

HELP

A WOUNDED WARRIOR

More than 30,000 troops have been injured in recent conflicts, many of them suffering traumatic brain injuries, amputations, and severe burns. Wounded Warrior Project (WWP) provides services and programs to ease their burdens and aid in the transition back to civilian life.

Thousands of signature WWP backpacks have been delivered to the hospital bedsides of America's wounded with such comfort items as a tee shirt, shorts, toiletries, phone card, cd player, and more.

Our benefits liaisons who deliver these backpacks are often wounded warriors themselves, and their experience and guidance offers inspiration and assurance that an injury need not prevent a happy, productive life. We build a wounded warrior community of support where individuals can help each other cope with their injuries and successfully transition to civilian life.

***"You just get your life back.
They help people get
their life back."***

*- Melissa Stockwell,
wounded April 13, 2004 in Baghdad, Iraq*



Mission: to honor and empower wounded warriors.

PROGRAMS

WWP BACKPACKS: Backpacks of essential personal care items, including comfortable clothes, toiletries, and calling cards are delivered bedside to severely wounded service members arriving at military trauma centers. A smaller version of the WWP Backpack, Transitional Care Packs are sent directly to Iraq and Afghanistan to provide immediate comfort during a warrior's relocation to a U.S. military trauma center.



BENEFITS COUNSELING: Guidance about government benefits available to the injured is provided, and we help them navigate the transitions between agencies.

ADAPTIVE SPORTS: Many wounded warriors were skilled athletes before their injuries. Programs like the Wounded Warrior Disabled Sports Project and Soldier Ride help warriors rebuild confidence and reclaim an active lifestyle during their rehabilitation.



ADVOCACY: Injured soldiers are given a voice in local and national issues. Through WWP's efforts, the Wounded Warrior Bill was passed, giving severely injured service members a one-time insurance benefit of up to \$100,000 to help their families during the days immediately following their injury.

SUPPORT FOR A LIFETIME: Our services don't end when warriors check out of the hospital.

WWP Alumni is an avenue for communication, networking, and camaraderie beyond the borders of the hospital room. Programs such as Peer Mentoring, Internships, TRACK, and Warriors to Work are all designed to help serve the long-term needs of our dedicated service men and women.



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