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# THE SITUATION REPORT

## JUNE 2020

## NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS



## THANK YOU MISSION BBQ!

On Saturday, May 16, MISSION BBQ presented the Navy SEAL Foundation with their annual **American Heroes Cup donation** in the amount of **\$69,210!!** This donation was made possible by the generous support of their customers throughout the Hampton Roads area in Virginia. MISSION BBQ donates \$2 from the purchase of each cup to NSF and this year, Phil Boyer, Regional Director of Operations with MISSION BBQ presented the donation to Sara Berry, Director of Marketing and Communications for NSF.

"It's our honor and privilege to Serve and Support such a respected and giving organization like the Navy SEAL Foundation. Their volunteers, programs, and dedicated efforts have tirelessly supported America's Heroes," said Steve Newton, co-Founder of MISSION BBQ.

Since 2016, MISSION BBQ and its patrons have donated over \$270,000 to the Foundation in support of the Naval Special Warfare (NSW) community.

We are so proud to call MISSION BBQ our [Official Partner!](#)

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# OTHER NSF NEWS

## COVID-19 UPDATE

The Coronavirus pandemic continues to affect the lives of our NSW families. Last month we shared that the Foundation had responded to the need created by COVID by creating the [Family Assistance Program](#) to help our NSW families thrive during this unpredictable time. In the month of April alone, NSF provided **738 hours of care** to the families of NSW through this program. Many service members continue to report to work daily and have spouses who are essential personnel. You can sense the collective sigh of relief in the following testimonials from NSW families:

*"Thank you very much for your continued support. It means everything. It is so reassuring to know that not only the active community but our extended family at NSF understands and responds to these types of needs. I cannot thank you enough for having our back."*

—Active Duty SEAL

*"Oh WOW thank you SO much! I'm literally in tears right now! Sending you guys huge virtual hugs! All of this has come at the worst possible time with all of the things that our daughter is going through after our move back from Germany. Thank you SO much! This bridges the gap until the SEALKIDS grant opens up and extra tutoring hours are approved."*

—Active Duty SEAL Spouse

*"This is amazing! Thank you very much for helping us out during this time. I know this takes some of the pressure off my wife and it helps me take care of my family from afar. Thanks to you and the Foundation. Please let everyone there know how much we appreciate you! Stay safe."*

—Active Duty SEAL

*"I'm writing to send a HUGE thank you for the additional hours provided through the Family Assistance Program for assistance with Virtual Learning. We went from a stressful daily struggle that took close to 6 hours a day of me trying to keep 3 elementary-aged kids focused on school, while also wrangling a toddler, to everyone completing their work within 3 hours. Before we had the assistance with Virtual Learning, there was not a single day that everyone got their work completed, despite the time spent. I can't even express the relief this extra help has brought! I was ending every day close to tears, feeling like I couldn't do another day like this. Thank you, thank you!!!"*

—Active Duty SEAL Spouse







# PROGRAM SUPPORT UPDATES

## ACTIVE DUTY WOUNDED, ILL AND INJURED SUPPORT

While most of us are focused on surviving COVID-19, our NSW warriors are still on the frontlines fighting the fight. Our support is crucial for our wounded, ill, and injured members who are experiencing the effects of social distancing. For those who cannot go into their command for human performance support, NSF is providing equipment and individual therapy for their rehabilitation recovery so there is no delay in the service member returning to duty and being mission ready for deployment.



## WARRIOR AND FAMILY SUPPORT

We were so saddened to learn the adult son of an active duty NSW service member was killed in a traffic accident. The service member, who was deployed, was brought home, and NSF stepped in to help the family by supporting the dignified transfer of the son to a San Diego funeral home. The family has made the hard decision to postpone the funeral due to current COVID restrictions and we stand ready to assist them as needed when the restrictions are lifted.

# SPOUSE APPRECIATION SIGNATURE EVENT

Each May, NSF eagerly anticipates our **Spouse Appreciation** events which serve to recognize the selfless dedication of our NSW spouses. This year due to COVID, gathering together to celebrate was not an option. However, NSF succeeded in connecting and preserving this important moment of gratitude through our valued partnership with #1 New York Times best-selling author [Rachel Hollis](#).

NSF surprised our awesome spouses with a unique “virtual” outing--complimentary tickets to the RISExLIVE conference hosted by Hollis. The all-day conference was a unique opportunity for attendees to be encouraged and inspired.

NSF's innovative approach to this year's Spouse Appreciation was a huge success with almost 500 NSW spouses from locations across the globe registering to attend. Our ability to deliver great programming, including events, amidst the challenges of COVID, is unmatched!

Huge thanks to Rachel Hollis for her dedication to our NSW community!

