

Organization Overview

Who We Are

National all-volunteer 501(c)3 Military and Veteran Support Organization (MVSO) assisting active duty service members, wounded warriors, veterans, and their beloved companion animals or assistance service canines through various assistance programs. These programs include: the Military and Veteran Pet (MVP)Foster Home program, Military Pet Assistance (MPA) fund program, Warriors' Angels (WA) program (TX only at this time), and MVP Sanctuary (MVPS) in TX. The organization was incorporated in the state of Arkansas on 26 Jan 2005 plus filed as a foreign nonprofit operating in the state of Texas effective 1 Jan 2010.

Unless stated otherwise programs are available in all 50 states and all Branches of Service including National Guard and Reserves.

Difference between Guardian Angels for Soldier's Pet and Animal Shelter/Rescue organizations:

	Guardian Angels for Soldier's Pet©	Humane Societies / Shelters / Rescues
Primary Mission / Purpose	"Military & Veterans Support Organization" (MVSO) supporting our active duty military, veterans, and their beloved pets to ensure pets are reunited with their owners.	To rescue, provide sanctuary, and ultimately re-home abandoned and neglected animals.
Client	Pet owner active duty, veterans, and military families needing our assistance due to a deployment as defined above or an unforeseen hardship related to a medical and/or homeless situation. Pet Owner retains full ownership.	Animal who was rescued (stray or abandoned or neglected) or legally surrendered to them whereas they become the new pet owner.

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Who We Help via our "Pet Foster Home" program

Deployments

Active Duty: single and dual military couples whose units have received deployment orders related to a combat or peacekeeping or humanitarian mission. (Foster term up to 1 year)

Family of Deploying Service Member: assistance related to a major medical situation (e.g., MS, Autism, spouse or child wheelchair bound) within the immediate family that would have an impact for the family to care for their beloved pet during the spouse's deployment. **(Foster Term – same as deployment term)**

Hardships

Wounded Warriors: assistance related to a medical situation (combat injuries, TBI, PTSD, Cancer or other major medical issues) by working with the various VA medical assigned representatives (mentor, counselor, social work, etc.), military medical facility (assigned Primary Case Manager) or the military Warrior Transition Unit (WTU) or Warrior Transition Battalion (WTB) program. (Foster Term between 2 – 12 months dependent on situation)

Honorable/General Discharged Veteran: assistance related to major medical (e.g., PTSD, TBI, Cancer, etc.) situations by working with the various VA Medical Center representatives (mentor, counselor, case manager, etc.) across the country. (Foster Term between 2 – 12 months dependent on situation)



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Homeless Veteran: assistance involving a homeless situation by working with the various VA and/or VA approved "Homeless Transition" program representatives (mentor, counselor, case manager, etc.) (Foster Term between 2 – 12 months dependent on situation)

Fallen Warriors: Families impacted by the loss of a loved one who has paid the ultimate sacrifice (KIA or Suicide related) and is being supported through a "Survivors Outreach Services" (SOS) or "Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors: (TAPS) representative feels with everything unexpected happening at the moment they are unable to properly care for the MSM/family pet or pets may need our assistance. At the end of the foster term the family needs to pick up the pet or pets whether at that time they decide to keep the pet or pets or surrender the pet or pets. (Foster Term up to 3 months)

Programs

<u>Pet Foster Home (PFH) Program:</u> Established (2005) to assist our troops, wounded warriors, and veterans with beloved companion animal with determining a potential foster home caregiver via our Foster Home Network so the pet and owner can be reunited following a specific deployment (combat or peacekeeping or humanitarian related mission) or an unforeseen hardship involving a major medical or homeless situation. Also includes the "Military Pet Assistance" (MPA) fund established in 2008 to assist with emergency pet care related costs for pets fostered in our MVPFH program when we are unable to reach the legal pet owner and emergency pet care is needed due to an unforeseen emergency medical situation. As of 2nd quarter 2012 expanded the program helping our homeless veterans who are receiving a hand up via a VA or VA approved "Homeless Transition" program with temp boarding and needed veterinarian care for the pets that will be fostered via our PFH program where funds are available.

