

FAQS



What is Purple Heart Family Support?

Purple Heart Family Support provides Purple Heart and potential Purple Heart families with personal, web-based, and community resources designed to guide individuals and families through the road to recovery after their service member is injured in combat. In addition to web resources, Purple Heart Family Support also provides meals and fellowship to Wounded Warriors and their families while they are in the hospital.

Why does Purple Heart Family Support need the \$250,000?

Currently, Purple Heart Family Support serves 2 hospitals 2,000 meals a year on average. The rising conflict in Afghanistan, in addition to the previous war in Iraq, has increased the number of Wounded Warriors so much so that many military hospitals are at capacity. The need for the meals and fellowship Purple Heart Family Support provides has grown so large that we need to expand the service. With the Pepsi Grant, we will be able to serve 4 hospitals a grand total of 20,000 meals a year and supply them with comfort items such as adaptable clothing and wellness guides.

Why is Purple Heart Family Support feeding families and not just Warriors?

While their service member is in the hospital, most families become their Warriors primary caregiver. The families wait by their Warrior's bedside changing their clothes, bathing them, administering meds, and feeding them – anything they can do to aid their Warrior's recovery. Because many service men and women are critically wounded, many families don't want to leave their Warrior's bedside. We feed them too so they don't have to. They are already stressed, and the last thing they should have to worry about is how they are going to feed themselves in addition to their Warrior.

How is Purple Heart Family Support currently supported?

Purple Heart Family Support is funded completely through donations. With the current state of the economy, donations have slowed down hindering Purple Heart Family Support expansion.

Will the Pepsi Grant be used for Administrative costs?

No, Marine Parents will fund any administrative costs for Purple Heart Family Support. The Pepsi grant will only be used to provide meals, comfort items, wellness guides, and support to Wounded Warriors and their families.

Can I help Purple Heart Family Support?

You can! To help Purple Heart Family Support you can make a donation to provide meals or vote for us in the Pepsi Refresh Everything competition. If you live near the Wounded Warrior Barracks at Balboa or Bethesda Naval Hospital in Maryland, you can volunteer your time.

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