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## NAVY SEAL FOUNDATION INTRODUCES A NEW PROGRAM IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19

We all know that the coronavirus pandemic is unsettling enough...but imagine fighting this fight alone. Many Naval Special Warfare (NSW) spouses were just days away from being reunited with their service members only to receive the disappointing news their loved one's deployment was extended. NSF promptly extended our deployment respite child care program for an additional 60 days for those families affected by the deployment extension.

As things progressed and our nation began to enforce social distancing restrictions, we saw that our NSW families were facing new challenges. In April, the Navy SEAL Foundation created our **Family Assistance Program**, a brand new temporary program to help offset these COVID-19 related difficulties.

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#### THE PROGRAM INCLUDES:

**Virtual Learning Assistant:** Helper to assist families during a time of virtual learning and school closings. Helpers will follow the curriculum provided by the parent (or school system).

**Parent Helper:** Helper to assist with housekeeping needs that are above and beyond affiliation with childcare, such as sanitizing areas, laundry, etc.

**Running Errands/Grocery Shopping and Delivery Services:** Helper will provide services outside of the home such as grocery shopping and other errands.

To learn more, or to apply for assistance, please visit our website.

#### LEARN MORE ABOUT THIS PROGRAM →

NSF also **supported COVID Quarantine for 17 SEAL students** at the Advanced Training Command (ATC) who were exposed to the virus and had to be quarantined on base for 14 days. We were pleased to provide yummy boxed meals for them during the final week of their quarantine. This was a great opportunity for NSF to support our community while also supporting a local business.

"Thank you, NSF for making 17 sailors really happy!"



### **OTHER NSF NEWS**

# WAY TO GO!

We're proud to report that NSF once again has earned the GUIDESTAR PLATINUM Seal of Transparency for 2020! Guidestar rates its charities based on reporting and NSF is pleased to be designated as a 2020 Platinum Level participant for another year!

These great charity ratings are only possible because of the hard work of our leadership and staff and the NSF's commitment to meeting our mission in a way that is both efficient and transparent.

Way to go team!





s social distancing protocols were in full effect the Navy SEAL Foundation recognized how stressful it can be to keep families engaged and entertained while spending more time at home. In this uncertain time, it is our goal to bring families together and build morale. To help with this, the Navy SEAL Foundation challenged NSW families to build the best fort with anything found around the house. The family that built the most creative, patriotic, and NSW/NSF focused fort won a prize--backpacks provided by our Official Partners GORUCK.

We had high NSW engagement, and we even opened the challenge up to the general public. It was amazing to see how creative and innovative our NSW families were while building these forts.

If you'd like to see for yourself, check out the hashtag #nsffortchallenge on Instagram!

"In a time of crisis, it brought our family together"

-Active Duty Family

"Once again, the Navy SEAL Foundation is helping us make great memories."

—Active Duty Service Member

"We just moved to an area where there are fewer command members around. Every time you move, you kind of lose your home base, so to speak. And so just getting to see people that have been through similar experiences as you, and then you connect at a signature event...it's been really nice."

-Active Duty Service Member

"Thank you so much for the wonderful challenge. My kids had a lot of fun coming up with ideas for the fort and building it. It was a great activity to entertain and challenge them. Thank you for all you do to support the community."

Active DutyService Member





## PROGRAM SUPPORT UPDATES

#### **ACTIVE DUTY WOUNDED, ILL AND INJURED SUPPORT**

NSW has active duty members serving throughout the United States. We are proud to ensure that those who are geographically separated from the major commands receive NSF support when they are wounded, ill, or injured by funding their travel and lodging, as well as the cost for the program. A SEAL who traveled from Montana to Virginia for our return-to-duty program was able to complete three weeks of the rehabilitation program before it was suspended due to COVID-19. However, he was unable to travel home for over a week due to COVID-19 travel restrictions followed by flight delays. NSF continued full support for lodging and meals during this layover time.

NSF also supported a warrior who suffered significant injuries during his 23-year military career. Due to the nature of his injuries and his current mission, the medical officer prescribed the most appropriate rehab devices and hearing protection. When we learned that these devices were not covered by TRICARE, we were glad to ensure this operator had the necessary equipment to excel in his role and stay operational.

In another case, a service member and his wife were dealing with the previous loss of their first child, his injuries from multiple deployments and the birth of their second child with special needs. As you can imagine, this caused extreme distress for the family and additional stress for this senior leader. When the couple sought therapy to address these stressors, NSF was pleased to cover the costs not funded by TRICARE. The family is on the mend and **we are honored to support them.** 

#### **WARRIOR AND FAMILY SUPPORT**

Having an infant with a rare genetic disease can be stressful during normal times, but with COVID-19 sweeping across the nation, the parents of this baby experienced additional concerns and need for caution. After a bone marrow transplant and months in the hospital, the day FINALLY arrived and they were able to take their baby home. NSF supported HVAC duct replacement, mold testing and an air purifier system in order to establish the safest environment possible for this family to be together again!



