Our Faces of Hope are creating a mosaic of restored lives.
A message from our President

Dear HOPE Family,

Because of your support, our vision for Hope For The Warriors as a national organization with grassroots impact is taking shape. Through our Faces of Hope—donors, supporters, volunteers, corporate sponsors and staff—together we are creating a mosaic of restored lives within the military community. This year alone your support served over 5,300 military families and provided more than 12,400 services that impact the entire well-being of the warrior, as well as those who serve alongside them.

With 70% of our staff being veterans or military spouses, Hope For The Warriors operates with a deep personal connection and passion for our mission. The service members, veterans, caregivers and families of the Fallen we serve are our neighbors, friends and family—making up the faces of restored hope.

As we move forward, we are dedicated to increasing our capacity for support without losing our tailor-made approach. To do that, we must recognize that the need is still here: Units deploy, and there are families to take care of. Mental and physical health support is an ongoing need. And service members need to know that they are still appreciated. Because of these growing needs, we have to grow our Faces of Hope and create a broader coalition in support of our mission. Our programs have a track record of success and a strong history of fiscal accountability. It’s imperative that the support keeps up with the demand.

As you look at our impact report, know that it is because of you we can restore self, family and hope to the military community. Look for ways your support can grow and evolve with us. And share our story—your story—with those who will join us as Faces of Hope.

Sincerely,

Robin Kelleher
President/CEO

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Who We Are

Mission Statement

We believe those touched by military service can succeed at home by restoring their sense of self, family and hope. Nationally, Hope For The Warriors provides comprehensive support programs for service members, veterans, military families and families of the Fallen that are focused on transition, health and wellness, peer engagement and connections to community resources.

Populations Served

All Hope For The Warriors programs serve post-9/11 active duty, National Guard, reserve service members and veterans from all branches of the military. Programs also support the entire military family, families of the Fallen and military caregivers.

Our Staff is the Military Community

98% have served or have a family member who served
30% are service members
39% are spouses of service members
5% are caregivers

68 staff members in 15 states
Over 150 events in 26 states
Hope For The Warriors truly stands by their name. It’s given me HOPE and the inspiration to help other veterans facing similar issues.

- Daron K., Army Veteran

**2017 Reach**

**NEW warriors** served
- **2,978**

**total warriors** served
- **5,382**

**services provided**
- **12,479**

*Warriors includes service members, veterans, caregivers, military families and families of the Fallen*
Programs and Services

Well-Being Model

We believe in a holistic approach to well-being and understand that many factors impact a service member’s life—family, community, employment and countless others. As such, our programs take a 360° approach to service, promoting whole-person wellness for each service member we support. Through our three main program areas—Transition Services, Clinical Health & Wellness, and Sports & Recreation—we help service members and military families on their journey to wellness and a successful transition to civilian life.

Program Area Highlights

Clinical Health & Wellness

Our licensed clinicians provide holistic, person-centered care. We offer a range of services that address both urgent and long-term veteran and family wellness needs.

★ NEW! Military Child Initiative Designed to promote military family wellness by supporting the military child to participate in structured recreational and educational opportunities.

★ NEW! Resilient Warrior and Resilient Family programs teach stress management techniques through an intensive, six-week series of online courses.

Transition Services

We provide transition support from all angles, ensuring every transition—whether from combat to home, duty station to duty station, military to civilian life or military career to academic endeavors—is successful.

★ NEW! In 2018, we will launch Warrior’s Compass, powered by JobPath, a platform that provides a full suite of online employment support services including resume building, MOS translator, career matching, mentoring and job training content. Warrior’s Compass is designed to help service members and military spouses make a successful transitions to new careers.

Sports & Recreation

Our Sports & Recreation programs reintroduce a sport or hobby to warrior athletes. We also provide severely injured service members with the opportunity to gain new skills through the use of adaptive equipment.

★ Run For The Warriors race series creates a First Mile to Recovery for service members across the country.
Your Support in Action

156 Families Assisted with Rent or Utilities

Through the generous support of our Faces of Hope donors, our Critical Care Coordination provides relief to military families in the midst of seeking care for their injuries. Our team of social workers offer stop-gap supportive services and meet every individual where they are with our comprehensive care and support services.

I feel like 1,000 pounds have been lifted off my shoulders. I want to personally thank you for working so hard and being so kind in my time of need. We soldiers are really blessed to have you on our side.

– Houston-based Army family

Restoring Hope in Times of Disaster

2017 was a year of unprecedented devastation due to numerous natural disasters having ravaged multiple regions of our great country and territories, including Texas, Florida and Puerto Rico. Pictures of continuous heartbeat, and a clear need for immediate humanitarian relief in the affected areas, tugged at every American’s conscience. Hope For The Warriors was able to react quickly to support 838 military families with disaster services throughout the year.
Meeting the Needs of the Military Family

Hope For The Warriors understands the needs of service members and military families are constantly changing. Our programs are both cutting-edge and responsive, evolving to meet these complex needs.

The results have been incredible. The demand for our programs has increased year over year, with a **63% increase in new warriors** from 2014 to 2016 alone.

