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## Coalition to Salute America's Heroes Awards \$7,500 Grant to Combat Veteran Homelessness

Donation to Wounded Warrior Homes will provide housing and food for homeless veterans

*LEESBURG, Va.* (Sept. 10, 2018) – The <u>Coalition to Salute America's Heroes</u> (Coalition), a leading not-for-profit organization dedicated to rebuilding the lives of severely wounded veterans of the War on Terror, today presented a \$7,500 grant to <u>Wounded Warrior Homes</u> (WWH) of San Marcos, Calif.

The grant will be used primarily to house and feed veterans in the program, along with casemanagement services, available community resources and the development of a plan for each participating veteran to transition into a self-sufficient member of the local community.

"Homelessness in the veteran population is a national disgrace, so the Coalition has been extremely active in this space for several years," said David Walker, President & CEO of the Coalition to Salute America's Heroes. "We have given nearly \$150,000 over the last five years to directly support transitional housing for our veterans, including \$5,000 to Wounded Warrior Homes two years ago. We are very pleased to see how far their program has advanced since that time and WWH will remain a very important part of our effort to eradicate veteran homelessness in the years ahead."

WWH also provides contacts to support upgrades to disability benefits, assists veterans with their employment search and/or college enrollment and encourages the establishment of savings plans.

"The Coalition has been instrumental in our ability to steer veterans out of homelessness and into meaningful civilian employment and independent living," said Mia Roseberry, Executive Director of Wounded Warrior Homes Inc. "We are proud that they have chosen to support us again with this latest grant, and we look forward to providing an outstanding return on their investment."

For more information about Coalition to Salute America's Heroes, visit saluteheroes.org.

## **About Wounded Warrior Homes**

Founded in 2010, WWH's mission is to assist homeless and at-risk post-9/11 veterans who are symptomatic of Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder and/or Traumatic Brain Injury by providing long-term transitional housing, available resources and a defined path for each member to

transition to independent living as veterans of foreign wars. For more information, visit woundedwarriorhomes.org.

## About the Coalition

Since its establishment in 2004, the Coalition to Salute America's Heroes has provided an immediate, invaluable lifeline to thousands of America's combat-wounded veterans. The Leesburg, Va.-based organization is distinguished from other veteran-focused groups by its direct financial assistance to America's wounded heroes. Its Emergency Financial Aid program has stopped foreclosure proceedings on veterans' homes and kept their vehicles from being repossessed. Its innovative Heroes Thanking Heroes program provides transitional, part-time, flexible employment to nearly 50 combat-wounded veterans or their primary caregivers, enabling them to make phone calls from their homes, usually to personally thank donors for their contributions to the Coalition.

For more information on the Coalition, and to learn how you can support its mission, visit <u>saluteheroes.org</u>. Combat-wounded/disabled OIF/OEF/OND veterans are invited to join the Coalition and expand their camaraderie network by enrolling in the Veteran Circle program at <u>saluteheroes-vetcircle.org</u>.

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