



VAIL VETERANS PROGRAM

2016 YEAR IN REVIEW



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Executive Director Letter

"I don't know what direction my recovery or my life would have taken had I not made that first trip to Vail and the Vail Veterans Program in 2004," said Staff Sgt. Heath Calhoun, (Ret), two-time Winter Paralympic Athlete. Calhoun was deployed to Iraq, where he was assigned as a Squad Leader for the 101st Airborne Division in 2003. "I was at the rear corner of the Humvee when the grenade hit the tail light right beside my right leg, I could see immediately my legs were really messed up. I yelled to the driver of the vehicle and then I laid my head back down and that is all I remember." Calhoun's injuries resulted in the loss of both legs above the knees. Just a few months after his injury, Calhoun stepped off a plane in Vail, Colorado determined to find a new normal. The new normal for Calhoun was discovered through the Vail Veterans Program.

Since 2004, the Vail Veterans Program has evolved to meet the changing needs of wounded veterans, providing programming built around a steadfast commitment that prioritizes the veteran and his or her family. Our wounded veterans face a long and arduous physical and emotional recovery from their injuries. Through outdoor therapeutic sports, peer-to-peer mentorship, and life transitional skill building, the Vail Veterans Program builds self-confidence, self-esteem, and a sense of confidence that amplifies their possibilities.

Over the past 13 years, the Vail Veterans Program has learned that recovery is life-long. We actively continue to expand our programming through working directly with our military hospitals to address the ongoing needs of our severely wounded and their families, as exemplified by two powerful new programs – the Caregivers Program and Veterans Path to Success.

The Caregivers Program was initiated in 2015, bringing together caregivers of wounded veterans to share the difficulties and isolation of the primary caregiver role and to create camaraderie and a connection allowing participants to share their challenges and experiences.

Veterans Path to Success was developed in 2015, in conjunction with the Human Performance Institute and with the assistance and support of Johnson & Johnson, helping injured veterans define their new story post recovery and rehabilitation. Outcomes to date have been powerful and life changing.

The success of the Vail Veterans Program would not be possible without the encouragement and support of our donors, sponsors, and volunteers. With your support, we have assisted 780 veterans and their families in the physical and emotional recovery from their injuries and provided a newfound confidence.

I would like to acknowledge and thank all those who support the Vail Veterans Program. Your numerous contributions have had a powerful impact and have positively changed the lives of those that have sacrificed for each of us.

Thank you,
Cheryl Jensen
Founder and Executive Director



Vail Veterans Program Ambassador Letter

The Vail Veterans Program (VVP) changes the lives and families of many of our wounded, ill, and injured service members. As a wounded veteran, my family and I experienced first-hand the healing powers of the VVP. A short three months after losing my legs above the knee from an IED in Iraq, my family and I attended the Vail Summer Program in August of 2007. It was our first time leaving Walter Reed Army Medical Center as a family, traveling half-way across the country and participating in numerous adaptive outdoor activities including fly fishing, whitewater rafting, and horseback riding. It was a revelation of what future possibilities were available to me, a wounded soldier; and, a blueprint for our family to pursue additional activities and opportunities without viewing my injuries as a hindrance. We also participated in the VVP Winter Program, skiing, tubing, and snowboarding. The adaptive activities provided year-round by the VVP empower our service members and their families by instilling hope, generating healing, and creating a spirit of the possible.

The power of healing starts with the family at the VVP. They are one of the few veteran service organizations specifically dedicated to targeting entire families as part of the adaptive programs offered. One of my greatest memories as a recovering service member was skiing down a Vail slope with both of my children who had never skied before. The VVP provides safe, supervised, expert training for both service members and family members during adaptive programs, so families feel included in the healing process.

The VVP continues to evolve, meeting the challenges of active warriors, veterans, and their families by expanding the vision to include building programs that support caregivers, improve resiliency, and foster empowerment. These programs build life skills enhancing the strength of the families and ultimately producing leaders in their respective communities.

Colonel Gregory D. Gadson
USA, Retired – VVP Ambassador



FACES OF AMERICA'S HEROES

Can mountains heal people? Can they open our hearts?
Create a lasting memory? Crack a smile? Reconnect us to family?

At the Vail Veterans Program, we think they can because we see it happen. It's why we offer military injured and their families free world-class therapeutic programs designed to build confidence, create life-long relationships, and tap into the freedom the mountains bring out in all of us.





PROGRAMS

Winter Mountain Adventure

During the Winter Mountain Adventure, wounded veterans work closely with Vail Mountain Adaptive Ski School instructors for four days of one-on-one ski and snowboard instruction, focusing on individual needs and goals. Guests of all ages receive group ski and snowboard lessons through the Vail Mountain Ski School. Group meals and evening activities provide time for camaraderie, to share stories and build lifelong friendships.



