

Dear American Legion Riders Chapter 694,

2015 has come and gone and we couldn't have saved the lives, brought families back together, repaired homes or made the progress that we have made without the great Americans like yourself that have graciously supported our mission! Your donation of \$1200 has helped us help those that service men and women that have given such a high price.

Unfortunately, the wars are not ending and the suicide rate for our veterans are now 22-23 a day! Suicides have topped over 90,000 since the current war started. We have lost more from suicide in 2015 than we have lost from over a decade of combat on multiple war fronts. Even though our mission has expanded; we at OHD are more focused on our goals in saving even just 1 of the 22 a day and helping veterans to find a new "normal" in life! During 2016 our all-volunteer board has vowed to dedicate spending more hours at the helm while working toward becoming a full time organization. We have now secured 400 acres just outside Fresno up in the North Fork area and look forward to building cabins and building Camp Freedom, the very first full time veterans camp in the United States! 2016 will be a very big year for us and we look forward to a strong community involvement to make this happen!

Again, thank you for your continued support and we look forward to seeing you at one of our future events! We will have a small group of veterans hiking from Yosemite to Mt. Whitney starting on July 20<sup>th</sup> and a few weeks later leaving the border of Canada and heading to Mexico and back to Fresno at 10 MPH on a zoom chair. We will have other Mission22 fundraisers to support building Camp Freedom as well!

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