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Dear Friends and Supporters,

2025 was a year of meaningful growth for The Platform Magazine Foundation. Thanks to our donors, partners, and community advocates, we expanded our STEMM & Strides programs, launched new educational workshops programs, and provided more outreach for military families and youth.

With a startup-level budget and a small but growing donor base, TPMF remained financially stable while investing directly into programming, community events, and educational resources. Your generosity made this possible.

As we move into 2026, we remain focused on transparency, responsible stewardship of donations, and delivering programs that strengthen families, health, and STEMM education nationwide.

Thank you for believing in our mission.

Dr. Judy Staveley

Founder & CEO

The Platform Magazine Foundation

The Mission & The Vision

The Platform Magazine Foundation is a Maryland-based 501(c)(3) organization committed to empowering voices, educating communities, and transforming awareness into measurable impact. Rooted in the belief that real change begins with informed storytelling and community connection, our mission is to support veterans, military families, students, and underserved populations through programs that advance STEMM education, public health awareness, advocacy, and service-based leadership.

We operate at the unique intersection of science, service, and storytelling. What began as *The Platform Magazine LLC* a publication amplifying real-life stories of resilience, innovation, and community leadership has evolved into a full-scale foundation dedicated to turning inspiration into action. Through events, publications, outreach initiatives, and partnerships, we mobilize individuals and organizations to stand for compassion, education, and social responsibility.

Our Core Pillars of Impact

1. STEMM Education & Outreach

We believe access to science and innovation should never be limited by background. Our Foundation delivers STEMM-focused educational programs to military children, Title I schools, and community youth organizations through workshops, publications, and hands-on learning events. These efforts not only build knowledge but also create pathways to future careers in science, technology, engineering, medicine, and more.

2. Storytelling & Public Awareness

As the media arm of our foundation, *The Platform Magazine* continues to elevate stories that spark change from veterans overcoming trauma and scientists pushing boundaries, to advocates advancing health, wellness, and community care. Each story serves as both inspiration and education, positioning public awareness as a form of prevention and empowerment.

3. Community Engagement & Veteran Advocacy

Our foundation actively develops partnerships with veteran-led organizations, service dog programs, educators, and health advocates to provide wraparound support that

addresses real challenges such as mental health, transition struggles, animal welfare, and social reintegration. We believe veterans are not simply beneficiaries of support, they are leaders, mentors, and protectors of their communities.

Our Vision for the Future

We envision a world where science is accessible, military families are supported, and every story has the power to heal and mobilize. Whether through scientific research initiatives, fundraising events like the STEMM & Strides Race Series, or collaborative publications and awareness campaigns, The Platform Magazine Foundation serves as a catalyst for unity and forward momentum.

This is more than a nonprofit, it is a movement built on courage, compassion, and community. We invite supporters, educators, veterans, corporations, faith-based groups, and everyday storytellers to join us in elevating voices that matter and building programs that endure.

Together, we are not just publishing stories — we are writing the future.

What we've accomplished so far

In our founding year, The Platform Magazine Foundation made meaningful strides in service, education, and community impact. With a small budget and a mission driven by heart, we invested directly into programs that uplift veterans, military families, and young learners across the nation. Highlights from our first year include:

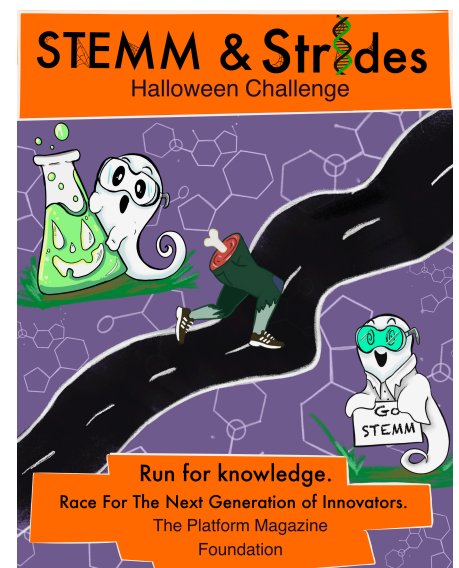


Supporting the Wounded Paw Project - We proudly partnered with the Wounded Paw Project to amplify its mission of rescuing and rehabilitating abused and abandoned dogs. Through storytelling, advocacy, and awareness campaigns, we helped elevate their message of healing, hope, and the critical role service animals play in veteran wellness.

Honoring Military Stories Through Our Blog



Our Foundation blog consistently highlighted powerful stories from the military community. From combat medics and amputee athletes to military spouses and veteran leaders, these narratives have reached new audiences and raised awareness of service, sacrifice, and resilience. These stories remain at the heart of our mission, connecting readers with the people who defend our nation.