“Being here means being able to support and be a part of something bigger than myself for an organization that was there for me from the beginning. My goal coming here was actually to be able to help share my knowledge, the lessons and the values I’ve gained on my own path. Being able to come back and share that with the guys who are where I was four years ago when I was scared and had no idea what life was going to hold for me, just means everything to me.”

— SGT Matthew Melancon (Ret)
Vail Veterans Program Ambassador



Winter Family Program

The Winter Family Program offers severely wounded veterans the opportunity to participate in four days of private, one-on-one, full-day adaptive ski and snowboard instruction at Vail Mountain. Family members also enjoy the slopes with other group members, as they receive full-day group ski and snowboard lessons, which provides the opportunity to build friendships with one another. Children's Ski School and childcare options are provided at no charge, allowing the whole family to reap the healing benefits of the beautiful Rocky Mountains. The Winter Family Program incorporates group dining and provides beneficial socialization opportunities through encouraging participants to spend time together as a family and build relationships with other military families.



"Coming to Vail Veterans Program allows me to bond with other people from the Center for the Intrepid, more patients like me. I see them in passing at the hospital, but here, we get to know each other better. We experience more together, like a family unit. My personal goals here were to have fun and to learn to ski, to learn a little bit more about everyone's story and how they're dealing with getting on with their lives now, for example, what things might bother them — like how to deal with people staring at them, or even feeling comfortable talking about their stories."

— SPC Thomas Franks (Ret)



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Summer Family & Family Support Programs

At the Summer Family Program, wounded veterans and their families participate in four days of outdoor therapeutic activities including rock climbing, whitewater rafting, horseback riding, zip-lining, mountain biking, and fly-fishing. Through group meals and evening activities, participants have the opportunity for invaluable bonding time with their families and new friends. A day dedicated to wellness promotes emotional and mental healing. The Summer Family Program equips wounded veterans and their families with coping mechanisms for the immense challenges faced in transitioning into life after a severe service-related injury.

The Vail Veterans Program stays engaged with our alumni by providing individual families with opportunities to return to Vail to continue in the healing process.

The Vail Veterans Program also partners with Black Mountain Dude Ranch in McCoy, Colorado to host individual alumni families, up to three times per year, for a week of western fun, relaxation, and healing in a safe and comfortable environment.



"What does it mean for me to be here with my family? It's the first time that they have been able to see me walk with my prosthetic. Before Vail, I was pretty much bed-ridden. It was incredible to get outside and participate in all of the activities. We've realized that we can do the same things that we did together as a family before, and although they may have changed a little bit, we are still able to have a great time."

— SPC Robert Louder (Ret)

Robert's son, Gavin, age 13, expressed his gratitude for the Summer Family Program, "I now know my dad can walk again. It's so much fun to do activities with him!"



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Golf In The Rockies

Through Golf In The Rockies, wounded veterans enjoy five days of an unforgettable golf experience. Participants play several championship golf courses, attend golf clinics provided by PGA teaching professionals, and share experiences with other veterans over group meals and evening activities. The Golf In The Rockies Program encourages participants to bond with one another over a shared passion, leaving the program with lifelong friendships and a newly developed community of mutual support.



“Golf for me is physical and mental. Physically, golf has improved my balance and core strength, swinging a golf club is no easy task, especially on prosthetics. Mentally, when I get frustrated by the daily obstacles of wearing prosthetics and being in a wheelchair, it’s nice to be able to go out and hit a few balls and clear my head. Although therapy is a great reason for me to play golf, no reason is more important than being able to play golf with my son. Because I have lost my legs I can’t run or jump so, I won’t be able to play sports like football or basketball with him. But I can swing a club and will be able to play 18 holes with him when he’s old enough.”

— Sgt. Tim Johannsen (Ret)
Vail Veterans Program Ambassador



Caregivers Retreat

The Vail Veterans Program recognizes that physical, mental, and emotional war wounds affect the entire family, especially the primary caregiver or spouse of a wounded veteran. The Caregivers Retreat hosts 14 caregivers from across the nation for self awareness programs, yoga, meditation, outdoor recreation, spa treatments, and group meals. The program encourages caregivers to connect with others experiencing similar challenges, offering them the opportunity to share methods for managing everyday difficulties, while reminding one another that they too require time for themselves. Participants leave with lifelong friendships and sustainable personal goals to incorporate into their daily lives.



"Being with other caregivers feels empowering and safe. We understand each other. We are able to discuss things openly and freely, without having to worry and knowing that we can be there for one another. People who are not caregivers, they want to be there, they want to understand, but they can't. We know how to help each other get through it, it's a world of a difference. This is what can make us feel whole again."

