

## Armed Forces Families Foundation



Dear AFFF Partners,

The Armed Forces Families Foundation has had a month full of events, accomplishments and opportunities that we are thrilled to share with you!

On May 19<sup>th</sup>, the AFFF team was honored to attend the Jacksonville Sharks' Military Appreciation Night. The Sharks, Jacksonville's arena football team, auctioned players' camouflage jerseys to benefit the AFFF. We are proud to announce that this second year event raised over \$31,000!

On June 4th, the AFFF Team and Malcom Randall VA Medical Center, located in Gainesville, FL, held a ribbon cutting ceremony for two remodeled Surgical ICU waiting rooms. The rooms are now beautifully decorated with cherry flooring, new sofas, new wall art and flat screen TV. A coffee center, microwave, and desk /cabinet area have also been upgraded for families to enjoy.





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The South Florida Army Birthday Ball held on June 9<sup>th</sup> at the Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino in Hollywood, FL celebrated the U.S. Army's 237<sup>th</sup> birthday. The AFFF team helped sponsor this meaningful event by donating \$5,000 in order to lower ticket costs for soldiers and their guests, which also allowed more junior soldiers to attend. AFFF and Taco Bell were recognized during the ceremony and presented with Certificates of Appreciation.

As the past two months have proven to be an exciting time, we are sure that upcoming months will have just as much in store. The AFFF is currently working on the installation of a picnic pavilion at Patrick Air Force Base (Cocoa Beach, FL), multi-age playgrounds at the Naval Air Station (Jacksonville, FL) and Homestead Reserve Air Base (Miami), as well as furnishing the USO at the Tampa Airport!

In addition, the AFFF team has been in contact with various VA Hospitals, Bases and USO's in Florida, Virginia, North Carolina and Tennessee. We are confident that these projects will be under way soon and we'll be sure to keep you informed.

Once again, we want to give a special thank you to everyone who has supported and participated with our Foundation. It is because of you that the AFFF has been so successful in making a positive impact on our military and their families.

Sincerely,

Your Armed Forces Families Team