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Wounded Warrior Project Veterans Receive National Support from Operation Supply Drop

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., April 25, 2017 /PRNewswire-USNewswire/ -- More than 40 Wounded Warrior Project® (WWP) Peer Support Groups across the nation will receive special care packages from Operation Supply Drop (OSD) to raise morale and offer a unique means of therapy for injured veterans. The packages include video gaming consoles, controllers, and video games and will be delivered throughout 2017.

Warrior-to-warrior peer support is a special type of therapy that reintroduces injured veterans to the unique bonds experienced during military service. The WWP <u>Peer Support</u> program allows warriors to discuss personal challenges, set recovery goals, and give back to their community – all while supporting one another.

"It is our core belief that working with other veteran support organizations creates a positive impact for all veterans," saidRay Whitaker, OSD chief operating officer and retired Army veteran. "Meeting some of the Peer Support Groups makes our support of this program an easy one. It is our pleasure to help provide another tool to help rehabilitate our brothers and sisters."

WWP programs and services assist injured veterans with mental health, physical health and wellness, career and benefits counseling, connecting with other warriors and their communities, and long-term care for the most seriously wounded.

Generous donors make it possible for wounded warriors to take part in connection activities and benefit from program resources at no cost to them.

"Getting to play PS4™ games with my group members brought back good deployment memories that are usually overshadowed by bad ones," said Earl Lane, U.S. Marine Corps veteran and Weslaco, Texas, resident. "In fact, with all the bad things that happened during the deployment, I had almost forgotten about the good times."

Earl remains grateful to WWP and OSD for the opportunity to connect with fellow warriors on his journey to recovery.

To learn and see more about how WWP's programs and services connect, serve, and empower wounded warriors, visit <a href="http://newsroom.woundedwarriorproject.org">http://newsroom.woundedwarriorproject.org</a>.

## **About Wounded Warrior Project**

Wounded Warrior Project® (WWP) connects, serves, and empowers wounded warriors.

## **About Operation Supply Drop**

The Operation Supply Drop mission is to build a lasting network with the larger community to drive mutual support for today's active duty military, their families and the veteran population. Read more at <a href="http://operationsupplydrop.org">http://operationsupplydrop.org</a>.

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