— Brandi Melott, Caregiver to Wounded Veteran



Veterans Path To Success

The Vail Veterans Program, in partnership with Johnson & Johnson's Human Performance Institute (HPI), offers our alumni a three-day training program focusing on performance psychology, exercise physiology, and nutrition. Participants learn how to expand their physical, emotional, mental, and spiritual energy in order to sustain increased engagement, performance, and resiliency. The training program assists wounded veterans in acknowledging their "old" story, while helping them to identify their "new" story for future success outside of the military.



"I think Veterans Path To Success is a great way to give wounded warriors a way or path to get back in the swing of things. In my case, I found myself unmotivated to physically do anything all day, besides laying on the couch playing with my phone, or just watching television. This clinic made me open my eyes and take a look at how unhealthy I am currently living my life. I can now see what the future brings if I continue this unhealthy lifestyle. I started this week to do more on my part on exercising, I also went grocery shopping with my wife and made some healthy choices, which I am proud of. I think this program is outstanding, you gave us a clear schedule of what was going to happen everyday, told us what we needed to bring for the day, the instructors are great and on point with their knowledge and experience, and overall the classes are very good. I loved this program, now I'm excited to see myself in 90 days. :)"

Thank you very much."

— SGT Medardo Montano (Ret)





GOALS ARE ACHIEVED ❄️ CONFIDENCE IS INCREASED
FAMILIES ARE REUNITED

98%

of participants **DEVELOP**
a lasting community of
MUTUAL SUPPORT

92%

of participants would
RECOMMEND VVP to
other **MILITARY INJURED**

93%

of participants **ACHIEVED** the
GOALS they set for **THEMSELVES**
prior to attending the program

98%

of participants report
an **INCREASE** in
CONFIDENCE



92%

of participants are
EXTREMELY or very **LIKELY**
to seek out **NEW ACTIVITIES**

90%

of veterans, caregivers and their
families **LEAVE** the program
FEELING EMPOWERED

“Back in 2006, Joyce and I spent a memorable day with a group of wounded veterans who were participating in the Vail Veterans Program. We saw firsthand the impact that being out on the mountain had on those very special men and women — patriots all. Now more than a decade later, Cheryl and her team continue to offer important experiences for those who have been injured serving our country.

The dedication of the Vail Veterans Program staff and the support of the broader Vail community to our country’s service members and their families is impressive, commendable, and deeply appreciated.”

— Donald Rumsfeld



FINANCIALS

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

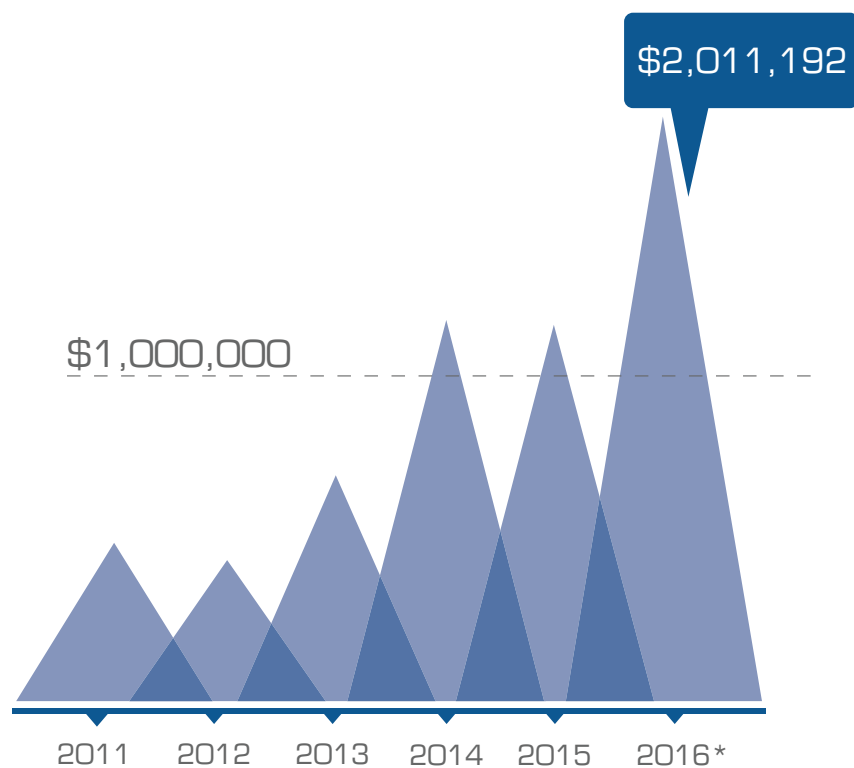
ASSETS	2015	2016
Cash Accounts	669,047	505,635
Investments	668,378	1,642,024
Accounts Receivable	75	177
Prepaid Supplies	5,380	9,553
Net Fixed Assets	27,784	24,074
TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,370,664	\$2,181,463
LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS		
Accounts Payable	3,805	9,929
TOTAL LIABILITIES	3,805	9,929
NET ASSETS		
Temporarily Restricted Net Assets		434,218
Unrestricted Net Assets	1,366,859	1,737,316
TOTAL NET ASSETS	1,366,859	2,171,534
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS	\$1,370,664	\$2,181,463