<u>Warriors' Angels (WA) Program – TX Only:</u> developed to support service members and veterans who have been medically diagnosed with "Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder" (PTSD) and official recommendation from their Primary Care Manager (PCM) to us has been received that an "Assistance Service Canine" (ASC) will help improve the service member/veteran's quality of life. The program includes but not limited to qualifying potential service member/veteran applicants, determining potential ASC candidates via a specific evaluation process, arranging for specific "Team" (specific Handler and ASC candidate) training, program certification, and on-going WA Team follow up until such time as the ASC can no longer perform the functions it was trained to do or the Team has officially been dropped from the program

<u>MVP Sanctuary – TX Only</u>: Guardian Angels for Soldier's Pet property located in Coryell County, TX (east side of Gatesville, TX and approximately 9 miles north of North Fort Hood). Purpose of the sanctuary is to create (1) memorial gardens to honor and remember our Fallen Warriors, MWDs, and our military/veteran beloved pets who have crossed the Rainbow Bridge; (2) various activities including but not limited to volleyball and horseshoes; (3) Warriors' Angels Training Facility; (4) National office for the organization's "day-to-day operations with conference/training room; (5) Covered pavilion for events involving our military and veteran communities and for holding fundraising events; and (6) designated picnic areas for use by the military and veteran communities.

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How We Do It

<u>Pet Foster Home:</u> Our state and regional level coordination volunteers act as a liaison between our clients and a potential foster home registered within our national network of individuals/families who are able and willing to open their hearts and homes to care for these beloved pets during a designated foster term, so the pets can be reunited with their owners following a deployment and/or an unforeseen hardship.

<u>MPA Fund:</u> Funds administered and maintained by the organization's Chief Executive Officer (CEO) through interacting with VA case workers and covering applicable pet care related expenditures with such service providers as boarding facilities and veterinarians across the country via phone and email.

<u>Warriors' Angels (TX only):</u> Support and coordination handled via support teams established in designated areas within the state (San Antonio, Fort Hood/Killeen and surrounding areas in Central TX, Dallas/Fort Worth area, Fort Bliss/El Paso area, Northeastern part of TX, and South eastern part of TX, Northwest area of TX). Overall program administration, recordkeeping, and tracking performed at the organization's National office in Coryell County by the National WA Program Director.

<u>MVP Sanctuary (TX only):</u> This program was developed as another way of supporting our active duty service members, wounded warriors, veterans, their families, and the families of our Fallen Warriors including fundraising efforts, established and maintained by various committees/teams including but not limited to Project Development, Outreach (spreading the word and interacting with local media), Fundraising, and Maintenance te

Funding

Being an ALL volunteer 501c3 nonprofit "MVSO" we totally depend on the following avenues of revenue:

- Direct Public Support
- Indirect Public Support
- In-Kind Donations
- 3rd Party Fundraising
- On-Line Shopping programs (eBay Giving Works, iGive, Amazon Smile, America's Charities, Give Back America, etc.)
- Matching Gift programs (Corporations match Employees' monetary donation and/or volunteer hours)
- Vehicle Donations via VAC
- Grants
- Civilian/Military Sponsorships
- Fundraising efforts hosted by Guardian Angels for Soldier's Pet at the TX MVP Sanctuary.

All efforts are made to ensure 87% - 95% of all donations are allocated to our programs. Though we do not have employee salaries and employee benefits, every 501c3 nonprofit organization will have required Administrative and Fundraising expenditures.



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Administrative expenditures can include but not limited to (1) IRS required or Donor requested audits by an outside CPA/Accounting firm of our financial records and other documentation; (2) Annual state specific filing fees associated with state specific Charity Registration regulations; (3) needed or required insurance; (4) property mortgage interest charges, (5) website related charges; (6) utilities; and (7) bank charges. Please note since we are an ALL volunteer organization there are no salaries, wages, or benefit packages.

Wish List

As additional items impacting the needs of our organization and programs are identified, this list will be adjusted accordingly.

- 1.) Civilian/Military Sponsorships
- 2.) Civilian/Military Major Funding for Warriors' Angels and MVP Sanctuary programs
- 3.) Administrative and MVP Sanctuary volunteers
- 4.) Donated materials and/or pro bono labor for each project defined at the MVP Sanctuary (e.g., gazebos, trees/plants, plumbing, electrical)
- 5.) Qualified national and state level volunteers with a passion for supporting our military and veteran communities, plus the time to perform the functions they choose to commit to.