Check out the feedback from some of our spouse attendees:

*“This was perfect for the time in our lives and the world.”*

*“Oftentimes as a military spouse, we have an abundance of fears. It may be deployment-related, moving related, not knowing when we will see our families again the list goes on, we deal with people of all different walks which can lead us to feel anxiety or judgment from others. I thought it was amazing how Rachel discussed fear and her analogy to Vegas Nachos! I have now started following Rachel on FB, Instagram, and cannot wait for the app! Thank you for all you guys do!”*

*“A lot of Rachel's explanations resonated with me and I was so moved I bought her two books from Target and did curbside pickup that same day. I did dance multiple times and posted photos on my Facebook page on how grateful I was to be given an opportunity to be part of the conference. Thank you!”*

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Image from <https://www.instagram.com/letsrise.co/>



## NSF SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

News of NSF scholarship award notifications went out in April and as the award acceptance forms started coming back to the Foundation, so did an overwhelming number of messages of gratitude:

*"Thank you for considering my application for the scholarship and granting me the scholarship. This is so helpful! I can't express enough how much it means to me. It is such a breath of fresh air not having to worry about paying for this next semester of classes. I appreciate all the Foundation does for us. Your work does not go unnoticed or unappreciated. Thank you again!"*

*"Thank you so much for your consideration and the award of the Navy SEAL Foundation Scholarship. I am in my first year of graduate school. With the help of the Navy SEAL Foundation and this generous scholarship, I will complete my educational goal of earning a Master of Science in Nursing and reach my career goal of becoming a Family Nurse Practitioner. As military families, we face many challenges, but with the support that the Navy SEAL Foundation provides, many new opportunities begin. I am so grateful for the journey ahead."*

*"I just wanted to reach out and say thank you so much for considering and granting me the Navy SEAL Foundation scholarship this Spring. The scholarship will be invaluable for me to continue my pursuit of a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing. Thank you for all the work you do supporting the team members and families in the Naval Special Warfare Community."*



*"I finally got the courage to go back to school because of this scholarship! It was exactly what we needed so there would be no additional financial burden on our family. It's incredible!!"*

*"Thank you very much for your consideration and for awarding me the scholarship. This is very much appreciated. I look forward to being able to give back to the NSF in any way possible to continue the good work and services the organization provides to NSW members and families."*

*"I just wanted to take a quick moment to express my gratitude to you and the foundation. A few days back, I received the message that I've been awarded a scholarship to put towards my current Master's Program. The scholarship couldn't have come at a better time too: I'm currently on shore duty, so I'm loading up on courses to get through them quickly and TA can't cover them all. The Navy SEAL Foundation has been very good to me for a long time. I've had the chance to attend several signature events, made some great friends and contacts, and just been generally blessed by all you folks do. Thanks for your generosity and goodness to the community and to guys like myself!"*

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## ROUND TWO OF THE NSF SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM IS NOW OPEN.

For more information, or to apply, [please visit our website here](#). The second round of applications will close on June 30, 2020.

# NSF VETERAN SUPPORT

This month, a retired SEAL suffered devastating effects from COVID-19. He was unable to contact NSF directly; however, his daughter and one of his former teammates promptly reached out to our staff that set in motion the full weight and force of our dedicated team. We continue to track his progress and stand ready to provide assistance as soon as we are called upon to act on his behalf or in support of his family.

We receive frequent updates from his daughter who shared:

*"Our guy is strong as an ox, and our God is faithful. The hospital staff can feel our support and love. Thank you for reflecting light and goodness."*

Years ago, NSF provided support to one of our active-duty SEALs in the form of a service dog for his special needs daughter. At the time, this SEAL was a single parent and NSF's support helped keep him in the fight. We are sad to report that the now-retired SEAL contacted us recently to share that their beloved "Leo" had passed away. We know that service dogs are not only working dogs and companions, they are true members of the family and are greatly missed when they are gone. He shared:

*"Fortunately I was there with him when he left us. I brought him home with an American flag draped over his coffin as we carried him out. He was given two salutes by two old veterans in the parking lot. It was awesome. I want to thank you and the Navy SEAL Foundation for helping finance and organizing his training and for allowing him to be a part of my daughter's and my lives! He was a true hero and right now is probably driving Jesus crazy running around."*



## TRANSITION



We're happy to report that our SET program's Human Performance component was recently able to resume operations. When the pandemic caused a shutdown of all facilities, five members of our SET program had to pause their treatment. Instead of picking back up where the cohort left off, NSF chose to re-start the cohort at the beginning of the program to ensure consistency of training and rehabilitation.

The investment we make in human performance transition for our SEALs and SWCCs is invaluable and is improving both visible and invisible injuries sustained from the operational tempo our warriors have endured.