2016 CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

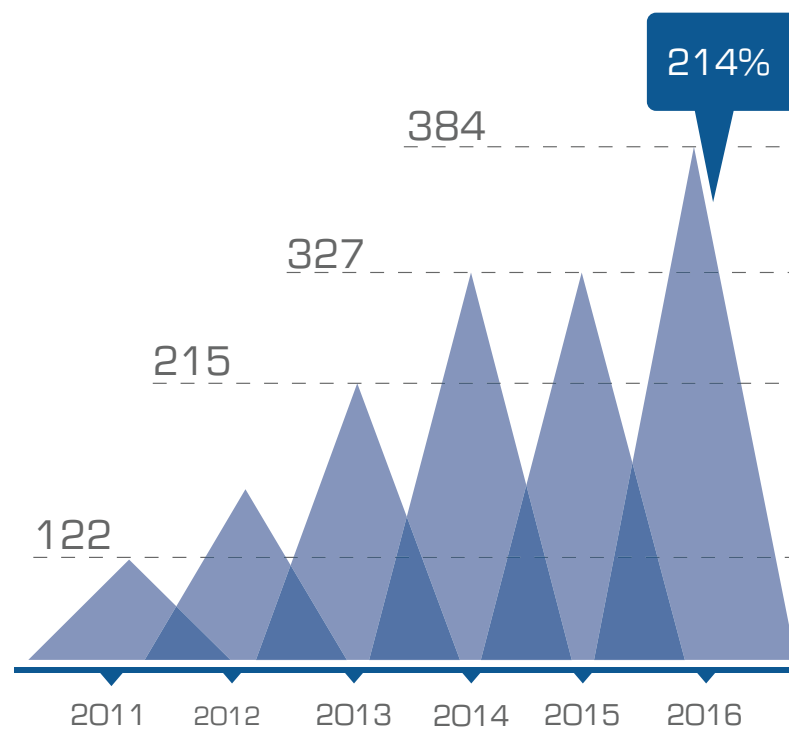
REVENUE	UNRESTRICTED	TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED	TOTAL
Donation	1,078,701	680,348	1,759,049
In Kind Donations	252,143		252,143
Interest	482		482
TOTAL REVENUE	\$1,331,326	\$680,348	\$2,011,674
EXPENSES			
Program	848,270	242,080	1,090,350
Administrative	118,485	4,050	122,535
Fundraising	67,759		67,759
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$1,034,514	\$246,130	\$1,280,644
NET ORDINARY INCOME	\$296,812	\$434,218	\$731,030
OTHER INCOME			
Dividends	36,378		36,378
Unrealized Gain/Loss on Investments	45,421		45,421
Investment Fees	(8,154)		(8,154)
TOTAL OTHER INCOME	\$73,645	-	\$73,645
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	\$370,457	\$434,218	\$804,675
NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	\$1,366,859		\$1,366,859
NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR	\$1,737,316	\$434,218	\$2,171,534