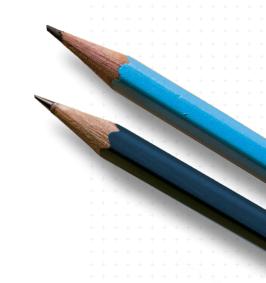


#### NSF SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

COVID-19 placed extraordinary demands on the NSW community as well as those who graciously support it, including members of NSF's scholarship review committee and many higher learning institutions. In an effort to maintain the integrity of the program the review deadline was extended for our NSF scholarship applications. Applicant responses to the extension were sentiments nothing short of remarkably compassionate.

Scholarship award notifications have since gone out with **345 active duty, active duty spouses, dependent children and veterans receiving scholarships** valued at over \$1,000,000!

NSF will open round two of our scholarship applications on June 4th. Please visit our website for more information about the NSF's Educational Opportunities.



"Thank you so much for this update and all the work you all continue to do especially under these crazy conditions!"

-NSF Scholarship Applicant

"Thank you so much for the update.
I appreciate your transparency and
I completely understand. We all
must be flexible during this time.
Stay safe and healthy!"

—NSF Scholarship Applicant

"Thanks for the update. I completely understand and appreciate everything you and NSF do to support those in need."

-NSF Scholarship Applicant

## GOLD STAR AND SURVIVING FAMILY HOME CARE FUNDS

The Navy SEAL Foundation recognizes that repairs, maintenance, and upkeep of a home can be overwhelming, especially for the widows and caregivers of the children of our fallen. We are pleased to provide an annual stipend to help eliminate this stress. With the COVID-19 virus affecting many of these surviving families, NSF made these funds available early, which provided relief during a time of uncertainty.

"Thank you so much! Literally in tears. Having to stay home with kids and not having my income from work I was so stressed trying to figure out how to stay afloat during this time. Since this has been going on it feels like the days after my husband's death. Like my world had slowed down and wondering why no one else's world was slowing down either. But going out into society now I have that same feeling but this time everyone around me is feeling it too."

—Gold Star Spouse



"Thank you, NSF! Definitely a crazy time, I'm still trying to wrap my head around it. Thankful for you all and very much grateful for the stipend this year as it appears I just got my last paycheck for a while."

—Gold Star Spouse







#### **NSF VETERAN SUPPORT**

One example of NSF's veteran support this month involved assistance to a medically retired SEAL who needed assistance with the basics--housing, groceries, and childcare. NSF was honored to help. In order to make sure this veteran SEAL and his family will have the care they need, we continue to coordinate with the Care Coalition and VA Advocates. Coordination with CC and VA Advocates is the first step of many that NSF takes in support of those who have experienced service-connected wounds.

If you know of a SEAL or SWCC veteran in need, please reach out to Mark Greene, NSF's Director of Transition and Veteran Support <a href="mailto:mgreene@navysealfoundation.org">mgreene@navysealfoundation.org</a>.

#### **TRANSITION**

Many service members have had their transition postponed for up to a year due to COVID-19 and the ramifications of this delay may not be realized for several months or even years. When those affected by this change are ready to resume their transition plans, NSF will be there!

For those transitioning on schedule, NSF is providing scholarships, funding to participate in transition programs, helpful connections and solid guidance. Some examples of those receiving this support include two SEAL Officers who will attend Stanford University in the fall, one enlisted SEAL who will attend UCLA, and another SEAL with aspirations of becoming a commercial pilot. The diverse interests of these operators are supported by NSF's transition program, and we are committed to matching their drive as they take their leadership into the civilian sector.

For transition support, please visit our website or contact Mark Greene, NSF's Director of Transition and Veteran Support <a href="mailto:mgreene@navysealfoundation.org">mgreene@navysealfoundation.org</a>.







OUR COMMITMENT

THE NAVY SEAL FOUNDATION PROVIDES IMMEDIATE AND ONGOING SUPPORT AND ASSISTANCE TO THE NAVAL SPECIAL WARFARE (NSW) COMMUNITY AND ITS FAMILIES UNDER FIVE MAIN AREAS: WARRIOR & FAMILY SUPPORT, EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES, TRAGEDY ASSISTANCE & SURVIVOR SUPPORT, WARRIOR TRANSITION, AND LEGACY PRESERVATION.

