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Assurant Joins Military Warriors Support Foundation to Help Veterans Achieve Home Ownership

AUSTIN, Texas, Nov. 11, 2016 - For the second year, [Assurant](#) has partnered with Military Warriors Support Foundation (MWSF) to enable military families to make their home ownership dreams come true.

The Assurant Foundation, the philanthropic organization of Assurant, has contributed \$40,000 to MWSF's Homes4WoundedHeroes and Homes4GoldStars programs. Under these programs, military veterans and Gold Star families are presented mortgage-free homes donated by major bank partners.

"Assurant is proud to partner with Military Warriors Support Foundation in such a wonderful program that honors our military veterans and their families," said Dan Hoppes, senior vice president, Mortgage Solutions, a business line of Assurant. Assurant and Military Warriors Support Foundation announced the donations at the recent AmeriCatalyst industry conference in Austin, Texas.

"Assisting veterans and Gold Stars in achieving their dreams of home ownership is an honor and we are thrilled to be a part of it," Hoppes added.

As part of an ongoing commitment to financially back veterans and their families, Assurant is supporting Military Warriors Support Foundation's Family and Financial Mentoring program, which includes lessons in home stewardship, career transitions and customized financial knowledge. These additional services provide lifelong skills that help families stay successful as they transition into civilian life.

Military Warriors Support Foundation selected a heroic combat veteran and a Gold Star Family to receive homes.

Bank of America donated a home to Military Warriors Support Foundation, which was provided to former U.S. Army Sgt. Jason Esquivel, who earned a Purple Heart and a Combat Action badge while deployed in Afghanistan. While on a mission to recover a damaged vehicle, Esquivel sustained multiple combat-related injuries when his convoy was hit twice by explosive devices. He plans to graduate from welding school, "to do what I love to do."

Wells Fargo donated a home given to Gold Star spouse Tiffany Kennedy, receiving her home on behalf of her late husband, Sgt. First Class Stephen Kennedy. Kennedy received the Bronze Star and Purple Heart, posthumously, after being killed in action while deployed in Iraq. Mrs. Kennedy has three sons and one daughter, and is passionately devoted to her family.

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About Military Warriors Support Foundation

Military Warriors Support Foundation (MWSF) is a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization whose mission is to provide support for our Nation's combat wounded heroes and Gold Star Families as they transition out of the military and into their new civilian life. The program focuses on housing and homeownership, employment, as well as recreational activities and transportation assistance. For more information on Military Warriors Support Foundation and all of their programs, please visit MilitaryWarriors.org.

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