

CLOSE-UP OF A HERO

Marine Cpl Mark Haegele-NORTH DAKOTA

On April 21, 2011 while clearing a compound, Marine Cpl Mark Haegele lost both legs and suffered hearing loss and injuries to both arms when he stepped on an improvised explosive device (IED) in Mehraj, Afghanistan. Cpl Haegele was a combat engineer from 2nd CEB, attached to 3/2 Scout Snipers, and was only two months into his first deployment.

Mark and his wife Kari Rose look forward to the "great impact" this home will have on him and the freedom this gift from Homes for Our Troops represents in terms of both accessibility and not worrying about making mortgage payments. Mark would like to continue working as a meat cutter and wants to help out around the house more, and be able to help Kari Rose with cleaning and household chores. With this opportunity they can go about rebuilding their lives and have the family they always wanted.

"Everyone thanks us wounded Veterans for our service, but I want to thank all of the supporters for making organizations like Homes for Our Troops what they are today. They give us hope for our future."

-Marine Cpl Mark Haegele



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Charity Watch gave HFOT an A rating and included us in their list of Top-Rated Military & Veterans Charities.



For our Military and Federal Employee supporters, our CFC # is 12525

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Restoring the gift of freedom and independence to our nation's most severely injured Veterans

Building Homes, Rebuilding Lives

Mission: To build specially adapted homes for severely injured Veterans across the nation to enable them to rebuild their lives.

The Urgent Need

Over 1,700 Service Members have returned home from post 9/11 wars with life-altering injuries. These injuries include the loss of one or more limbs, varying levels of paralysis, and traumatic brain injury (TBI). These heroes who fought for our freedom overseas must now relearn skills often taken for granted, like walking, eating, talking and bathing. Their homes, sadly, are no longer places of comfort and safety, but rather room after room filled with obstacles that make caring for themselves and their families nearly impossible.



That's where we come in...

Each single-level home is equipped with over 150 special adaptations including widened doorways, lowered countertops, roll-under cook tops and sinks, all designed to give our heroes full wheelchair accessibility. In cases where a Veteran is paralyzed, the home may include specialized items including a lift system and voice activated controls.

Veterans receive these homes mortgage free, allowing them to focus on their recovery and embark on new careers, start families and return to activities they enjoyed prior to their injuries.

Our Mission Is Achievable...

with Your Help!

Many people are surprised to learn that Homes for Our Troops (HFOT) is not funded by the government. They are even more surprised when they discover that nearly 70 percent of our funding comes from individual supporters and community groups who simply want to give back in some way to our nation's heroes.



You can help HFOT too!

Here are five easy ways to get started:

Raise awareness: Tell a friend...or ten! Share our social media pages or pass along this brochure to someone else who might want to help our cause.

Hold a fundraiser: Visit hfotusa.org/fundraise to get started planning your great idea.

Lace up your sneakers: Visit hfotusa.org/run to join Team HFOT at its next race.

Attend an event: Check out the HFOT events calendar at hfotusa.org/calendar.

Make a donation: Mail in your donation to our headquarters in Taunton, MA., or take advantage of our convenient monthly giving program as detailed on the back of this brochure.

Thank You to Our Generous Sponsors and Partners!

We wish to extend a special thank you to all of our corporate contributors who continue to step up to help provide freedom and independence to our American heroes. Here are just a few:

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