



WOUNDED WARRIOR REGIMENT

UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT CHARITABLE GIVING

How to make a donation

All gifts to the Regiment, Battalions, or individual Marines require a completed donation form. For a monetary donation, checks should be payable to Department of Navy Gift Fund with Wounded Warrior Regiment on the memo line and sent to:

Wounded Warrior Regiment
1998 Hill Avenue
MCB Quantico, VA 22134
C/O Charitable Giving
Coordinator

In-Kind Donations (perishables, clothing, and personal services) must be coordinated with a Charitable Donations Coordinator. Please call for information regarding in-kind needs.

****Prohibited Source:** Person or organization who seeks official action from the employee's agency, does or seeks to do business with their agency, conducts activities regulated by their agency, or has interests that may be substantially affected by the individual employee. 5 CFR § 2635.203 (d)*

As a result of interest in supporting the war effort and our service members, many individuals and organizations have routinely offered gifts to Department of Defense (DoD) units, military personnel, and their families. At Wounded Warrior Regiment (WWR), we routinely deal with two types of gifts:

Gifts to the individual Marine. Service members (including their families) may not ask for or directly or indirectly accept a gift offered because of their official position or by a prohibited source*, unless an exception applies. There are twenty common exceptions to the gift rule. Within the WWR, three exceptions routinely apply:

- **20/50 rule** – allows service members to accept gifts, other than cash, valued at \$20 or less on a single occasion or multiple gifts on multiple occasions valued at up to \$50 per year from a single source.
- **Group Gifts** – allows service members to accept gifts offered by other than prohibited sources* to a group that does not distinguish on the basis of official position, pay or rank. Examples would include all members in a particular unit; all personnel who responded to a particular disaster; and all personnel injured in a particular disaster or event (such as the attack on the Pentagon, the Iraq or Afghanistan theater of operations).
- **Combat-related exception** – allows Marines with combat-related wounds, illness or injuries, suffered after 11 September 2001 to accept certain gifts of any amount. An ethics review is required before the gift may be accepted.

Gifts to the Unit. Commanders may accept gifts of real property, personal property, money and services as gifts to the government (unit). Acceptance authority varies based upon the value of the gift, the higher the value of the gift, the higher the level of command for the gift acceptance decision. Since it stood up in 2007, the WWR has been fortunate to receive many generous donations and gifts to the unit to help aid in the recovery, rehabilitation and reintegration of wounded, ill and injured (WII) Marines and their families. The Charitable Giving Office administers the acceptance and distribution of these gifts and donations to ensure proper oversight, coordination, vetting, and tracking.

Charitable Giving Office

Through highly productive working relationships the office also helps to facilitate a range of financial and in-kind support and services to the WII Marines and their families, while advising patients and donors on regulations regarding gift acceptance.

The WWR Charitable Giving Team:

- Serves as the point of contact and clearinghouse for persons or organizations seeking to support the Wounded Warrior Regiment through charitable gifts and special events.
- Coordinates with legal officers to develop and validate gift regulations and policies for WII Marines and their families.

- Organizes WII Marine and family participation in special events and programs (i.e. athletic events, concerts, outdoor recreation, family activities or community-based initiatives)
- Represents WWR at various conferences and symposiums providing presentations on charitable giving, rules and regulations.

While general donations to WWR are used to assist all WII Marines and their families, donors may also designate donations for specific needs or sections such as recreational therapy, family support, child care, or a specific hospital or battalion, etc.



The WWR does not carry a tax-ID number. Individuals or groups should contact their local tax advisor on procedures for tax laws when donating to the Department of Defense.





THE WOUNDED WARRIOR REGIMENT

The Wounded Warrior Regiment (WWR) stood up in April 2007 and immediately began to assume responsibilities for non-medical Wounded Warrior care. **The mission of the WWR is to provide and facilitate assistance to wounded, ill and injured (WII) Marines, Sailors attached to or in direct support of Marine units, and their family members, throughout the phases of recovery.** The Regimental Headquarters element, located in Quantico, Virginia, coordinates the operations of two Wounded Warrior Battalions located at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina and Camp Pendleton, California. The Regimental Headquarters provides unity of command and unity of effort through a single Commander who provides guidance, direction, and oversight to the Marine Corps WII non-medical care process and ensures continuous improvements to care management and the seamless transition of recovering Marines.



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