# 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

**8**

PRIMARY CAREGIVERS  
OF SURVIVING  
CHILDREN

**TOTAL PROGRAM SUPPORT YTD: \$3,718,790**

(as of 5/15/20)

**\$837,151**

TRAGEDY ASSISTANCE  
AND VETERAN SUPPORT

**\$140,826**

LEGACY  
PRESERVATION

**\$398,614**

WARRIOR AND  
FAMILY SUPPORT



**\$740,407**

SURVIVOR SUPPORT

**\$672,892**

EDUCATIONAL  
OPPORTUNITIES

**\$487,504**

TRANSITION  
ASSISTANCE

**\$441,396**

CHILD RESILIENCY

**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.

**71**

NSW KILLED IN ACTION  
SINCE SEPTEMBER 2001

**22**

NSW KILLED IN TRAINING  
SINCE SEPTEMBER 2001

**46**

NSW LINE OF DUTY SINCE  
SEPTEMBER 2001

**6**

NSW VETERAN-  
DIPLOMATIC MISSION

**11**

OTHER NSW LOSSES SINCE  
SEPTEMBER 2001



# STAY HOME AND GIVE BACK



FitVine, in partnership with the Navy SEAL Foundation, has created this limited edition Red Zinfandel varietal which has aromas of dark fruit and freedom. 25% of proceeds from every bottle sold goes to the Foundation and by purchasing this bottle you are directly supporting their mission of service to the Naval Special Warfare community.

**SHOP AND SUPPORT →**



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.

**SHOP AND SUPPORT →**





# EVER WANTED TO THANK A HERO?

## 4 FREE CARDS FOR THE 4TH!

Our friends at TouchNote are giving new users 4 free cards when they sign up and use the promo code offer **NSF**. You can use the cards to thank a frontline worker, a friend, parent, or teacher, or even send a card to a SEAL via the NSF\*!

To learn more about TouchNote, please visit: [touchnote.com](http://touchnote.com) and don't forget to use the promo code NSF for 4 free cards!

\*General Thank You cards to SEALs and other NSW members can be mailed to:

Navy SEAL Foundation  
1619 D Street, Virginia Beach, VA 23459



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# HELP GIVE BACK WITH SMARTY

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## SAVE TIME AND MONEY

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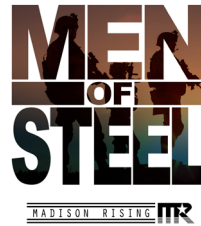
# OFFICIAL PARTNERS







# PROMOTIONS AND PROUD SUPPORTERS



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# UPCOMING EVENTS

DATE	STATUS	EVENT NAME	CITY
6/27/2020	Active	<a href="#">Lt. Michael Murphy Run Around the Lake</a>	Ronkonkoma, NY
7/11/2020	Active	<a href="#">Racing the Beaverhead 100K</a>	Idaho and Montana
7/11/2020	Virtual Race Only	<a href="#">Allen Stone Memorial Run Swim Run</a>	Virginia Beach, VA
7/25/2020	Virtual Race Only	<a href="#">Joggin' for Frogmen San Diego</a>	San Diego, CA
8/6/2020	Postponed until 2021	<a href="#">Denver Evening of Tribute</a>	Denver, CO
9/3/2020	Active	<a href="#">Midwest Evening of Tribute</a>	Chicago, IL
9/11/2020	Active	<a href="#">5th Annual Shootin' for the Stars</a>	Rio Oso, CA
9/14/2020	Active	<a href="#">Birdies By the Bay</a>	Half Moon Bay, CA
9/18-9/20/20	Active	<a href="#">SEAL Tribute Event</a>	Half Moon Bay, CA
9/20/2020	Active	<a href="#">Boston Frogman Swim</a>	Boston, MA
9/25/2020	Active	<a href="#">6th Annual Shootin' for the Stars</a>	Carson City, NV
10/3/2020 - 10/10/2020	Active	<a href="#">El Santo Racing Team NORRA Mexican 1000</a>	
10/8-10/10/20	Active	<a href="#">Pedal for Patriots</a>	Atlanta, GA
10/10/2020	Active	<a href="#">Joggin' for Frogmen Imperial</a>	Imperial, NE
10/15/2020	Active	<a href="#">NSF New England Benefit Dinner</a>	Boston, MA
10/17/2020	Active	<a href="#">JFF Virginia Beach</a>	Virginia Beach, VA
10/24/2020	Active	<a href="#">Hawaii Evening of Tribute</a>	Hawaii
11/1/2020	Active	<a href="#">NYC Marathon</a>	New York City, NY
11/7/2020	Active	<a href="#">Joggin' for Frogmen Frisco</a>	Frisco, TX
11/13/2020	Active	<a href="#">Dressed to Kilt</a>	New York City, NY
<b>2021 EVENTS</b>			
1/17/2021	Active	<a href="#">Tampa Bay Frogman Swim</a>	Tampa, FL
2/4/2021	Active	<a href="#">Houston Evening of Tribute</a>	Houston, TX
3/4/2021	Active	<a href="#">New York City Benefit</a>	New York City, NY
3/24/2021	Active	<a href="#">Palm Beach Evening of Tribute</a>	Palm Beach, FL

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