STEMM & Strides™: Healthy Living Meets Education

In 2025, we launched our first STEMM & Strides initiative. A blend of movement, wellness, and hands-on activities for families. Participants engaged in running and walking challenges while raising funds for the foundation. This program laid the foundation for future wellness-based learning events.



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STEMM Heroes in Action!



STEMM Workshops & Events for Kids

We expanded our outreach through STEMM educational programs designed especially for military children. From hands-on experiments to science demonstrations, we created environments where young learners could explore biology, engineering, and innovation. These events supported confidence, curiosity, and academic excitement among youth who serve alongside their families.

Leadership and Governance



Dr. Judy Staveley

President TPMF

“Leadership demands courage, discipline, and vision. When we uphold these principles in governance, we strengthen our foundation and empower our future.” Dr. Judy Staveley

Our People: The Heart of Our Mission

Making an impact is at the core of every nonprofit, but that impact is only possible because of the people who stand behind the mission. The Platform Magazine Foundation is powered by dedicated volunteers, board advisors, collaborators, and community partners who bring their time, expertise, and passion to every initiative.

“We extend our gratitude to our board advisors, volunteers, and partners whose guidance and support strengthen the integrity and direction of our mission.”

Our team is more than a group of supporters, they are educators, veterans, scientists, students, military families, and compassionate leaders who believe in service, learning, and resilience. Their commitment fuels the day-to-day operations of the Foundation, strengthens our programs, and ensures we remain responsive to the needs of the communities we serve.

In 2025, our volunteers and contributors played a pivotal role in:

- Supporting STEMM & Strides events and encouraging healthy living through movement and education
- Expanding STEMM workshops for military children and underserved youth
- Sharing inspiring military and resilience stories through our blog
- Advocating for veteran wellness and amplifying the mission of organizations like the Wounded Paw Project
- Building awareness, raising funds, and keeping the Foundation connected to the communities we aim to uplift

The long-term impact of their work is already evident. Together, we are helping shape stronger families, healthier lifestyles, and greater access to STEMM pathways for children who may not otherwise have these opportunities. Our people are the cornerstone of our mission — and every success story we celebrate begins with their dedication.

The future of The Platform Magazine Foundation is bright because of those who choose to stand with us. We are deeply grateful for their service, leadership, and unwavering belief in our mission.

Maximizing Donations

What measures has your organization taken to improve services and reach more people? Discuss any growth strategies here, highlighting the progress in the past year.



Increased donations have enabled us to cover costs.

Through targeted outreach, virtual events, and community engagement, TPMF worked strategically to stretch every donated dollar. Our first year set a strong foundation for future grant applications, corporate partnerships, and donor campaigns that will expand program access across Maryland and beyond.

Financial Summary

As a startup nonprofit, TPMF maintained a modest budget of \$1,000 and invested directly into programming, outreach, and community education with full transparency and zero administrative overhead.

Future Plans

As we look ahead, The Platform Magazine Foundation is committed to expanding our impact, strengthening our programs, and building sustainable pathways to support military families, youth in STEMM, and community wellness initiatives. Our plans for the coming year reflect a strategic vision grounded in service, transparency, and long-term growth.

In 2026, we aim to:

Expand STEMM Education Programs

We will broaden our STEMM workshops and hands-on learning experiences, particularly for children, military children, and Veteran communities. Our focus is to provide more accessible science education that sparks curiosity, confidence, and pathways to future opportunities.

Grow Our STEMM & Strides Initiative

Following the success of our wellness and education events, we plan to host additional virtual and in-person STEMM & Strides programs and races. These events will integrate healthy living, movement, and STEMM discovery, strengthening family engagement and community health.

Strengthen Partnerships With Veteran and Animal Welfare Organizations

We will enhance collaborative work with groups like the Wounded Paw Project, supporting their mission while elevating stories of resilience, healing, and service. Through strategic partnerships, we aim to create broader awareness of veteran wellness and animal rescue.

Build Organizational Capacity

As a young nonprofit, strengthening our operational foundation is essential. We plan to pursue grant opportunities, expand fundraising efforts, increase volunteer engagement, and develop long-term sustainability resources to support our mission.

Deepen Our Storytelling & Advocacy

Our blog and media platforms will continue to highlight inspiring stories, STEMM research, military stories, community leaders, and real-world examples of courage and perseverance. Through storytelling, we aim to inform, educate, and inspire audiences across the nation.

Increase Access to Community Programs

We intend to bring our programming to more libraries, schools, community centers, and military installations. These new touchpoints will allow us to directly serve more families and create meaningful, lasting impact.

The Platform Magazine Foundation is growing with purpose.

Our future is guided by a commitment to education, wellness, service, and honoring those who give so much to our country. With continued support from our partners, donors, and volunteers, we are building a strong foundation for long-term impact and empowering the communities we serve.

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