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The Bob Woodruff Foundation aims to ensure Veterans have access to services, opportunities they need

Got Your 6 Network

Through their service, Veterans have our backs. When they return home, it's vital that we have their backs, too. The Bob Woodruff Foundation's **Got Your 6 Network** includes the foundation's grantees and national network of local partners. It's the largest non-governmental network of Veteran service providers in the country. Collectively, these partners support millions of Veterans, service members, and families in the communities they call home. Through the Got Your 6 Network, the Bob Woodruff Foundation (BWF) ensures that Veterans have access to the services and opportunities they need.

Members of Greater Miami Valley MyVeteran Community, a Got Your 6 Network partner, prepare food boxes for distribution at a drive-thru food pantry on the Dayton VA Medical Center campus. Funding for this effort was provided by the Bob Woodruff Foundation with generous support from Craig Newmark Philanthropies.

To help partners maximize their impact, the Bob Woodruff Foundation provides access to free programming:

Learning opportunities

BWF invests in expert-led learning opportunities tailored for their network's needs. For example, a top need among Got Your 6 Network partners is funding. In addition to designing custom funding opportunities, BWF invited leading expert Andy Robinson to teach a no-cost webinar series on community-based fundraising (<u>available to stream</u> here). The webinars focused on building partners' capacity to tap into the nearly 80% of American philanthropy that comes from individuals, families and local community resources. The foundation also convenes expert panels to explore and find solutions to pressing issues, such as <u>food insecurity</u> and <u>legal</u> <u>services for Veterans</u>.

Networking opportunities

Sharing valuable information keeps partners from having to "reinvent the wheel." BWF creates opportunities for their partners to connect, inform and inspire one another. Through regular virtual meetups and an online forum, partners share resources and best practices, ask questions and troubleshoot challenges.

Funding opportunities

Funding opportunities include the Got Your 6 grants program, collaboration funding specifically designed for local partners, and targeted funding opportunities to tackle specific challenges.

Learn more about the Got Your 6 Network and how you can get involved:

- Nonprofit orgs: <u>Grant applications</u> are accepted on a rolling basis and processed twice a year in the spring and fall.
- **Collaborative organizations:** <u>Reach out</u> to explore becoming a local partner.
- **Supporters:** Find a local partner near you and ask how you can support ongoing collaborative efforts in your community.

About the Bob Woodruff Foundation

The Bob Woodruff Foundation (BWF) was founded in 2006 after reporter Bob Woodruff was wounded by a roadside bomb while covering the war in Iraq. Since then, the Bob Woodruff Foundation has led an enduring call to action for people to stand up for heroes and meet the emerging and long-term needs of today's Veterans. To date, BWF has invested over \$85 million to Find, Fund, and Shape™ programs that have empowered impacted Veterans, service members and their family members across the nation. Please visit bobwoodrufffoundation.org or follow us on Twitter at @bwforg.

About Got Your 6

Got Your 6 is the Bob Woodruff Foundation's enduring commitment to the Veteran community. In World War I, American fighter pilots covering a plane's rear position

coined the phrase "I've Got Your 6" to mean "I've got your back." Through their service, Veterans have our backs. When they return home, we've got theirs.

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