93 SURVIVING SPOUSES, FIANCÉES AND SIGNIFICANT OTHERS 110 SURVIVING CHILDREN

205 SURVIVING PARENTS

102 SURVIVING SIBLINGS

PRIMARY CAREGIVERS
OF SURVIVING
CHILDREN

### **TOTAL PROGRAM SUPPORT YTD: \$2,780,671**

(as of 4/15/20) \$697,358 SURVIVOR SUPPORT \$701,836 TRAGEDY ASSISTANCE AND VETERAN SUPPORT \$395,476 CHILD RESILIENCY \$73,971 **EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES** \$374,522 ASSISTANCE \$140,595 WARRIOR AND **LEGACY** 

**TOP 0.7%** 

OF ALL NONPROFITS
FOR FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

#### 95 CENTS\*

OF EVERY DOLLAR DONATED GOES DIRECTLY TO PROGRAMS OR IS RESERVED FOR FUTURE MISSION USE



4-STAR
CHARITY NAVIGATOR
RATING SINCE 2011

\*Fundraising ratios and efficiencies are calculated using the Charity Navigator three-year average for these areas.

NSW KILLED IN ACTION SINCE SEPTEMBER 2001

**PRESERVATION** 

22 NSW KILLED IN TRAINING SINCE SEPTEMBER 2001

46
NSW LINE OF DUTY SINCE SEPTEMBER 2001

**FAMILY SUPPORT** 

NSW VETERAN-DIPLOMATIC MISSION 0THER NSW LOSSES SINCE SEPTEMBER 2001



# STAY HOME AND GIVE BACK





Introducing the Patriot Blend, a new specialty coffee blend crafted exclusively in support of the Navy SEAL Foundation. This year marks the 20th anniversary of the creation of the Navy SEAL Foundation, and to help support their mission and honor our nation's finest warriors, Blended Joe is donating a portion of the proceeds from the sale of the Patriot Blend to the Navy SEAL Foundation.











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#### **OFFICIAL PARTNERS**













#### **PROMOTIONS AND PROUD SUPPORTERS**





























# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

DATE	STATUS	EVENT NAME	CITY
5/17-5/18/19	Postponed until 2021	Joshua T. Harris Memorial Golf Tournament	Pinehurst, NC
5/21/2020	Postponed until 2021	Rosedin Golf Tournament and Auction	Newport, CA
5/22-5/25/2020	Postponed until 2021	11th Annual Danny Dietz Memorial Classic	Rosenberg, TX
5/25/2020	Active	CrossFit Iron Legion VIRTUAL Memorial Day Murph	Ocala, FL
5/28/2020	Postponed Fall 2020	Los Angeles Evening of Tribute	Los Angeles, CA
6/13/2020	Postponed TBD	2020 Hess Fest	San Diego, CA
6/27/2020	Active	Lt. Michael Murphy Run Around the Lake	Ronkonkoma, NY
7/11/2020	Active	Racing the Beaverhead 100K	ldaho and Montana
7/11/2020	Active	Allen Stone Memorial Run Swim Run	Virginia Beach, VA
7/25/2020	Virtual Race Only	Joggin' for Frogmen San Diego	San Diego, CA
8/6/2020	Postponed until 2021	Denver Evening of Tribute	Denver, CO
9/3/2020	Active	Midwest Evening of Tribute	Chicago, IL
9/11/2020	Active	5th Annual Shootin' for the Stars	Rio Oso, CA
9/14/2020	Active	Birdies By the Bay	Half Moon Bay, CA
9/18-9/20/20	Active	SEAL Tribute Event	Half Moon Bay, CA
9/20/2020	Active	Boston Frogman Swim	Boston, MA
9/25/2020	Active	6th Annual Shootin' for the Stars	Carson City, NV
10/3/2020- 10/10/2020	Active	El Santo Racing Team NORRA Mexican 1000	
10/8-10/10/20	Active	Pedal for Patriots	Atlanta, GA
10/10/2020	Active	Joggin' for Frogmen Imperial	Imperial, NE
10/15/2020	Active	NSF New England Benefit Dinner	Boston, MA
10/17/2020	Active	JFF Virginia Beach	Virginia Beach, VA
10/24/2020	Active	Hawaii Evening of Tribute	Hawaii
11/1/2020	Active	NYC Marathon	New York City, NY
11/7/2020	Active	Joggin' for Frogmen Frisco	Frisco, TX
11/13/2020	Active	Dressed to Kilt	New York City, NY
		2021 EVENTS	
1/17/2021	Active	Tampa Bay Frogman Swim	Tampa, FL
2/4/2021	Active	Houston Evening of Tribute	Houston, TX
3/4/2021	Active	New York City Benefit	New York City, NY
3/24/2021	Active	Palm Beach Evening of Tribute	Palm Beach, FL

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