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NAVY MARINE CORPS P.R.O.U.D. FOUNDATION

2023 Year in Review

Thank You for Supporting Those Who Serve Us!

President's Message

Dear Supporters,

Thank you for providing financial support in 2023 to the Navy Marine Corps P.R.O.U.D. Foundation. We had an incredible year. As an all-Volunteer run nonprofit, our Foundation takes great strides to provide direct assistance from the funds we raised to those in need within 24 hours of notification. This year we received a tremendous amount of financial support from individuals, businesses and community groups in San Diego and around the country. We would like to shout out a special thank you to the MCAA (Marine Corps Aviation Association) for their continued support over the past 3 years by donating $35,000 to the PROUD Foundation and also to Steve and Mercedes Penner for being our leading Gold Sponsor at our 2023 Giving Gala, donating $12,000.

Since 2018, the PROUD Foundation has helped 70 military members and families by providing over $78,000 in financial aid for emergencies such as car repairs, housing rent, and utility payments. Also, we gave a total of $107,180 in food & gas gift cards to San Diego area Navy-Marine Corps Relief Societies to distribute to military members in financial need and we awarded over $9,000 to local veteran service organizations to assist with those in a financial crisis.

I hope you enjoy our 2023 recap and the PROUD Foundation looks forward to working together with you again this year to help keep our promise to support those who defend our country and our freedom.

Sincerely,
Cathe Robling
President, Navy Marine Corps PROUD Foundation

Allana Meyer, Cathe Robling, Monica Reynolds, Staci Reidinger and Mercedes Penner, NMC PROUD Foundation Board Members, pause for a picture during the Foundation's Donors & Supporters Reception on July 22, 2023 held at The Heights Golf Club in Rancho Bernardo, CA.

It's been an amazing year of giving!

Jan-March 2023

Gift Card Donations

Throughout the year we've donated over $37,800 in gift cards to San Diego area Navy-Marine Corps Relief Societies to help needy military families. These cards are in high demand for our active duty members and their families as they seek support during trying times. We are glad we can provide this supplemental support to our area NMCRS locations.

Navy Marine Corps Relief Society- MCRD

Barry White- Director of NMCRS- Navy Yard and Traci Schuck- Director of NMCRS- North Island

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Daughters of the American Revolution & Rancho Bernardo Rotary Fuel PROUD Mission with Grants

Northrop Grumman & Employees Gives Back

In February 2023, NMC PROUD Foundation received donations from Northrop Grumman in honor of

In January the PROUD Foundation received a wonderful $500 award from the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) and $1,500 from the Rancho Bernardo Rotary to advance our efforts to support our military community. We deeply appreciate their generosity.

Foundation Board Member Monica Reynold's husband, Shaugn Reynolds. As a 100% volunteer nonprofit, these funds will provide emergency support to San Diego region Marines, Sailors, Veterans and their families experiencing financial struggles. Thank you Northrop Grumman for helping us serve those who serve us!

April-June 2023

Marine Corps Aviation Association Awards $15,000 Grant to PROUD Foundation & Highlights Nonprofit at Annual Conference

NMC PROUD Foundation received an amazing $15,000 grant from MCAA in May 2023! We are so thankful for MCAA's enduring support. Cathe Robling, PROUD Foundation President, also attended the MCAA Annual Conference, sharing details about our work and collecting donations from MCAA Conference guests to support our military community May 15-19 in Dallas, TX.

Naval Officer

Spouses' Club - San Diego Awards $1,500 to PROUD Foundation

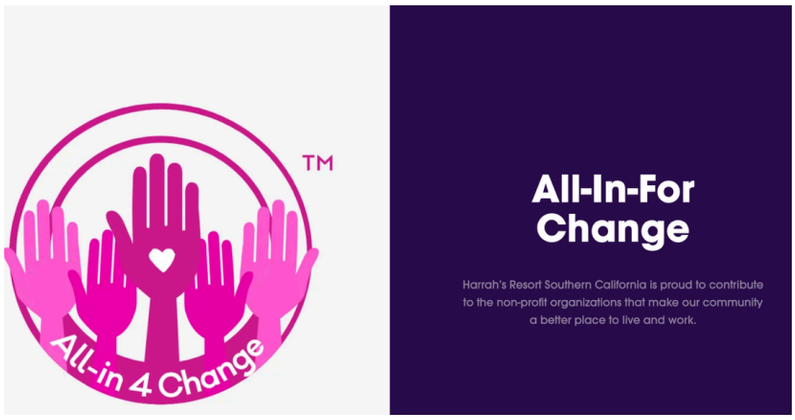
On May 13, 2023, PROUD Foundation attended the Naval Officer Spouses' Club - North Island reception and was awarded a $1,500 grant to support our military families in need across SD County.

