

Hello Everyone,

I'd like to welcome you to the Robert Irvine Foundation's Reuniting the Brave at Camp Pendleton. My Foundation's team and I are excited to support the world-renowned 1st Battalion 5th Marines as the first unit of this new program. Thank you to the 1st Battalion 5th Marines Association planning committee for helping coordinate this weekend and thank you to everyone for coming, especially those that required travel. Lastly, I'd like to share with you a few of my thoughts on what you should expect this weekend along with some of the takeaways from the program.

Each of you has served and sacrificed for your country. Through those experiences, deep bonds have been formed within your unit and the family members of your unit. As a veteran myself, I know how important these relationships are. Those you serve alongside truly become family. The next few days are going to be full of activities designed to reignite old connections, strengthen current ones, remember & honor unit members who are no longer here, and create new memories filled with laughter.

I hope you leave here with a strong peer support network and remember that your brothers and sisters are always here for you. The four pillars of Reuniting the Brave are **Reignite**, **Restore**, **Reengage**, **and Resource**. The Robert Irvine Foundation's team is here to support you in your journey, here and beyond this weekend.

Thank you for your sacrifice and I hope you enjoy our Reuniting the Brave program. Now, let's get started!

Your Friend,

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Robert Irvine, Founder of the Robert Irvine Foundation