Your Support, Your Impact

We continue to serve the military community with pride and deep respect, making positive impacts in the lives of service members and military families across the country.

In 2017, Hope For The Warriors:

- Supported **6,000** service members, veterans, and their families
- Provided more than **12,000** services
- Held **150** national and community-based events
- Granted **13** wishes through A Warrior’s Wish®
- Provided **$430,000** in financial assistance
- Awarded **$30,000** in scholarships to service member spouses and caregivers

Volunteers of the Month

Each month we recognize an individual who has gone above and beyond in the spirit of HOPE.

Our 2017 recipients:

**January** Judi Matzke | North Carolina

**February** George MacClary | Florida and Massachusetts

**March** Tu Garland | Virginia

**April** Jeneice Annunziato | Texas

**May** Ben Szanto | New York and Illinois

**June** Bob Del Grosso (In Memoriam) | New York

**July** Juana Carrizales | North Carolina

**August** Andrea Viglione | Virginia

**September** Kristina Butler | Florida

**October** Reginald Phillips | Virginia

**November** Colleen Saffron | Texas

**December** Michael and Lori Finney | Arizona
Community Faces of Hope

Remembering John Vigiano

John Vigiano (1938-2018) was a resilient hero. He and his family have lived a life of service. John, a former Marine, retired as one of FDNY’s most decorated fire captains. Despite his impressive record of service, John was most proud of his family and the paths his two sons chose: John Jr., an FDNY firefighter, and Joe, an NYPD detective.

John and his wife, Jan, lost both their sons on the morning of September 11, 2001, yet the pain strengthened the family’s resolve to support those who serve. In honor of their sons, John and Jan worked tirelessly donating their time and resources to improving the lives of Gold Star Families and wounded heroes across the nation.

John provided Hope For The Warriors with guidance and wisdom throughout the years and helped us reach veterans in the communities of New York City and Long Island.

“John’s legacy is one of honor, courage and resiliency,” said Hope For The Warriors CEO Robin Kelleher. “He was a fighter in every sense of the word. The way he selflessly served his community inspires our work at Hope For The Warriors. We are forever grateful to have known John and the entire Vigiano family. Our nation is a better place because of his service.”

Vigiano Family

Hope and Courage Awards

We honored six Faces of Hope with the Hope and Courage Awards at our annual Got Heart Give Hope Gala. These awards are presented to service members and military family members who have demonstrated both hope and courage in the face of extraordinary circumstances. Our 2017 honorees:

Dana Abudayeh | military caregiver and United States Marine Corps veteran from Jacksonville, North Carolina

Mario Alcala | United States Marine Corps veteran from Carrollton, Texas

Hope Linder | United States Army veteran from Phoenix, Arizona

Gabby Mack | United States Army veteran from Griffin, Georgia

Bob and Cindy Roberts | proud Gold Star parents of SGT Kristie Roberts from Queensbury, New York

2017 Hope and Courage Award honorees (left to right): Hope Linder, Mario Alcala, Cindy Roberts, Bob Roberts, Dana Abudayeh and Gabby Mack
Fiscal Responsibility

For the 7th year in a row, Hope For The Warriors earned a Four-Star Rating from Charity Navigator, putting the organization in the top 4% of Charity Navigator rated nonprofits. It is a testament to Hope For The Warriors’ meticulous fiscal transparency and accountability, letting donors know their support is an exceptional investment in the future of the military community.

Hope For The Warriors Financial Statement Overview

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 2017

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One of CNBC’s Top Ten Charities that Support Veterans
One of Consumer Reports’ Best Charities for your Donations

A detailed look at Hope For The Warriors financial information can be found at www.hopeforthewarriors.org.
There are many ways to connect and stay involved with Hope For The Warriors. We are grateful for your support and dedication to our mission. Here’s how you can continue to be a Face of Hope.

**Volunteer**

We have volunteer opportunities across the country and are always looking to expand our impact through your time and talent. Visit hopeforthewarriors.volunteerhub.com for more information.

**Join the Circle of Hope**

The Circle of Hope is a program for loyal supporters who wish to make a significant impact on veterans and military families through a recurring monthly donation. Here is how your monthly support has an impact:

- $22 per month | Provides travel assistance for a caregiver and family visiting a wounded service member
- $48 per month | Covers books and supplies for Spouse/Caregiver Scholarship recipients
- $100 per month | Prevents homelessness for a military family facing a service-related income gap

**Social Media**

Follow us on our social media channels to stay up-to-date on all Hope For The Warriors happenings.

- /HopeForTheWarriors
- @Hope4Warriors
- @Hope4Warriors

Faces of Hope shine across the country just about every day. Get the latest HOPE news at hopeforthewarriors.org.

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I was introduced to Hope For The Warriors in their earliest days. I had noticed the above and beyond attention they gave my family and me then. Now, years later, they still call and check on my family and me, and they have never forgotten me.

-Derek H., Army Veteran
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Hope For The Warriors thanks our corporate and event partners for their dedication to our veterans and military families.
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Hope for the Warriors’ strategic alliances are partners in our mission. We work together to provide comprehensive support programs for services members, veterans and their families.

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