## **OUR MISSION**



Warrior Bonfire Program provides opportunities that improve the lives of enemy combat-wounded veterans—Purple Heart recipients—on their lifelong journey of recovery and healing. We create activity-based, small group retreats that foster healing, build support communities, and transform lives.

"Thank you so much for this opportunity. It has been unreal this entire week.

I did things I couldn't even dream of doing and made some incredible life long memories and bonds. I feel so blessed. It's been such an honor. God bless y'all."

- Purple Heart Warrior







We strive to build support communities, foster healing and improve the lives of those we serve

## **OUR STORY**

Bonfire Retreats are recreational therapy based, multi-day events that are reserved primarily for six Purple Heart Veterans. Bonfire retreats provide opportunities for wounded veterans, in small groups of six, to enjoy a favorite activity while partaking in the camaraderie and therapeutic value of spending time around the bonfire with fellow veterans while promoting Post-Traumatic Healing and the building of support communities, fostering healing and improving lives. Each retreat is concluded with a bonfire including a U.S. Flag retirement ceremony providing participants with an opportunity to honor and memorialize fallen comrades.

# PAIN SHARED IS PAIN DIVIDED; JOY SHARED IS JOY MULTIPLIED.

## **ROSTER OF OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS**

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"Warrior Bonfire Program is the best organization of people that I have ever had the pleasure of working with. Being amongst others who face the same problems as myself is extremely helpful, as we are able to share with one another stories and problems in our lives that many of our friends and family are unable to fully understand or assist us with."

- Purple Heart Warrior

## **IMPACT IN 2024**

### **FINANCIALS**

\$805,132

\$778,006 ENDING NET ASSETS \$653,316

PROGRAM EXPENSES

\$73,165

FUNDRAISING EXPENSES

\$58,610

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

\$785,091

TOTAL EXPENSES

## **OPPORTUNITIES**

**SINCE 2013** 

1,157 VETERANS



149 SPOUSES

WARRIOR BONFIRE HAS BEEN TO

31 STATES



LIFE IMPROVING: 94%

BUILDING SUPPORT: 98%

FOSTER HEALING: 95%





5,700 VOLUNTEER HOURS