ORGANIZATIONAL GROWTH

DONATIONS

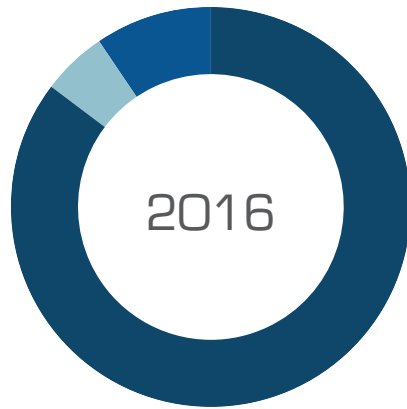


PARTICIPANT GROWTH



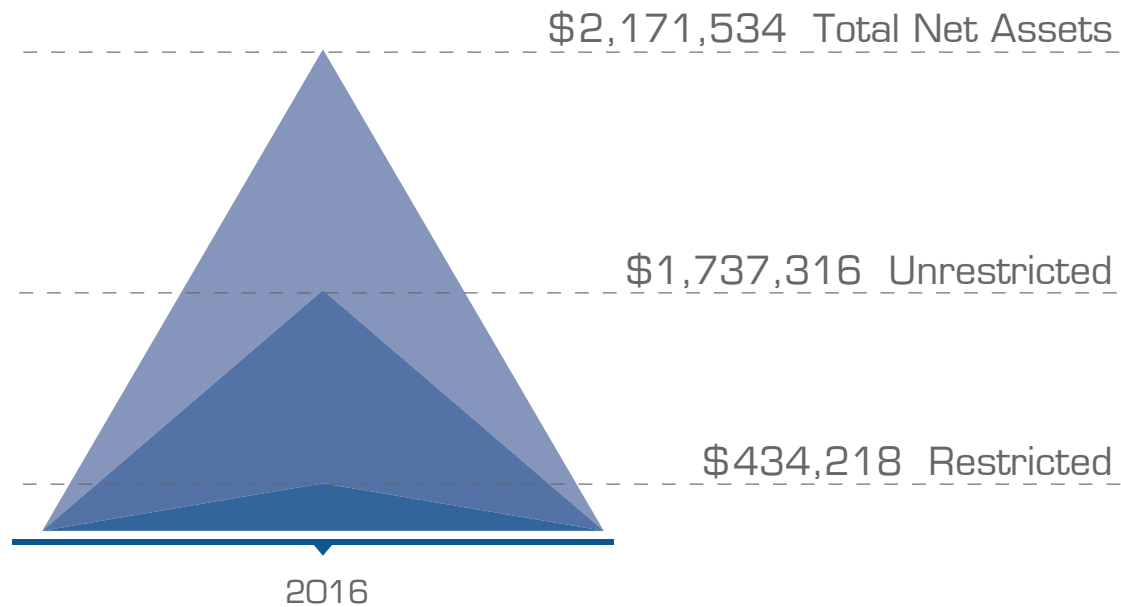
*Includes a \$506,800 donation from Johnson & Johnson for 2016 and 2017 Veterans Path To Success Program

SUMMARY OF EXPENSES



Programs	\$1,090,350	85.1%
Administration	\$122,535	9.6%
Fundraising	\$67,759	5.3%

NET ASSETS



2016 DONORS

\$100,000 +

Anonymous
Pat & Pete Frechette
Infinite Hero Foundation
Johnson & Johnson

\$50,000 – \$99,999

American Airlines-Envoy Air
Patti & Jeffrey Anderson
Vail Resorts EpicPromise
Zinna Family Trust

\$25,000 – \$49,999

Michael & Elizabeth Galvin
The May Family Foundation
Alice Mozley
Safeway Foundation
Elizabeth & David Stern
Vail Valley Foundation



\$10,000 – \$24,999

Alpine Bank
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Colorado Mountain Express
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Growth Energy
Kathy & Al Hubbard
Alexia & Jerry Jurschak
Lodge At Vail
Medical Education Collaborative
Mesquite Productions, Inc. - Sports Jeopardy

Jay, Molly & Amanda Precourt
J. Douglas Rippetto
Sue & Mike Rushmore
Eleanor & Harry Schick
Town of Vail
Veterans Passport To Hope
Wounded Warrior Project



\$5,000 – \$9,999

Anonymous
Antlers at Vail
BOL Vail
Susan & Robert Breeden
Doe Browning
Nancy & Gary Chartrand
Dorothy & William Cohen
Marcy & Neil Cohen
Suzy & Jim Donohue
Marty & John Farrell
Four Seasons Resort & Residences Vail
Graveel Family Foundation
The Gumbo Foundation

Halfaker & Associates, LLC
Linda & Milledge Hart, III
Deborah & Rik Heid
Pamela & John Horan-Kates
Adele Igersheim
Kathleen Knapp & Steve Wodlinger
Victoria & Kent Logan
Manor Vail Lodge
Jennifer & Philip Maritz
Diane & Gary McCord
Shirley & William McIntyre
McMahan & Associates, LLC
Perot Foundation

Diane Pitt & Mitchell Karlin
June & Paul Rossetti
Rumsfeld Foundation
Seirus
Ann Smead & Michael Byram
The Steadman Clinic
United Technologies Company
Vail Mountain Lodge
Vail Marriott Mountain Resort
Carole Warren
Mary & Paul Webster
Wounded Warrior Country Classic
Zorich Family Foundation



