

March Newsletter

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USA Cares' mission is to provide post-9/11 military veterans, service members, and their families with financial assistance and post service skills training to create a foundation for long-term stability. Our services improve the quality of life for veterans and their families and reduce potential factors that can contribute to veteran suicide.

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MISSION MOMENT: Mark Jenkins

As one of USA Cares' Homeless Veterans Reintegration Program's (HVRP) first clients, Mark Jenkin's story is a powerful reminder that every veteran deserves compassionate assistance when they need it most.

[Read His Story](#)

TRACE'S NOTE



Dear Friends,

The month of March is an important time for connection between the military and civilian worlds.

One look at a national holiday calendar and you'll find that March, along with being Women's History and Traumatic Brain Injury Awareness Months, has several days and weeks to honor our service members and veterans. Here's a few to remember:

- *Invest in Veterans Week (March 1-7)*
- *Hug a G.I. Day (March 4)*
- *International Women's Day (March 8)*
- *Supreme Sacrifice Day (March 18)*
- *21st Anniversary of the Start of Operation Iraqi Freedom (March 20)*
- *Vietnam Veterans Day (March 29)*

I share these to highlight our country's commitment to never forgetting our service members, veterans, and their sacrifices.

What better way is there to celebrate these occasions and the individuals they represent than by supporting an organization like USA Cares?

"Thank you for your service" requires action. Recognize bravery and sacrifice with your support.

Best Regards,

Trace Chesser, President & CEO

Year-to-Date Numbers



132 Families
with
164 Children
Assisted



\$248,028
of Financial Assistance
Distributed



84
Evictions/Foreclosures
Stopped

NEWS

Mark Your Calendar!

Don't miss your chance to enjoy an elegant evening steeped in military tradition. Click the button below to purchase your table or tickets!



SAVE *the* DATE

7.27.24 | LOUISVILLE, KY



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Can USA Cares help a veteran you know?

Our Homeless Veterans Reintegration Program (HVRP) is looking for homeless Kentucky veterans in need of assistance in finding employment and access to housing.

"Homeless" doesn't only refer to those living on the streets. It also includes veterans living with friends/family, in a shelter, or out of their car.

If you know a veteran that fits this description and lives in one of the highlighted counties below, please contact David Keene by emailing david.keene@usacares.org.

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USA Cares receives more requests for assistance from Texas than any other state. In an effort to involve the state in providing support to these veterans, Vice President of Government and Corporate Relations, Matt Castor, presented to the Texas Veterans Commission to request funding. Good work, Matt!



Thank you to Louisville, Kentucky Mayor Craig Greenberg for meeting with USA

Cares Executives and its Government Relations Team. We look forward to strengthening our partnership with the leaders in our headquarters' city!



Staff Hears from Senator Rand Paul

USA Cares' Paula Redding and Carsen Parker were in attendance for US Senator Rand Paul's appearance at a joint membership meeting for the Chamber of St. Matthews and the Jeffersontown Chamber. Senator Paul shared an update on what's happening at the Capitol and took questions from the crowd.



Welcome, Todd Murphy!

We are excited to welcome Todd Murphy as our new Career Transitions Manager. Todd will be working directly with transitioning military members through our CSP Corporate Fellowship Program. We look forward to all the great work he will do with our service members!



MOAA Gifts USA Cares \$1,000 Donation

We want to extend a big thank you to members of the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) at Fort Knox for inviting Trace Chesser to their event and

presenting USA Cares with a donation. We are so grateful for your support!



Congratulations, Paula!

USA Cares Director of Corporate Relations, Paula Redding, was named Jeffersontown Chamber's Volunteer of the Year! We are so proud, Paula!



Premier Outdoor Space Becomes Corporate Partner

Welcome, Premier Outdoor Space! Kentuckiana's leading resource for full outdoor room experiences is our newest corporate partner in the CSP Corporate Fellowship Program. We are so grateful for your support and look forward to

connecting you with wonderful area veterans.

Interested in getting your company or organization involved in this program?
Reach out to Paula Redding (paula.redding@usacares.org) today!



"The Premier Outdoor Space family has been a long-time advocate of America's military veterans. This is why we are so excited to support USA Cares and the Fort Knox Career Skills Program – CSP Corporate Fellowship. Our team is currently 20% military veterans, and we are happy to invite another soon-to-be veteran to join us. We are honored to be a part of USA Cares' valuable transition support system provided to the brave men and women who have selflessly served our country."

CHAPTERS CORNER

Interested in getting involved with or starting your own local chapter? Reach out to Shelby Stills by emailing shelby.stills@usacares.org.

[Learn More](#)

Volunteers Needed

Veterans need your support! Are you in the following areas and interested in getting involved in your local chapter or starting your own? Reach out to Shelby Stills today!

Phoenix, AZ
Orlando, FL
Pensacola, FL
Tampa, FL
Louisville, KY
St. Louis, MO

Cincinnati, OH
New York, NY
Salt Lake City, UT

Upcoming Events

Want to enjoy a fun night out while supporting a great cause? Our Chapters regularly host Topgolf events and other fundraising events in their cities. Here's a list of upcoming events:

March 26 - Cincinnati Chapter Topgolf

Individual bays are still available! [Learn more.](#)

April 11 - St. Louis Chapter Topgolf with Fold of Honor - St. Louis

Sponsorships and individual bays are available! [Learn more.](#)

April 15 - Phoenix Chapter Raising Canes Dine and Donate Fundraiser

From 4 - 9 pm MST Raising Canes will donate 15% of all sales to USA Cares. Just mention USA Cares at the register!

Location:

7930 W Bell Rd
Glendale, AZ 85308

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[More Info](#)

Become A Monthly Donor

The best way to show your commitment to our veterans and their families is the Cadence Monthly Giving Program. Your automated donation every month provides USA Cares with a steady, reliable income stream, and is the best way to allow us to focus on helping veteran families in crisis.



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