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*All Americans are
deeply indebted to
the members of our
military who have
served and sacrificed
so much to protect our
freedoms.*



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**Providing Emergency Aid and Other Support Services to Veterans
Severely Disabled in the Global War on Terror for Over 18 Years**



REBUILDING LIVES AND RESTORING HOPE



Founded in 2004, the Coalition to Salute America's Heroes is a non-partisan, 501(c)(3) national non-profit organization dedicated to assisting the hundreds of thousands of servicemen and women who suffered serious injuries in Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation New Dawn, Operation Inherent Resolve, or in support of these operations in a combat zone. Whether they lost a limb, suffered a traumatic brain injury (TBI), were badly burned, or have another disability, such as post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), these brave veterans deserve not only to be honored for the sacrifices they made in defense of our freedom,

For those who came home severely wounded, the Coalition to Salute America's Heroes wants to deliver on that debt.

but they also deserve help in rebuilding their lives. Through financial donations to the Coalition to Salute America's Heroes, corporate sponsors, individual contributors and others have a chance to show their support for our troops as they transition from the battlefield to the home front. Our mission is to help disabled veterans and their families of the Global War on Terror recover from their injuries and illnesses, and to inspire other organizations and the general public to participate in this effort.

What We Do

The Coalition to Salute America's Heroes provides direct financial assistance, advocacy, supportive services and transitional opportunities to disabled veterans, their families, related military agencies and like-minded non-profits, through the following:



EMERGENCY FINANCIAL AID With these funds, we help severely disabled veterans meet a wide range of day-to-day financial needs – particularly if they are waiting for their disability benefits to begin or have lost income because their spouse or parent had to quit working to become their primary caregiver. Most often, this aid is used to cover urgent expenses such as:

- ★ *Utility bills*
- ★ *Car payments and insurance*
- ★ *Medical bills*
- ★ *Mortgage and rent*
- ★ *Food, clothing and gas*
- ★ *Home repairs*

HEROES THANKING HEROES This program recognizes that many severely wounded veterans are unable to work outside the home, and that their spouses often must stop working to assume a caregiver role. To help them earn much-needed income the program provides:



- ★ Part-time, flexible employment making "thank you" calls from their homes to Coalition donors.
- ★ Basic training and experience working in a "virtual call center," which also prepares them for other jobs.

CONFERENCES & RETREATS A core part of our mission is to encourage hope, healing and re-connecting. We strive to create life-changing experiences for our severely wounded veterans and their families from all across the U.S. as they continue on their road to recovery. **Heroes Freedom Retreat** presents extraordinary opportunities for veterans to develop stronger bonds with their spouse, strengthen marriages, build camaraderie and tour some of America's most sacred and historic landmarks. The **Road to Recovery Conference and Tribute** is a multi-day educational and motivational event for wounded veterans and their families to enable them to be better prepared for the challenges that lie ahead. Experts from government, private sector and other veteran-focused non-profit groups and corporations offer advice and guidance on: career counseling and transition, caregiver support, family counseling, enhancing personal relationships and improving mental health and wellness.

HOLIDAY GIFT CHECKS The Coalition distributes thousands of gift checks to disabled service members for meals during the Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter holidays. The Christmas Secret Santa program also provides gift checks to hundreds

of disabled veterans every year to help them meet their basic living expenses and buy gifts for their families.

GIFT IN KIND We have proudly partnered with the national non-profits Feed the Children and Blue Star Families in hosting food truck events across the country for military families in need. Together we were able to feed over 15,600 veterans and active-duty military families over the past few years.

CREATING AWARENESS The Coalition informs millions of Americans about the needs of our veterans and how they can help through direct marketing. The Thank You card program distributes hundreds of thousands of cards each year to wounded troops. We also encourage the public to petition the government for more adequate financial assistance and timely treatment for injured service members.

PROGRAM GRANTS The Coalition provides direct funding to thousands of wounded veterans in need, and also offers grants to other organizations that support disabled veterans and their families in a variety of ways. We have a dedicated committee that reviews monetary endowments to other groups.