\$1,000 – \$4,999

Janet & William Adler
 Carolyn Altieri
 Mary Ellen Anderson
 Anonymous (2)
 Cheryl & Max Batzer
 Beaver Creek Golf Course
 Beaver Creek Resort Company
 Bessemer National Gift Fund
 Richard Bobrow
 Cheryl Clayton Borg & Tony Borg
 Judith & Gresham Brebach
 Brock Family Foundation
 Bruno Family
 Jessica & Jamey Burchfield
 California Community Foundation
 Margaret & Chadwick Carpenter
 Shannon & Jonah Cave
 Jaimie & Scott Cielewich - Donald Ross Sportswear
 Colorado Gives Incentive Fee
 Coldwell Banker Res Brokerage Group - Madison, NJ
 Kathy Cole
 Joel Cox
 Amy & Steve Coyer
 Liz Cronin
 Shawn & Chuck Dalio
 Danial Family Foundation
 Nancy & Ken DeLine
 Eagle Valley Community Fund
 David Eickholt
 Carol & Fred Emich
 Melinda & Stan Epperson
 Far West Ski Foundation
 Dr. John A. Feagin
 Judith & Craig Fecel
 Barbara & Paul Flowers
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 Garfield & Hecht, PC
 The GE Foundation

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 David Greenspun
 Jeanne & James Gustafson
 Risa & Jerry Harris
 Rita & Thomas Head
 William Hellegas
 Highline
 Holman Family Foundation
 J.M. Huber Corporation
 Daniel Jobe
 Anita & Ed Johnson
 Shelby & Scott Key
 Iva Ann & Jim King
 Wrennie & Gary Knust
 Linda & Mark Kogod
 Janice & Melvin Kupperman
 Debbie & Marc Levy
 Lion Square Lodge
 Jeana & Joe Lucas
 Deb & Dan Luginbuhl
 MacTaggart Third Fund
 Leslie & Jack Manes
 Margaret & Peter Mason
 Joni & Bill Maxwell
 Maya
 Cyndy McAdam
 Patricia McNamee & Peter Goldstein
 MdotM, Inc.
 Sherri Meaux
 Peg & Ag Meek
 Paula & Jeffrey Miller
 Ann & Alan Mintz
 Mary & Joe Moeller
 Tobia & Morton Mower
 Lynn Myers & Irving Stein
 Suzanne & Norman Myers
 Oakley

Ann O'Brien
 Anita & John O'Connell Family
 Donna & Barry Parker
 Pam & Ben Peternell
 Michael Preston
 Red Sky Ranch
 Nancy & Donald Remey
 Maureen & Gerald Riordan
 Susan & Richard Rogel
 Debra & Michael Rooney
 Lisa & Chip Ruth
 Lisa & Kenneth Schanzer
 Connie & Leroy Schmidt
 Gayle & Douglas Schwartz
 Debbie & Ric Scripps
 Cynthia Siewert
 Slifer Smith & Frampton Foundation
 Mary Jane Sloat
 Nancy Smith
 Lauren & Chad Snee
 Stupp Bros. Bridge & Iron Co. Foundation
 Suzi & Doug Swanson
 Tivoli Lodge
 Donna & Jim Thomason
 Laura & Christopher Thomason
 Patti & Cliff Thompson
 United Airlines Volunteer Impact Grant
 Vail Brewing Company
 Vail Mountain Coffee & Tea
 Vail's Mountain Haus
 Vail Professional Firefighters Association
 Vail Valley Cares
 Barbara & Kyle Vann
 Raelene & Andre Wilkie
 Patricia & Robert Willoughby
 Beverly & Lynn Woolley
 Betsy & Bud Wright
 Wyndham Vacation Rentals
 Susan & Ronald Zapletal

\$500 – \$999

10th Mountain Whiskey & Spirit Company
James Allen Charitable Foundation
Dee & Warren Androus
Anonymous (2)
Karen & Stephen Baird
Marcella & Robert Barry
Charmayne & Chas Bernhardt
Frank Bigelow
Lisa & Ron Brill Charitable Trust
James Burke
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Eagle Vail Golf Course
Kathleen & Dr. Frederick Eck
Cookie & Jim Flaum
Patti & Frank Flood
Mary & Michael Glauber
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Margot & Stephen Holland
Louise & Philip Hoversten
Hug A Vet Fundraiser
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Adelaide Jensen
Claudia & Bruce Kiely
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Cheryl & Alan Lee
Tara & Bob Levine
Susan & James Liken
Lucky Pie Pizza & Taphouse
Barbara & Edward Lukes
Rose & Howard Marcus
Tricia & Pat McConathy
Linda & Mac McDonald
Mary Jane & Stephen McEachron
Ellen & Jose Menendez
Judith Meredith
Liz & Luc Meyer

