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WOUNDED WARRIOR PROJECT® DOCU-SERIES "WOUNDED: THE BATTLE BACK HOME" IS HEADED TO NETFLIX

The Series Available Beginning Sunday, February 15

Jacksonville, FL (February 12, 2015) – The Wounded Warrior Project® (WWP) produced documentary mini-series "Wounded: The Battle Back Home" will become available on Internet television network Netflix starting Sunday, February 15, 2015. The project, produced in conjunction with Austin-based Flow Nonfiction, was created to commemorate the 10th anniversary of WWP and focuses on issues of critical importance to this generation of injured service members and their families through personal stories of struggle and resiliency.

"Wounded: The Battle Back Home" is a documentary series that brings to life the experiences of this generation of wounded veterans as they battle both the visible and invisible wounds of war. Each episode of the series allows viewers to follow these inspiring individuals as they navigate their post-war lives in a society that struggles to understand them and a system that is failing to support them. In addition to physical injuries, the series highlights the invisible wounds that our nation's service members battle as they transition from the military to civilian life, including post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), traumatic brain injury (TBI), and military sexual trauma (MST).

"With 'Wounded: The Battle Back Home' now available on Netflix, a new audience will have access to these inspirational and thought provoking stories, highlighting the challenges facing this generation of injured service members, their caregivers, and families," said Steve Nardizzi, chief executive officer for Wounded Warrior Project. "These documentaries underscore the need for the programs we offer as part of our vision of fostering the most successful, welladjusted generation of wounded service members in our nation's history."

Each documentary provides a glimpse into the day-to-day lives of these veterans as they face the challenges associated with returning from battle. The episode titled "Jamel" tells the story of Jamel Daniels, who was moved to join the United States Marine Corps after witnessing the events of 9/11 in New York City. After losing one of his legs during the final days of his tour in Iraq, Daniels struggled with depression, alcoholism, and PTSD. He sought help from Wounded Warrior Project to reclaim his life and now lives every day to the fullest, cherishing the support system that helped him along his journey to recovery.

In the episode "Dennis – Operation Independence," viewers meet Dennis Cabanting, an Army sergeant whose transport came under insurgent attack from an improvised explosive device (IED). The shockwaves from the explosion caused a life-altering TBI. With failing health, Cabanting was medically discharged and ended up in a nursing home. After turning to WWP for help, he found assistance through Wounded Warrior Project's Independence Program and Long-Term Support Trust.

In addition to firsthand accounts from warriors, Wounded Warrior Project founders and experts in the areas of mental and physical health, economic empowerment, peer support, veterans' advocacy and much more share their insights on what is required to aid these warriors in their individual and collective paths to recovery.

<u>Full Trailer</u>: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iKWYD7hRnYM&feature=youtu.be</u>

30 Second Trailer: http://youtu.be/jToje9wds80

Austin-based Flow Nonfiction produces original documentary-style content for socially-minded corporations and major nonprofits. Their unique and inspiring approach has earned them spots in three Clio Award short lists, and in 2014 they took home the prize for Best Collaboration for their work with Wounded Warrior Project and Grammy-winning band Imagine Dragons.

About Wounded Warrior Project

Wounded Warrior Project[®] (WWP) has a vision of fostering the most successful, well-adjusted generation of wounded service members in our nation's history. To achieve this objective, WWP is committed to a lifetime of service and commitment through its mission: to honor and empower Wounded Warriors. WWP currently serves more than 63,000 warriors and over 9,000 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 www.woundedwarriorproject.org.

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