

## Wounded Warriors Wowed With Whale Watching

NEWPORT BEACH, Calif., March 9, 2018 /[PRNewswire-USNewswire](#)/ -- The sheer spectacle of seeing Earth's largest creatures in their natural environment helped lure injured veterans and their families out on a chartered boat for an educational and exciting Wounded Warrior Project® (WWP) whale watching adventure.

From January through May, California gray whales migrate from Alaska's Chukchi and Bering seas to three wintering lagoons in Baja, Mexico. Around 20,000 grays move up and down the California coast, making it a great time for whale watching.

"I signed up for whale watching to get quality time with my family and connect with other veterans," said Army veteran Christopher Kojima. "We saw several whales up close, which is something we would not have been able to do without the help of Wounded Warrior Project. My daughter was absolutely excited to be part of this!"

The 2017 WWP Annual Warrior [Survey](#) highlights the importance of opportunities for connection at WWP outreach events, which support the long-term recovery of warriors in environments that accommodate physical injuries and social anxieties.

"I am so grateful for the role Wounded Warrior Project and its donors play in my recovery process and that of my fellow warriors," Christopher said. "They've given me and my family the chance to bond and experience new things. I feel that people do care about veterans."

WWP program events like this give wounded warriors an opportunity to experience firsthand what is possible at social gatherings that get them out of the house and connect them with fellow service members and their communities.

Thanks to generous donors, WWP is also able to serve warriors by focusing on mental and physical health and wellness, financial wellness, independence, government relations, and community relations and partnerships.

To learn and see more about how WWP's programs and services connect, serve, and empower wounded warriors, visit our [newsroom](#).

### **About Wounded Warrior Project**

Wounded Warrior Project® (WWP) connects, serves, and empowers wounded warriors. Read more [here](#).

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