Bill Morton
Dorothy & Henry Norton
Jan & John Oltman
Sharon & Scott Rankin
Red Sky Interclub Ladies Golf Club
Suzanne & Bernard Scharf
Debbi & Charles Smith
Nancy & Jon Teller
Teredata
Linda & Stewart Turley
Vail Golf Course
Lillian Vineberg
Carrie Walker
Judson Watts
Norman Weeks
Robert & Karen Wilhelm
Jane & Tom Wilner



\$100 – \$499

Absolute Energy
 Sandi & Larry Agneberg
 Sheila & James Amend
 Susan & David Anderson
 Anonymous (4)
 Larkin Armbruster
 Louise & Robert Armstrong
 Gerry Arnold
 The Atwell/Culp Partnership
 Anonymous Cash - BC Fundraiser
 Margo & Roger Behler
 Sandra & Stephen Bell
 Martha & William Bevan
 Kathy & Erik Borgen
 Charles Borkan
 Marilyn & Edward Bray
 Lita & Greg Bray
 Joan Brenton
 Susan Budnah & Alexander Petree
 The Bunkhouse Grand Opening Fundraiser
 Diane Canepa & Paul Olson
 Carnegie Wealth Management, LLC
 Cheesman Family
 Abbie Cobb & Andy Lapkass
 Beverly Cole
 David Cole
 Matt Coleman
 Mary Connolly
 Trevor Crandall
 Anne & Bill Cuny
 Thomas Curnin
 Stephen Daniels
 Arlene & John Dayton
 Kathryn & David Dean
 Sallie Dean & Larry Roush
 Moriah DeSantis
 Gail & Carl Dietz
 Dr. Fred Distelhorst
 Patti & Ross Dixon
 Darien Dommel

Meg Shields Duke
 Eagle River Presbyterian Church
 EagleVail Property Owners Association
 Carol Ebert & James Ferrell
 Lolly & John Ekdahl
 Louise & W.B. Elliott
 Robert Esteve
 Mark Fenstermacher
 Kimberly Ferrell
 Ramsey Flower
 Judith & Garrett Fonda
 Ann & Jim Frein
 Peter French
 Friends of Football at Bacon Academy
 Mikki & Morris Futernick
 Joan Genser
 Rose & George Gillett
 Randy Gold & Dawn Shepard
 Lynn & John Gottlieb
 Great Divide Construction, Inc
 Karen & Todd Grubin
 Dwight Henninger
 Hint Water
 Suzanne & Dani Hoffman
 Ruth Hollander
 Home Chefs of Vail
 Ken Jarkow
 Valerie & Elbert Johnson
 Stephen Katz
 Suey-Ju Kao
 Katie & Chris Kennedy
 Michael Kieler
 Tatyana & David Kieler
 Kind Snacks
 Barbara Krichbaum & Kent Erickson
 Jenelle Krissel
 Kathy Langenwalter & Dick Cleveland
 William Larson
 Ronald Latta
 Robert Laws

Sanford Lax
 Tamara & Glenn Lester
 Linda & Robert Llewellyn
 Marchetti & Weaver LLC
 Marcia Howland & Tom McCalden
 Daisy McClelland
 Kathleen McKeeta
 Brendan McKinney
 Linda McKinney
 Edie & Ed McLarney
 Sherry & George Middlemas
 Belinda & Eric Monson
 Tom Moorhead
 Mountain Man Nut & Fruit Co.
 Jean Naumann
 Jan & Al Noel
 Gail & John O'Brien
 Don P. Odom
 James O'Hara
 Frank Orloski
 Our Community Foundation
 Dennis Parsons
 Pamela & Daniel Pennington
 Martha & Kent Petrie
 Connie & Chuck Powers
 Anne Prinzhorn
 Rainier Administrative Services LLC
 Mary & Chris Randall
 Range View Partners
 Diane Kovalik & Scott Raub
 Neal Reinig
 Carolyn & Richard Renaud
 Dawn & Robert Riddle
 Brian Roach, Five Star Colorado
 Roland Robertson
 Rocky Mountain Insurance and Financial
 Peter Rosenberg
 Stephanie & Elliot Ross
 Kim & David Rozelle
 Jan & Rick Sackbauer

\$100 – \$499

Gwen & Rick Scalpello
Julie & Saul Schwarz
Bernard Schwartz
Ann & Rich Selph
Louann & George Shapiro
Richard Skowronek
Beth & Rod Slifer
Barbara Springer
Marilyn & James Steane
Sally & James Stephens

Sterling Heritage Corporation
Carol & James Stiehr
Beth & Thomas Sullivan
Ed Swinford
Patricia Thatcher
Nancy Traylor
Carroll Tyler
Joy & Thomas Tyler
Vail Mountain School Philanthropy Group

