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Wounded Warrior Project 5K Growing in 2019



Show Your Support For Our Veterans With Our 5K Run

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., March 26, 2019 /<u>PRNewswire</u>/ -- Wounded Warrior Project<sup>®</sup> (WWP) is bringing its unique 5K to a new location. San Antonio joins San Diego; Nashville; and Jacksonville, Florida as hosts of WWP Carry Forward<sup>®</sup> 5K, delivered by CSX<sup>®</sup>.

<u>Carry Forward</u> started on the right foot in 2018: more than 3,500 people supported it in three cities. Nearly 1,750 participants took part in virtual runs or walks to honor our nation's finest.

"The response in our inaugural year was nothing short of inspiring," said WWP CEO Lt. Gen. (Ret.) Mike Linnington. "Now it's time to build on that momentum. We want to reach more veterans and communities as we strive to empower those who have served."

Every participant has a story. Three sailors in San Diego exemplified the spirit, taking turns carrying each other. Volunteers cheered as a father, with his young son perched on his shoulders, waved a flag, while others carried weights across the finish line. There were countless smiles and pictures of supporters who provided a snapshot of perseverance and patriotism.

"With all of the hundreds of people that are here supporting us, it really warms my heart to know this is the country we live in," said one veteran at the Carry Forward event in Nashville.

Here's where the stories will unfold this year:

- San Diego Aug. 24
- Nashville Sept. 21
- San Antonio Oct. 5
- Jacksonville Nov. 9
- Virtual now thru Dec. 15

<u>If you can't attend an event, don't worry – there's another way to participate</u>. Virtual runs or walks give you the flexibility to create your own Carry Forward event on a date and location that's most convenient for you. Follow this link to see how you can set up your own event: <u>https://carryforward.woundedwarriorproject.org</u>.

All proceeds of Carry Forward help veterans on their journeys to recovery. Warriors don't pay a penny for WWP programs, because they paid their dues on the battlefield. WWP's free services in mental health, career counseling, and long-term rehabilitative care change lives. To donate or read more about WWP, visit

## https://wwp.news/GiveBack.

For updates on Carry Forward events, follow WWP Carry Forward at <u>https://www.facebook.com/wwpcarryforward</u>.

## **About Wounded Warrior Project**

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

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