Over $4k Raised in Memory of Chuck Zangas

The Navy Marine Corps PROUD Foundation received $4,425 from the friends and family of Chuck Zangas honoring his life and service in the the United States Marine Corps.

Camp Pendleton Military Spouses' Award Grant to PROUD

Thank you Military Spouse Association of Camp Pendleton for your $500 grant in May during your association reception. We deeply appreciate your support to our military families.



PROUD Foundation featured in Harrah's Community Engagement Video

After winning $15,000 in Sept. 2022 from Harrah's Southern CA to support our programs, they reached out to interview PROUD board members Cathe Robling & Staci Reidinger for a feature video about their nonprofit awardees.

July-Sept 2023

NMC PROUD Donors & Supporters Thank You Reception

We wouldn't be able to provide emergency grants, fuel and grocery gift cards and grants to other military service organizations without our donors, volunteers and dedicated supporters. We took time on July 22 to thank our supporters during a reception at The Heights Golf Club in Rancho Bernardo. During the event we took time to honor and remember U.S. Marine Corps pilot, friend and community member, Chuck Zangas and we donated gift cards to all the NMCRS Offices in the San Diego region. We are so glad Chuck's bride could join us to celebrate his life.

PROUD Foundation Board Members Volunteer at 2023 Armed Forces YMCA Military Spouses Symposium

NMC PROUD Board members supported this event on August 26 at MCAS Miramar as facilitators, teachers, event support and mentors. It was great to offer these military spouses a day of pampering, fun and education!

2023 Armed Forces YMCA Military Spouses Symposium Recap Video

Oct-Dec 2022

Operation Unwavering Devotion Gala raises close to $60,000

On Oct. 7 we held our only fundraising event at The La Jolla Golf and Country Club which was a beautiful evening of friendship, dinner, our silent and live auctions along with a gorgeous sunset. We raised $57,843 and could not have done this without your support! Thank you to everyone that attended, donated and sponsored our engagement. Special shout out to our amazing NFCU volunteers and our $12,000 Gold Star Sponsors Steve & Mercedes Penner.

NFCU Employee volunteered at Giving Gala

Navy Federal Credit Union Awards NMC PROUD Foundation $1,000 Grant

On Nov. 13, our 100% volunteer NMC PROUD Foundation Board of Directors visited NFCU at MCAS Miramar to receive a $1,000 grant award in support of our military members, their families and veterans in our region. Thank you, NFCU for all you do for our military community!

NMC PROUD Foundation Featured, Awarded Grant at VetsAid Concert

We were so thrilled to get the news that our Foundation was selected as a Community Grant Recipient by VetsAid in early November. A few of our Board Members attended this live concert on Nov. 12 and during the event VetsAid played a Navy Marine Corps PROUD Foundation video to thousands of attendees. We are so thankful for this promotion of our work and know the grant funds will go a long way to help our military community in need.

Gift Card Donations

Throughout the year, Navy Marine Corps PROUD Foundation delivers gas cards, gift cards, checks and direct assistance to the 6 Navy-Marine Corps Relief Societies across San Diego County. Additionally, PROUD Foundation provides grants to military active duty, veterans and their families who are in financial need.

Case Work Grants

PROUD Foundation works closely with San Diego region Navy-Marine Corps Relief Societies to provide funds for active duty military and their families in emergency need as well as gift cards often used for gas, food and diapers. Please consider donating to PROUD Foundation to help us care those who defend our freedom.

Arlette Mendoza Director of MCRS- Miramar

Cathe Robling visiting NMCRS- Camp receiving Gift Cards

Pendleton Volunteers: Megan Krugman and Daisy Espinoza

Holiday Tea to Thank our PROUD Supporters

Cathe Robling, NMC PROUD Foundation President, held a wonderful Holiday Tea at her home in Poway on Dec. 19 to close out a productive giving season. Thank you to everyone that helped make this a beautiful and memorable event.

BIG THANKS to our Outstanding Supporters!

With your help we supported 1,767 military members!!!

GRANTS AWARDED

Daughters of the American Revolution, Linares Chapter
MCAA- Marine Corps Aviation Association
MSA- CP- Marine Spouse Association, Camp Pendleton
Navy Federal Credit Union- Miramar
NOSC- Navy Officer Spouse Club- North Island
Rancho Bernardo Rotary Club
Vet Aid- San Diego

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Shaugn & Monica Reynolds
Steve Eicher
Terry & Cathe Robling
Traci Schuck
The Blackbaud Giving Fund
The Presley Restaurant
The Roxy Restaurant

100% Volunteer Run Organization

We understand the hardships, have served as military members, spouses or family members and give our time and treasure to support those who defend our freedom!

Want to join our efforts?

Contact us to find out how to support our efforts as a volunteer staff member, event support, fundraising or direct support to our clients.

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