



Chad M. Robichaux, MBA
Founder - Mighty Oaks Foundation
USMC Force Recon Veteran
Best Selling Author & Speaker

Chad's remarkable journey is a testament to his unwavering dedication to serving those in need. As a Force Recon Marine and DoD Contractor, Chad served eight deployments to Afghanistan as part of a Joint Special Operations Command (JSOC) Task Force. However, his story goes far beyond his experiences on the battlefield; it's a narrative of resilience, redemption, and a mission to serve those in need.

After the battlefields of combat Chad faced the battle at home and a war within, including the haunting specter of PTSD, anxiety, and depression nearly becoming another veteran suicide statistic. Yet, through the grace of God and amazing support of friends and family, Chad found restoration, hope, and new purpose. That purpose led to a deep burden on his heart to pay it forward, manifesting in the founding of the Mighty Oaks Foundation, a leading non-profit organization that has become a beacon of hope, providing faith-based recovery and resiliency programs to the military and first responder communities worldwide.

He has shared his insights and experiences with over 500,000 active-duty troops and led life-saving programs for over 5,000 active military and veterans at Mighty Oaks Ranches nationwide. His expertise in solutions to both resiliency and PTSD is widely recognized, with Chad advising at the highest levels of government such as the former Presidential Administration, Congress, the VA, and the DoD. His devotion to the cause is further exemplified through his position as Chairman of a White House Veterans Coalition.

But Chad's compassion and willingness to serve knows no bounds. He is also the Co-Founder of multiple non-profit coalitions and organizations focused on evacuating and recovering Americans and vulnerable people groups. In 2021, Chad notably led the effort to rescue Americans, our allies, and vulnerable individuals stranded during the US withdrawal of Afghanistan. What began as a personal quest to rescue a long-time friend and Afghan interpreter evolved into a full-fledged humanitarian operation. Under Chad's leadership, he and his team have successfully evacuated over 17,000 people from the hands of the Taliban. Since Afghanistan Chad has continued to organize and lead humanitarian efforts around the world to include his efforts to evacuate and provide support to those impacted in warzones like Ukraine.

Chad is a bestselling author and has written several books related to overcoming life's challenges, his humanitarian work and will soon be releasing his first a military thriller fiction series. Through Chad's work at Mighty Oaks, he has donated over 350,000 copies of his books to military and first responders during his resiliency speaking tours. Chad is a Fox News Contributor as an Op-ed author and is regularly featured as a guest on a range of national media outlets and top podcasts. Chad's personal story was notably shared in two separate short films by I Am Second, as well as being featured in the documentaries: *Never Fight Alone*, *Escape from Afghanistan*, *Send Me*, and *Black Rifle Coffee: Stories of Survival*. Currently, a major motion picture movie is being produced based on Chad's #1 best-selling book, *Saving Aziz*.

In addition to Chad's military service, he has served our nation as a Special Agent with the US Federal Air Marshal Service and the US State Department as a Surveillance Detection Senior Program Manager. Chad is a Medal of Valor recipient for his bravery beyond the call of duty in law enforcement. He holds an MBA from the New York Institute of Technology (NYIT) and is currently completing a graduate program in nonprofit management at Harvard University, underscoring his dedication to excellence. Furthermore, he's a board-certified pastoral counselor by the American Association of Christian Counselors specializing in helping individuals navigate the complexities of PTSD.

Chad and his wife Kathy have been married for 28 years and have two sons, two daughters and three granddaughters. In the Robichaux family, the legacy of the service runs over 80 years from WWII, Korea, Vietnam, and Afghanistan. Chad's father was the first Marine in the family and his son's Hunter and Hayden proudly continued the tradition as 3rd generation Marines and share Chad's lifelong dedication to martial arts. Chad is a 4th degree Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu Black Belt under the legendary Master Carlson Gracie Jr and is a former Professional Mixed Martial Arts Champion having competed at the highest levels of the sport.
