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## Wounded Warrior Project Announces New Round of Community Partnership Support

WASHINGTON, Oct. 22, 2018 /PRNewswire/ -- Since 2003, Wounded Warrior Project® (WWP) has been a tireless advocate for our nation's finest, improving the lives of millions of warriors and their families.

"Wounded Warrior Project remains the largest provider of free programs and services for post 9/11 veterans," said René Bardorf, WWP Senior Vice President of Government and Community Affairs. "In 2017, WWP invested over \$166 million in services focused on mental and physical health and wellness, [veteran financial wellness](#), [independence](#), government relations, and [community relations and partnerships](#)."

The need is great and growing for warriors. According to a Harvard study, the costs of care for Iraq and Afghanistan veterans over the next 40 years could reach \$4 trillion to \$6 trillion. And the war isn't just affecting veterans. Family members work to adjust to a new normal when they give up paid employment to become caregivers, affecting their quality of life. WWP has invested more than \$1.1 billion in its programs and services that assist the rehabilitation and recovery of our nation's brave men and women so they can have a future to look forward to.

"The long-term resiliency and well-being of the military community at the national and grass-roots levels require diverse and innovative care solutions," said Bardorf. "Wounded Warrior Project cannot do it alone and is committed to working as a force multiplier in the communities where our nation's warriors live, work and re-integrate. Strategic collaboration among best-in-practice veteran and military organizations helps to augment our existing programs to ensure that critical gaps in care are managed effectively, in communities that need it most."

These important investments expand impact for our nations' warriors by empowering other veteran's service organizations to do more for the populations they serve. This approach also enables WWP to increase awareness around the major issues facing all service members, such as toxic exposure, increased employment opportunities, and suicide prevention.

The complete list of WWP's final tranche of 2018 grantees is below:

- National Military Family Association <http://www.militaryfamily.org/>
- Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors (TAPS) <https://www.taps.org/>
- Elizabeth Dole Foundation <https://www.elizabethdolefoundation.org/>
- Homes for Our Troops <https://www.hfotusa.org/>
- Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) <https://www.vfw.org/>
- Boulder Crest <http://www.bouldercrestretreat.org/>
- The Honor Foundation <https://www.honor.org/>
- Our Military Kids <http://ourmilitarykids.org/>
- Hiring Our Heroes <https://www.hiringourheroes.org/>
- Vail Veterans Program <https://www.vailveteransprogram.org/>
- HillVets <https://www.hillvets.org/>
- Comfort Crew <https://www.comfortcrew.org/>
- American Bar Association <https://www.americanbar.org/aba.html>
- The War Horse <https://www.thewarhorse.org/>
- Warrior Reunion Foundation <https://www.warriorreunionfoundation.org/>
- Blue Star Families <https://bluestarfam.org/>
- Military Family Advisory Network (MFAN) <https://militaryfamilyadvisorynetwork.org/>
- Vietnam Veterans of America <https://vva.org/>

To learn more, contact our government and community relations team via Mattison Brooks or visit <https://www.woundedwarriorproject.org/programs/community-partners>.

### **About Wounded Warrior Project**

Since 2003, Wounded Warrior Project® (WWP) has been meeting the growing needs of warriors, their families, and caregivers - helping them achieve their highest ambition. Learn more: <http://newsroom.woundedwarriorproject.org/about-us>.

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