Wounded Warrior Project Addressing Veteran Mental Health During Suicide Prevention Month

WWP Partners with Bush Institute's Warrior Wellness Alliance, VA, DoD

DALLAS, Sept. 19, 2018 /<u>PRNewswire</u>/ -- 20 veterans die from suicide every day. It is a complex problem that is difficult to address and is why Wounded Warrior Project[®] (WWP) is partnering with the George W. Bush Institute's Warrior Wellness Alliance, the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and the Department of Defense (DoD) to talk about mental health resources.

This evening, WWP will broadcast on Facebook Live addressing <u>veteran mental health</u>, the challenges warriors face in the transition to civilian life, and the resources available to help.

During the event, veterans <u>Taniki Richard</u>, <u>Angie Peacock</u>, and <u>Spencer Milo</u> will share their stories, viewers will be able to participate in a live question and answer session, and experts from the involved organizations will talk about what is being done to keep warriors safe.

More than 3 million U.S. service members deployed to Afghanistan or Iraq in the past 17 years. It is estimated that 500,000 of those live with the symptoms of <u>post-traumatic stress</u>. WWP, the Bush Institute, VA, and DoD work to get veterans out of isolation to facilitate their individual healing.

WWP cannot reach every veteran in need, underscoring the importance of collaboration. By working with organizations like the Bush Institute's Warrior Wellness Alliance and government agencies like DoD and VA, WWP hopes to ensure no warrior is left behind. Wednesday's Facebook Live event, during Suicide Prevention Month, will serve to remind veterans that support is available, and no one should feel alone.

WHO: Wounded Warrior Project, Bush Institute's Warrior Wellness Alliance, Department of Veterans Affairs, and Department of Defense

WHAT: Facebook Live conversation on veteran mental health

WHEN: 6:00 pm ET Tonight

WHERE: WWP Facebook page - http://facebook.com/WWP

WHY: To educate the nation about this public health problem – and lead veterans and their loved ones to the help they may need

About Wounded Warrior Project

Since 2003, Wounded Warrior Project[®] (WWP) has been meeting the growing needs of warriors, their families, and caregivers – helping them achieve their highest ambition. Learn more: <u>http://newsroom.woundedwarriorproject.org/about-us</u>.

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