# 2020 ANNUAL REPORT



## A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

In 2003, a small group of like-minded individuals came together over a mutual desire to give back to the brave men and women who have served their country. Forming a single community or family, these dedicated volunteers pooled their resources and raised funds to support the needs of post-9/11 military veterans and families in need of emergency financial assistance. This family of supporters became the foundation on which USA Cares was built.

Eighteen years later, USA Cares remains focused on achieving stability for these families.

There is much to be proud of within our great organization. To date, USA Cares has responded to well over 100,000 veterans and their families in all 50 states, several U.S. territories and overseas military communities across all five branches of service, with millions of dollars in assistance grants. Throughout our organizational history, USA Cares has adapted to the everchanging needs of those who seek our help, adjusting the scope and range of the assistance we provide.

Much of our growth and success is made possible by our generous individual donors, corporate donors, and foundation partners, wanting to "pay it forward" to those who have honorably served our country in uniform. In recent years, we've been blessed with opportunities for expansion within our programs and new partnerships to provide more help to military families. Together, we have built a foundation to better serve all who seek our assistance. However, our work is far from finished.

Many veterans are discharged from service with little or no savings that can provide financial stability as they transition into civilian life. Several have families to support. Some need medical care for PTSD and other injuries they received as a result of their service. These men and women have served their country, and they are proud. But in their situation, even relatively minor things like a car that needs repair, a missed rent payment, or the inability to support their family while seeking the medical care they need, can be devastating. Additionally, the COVID-19 pandemic has hit our military communities exceptionally hard, and military deaths by suicide have increased by as much as 20% in 2020 alone.

I ask you to join us as we strive to support more military families and consider how you can make a meaningful difference for those who have sacrificed so much for us all.

Thank You,

**TRACE CHESSER**PRESIDENT/CEO, USA CARES

#### **OUR MISSION**

is to provide post-9/11 military veterans, service members, and their families with emergency financial assistance and post-service skills training that will create a foundation for long-term stability. Our services improve the quality of life for veterans and their families and reduce potential factors that can contribute to veteran suicide.



#### **OUR VISION**

Stability for military families in crisis.



## **USA CARES PROGRAMS**

#### **COMBAT INJURED**

This program pays necessary expenses for veterans diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), traumatic brain injury (TBI), and military sexual trauma (MST) while they receive treatment.

#### **EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE**

This program assists veterans, service members, and military families who are facing temporary financial hardship and unable to pay bills essential to their health and well-being. Clients receiving support in this program are required to participate in our Financial Planning Education Course.

#### **HOUSING ASSISTANCE**

When bills are past due as a result of a military service-related incident, we directly pay the landlord or mortgage lender to reduce any extra financial burdens from the veteran, service member, or their family.

#### **CAREER TRANSITION**

This program provides individuals with tools and resources to better prepare them for the hiring process and refers qualified candidates to corporate organizations with open positions of employment specific to their skillsets.

Additionally, this program helps pay an individual's essential expenses while they train for a new job or career.



#### 2020 IMPACT

Together, we provided over \$500,000 in assistance to 608 veterans and military families over the course of the year.

198 AUTO PAYMENTS

KEEPING THE FAMILY VEHICLE IN THE DRIVEWAY

**216**UTILITY PAYMENTS

MAKING SURE FAMILIES HAVE ELECTRICITY, HEAT, & WATER

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ON THE GO



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PHONE PAYMENTS

ENSURING FAMILIES STAY CONNECTED

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# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2020

REVENUE AND SUPPORT	WITHOUT DONOR RESTRICTIONS	WITH DONOR RESTRICTIONS	TOTAL
Contributions and Grants Special Event Revenue Special Event Direct Costs Investment Income (Loss) Unrealized Gain (Loss)	\$ 1,299,804 \$ 443,860 \$ (59,777) \$ 8,319 \$ -	\$ 81,569 \$ - \$ - \$ 5,268 \$ (14,083)	\$ 1,381,373 \$ 443,860 \$ (59,777) \$ 13,587 \$ (14,083)
Revenue and Support	\$ 1,692,206	\$ 72,754	\$ 1,764,960
Net Assets Released From Restrictions	\$ 60,222	\$ (60,222)	\$ -
Total Public Support and Revenue	\$ 1,752,428	\$ 12,532	\$ 1,764,960
EXPENSES Program Services Management and General Fundraising	\$ 1,240,710 \$ 121,314 \$ 150,480	\$ - \$ - \$ -	\$ 1,240,710 \$ 121,314 \$ 150,480
Total Expenses	\$ 1,512,504	\$ -	\$ 1,512,504
Change in Net Assets	\$ 239,924	\$ 12,532	\$ 252,456
Net Assets at Beginning of Year	\$ 482,530	\$ 216,354	\$ 698,884
Net Assets at End of Year	\$ 722,454	\$ 228,886	\$ 951,340

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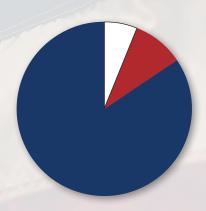
Assets	2020
Cash	\$ 641,063
Promises to Give, Net	\$ 44,069
Prepaid Expenses	\$ 4,167
Inventory	\$ 13,473
Investments	\$ 144,566
Cash Surrender Value of Life Insurance	\$ 17,088
Property and Equipment, Net	\$ 305,359
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Total Assets	\$ 1,169,785



Administrative - 8.02%

Fundraising - 9.95%

Programs & Services - 82.03%



Liabilities and Net Assets	2020
Liabilities Accounts Payable Accrued Expenses and Other Liabilities Notes Payable	\$ 35,742 \$ 32,803 \$ 149,900
Total Liabilities	\$ 218,445
<b>Net Assets</b> Net Assets Without Donor Restrictions	\$ 722,454
Net Assets With Donor Restrictions Restricted by Purpose or Time Restricted in Perpetuity	\$ 147,858 \$ 81,028
Total Net Assets With Donor Restrictions	\$ 228,886
Total Net Assets	\$ 951,340
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 1,169,785

## **2020 EVENTS** – A YEAR IN PHOTOS





























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