

### Honoring Their Service

Operation First Response, Inc began its 8<sup>th</sup> year in 2012. With each year our Board and Staff become more seasoned with experience in serving America's Finest.

Our goal, first and foremost, is to honor their service and sacrifice as a quick responder to their emergency situations. We serve each family with compassion and respect.

Our reputation as a team player with other reputable non profits demonstrates our desire to meet as many needs as possible while being good stewards of the funds provided into our care.

As we continue on with our mission to serve these most deserving families our Board wishes to express our heartfelt gratitude for the support we receive from our Donors and Volunteers for without each of you we could not do what we do.

Peggy Baker  
Founder/President

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## 2012 Annual Report



### Mission Statement

Operation First Response, Inc. supports our nation's Wounded Warriors and their families with personal and financial needs. Services are provided from the onset of injury, throughout their recovery period and along their journey from military life into the civilian world. Financial aid varies as each case is based on individual needs ranging from rent, utilities, vehicle payments, groceries, clothing, and travel expenses.

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## 2012 Highlights

- Media Walk for the Wounded raised \$175,000
- Ocean City Walk for the Wounded raised \$69,000
- Received \$50,000 grant from the Putnam Avenue Family Trust
- Received \$30,000 from the Dixie Thunder Run
- Received \$25,000 grant from the Vanguard Charitable Endowment
- Received \$20,000 grant from Community Foundation of Northern Virginia
- Received \$15,000 grant from Disabled American Veterans
- Received \$15,000 grant from Recover Care, LLC
- Received \$15,000 grant from Charles Schwab
- Received \$10,000 grant from Exelon Generation Company.
- Received \$10,000 grant from The Katie Samson Foundation
- Received \$10,000 grant from The Rumsfeld Foundation
- General Smedley D. Butler Detachment Marine Corps League donated \$10,000

## 2012 Statistics

The staff of OFR has had the honor of working with our Nation's wounded Heroes and their families on a daily basis for several years.

During 2012 the following accomplishments have been possible:

1125 Wounded Heroes and their families have received assistance with:

- Mortgage and rent
- Utilities
- Vehicle payments
- Groceries

82 Wounded Heroes and their families have received air transportation.

60 Wounded Heroes and their families have received ground transportation and lodging.

405 OFR Backpacks have been sent to Combat Support Hospitals in Theatre.

Thousands of wounded Heroes and their family members have received emotional support.

All have received the honor and respect that they so rightfully deserve!

## 2012 Budget Report

### Income

Contributions: \$633,136.00

In-kind Contributions: \$180,454.00

Total Income: \$813,688.00

Net assets: \$131,310.00

### Expense

Cost of Services Provided: \$877,465.00

Fundraising Costs: 1.28%

Administrative Costs: 2.10%

## Operation First Response Military Family Assistance Program

OFR provides financial aid to wounded, injured and critically-ill service members and their families during the recovery period of the service member. We also provide financial aid to those who are making the transition of military life to civilian life after being medically retired. There is a significant lapse of time, from six months to one year, between the retirement and the onset of VA benefits causing many families to lose homes and not be able to provide for the basic needs of their families.

## The Last Mission Project

OFR provides financial aid to combat Veterans suffering with PTSD that attend in- house counseling and therapy treatment to gain the skills needed to cope with the symptoms they experience. Many Veterans must make the decision between their family finances and receiving this needed therapy.

## Operation First Response Backpacks

OFR sends backpacks to wounded service members located at combat support hospitals in Afghanistan. These backpacks are filled with a set of clothing, hygiene products, a handmade blanket, and a phone card and sent to a POC to be given to our wounded upon arrival. These items enable our wounded to have some personal items considering many have their uniforms cut off in the battlefield and it may take weeks for personal items to be returned.

## Operation First Response Travel Program

OFR provides air transportation for family members of wounded, injured and critically- ill service members.

OFR provides car service transportation to and from DC area airports to major military medical facilities for family members of wounded, injured and critically-ill service members.