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Wounded Warrior Project Sets New Record in Veterans' Benefits Secured

More than \$250 Million to Injured Veterans

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Nov. 22, 2016 /[PRNewswire-USNewswire](#)/ -- Veterans with service-related health issues receive instant relief as Wounded Warrior Project® (WWP) sets a new record, securing more than \$250 million in monetary benefits for wounded service members since the inception of its Benefits Service program. With long-term financial and medical support playing a critical, empowering 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 an approval rating above 90 percent for benefits claims filed in fiscal year 2016, WWP continues reaching out to local communities through a variety of program 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 VA. It is an innovative opportunity that places a veteran face-to-face with a WWP staff member and VA representative, who impacts the outcome of their claim.

"Our Benefits Service staff are experts in the veteran claims process – advising warriors of benefit options, filing benefit claims, and obtaining necessary evidence," said Jonathan Sullivan, WWP vice president of economic empowerment. "Through the generous support of our donors, WWP is able to provide our warriors with professional staff who are committed to better understanding injured veterans' unique needs. Currently, their efforts have ensured nearly \$16 million goes directly into the bank accounts of warriors each month."

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

"Wounded Warrior Project is breaking through organizational boundaries and putting injured veterans first," said Mike Linnington, WWP chief executive officer. "There are no limits to what our warriors can achieve in their recoveries. When given the opportunity and the right tools, our resourceful warriors can reach their goals."

About Wounded Warrior Project

We Connect, Serve, and Empower

The mission of Wounded Warrior Project® (WWP) is to honor and empower Wounded Warriors. WWP connects wounded warriors and their families to valuable resources and one another, serves them through a variety of free programs and services, and empowers them to live life on their own terms. WWP is a national, nonpartisan organization headquartered in Jacksonville, Florida. To get involved and learn more, visit woundedwarriorproject.org.

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