

Trump Hosts Wounded Warrior Project Veterans at White House for Soldier Ride

WASHINGTON, April 6, 2017 /[PRNewswire-USNewswire](#)/ -- President Donald Trump honored a group of wounded veterans at a White House ceremony during Wounded Warrior Project® (WWP) Soldier Ride®. This segment of the iconic bicycle ride follows a proud tradition among United States presidents that began in 2008 with President George W. Bush and continued through 2016 with President Barack Obama.

"This was an amazing experience for our warriors, and I am so grateful for President Donald Trump's kind words and encouragement," said WWP CEO Lt. Gen. (Ret.) Mike Linnington. "For over a decade, Wounded Warrior Project has worked with our nation's leaders to connect our wounded veterans with services that will empower them to live their lives on their own terms. We look forward to maintaining collaboration with this administration to extend that legacy of service to this generation of injured service members."

At the White House, President Trump recognized 50 wounded warriors by name, offering words of support to the riders.

"You've risked all that you have, all that you possess to keep our people safe and our democracy secure, and we're going to keep it going for a long time in your honor," President Donald Trump said. "You've earned our freedom with your sweat and your blood and your incredible sacrifice. We salute you. We salute your service."

The ride will continue with the final 12-mile leg of the journey occurring in Chantilly, Virginia.

Programs like Soldier Ride highlight the importance of managing mental health through physical activity and connecting warriors with one another. In a [WWP survey](#) of the injured warriors it serves, 29.6 percent of survey respondents expressed physical activity helps them cope with stress and emotional concerns.

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

About Soldier Ride

Soldier Ride® is a Wounded Warrior Project® (WWP) physical health & wellness program, which empowers wounded veterans to become well-adjusted in body, receiving the care they need to maximize rehabilitation and live active and healthy lives. Read more at woundedwarriorproject.org/programs/soldier-ride.

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