

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.



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



**PAIN SHARED IS PAIN DIVIDED;
JOY SHARED IS JOY MULTIPLIED**

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 fallen comrades.

"After that trip, I can honestly say that suicide is off the table. I learned from the others that were there, that have invisible wounds like me, that I AM worth it, my service did count, that it's ok to use the resources available. Not abuse them but to use them to make my life better so that I can help others through the experience I have been through." – Kellie, Purple Heart Warrior



IMPACT IN 2022

\$707,594 MONETARY DONATIONS
+ **\$233,908** IN-KIND DONATIONS
\$941,502 TOTAL DONATIONS

 **24**
BONFIRES

 **OVER**
6,500
VOLUNTEER HOURS

OPPORTUNITIES
SINCE 2013

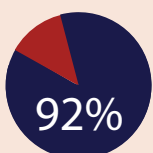
 **958** VETERANS
 **98** SPOUSES

92%

OF PARTICIPANTS SAY
THE BONFIRE HAD A
POSITIVE IMPACT ON
THEIR LIVES



IMPACT
THE BONFIRES IMPACT:



**PROGRAM
EXPENSES
TO TOTAL
EXPENSES**



5
CAMPFIRES

LIFE IMPROVING: **96%**

BUILDING SUPPORT: **96%**

FOSTER HEALING: **95%**