterans Day Parade.

"We are humbled to join our fellow citizens in honoring our nation's servicemen and servicewomen this Veteran's Day," said Steve Nardizzi, CEO of Wounded Warrior Project. "Today, as we pause and reflect on the service and sacrifices made by our nation's veterans, it is important to renew our commitment to support those who have returned and continue to return from conflicts overseas."

Through its #VeteransDayls social campaign, WWP is encouraging Americans to <u>support veterans</u> by posting what #VeteransDayls to them. Supporters can engage through different social platforms including Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and Google+.

Recently, WWP released the results of its 2014 Annual Alumni Survey, which surveyed the entire warrior population. Based on the responses of more than 21,000 wounded veterans, it includes the largest sample size of service members injured since 9/11 and is the most statistically relevant survey response of that population to date. The year-over-year data provided by this survey allows WWP to establish a baseline; identify trends; compare these outcomes with those of other military populations; and measure the impact of and inform changes to WWP programs and services.

As part of WWP's ongoing commitment to provide for those who have honorably served this country, WWP has committed \$30 million in 2014 to cover both the immediate and long-term needs of the most severely injured veterans who without this funding are most at risk for institutionalization. Provided by generous donors across America, this 2014 funding will serve as a model for decades of support. WWP is prepared to provide long-term care and support to the most vulnerable warriors of this generation, ensuring they can live as rewarding and independent a life as possible. The funding supports two innovative programs, The Independence Program and the Long-Term Support Trust, to safeguard care and support as injured veterans and their families confront their long-term needs and goals. WWP has offices in the following cities to support warriors and their families:

• Jacksonville, FL	• New York, NY	• Washington, DC
• San Antonio, TX	• Atlanta, GA	• Boston, MA
• Chicago, IL	• Colorado Springs, CO	• Fayetteville, NC
• Houston, TX	Landstuhl, Germany	• Nashville, TN
• Pittsburgh, PA	• Phoenix, AZ	• San Diego, CA
• Seattle, WA	• Tampa, FL	• Kansas City, KS
•Palo Alto, CA	• Richmond, VA	•Anchorage, AK
• Minneapolis, MN		

About Wounded Warrior Project

Wounded Warrior Project is recognizing its ten-year anniversary, reflecting on a decade of service and reaffirming its commitment to serving injured veterans for their lifetimes. The mission of Wounded Warrior Project is to honor and empower Wounded Warriors. WWP currently serves over 59,000 warriors and nearly 8,500 family members through its 20 unique programs and services. 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. WWP is a national organization headquartered in Jacksonville, Florida. To get involved and learn more, visit woundedwarriorproject.org. Follow us on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and Google+.

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