# **OUR MISSION**

Dream Foundation, the only national dream-granting organization for terminally-ill adults, serves individuals and their families by providing endof-life Dreams that offer inspiration, comfort and closure.



# **DREAM PROGRAM**

With the support of a nationwide network of volunteers, hospices, health care organizations and committed donors, over the past two decades Dream Foundation has given life to more than 27,000 final Dreams.

Our Dreams touch lives, meet essential needs, reunite families, and play a critical role in the special end-of-life care that focuses on improving quality of life for Dreamers and their families.

Dreamers are at least 18 years old, have a life expectancy of one year or less and lack the resources to achieve their Dream on their own.

Dream Foundation receives no state or federal funding—we rely solely on private donations. To support our mission please visit www.dreamfoundation.org/donate.



GIVING LIFF TO FINAL DREAMS

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SERVING FINAL DREAMS OF THOSE WHO HAVE SERVED

# Request a **Dream**



Dream Foundation is proud to maintain Charity Navigator's four-star rating-its highest-for sound fiscal management ensuring its donors and partners that their investment will be used wisely.





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# DREAMS FOR VETERANS

The Dreams for Veterans program tailors the Dream experience to veterans and their families. Dream recipients are U.S. military veterans who served from World War II to the Iraq and Afghanistan Wars, those who served during peacetime or who currently serve on active duty, the Reserve and National Guard. Dreams for Veterans honors our veterans' service by fulfilling their final Dream and providing them, their families and caregivers inspiration, comfort and closure at the end of life.

# **REQUESTING A DREAM**

Dream requests are as varied as those who make them. Whether it's a vacation or a much-needed lift chair, a handshake from a personal hero or a hug from an old friend—each Dreamer knows what will bring the greatest joy and relief to their situation, thereby providing inspiration, comfort and closure to them and their families.

#### Qualifications

Dream recipients are U.S. military veterans living in the United States. Aged 18 and over, they have a life-limiting illness, a life-expectancy of 9 months or less, and insufficient means to fulfill the Dream themselves.

Proof of discharge or current U.S. military service is required, but applicants who cannot—or prefer not to—provide such documents are welcome to apply for a Dream through our general Dream Program.

### **Dream Application**

To receive an application, please visit our website at www.dreamfoundation.org or call us at 888-4DREAMS. Please contact application@dreamfoundation.org for more information



# SOME CONSIDERATIONS

Each year our office receives thousands of requests for assistance. We give our best effort to address each one as quickly as possible. Dream recipients must be an active participant in the request and the Dream must be realistic with respect to timing and health restrictions.

# We do not fulfill certain types of Dreams

- Requests for adults with chronic illnesses, unless they are in their last year of life
- Requests from individuals living outside of the United States
- Cash
- Surprise Dreams
- Reimbursements for completed Dreams
- Legal assistance
- · Automobiles, lifts, repairs, and RV rentals
- Hunting
- Property and home improvements or repairs
- · Funeral arrangements or posthumous requests
- Travel outside of the United States\*
- Medical treatment/supplies/equipment/ transportation or dental extractions
- Cruises
- Any Dream request deemed offensive, inappropriate or inconsistent with Dream Foundation values or those of our corporate sponsors

\*On a case-by-case basis we may allow one-way travel to countries outside of the U.S. for patients who wish to die at home; we may also consider travel to other U.S. territories.

# IF YOU SERVED, YOU CAN DREAM

Dreams not only serve veterans, but also bring comfort and peace to their loved ones and caregivers. Dreams play a critical role in the special end-of-life care that focuses on improving quality of life for veterans and their families.

# WHAT DREAM FAMILIES SAY...

"The trip was awesome! Thank you so much for everything. You're called Dream Foundation, and that's what you provided: a dream-come-true."

- JOHN, Dreamer

"This process was healing and I am amazed at all the love and support provided by Dream Foundation. Your foundation allowed closure, healing, and love during Imy father's] last days."

PEGGY, Daughter

"You have changed my life from sorrow and woe to nothing but happiness."

- JAMES, Dreamer

Guidelines are subject to change.

For up-to-date information, please visit

www.dreamfoundation.org/dream-requests.