



**Christmas 2019**

**Heartbeat Serving Wounded Warriors®**

*Heartbeat Serving Wounded Warriors® Christmas 2019 was a wonderful success because of all the outstanding support that we received from all of you. We cannot thank you enough for your generosity, your time, your compassion, and your financial investments for our courageous Wounded Warriors and their deserving families this year!*

*We have, hopefully, captured most of you who participated. For those whose stories are not in the newsletter, you are no less important! What you did by giving has changed lives and made a difference!*

*There are never enough of the right words to convey how very grateful we are to all of you who made Christmas 2019, through our programs, the best year yet!*

**Thank you!!**



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### CHRISTMAS WISH



200 Wounded Warriors and their family members served

### CHRISTMAS GIFT-A-CARD



633 Wounded Warriors and their family member served

### COATS FOR KIDS



395 Coats provided to Soldier's children

### OPERATION TOY DROP



Almost 1,000 toys given to Soldier's children

## CHRISTMAS WISH

Heartbeat is SO grateful, each and every year, to all the individuals, businesses, church groups, and organizations who generously donate not only their time, but also their finances, so our wounded Warriors and their families can have a great Christmas. Some of you even adopted more than one family. We can never express not only how thankful we are, but how much of an outstanding, positive effect you have on these courageous families every year.

Thank YOU!!

**THANK YOU ALL FOR MAKING CHRISTMAS WISH 2019 A SUPER SPECIAL YEAR FOR SO MANY!!!**

- 🌟 *Alutiiq, LLC*
- 🌟 *Kent First Baptist Church / Alice Kelly Circle*
- 🌟 *Knights of Columbus Bothell*
- 🌟 *Knights of Columbus of St Teresa of Calcutta Parish, Woodinville, WA*
- 🌟 *Knights of Columbus Our Lady of The Americas*
- 🌟 *Liberty Electric*
- 🌟 *Mobilize Physical Therapy*
- 🌟 *North Coast Electric Company*
- 🌟 *Northlake Montessori*
- 🌟 *PSE (2 teams)*
- 🌟 *US Family Health Plan (PACMED)*



Pictured above is an example of the generosity our Community Families demonstrate. Each year, this fellow Veteran adopts a Military Family for the holidays.



Pictured above: Heartbeat's Communication Manager, Kendra and her BFF, Jalayne, meet with their adopted Wounded Warrior to fill up her truck with gifts for her family.



## CHRISTMAS WISH

### *Knights of Columbus*

Every Year *Knights of Columbus* Councils give so much for all our Christmas programs.

This year, a special **Thank You** to:

🎄 *Bothell Knights of Columbus*

🎄 *Knights of Columbus Of St Teresa of Calcutta Parish, Woodinville, WA*

🎄 *Knights of Columbus Our Lady of The Americas*

For adopting so many of our courageous wounded warrior families.

The *Knights of Columbus* council at St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish in Woodinville, WA met with their adopted Wounded Soldier and her family at Starbucks for some coffee, conversation, and Christmas cheer.



Knights are left to right -  
Jimmy Yamauchi,  
Dennis Hammonds and  
Roddy Rodriguez

## CHRISTMAS WISH

***Knights of Columbus*** Our Lady of The Americas in Woodinville, WA delivered gifts to their adopted Military Family on Friday, Dec 13th, at their home. They had Mrs. Santa knock on the door. The youngsters squealed when they opened the door and saw her.





## CHRISTMAS GIFT-A-CARD

This year, our new Christmas Gift-A-Card program allowed us to give 633 gift cards to our Warrior's and their families.

This wouldn't be possible without all the fantastic donations we received this year, including:

- 🎄 *Project Linus*
- 🎄 *St. Joseph Council 7528 and St. Vincent de Paul Church*
- 🎄 *Pastor Cindy Bonner and the Bethany Compassion Center*
- 🎄 *Mary, Queen of Peace Parish, in Sammamish*
- 🎄 *Cindy Stevens*
- 🎄 *St. Vincent de Paul Parish*
- 🎄 *Knights of Columbus Federal Way*
- 🎄 *St Brendan Parish led by Sarah B.*
- 🎄 *Knights of Columbus in Bothell*

Pictured below: Project Linus provides these beautiful hand quilted Christmas pouches for ALL the gift cards we hand out.

**THANK YOU**, Diane Campbell and all her lovely elves in Project Linus





## COATS FOR KIDS

December 7, 2019

Heartbeat Serving Wounded Warriors requests *Knights of Columbus Coats for Kids Program* support Military Police Kid's Christmas Party at JBLM. Knights delivered 142 coats for the youngsters.



Knights Dan O'Brien, Mike Winkler, Monty, Julia Mathewson and daughter, Mary. Former Western District Master Eugene Daly had to leave before picture was taken.



This young lady wanted a pink coat. One of the Lady MP's helped get the fit right.



This young man wanted a warm coat like his sister has. But he wanted red not pink. Dad, an MP, watches on. Again, one of the Lady MP's is helping get the size correct.



## COATS FOR KIDS

December 14, 2019

Heartbeat requests the *Knight of Columbus* to provide as many Coats for Kids as possible for the 2nd Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment at JBLM that was hosting a series of Christmas Parties for the Ranger Families. The Knights delivered 235 coats to the Rangers.

Knights Paul Mazzoncini and Dan O'Brien are greeted by Ranger Mason.



Because of heightened Security Concerns the Knights were asked not to attend any of the 2/75 Rangers' Christmas Parties. This Battalion is the "Tip of the Spear" in GWT. They are constantly vigilant of those who would do America harm.



This is one of the Christmas Parties the 2/75 Rangers had for the Families. The Ladies will help the youngsters select the right coat after they finish bowling and pizza.

There were about 5 more parties planned around the base for the Ranger Families.





## OPERATION TOY DROP

A HUGE Heartbeat Serving Wounded Warriors **THANK YOU** for providing these amazing toys! There were nearly 1,000 toys delivered this year, including 28 bikes!



Pictured above: Mrs. Clause Carol, Jim Robinson, David Myers, Chester Loman, a soldier and South King County Fire and Rescue. You all made Christmas so very special for the MP families!



Pictured on the left, MP Soldier/Elves picked up 7 truckloads of toys from Santa Tony and Mrs. Clause Carol (far right)!! That's almost 1,000 wonderful toys!!!

[Click here to see a video from this year's Operation Toy Drop:](#)







*A personal Message from Janice Buckley, President of Heartbeat Serving Wounded Warriors*

*I want to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas!*

**To all of the wonderful people who have supported Heartbeat,**  
Thank you for making everything we do possible. You are amazing!!  
I believe Christmas brings out the very best in people and we have seen and heard some incredible stories this year.

**To all of our courageous Military Families all over the World,**  
We owe everything that is right and good about this country to you! I will continue to say,  
You are the plum line of excellence for this country. You teach me daily about Honor, Integrity,  
Loyalty and Courage. Thank you!

Because to me Christmas is the time to honor and celebrate my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, I want to say,  
Thank you! I could not do on a daily basis what I do without His Grace and Guidance. Because of Him,  
I am able to live my dream.

Merry Christmas Everyone and Thank you!!

Janice Buckley  
Founder/President Heartbeat Serving Wounded Warriors