Home Base Awarded PenFed Foundation Grant to Support Native Veterans and Service Members and Their Families



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Grant provides Native Veterans access to the Mobilized Native Intensive Clinical Program

TYSONS, Va., March 20, 2025 /PRNewswire/ -- The **PenFed Foundation**, a national nonprofit organization that supports Veterans in their transition from service to success, today announced it awarded a grant to **Home Base**, a national non-profit dedicated to healing the invisible wounds of war through direct clinical care, wellness, education and research. The grant supports the Mobile Native Intensive Clinical Program, which provides Native Veterans and Service Members and their Families gold standard mental health care programming, individual therapy, group therapy, mindful movement, physical-wellness training and nutrition to tribal communities in the Southwest United States.

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"The PenFed Foundation is proud to support Home Base as the organization is addressing the unique needs of the Native American military community," said **PenFed Foundation President Andrea McCarren**. "We appreciate that this unprecedented program is available free of charge, so veterans can prioritize their healing."

The Mobile Native Intensive Clinical Program delivers a mobile version of Home Base's Native Intensive Clinical Programming directly to Native Veterans and Families in tribal communities. The innovative Native Intensive Clinical Program was built upon Home Base's flagship Intensive Clinical Program (ICP) through consultation with Native Veterans, tribal leaders and healthcare administrators. The ICP is an outpatient treatment program designed to treat Veterans and their Family Members who are struggling with invisible wounds with up to two years of treatment in a two-week program, combining evidence-based therapy with complementary and alternative medicine.

After completing the program, participants will be connected to veteran services near their communities.

"This program is more than just bringing care closer to home—it's about ensuring Native Veterans feel seen, heard, and valued," said **Air Force Veteran Marcus Denetdale (Diné)**, Regional Associate Director of Southwest & Tribal Relations at Home Base. "Home Base is honored by the support organizations like

PenFed Foundation provide especially in recognizing the mental health needs within our rural and tribal communities enabling us to deliver our gold standard care."

Native American veterans, service members and their families are eligible for all Home Base programing and have the option to attend culturally informed Indigenous programs. For more information, please visit: **Native American Care | Home Base**.

About PenFed Foundation

Founded in 2001, The PenFed Foundation is a national nonprofit organization that supports veterans in their transition from service to success. Affiliated with PenFed Credit Union, the Foundation has provided more than \$55 million in financial support to veterans, active-duty service members and military families. PenFed Credit Union covers the salaries and administrative costs of The PenFed Foundation, so more of your donation goes right to our programs. To learn more, please visit **www.penfedfoundation.org**.

About Home Base

Home Base, a partnership between the Red Sox and MGH, operates the largest private-sector mental health and brain injury clinic in the nation focused on caring for Veterans, active-duty Service Members, Military-Connected Families and Families of the Fallen, healing from the invisible wounds of war. Home Base leverages the incredible medical resources of the MGH, Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital, and the greater Harvard Medical School, to create innovative models of care. Since inception, Home Base has provided clinical care and support to more than 45,000 Veterans, Service Members and Families across the nation – all at no cost to them. For more information visit **homebase.org**.

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