Children of Combat-Injured Veterans

Our Military Kids awards up to $300 per child or teen to fund the extracurricular activity of their choice while a parent in treatment for wounds, illness, or injury sustained in support of any post-9/11 overseas contingency operation. This grant program is made possible solely through the generosity of foundations, corporations, and individual donations.

Funded Programs

Sports  Fine Arts  Enrichment Programs  Tutoring  Camp

Abigail, Soccer

“It’s nearly impossible to put into words what Our Military Kids has done for my children. My husband returned from two tours in Iraq with a Traumatic Brain Injury and Post Traumatic Stress Disorder.

When we found out about Our Military Kids, I was thrilled to find help out there for my children. The grant made available by Our Military Kids has been a saving grace for our family. There is no way we could afford soccer, Abigail’s passion and coping mechanism, without their help. Throughout all of the struggles we have faced as a family, the Our Military Kids program has been a beacon of optimism.”

2023 Research Results

Our Military Kids’ 2022 grant recipient families were surveyed in early 2023 about their experience receiving OMK grants in the previous year. More than 1,115 military families were surveyed representing over 2,150 military children.

Combat Injured Program families surveyed saw improvement in:

- Ability to Afford their Child’s Chosen Activity: 98%
- Overall Family Well-Being: 96%
- Their Child’s Mental Health: 95%
- Service Member or Veteran’s Morale: 89%

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Children of combat-injured service members and Veterans are eligible to apply for one $300 activity grant every six months for a maximum of FIVE (5) grants per eligible child. This includes one FLEX grant that may be used at any point during the parent’s recovery. Each grant may be used for the same or different activities during the parent’s recovery and requires a separate application.

In order for a child to receive a grant from Our Military Kids:

★ The child of the service member or Veteran is age 1-18 OR not yet a high school graduate.

★ The service member or Veteran has sustained combat-related wounds, illness, or injuries while deployed in support of any post-9/11 overseas contingency operation.

★ The service member or Veteran has one VA individual disability rating of 30% or more (not combined) in one of the following categories: burns, amputation, mental health, spinal cord injury, traumatic brain injury, PTSD, or one of the presumptive conditions outlined in the PACT Act.

★ The service member or Veteran is actively seeking treatment for his/her combat-related injuries and has a case manager or medical practitioner who is able to certify the above information in writing.

 HOW TO APPLY

Visit www.ourmilitarykids.org/apply to submit a simple, one-page application, along with the following documents:

**Active Duty Service Members**
A copy of the most recent orders to a SRU (Soldier Recovery Unit) or medical hold.

**Medically Retired Veterans**
A copy of the VA paperwork showing the breakdown of awarded disability percentages and Form DD214.

**Veteran Documentation**
A letter from the case manager certifying that the service member/Veteran:

a) Sustained combat-related wounds, illness, or injuries while deployed in support of any post-9/11 overseas contingency operation, **AND**

b) Is actively seeking treatment for his/her injuries.

**Form of Identification**
A copy of the child’s military ID, birth certificate, DEERS 1172 Form, or MilConnect profile page listing dependents.

**Activity Information**
Documentation from the organization providing the activity’s pricing and contact information. Brochures, flyers, website screenshots, and typed letters on the organization’s official letterhead will be accepted.