SALUTE HEROES FAMILY NETWORK Includes free membership programs designed to provide a network for America's combat-wounded veterans, caregivers and their children. Qualified members receive numerous benefits of the **Veteran's Circle Network** including: being eligible for holiday meal and gift checks, peer support, financial coaching, monthly updates of events and employment opportunities, free access to online training and the ability to communicate with other disabled veterans in a private

environment. The mission of the **Veteran's Caregiver Alliance** is to improve the quality of life for the caregivers of our combat-wounded post 9/11 veterans. We accomplish this by guiding our caregivers through all services available, while identifying and filling gaps. We work with like-minded VSO's, government agencies, and community initiatives, to assure the needs of our caregivers are being met. There are many benefits of this free program including; a peer support network, online education, financial coaching and more. The mission of **America's Little Helpers** is to provide the children of wounded and disabled veterans with resources, support, and outlets to help them cope and thrive while living with the effects of their parents mental and physical war wounds. The strongest form of support for these kids is creating opportunities for them to bond and form relationships with other children of wounded veteran families.



Our innovative programs provide a hand up...not a hand out.



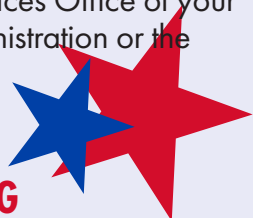
Obtaining Help

If you are a wounded veteran interested in seeking help from the Coalition to Salute America's Heroes, all that's necessary to begin the process is to visit our website, **www.saluteheroes.org**, and complete an online application.

The primary guidelines to be eligible for assistance are:

- ★ You must have a service-connected disability rating of 30 percent or greater resulting from a single, sustained injury incurred during combat in Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Enduring Freedom, Operation New Dawn or Operation Inherent Resolve, or in support of these conflicts.
- ★ Your information will be verified by the General Services Office of your respective military branch and by the Veterans Administration or the Department of Defense.

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"I was two months behind on my mortgage and I didn't want to lose my home the Coalition helped my family tremendously. I am very thankful to the Coalition and the donors."

- ROLANDO CORRAL U.S. ARMY (RET.)

Providing Help

If you would like to help severely wounded veterans by contributing to the Coalition to Salute America's Heroes, we encourage you to visit **www.saluteheroes.org**, and click on the "Donate Now" button that can be found on any page. You also can call our toll-free number, **1-888-44SALUTE**. Either way, your donation will be tax-deductible as we are an authorized 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.

You may also inquire about other ways you can help by contacting us via e-mail at:

info@saluteheroes.org

Become a valued member of Partners for Heroes as a monthly supporter, visit **saluteheroes.org**

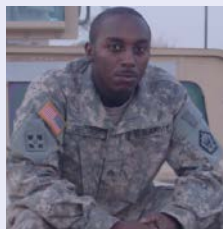


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In Their Own Words...

Here are just a few examples of what severely wounded service members say about the Coalition to Salute America's Heroes:

"I was struggling tremendously. I was lost within the titles of wife, momma, & caregiver. I wasn't able to provide for our family and we needed extra financial support. Raising four children isn't cheap. I felt like I had no self-worth. I stumbled upon The Coalition to Salute America's Heroes. It changed my life. It changed my family's life. They provided me with employment so I could work from home, have flexible hours and still take care of my wounded veteran and our children." – **JESSICA T. WIFE OF AN ARMY VETERAN**



Malcolm G. shown here before injuries sustained in Iraq that took his eye, crushed his head and throat, and broke multiple bones.

"I had found myself in a place where I had fallen behind on my mortgage payments due to challenging circumstances. I was on the active foreclosure list and didn't know how much longer I had before I would be out on the streets. I was in full survival mode and barely keeping my head above water. The team at the Coalition, my family, helped me when I was feeling hopeless."

– **HTH REP. MALCOLM G.**



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Returning from war to confront the challenges of physical or emotional disabilities is hard enough without the added burdens of severe financial difficulties and family stress. The Coalition to Salute America's Heroes seeks to ease those burdens for veterans injured in the Global War on Terror so they can progress along their road to recovery with pride and confidence.

If you are a severely injured military service member who needs assistance, or simply an American citizen eager to ensure our wounded troops have the means for putting their lives back on track, please contact us today.

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