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Wounded Warrior Project Renews Collaboration with TAPS for Suicide Prevention and Survivor Care



WASHINGTON, Sept. 25, 2019 /PRNewswire/ -- Wounded Warrior Project® (WWP) renewed support for Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors (TAPS), a national nonprofit organization caring for the families of our nation's fallen service members and veterans. TAPS provides ongoing emotional support, care, and resources to more than 90,000 surviving military family members and loved ones, at no cost to them.

This \$120,000 grant supports two Intensive Clinical Programs hosted in partnership with Home Base, a Red Sox Foundation and Massachusetts General Hospital Program for TAPS families grieving the loss of a loved one to suicide, followed by ongoing peer-to-peer support and monthly web-based psychoeducation.

"Mental health care and suicide prevention are top priorities for Wounded Warrior Project," said WWP CEO Lt. Gen. (Ret.)Mike Linnington. "We're proud to work with TAPS as it provides critical care and resources to families who lost a loved one to suicide. Since 1994, TAPS has provided important peer support for grieving family members so they can manage their feelings and continue their lives."

"Thanks to the generous support of Wounded Warrior Project, TAPS has been able to provide ritical trauma care to military families who are grieving the loss of a loved one to suicide," said Kim Ruocco, Vice President of TAPS Suicide Prevention & Postvention. "Wounded Warrior Project's funding has provided the support needed to offer our best-practice postvention model of support and provide trauma-informed training on our approach."

Learn more about how WWP has granted more than\$88 million to 165 veteran and military service organizations involved in the care of America's military community since 2012.

## **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. <u>Learn more</u>.

## **About TAPS**

The Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors (TAPS) is the leading national organization providing compassionate care and survivor support services for the families of America's fallen military heroes. For more information, go to <a href="https://www.taps.org">www.taps.org</a> or call the toll-free TAPS resource and information helpline at 1.800.959.TAPS (8277).

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