



# Giving life to final Dreams for veterans

Dreams for Veterans fulfills final Dreams for terminally-ill U.S. military veterans, active service members, and members of the Reserve and National Guard.

We receive no state or federal funding and are grateful to all those who make this compassionate work possible.

*Veterans Affairs Center for Development and Civic Engagement Director Prince Taylor pinned David with a commemorative Vietnam Veteran pin as the Sons of the American Revolution Color Guard stood to attention.*



More than  
**34,000 Dreams**  
served since 1994

**1,600 veterans**  
and their families  
have been comforted  
by a final Dream

**We serve all veterans,**  
including those who served in  
conflict, peacetime and who  
currently serve on active duty, in  
the Reserve and National Guard.

**\$2,300**  
average  
Dream cost



Dream Foundation is listed as one of Charity Navigator's Highly Rated Nonprofits Dedicated to Veterans and Military Service Members

# Our Dreams for Veterans program

Our Dreams play a critical role in the special end-of-life care that focuses on improving the quality of life for veterans and their families.

We make it possible for terminally-ill veterans to meet their heroes or provide them with essential items such as comfortable beds for pain-free rest or new dentures to help them eat. Other veterans ask for final family vacations for much-needed respite and the chance to create memories. Or help with reuniting with loved ones to say goodbye.

Many Veterans request Dreams that relate to aspects of their military service. We help them take historical tours of battleships, enjoy camaraderie and a meal at the American Legion, or visit military memorials.

## THE NEED

Our veteran recipients have served in World War II, the Iraq and Afghanistan Wars and every conflict in between. We serve those who served during peacetime and those currently on active duty, in the Reserve and National Guard.

Over the next five years, 2.5 million veterans will need end-of-life care.

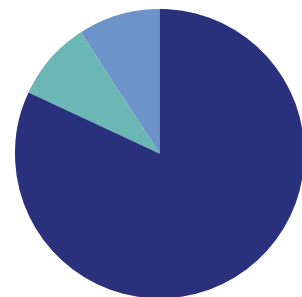
## THE IMPACT

Dreams bring inspiration, comfort and closure to their recipients, loved ones and caregivers.

80% of Dream recipients reported a greater sense of well-being after a Dream in an independent study run in conjunction with the American Psychiatric Association.

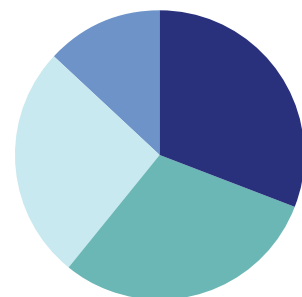
## WHO WE SERVE

- US military veterans aged 18 years and older in all 50 states and Puerto Rico
- Dream recipients have a life expectancy of 12 months or less
- Dream recipients lack the resources to fulfill their Dreams on their own



## PROGRAM EXPENDITURES

- PROGRAM SERVICES **82%**
- FUNDRAISING **9%**
- MANAGEMENT & GENERAL **9%**



## REVENUE, GAINS & OTHER SUPPORT

- DONATIONS & GRANTS - GEN. **31%**
- DONATIONS & GRANTS - CORP. **30%**
- NON-CASH CONTRIBUTIONS (IN-KIND) **26%**
- SPECIAL EVENTS **13%**

## How you can help

Join our nationwide community of donors, volunteers, hospices, veterans' health care and service organizations and corporate partners dedicated to bringing veterans' final Dreams to life.

*U.S. Army and Vietnam veteran Herbert being presented with the new uniform he dreamed of being buried in.*



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