



OPERATION VET NOW INC.

*Dedicated to Honoring and Supporting Our Veterans
& their Families*

Organization Overview



Mission Statement

Improve the overall mental wellness of our Veterans and honor our fallen heroes, through outreach events and programs. Connecting Veterans to care and support focused on veteran suicide prevention.

Our Vision

Connecting our Veterans to life changing services and programs, dedicated to improve the wellness of every Veteran we encounter...heal and honor our heroes.



Meeting Veteran's NEEED'S

Through Endless OPPORTUNITIES

To Their Overall WELLNESS

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What is “NOW”

Needs

- Connect all who served to Care with invisible injuries linked to Veteran suicide
- Finding “right fit” programs based on needs and comfort zone of the Veterans
- Community understanding; a realistic understanding of Veterans mental health issues and needs
- Post 9/11 Veterans are underserved with outreach programs they can relate to
- Train/educate our fellow veterans' organizations on effective outreach

Opportunities

- Connect to Care with innovative live events and programs
- 11 of the 17+ Veterans who commit suicide daily are not registered with care or support services
- Connect Veterans to support networks that generate a programs based on interest (i.e. sports)
- Reach & support younger Veterans through innovative sports-based programs

Wellness

- Promote long term connection to the right care programming
- Support mentorship, rehabilitation and treatment programs focused on outcomes
- Expand and explain access to support groups local & national

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2023 Goals and Objectives



Key Issues OVN is addressing

- High suicide rate among veterans – over 17 per day nationwide
 - Connection to PTS, TBI Transitional & Combat Stress issues (*Does not mean direct combat only*)
- Reaching the Veterans who are suffering before it's too late – Go to them!
- Community understanding and relationship building with Veterans
- Numerous Non-Profit organizations – reduce confusion on help
- Connecting Veterans to “right-fit” support programs
- Maximize the connection to care/support through outreach
- Reaching Veterans who are suffering in silence before it's too late!

Three Focused Programs

OVN Veterans Villages Project

- Large & small outreach events that combines numerous local and national veterans support organizations focused on veterans' mental health issues
- Introduces, connects, and educates over 3000 Veterans annually to the care & support available to them

OVN Fallen Heroes Tribute Project

- Manage large scale programs to honor service members that have been killed while serving or from conditions stemming from service at local and national public events (Professional Sports, Military holidays & more)
- Work extensively with Gold Star families and military units of the fallen service members
- OVN has honored over 400 fallen heroes since 2018

OVN Ambassador Athlete Program

- Select Veterans that are competing up to the professional level of sports (Olympics, Professional Motorsports, Professional Triathletes, and Professional MMA)
- Athletes are ambassadors of the message to help veterans that suffer from PTSI, TBI, Combat & Transitional Stress and have personal experiences or knowledge of the various issues veterans experience
- Athletes use their sport to help their mental wellness and help other veterans get involved

OVN Veteran Village in Action



OVN Veterans Village Project
21 & 22 Feb 2020, @ the Snocross Championship Series, Salamanca, NY



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OVN Fallen Heroes Tribute Project



Sgt Jason McClary USA, KIA 2018 OFS
SCPO Shannon Kent USN, KIA 2019 OIF
SSgt Dylan Elchin USAF, KIA 2018 OFS



SPC Richard V. Wolverton
22, Latrobe, PA



Sgt Alan B. Craver
32, Penn Hills, PA



Sgt Joseph P. Bongiorno III
20, Hickory, PA



SPC Christine L. Mayes
26, Rochester Mills, PA



SPC Steven E. Atherton
26, Nankin, PA



Sgt Frank J. Walls
20, Hawthorne, PA



SPC Anthony E. Madison
27, Monessen, PA

Honoring our Fallen Heroes
14th Quartermaster Detachment
Greensburg, PA
KIA 25 Feb 91
Operation Desert Storm
We Will Never Forget



SPC Frank S. Koonigh
22, North Huntingdon, PA



SPC Thomas G. Stone
27, Monessen, PA



SPC John A. Boliver, Jr.
27, Monessen, PA



SPC Steven J. Sika
24, Unity, PA



Sgt John T. Boxler
44, Johnstown, PA



SPC Beverly S. Clark
27, Monessen, PA



Cpl Jessica A. Ellis
US Army
KIA - 11 May 2008 - Iraq
Hometown: Slavy Falls, SD



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OVN AMBASSADOR ATHLETES



OVN's Athlete Roster



Joshua "Obie" Trice



Motocross Racer #419
US Coast Guard Medic.

Connor "The Controller"
Matthews



Professional MMA Fighter
USAF Veteran, Combat
Controller

Jackie Riess #27



Professional Snow Biker Racer
Daughter of Vietnam Era Marine

Major Chris Walsh



Professional Race Car Driver &
Olympic Bobsled Team
Active Military USAF Special
Tactics Officer

Sean "The Unpredictable
1" Lally



Professional MMA Fighter &
Trainer
USA Veteran, Ranger

Devin Denman #72



Professional Snocross Racer
SGT Army Reserves, Heavy
Equipment Operator

Don Prescott



Ironman Competitor, USAF(R)
Veteran, Combat Flight Engineer

Crystal Perry



National Shooting & Off-Racing
Competitor. Utah, Army
National Guard, Intelligence



OVN's Athlete Roster

Rich Gower



Enduro racer #357
USAF (R) Veteran, AC Refueling

Jennell Brown #434



Motocross Racer, Sgt Army
National Guard & NH State
Trooper

Ryan McCullough



Motocross, Army Veteran,
Apache Helicopter Maintenance
Crew

Lakietha "Kee" Barrett



Pro Women's Football Player
USA Veterans

Alex Fournal #248



Motocross Racer #248
USN Veteran, Aviation Mechanic-
F-18 Hornets

Craig Rundell



National 3 Gun Shooting, Off-
Road racing & Motocross. US
Army (R) Veteran, Field Artillery

Matt Wolgan



Motocross Racer, Army Veteran,
Infantry

Jim West



National Jui-Jitsu Competitor.
Marine Veteran, Infantry

