

Russellville Project Wounded Warrior Partnerships:

To date, the Russellville Project has had the honor of hosting eight wounded warriors on our project. Of these eight, two have been converted to civilian employees following their recovery and release from active duty. Two are currently serving with us at the Russellville Project Office assisting our Operations and Maintenance section with repairs and inspection duties. Of the four wounded warriors who have been released from the program one keeps in close contact with members of our team on a frequent basis. Collectively we have received well over 2000 hours of meaningful work from these eight individuals.

These soldiers have continually impressed me with their desire to continue to serve even while recovering injuries incurred in the line of duty. Most have a strong desire to return to the battle defending our freedom but until that day they seek to be contributing members of the Army team. It is our goal to provide this opportunity.

We have successfully engaged these soldiers utilizing their knowledge and skills to further the accomplishment of our agency missions. From maintenance duties to administrative tasks, each of these soldiers have significantly contributed to our daily operations. Although their grateful attitude is appreciated, it is truly our privilege to work with such inspiring individuals.

This experience has provided an outstanding opportunity for our team to connect with the military side of our missions. By interacting with these outstanding individuals we have been able to establish personal connections to the ongoing efforts of our troops still serving overseas. I feel that it is our blessing to provide support and service to those who have gone into harm's way to protect our country and way of life.

I highly suggest that each USACE element actively seek to participate in this outstanding program. You will receive much more than free labor and a friendly face; you will truly understand what it means to be ARMY STRONG!

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