Vail Salon
Tina & Steve Vardaman
David Warner
Jennifer & Rick Wasserman
Diane & Gregory Wein
Bruce Wencel
Joan Whittenberg
Rebecca Woods
Valinda & Steve Yarberry



Up to \$99

Brianna Adams
AmazonSmile
Anonymous (3)
Dovie & Chuck Armstrong
Liz & John Bailey
BLKDG
Linda Bowes
Pamela Brandmeyer
Holly Bray-Cook
Katherine Bugby & Troy Goldberg
Gretchen & Leonard Busse
Kristy Cavanagh & Dale Bugby
Megan Cochrane
Holiday Cole
Sharon & Thomas Cole
Paige Cregon
Brandon Daniel
Darlene Daugherty
Nancy Denault
Enners Family
Melinda Estep
Robert Friedl
Anita Fromm
Wylie Galvin
Mary & John Geraghty
Chelsea Grace
Colleen & Jack Hays
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Raju Katrodiya
Amy & Carter Keller
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Kevin Kieler
Janet Kline
Bettan Laughlin
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Barbara Lutz
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Ruth & Tom Powers
Rader Engineering Inc.
Michelle Reilly

Barbara Reynolds
Joseph Rink
Lori Rippstein
Vanessa Roach
Gary Robinson
Terese Rogers
Leticia Rosales
Lisa Roteliuk
Terry Sall
Emily Sessler
Barbara & Clark Shivley
Lynne & Mark Siefert
Ted Smathers
Norman Smith
Pamela Stenmark
Andrea & Scott Stillman
Robert Storrs
Kathleen Talbot
Nicole Tedstrom
Eileen & Skip Thurnauer
Kimberly & Charles Toms
Lisa & Howard Tuthill
Barbara VanHorn
Monica & Dan White
Vali Pulis & Dennis Wilcox
Linda & Dean Wolz
Allison Wright
Xavier Zayas

MISSION

Provide military injured and their families innovative and transformational programs that build confidence and improve lives.



"After losing my leg to a roadside bomb in April of 2003, there were many activities I was hoping to get a chance to try again. Skiing was one of them, and in March of 2004, a group of amputees from Walter Reed got the opportunity to try their skills down the slopes of Vail. I went into the trip very excited, ready to prove to myself and to others that losing my leg didn't mean I had lost my drive to get out and do the things I had done before my accident. On day one, I was a bit hesitant as I put my ski boot on and headed to the chairlift on my one leg and my outriggers. As the day progressed, I became more and more confident with the help of my personal ski instructor, and we headed to the more challenging hills. By day three, I was flying down the hills, faster and more confident than I had ever been on two legs. It gave me a feeling of great accomplishment, like I was on top of the world, proving that nothing was going to get in the way of me and my dreams. The other activities available to us amputees just added to the trip. Being able to get in a tube and snow sled down part of the mountain, ice skating, snowmobiling, excellent food, wonderful accommodations, and the camaraderie between the amputees all added to the experience of learning how to ski again, making my trip to Vail one of the most memorable trips I have been on. As we said our goodbyes at our last dinner, courtesy of the Vail Fire Department, I was awarded one ski, not two, just one. It was a milestone in my life as I came to terms that one ski is all I needed and that I was going to be back next year, on these same slopes, proving myself to the world."

*Melissa Stockwell, Army 1LT (Ret)
Paralympic Athlete
Bronze Medal Winner Rio Paralympic Games 2016*



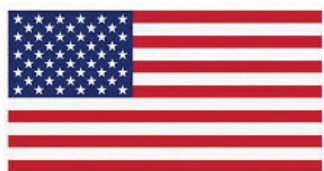
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2017 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JANUARY

22 – 26 Winter Family Program

MARCH

5 – 10 Winter Mountain Adventure

26 – 28 Veterans Path To Success
Train The Trainer Session - Orlando

MAY

12 Military Spouse Appreciation Day
18 – 21 Veterans Path To Success - San Diego
20 Armed Forces Day
29 Memorial Day

JUNE

14 Flag Day
18 – 25 Black Mountain Ranch
A Family Dude Ranch Experience

JULY

4 Independence Day
16 – 21 Summer Family Program
24 Trace Adkins Concert - Beaver Creek

AUGUST

6 – 13 Black Mountain Ranch
A Family Dude Ranch Experience
7 Purple Heart Day
21 – 25 Golf In The Rockies Program
20 – 27 Black Mountain Ranch
A Family Dude Ranch Experience

SEPTEMBER

13 – 17 Caregivers Retreat
20 – 24 Caregivers Retreat

OCTOBER

22 – 25 Veterans Path To Success - Orlando
29 – 31 Veterans Path To Success - Orlando

NOVEMBER

11 Veterans Day



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