## 24<sup>th</sup> Annual TAPS National Military Survivor Seminar & Good Grief Camp for Young Survivors

Memorial Day Weekend \* May 25–28, 2018 Crystal Gateway Marriott 1700 Jefferson Davis Highway | Arlington, VA 22202



# Sponsor Engagement and Opportunities







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### Honor America's Fallen Heroes

Memorial Day is the time our nation pauses to honor those who have given their lives in service. This day, more than any other on the calendar, is a testament to our nation's long history to meet any challenge and protect our freedom. This day, and its importance, is etched in the faces of those who represent the living legacy of that service – the families and loved ones left behind. This is the TAPS family.

Since 1994, TAPS has hosted the **Annual National Military Survivor Seminar and Good Grief Camp**. Held during the Memorial Day weekend, this event connects over 2,000 surviving loved ones with professionals who can provide the support and assistance – administrative, health related, and emotional – that is necessary to regain control of their lives and move forward. Trained professionals from fields as diverse as military chaplains, casualty officers, family readiness coordinators, and mental health professionals offer their time, expertise and knowledge to weekend participants.

Surviving adults find a caring atmosphere where they are able to speak about their loved one and share their grief among those who have the shared experience of military loss. Whether new to grief or years beyond their loss, TAPS meets survivors where they are in their journey, normalizing their experience, delivering vital information, sharing coping tools, and identifying a long-term support network for them once they return home. Survivors gain a new 'family' to walk beside them as they adjust to their new life.

At the Good Grief Camp, young survivors are invited to participate in the Littles, Middles or Teen groups to engage with others their own age. Military Mentors are paired with each Good Grief Camp participant. Military Mentors are active duty service members who have been trained to serve as a companion and

guide for the weekend, offering careful attention and the military connection now missing from these young lives. Campers participate in fun activities, learn coping skills, establish support systems, and create awareness that they are not alone in their grief.

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The TAPS Family is made up of 75,000 individuals grieving the death of a loved one.

15 new survivors come to
TAPS <u>every</u> day seeking
assistance following the death
of a loved one who was
serving in our military.

TAPS Families comes from across the country and the world to participate in this special weekend -- registrants will cover 50 states, the District of Columbia, and international locations. TAPS has received the highest possible Four-Star rating with Charity Navigator for three consecutive years.

82 percent of every contribution is invested into direct care for survivors.



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1,200 Adult Survivors 200 Staff, Experts, Facilitators 550 Military Mentors 500 Child Survivors Countless Volunteer Hours

## Schedule Highlights

#### Friday, May 25, 2018

Morning Family Check-In and Registration
10:00 a.m. Good Grief Camp Opening Ceremony
11:30 a.m. National Seminar Opening Ceremony
Afternoon Concurrent Workshops and Sharing Groups
Pentagon and 9/11 Memorial Tour for our 9/11 Survivors
Evening Parade at the Marine Barracks for our Marine Corps Families
TAPS Thought Talk: Building for Personal Success
Family Movie Night



All Day Good Grief Camp: Museum and Monument Activities Adults Workshops, Sharing Groups, Health & Wellness Sessions TAPS Grand Banquet featuring Chef Robert Irvine and the Best of Military Chefs with Entertainment by John Schneider

#### Sunday, May 27, 2018

Morning Good Grief Camp: Group Activities
Adult Workshops, Sharing Groups
Afternoon Campers to Highland Park for Lunch
Adult Workshops, Sharing Groups
5:00 p.m. TAPS Family BBQ featuring the Mentor March and GGC Graduation with Entertainment by Wilde Fire

#### Monday, May 28, 2018

Morning Arlington National Cemetery Memorial Day Service Afternoon National Memorial Day Parade featuring TAPS Float accompanied by Oshkosh JLTV









## Premier Sponsorship Packages

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### A La Carte Exclusive Opportunities

## BREAKFAST: FRIDAY, SATURDAY & UNDAY \$150,000

Sponsor (ne crea where all seminar attendess will start the day. Exclusive company branding prominently displayed on serving table and dining tables.

#### RESOURCE VILLAGE BREAK \$35,000

Official host of daily refreshments in Resource Village. Sponsor may also set up an informational table in the Village.

## TRANSPORTATION \$75,000

Responsible for the fleet of buses that will move survivors throughout the city during Memorial Day Weekend.

Co-branded bus wraps.

#### FIELD DAY USA CONCESSIONS \$25,000

Sponser the 130d and beverages at Field Day USA on Saturday night.

#### WI-Fi \$45,000

Increase your visibility with seminar attendees by being the exclusive sponsor of wireless connectivity throughout the weekend.

#### PHOTO BOOTH \$15,000

Instant on-site branding of candid photos – frames; step & repeat; wrap booth at Thursday Welcome and Sunday Family Dinner







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## More... A La Carte Exclusive Opportunities

#### SURVIVOR SANCTUARY \$15,000

Throughout the Seminar, attendees can retreat to the comfort and quiet of the Sanctuary to connect with Peer Mentors and the Survivor Care Team.

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Be on the minds of seminar attendees every can. Sponsorship includes your company branding on the official hotel room keys.

## MOBILE APP \$15,000

Designed specifically for NMSS & GGC 2018, attendees will have all the conference education, agenda and sponsor information at their fingertips throughout the weekend and after.

## FLOWERS FOR THE FULLEN

Provide fovers for seminar attendees to take to Arlington Cemetery when visiting loved ones.

#### PICNIC LUNCH \$10,000

Host our 1,200 Campers and Military Mentors for a Picnic Lunch on Sunday at a local park.

## AD SPONSOR \$5,000 and \$2,500

Half-Page or Quarter-Page ad in printed program distributed to all attendees.









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