



“My son was on his way to Navy boot camp tonight, and had a layover in Denver. When he called the base to let them know there was a delay, they directed him to the Denver Airport USO. He was blown away by the hospitality and the facility in general. He called us immediately to let us know there was a delay, but he was okay because ‘I’m at the USO.’ In his eyes, that made everything okay.” SCOTT, LISA AND SEAMAN RECRUIT ZACHARY HAYS



Fearless Commitment

“Your organization helps so many more people than you think. The USO has helped me many times before and there is nothing like having someone bring home a little closer to you when you are so far from it. Keep up the good work and my fellow soldiers will continue the good fight for freedom.”

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The fearlessness of today’s military can be seen on the face of every soldier, Marine, sailor, airman and Coast Guardsman. This devotion is mirrored in the faces of USO employees and volunteers who willingly put themselves in harm’s way to work in USO centers in Kuwait, Afghanistan and Iraq. They work around the clock to ensure that their customers have access to USO centers, programs and services when they need support, seven days a week.

Troops around the world give their personal time to volunteer in USO centers, helping boost the morale of their fellow service members and their families.

In the fall, while America witnessed Californians come together to protect their homes from the wildfires, the Mobile USO and USO San Diego participated in



USO Delaware

USO Delaware has the honor of serving those who care for our fallen heroes. Rooms in the AMC Terminal at Dover Air Force Base offer a relaxing place where service members and honor guard teams can take a break from their otherwise stressful jobs.

TriWest Healthcare Alliance generously donated \$1.2 million to the USO, supporting operations and special events at USO centers in Germany, Hawaii, Texas, California, Washington and Europe; the USO World Gala; construction of a new USO center at Fort Carson, Colo.; USO entertainment tours and other vital programs and services.



Award-winning country music superstar Toby Keith embarked on his fifth USO entertainment tour in 2007, and was instrumental in creating the USO To Go program.

the relief effort. In the midst of chaos, military personnel and civilians on Camp Pendleton, California, were able to breathe a sigh of relief as the USO provided military families with telephone and Internet connections, funds to replace household items and clothing lost in the fire and enjoy Game 2 of the World Series.

Mobile USO units continued to trek across America. They traveled more than 120,000 miles to introduce young service members, Reservists and National Guardsmen to the USO; provide cool drinks and snacks to tired troops at the end of a long training day; and host summer movie nights for military families.

As stateside USO centers and local communities sought creative ways to directly support troops serving on the front lines in Southwest Asia, the Adopt-A-Center initiative was created. USO centers in Dubai, Kuwait, Qatar, Afghanistan and Iraq received clothing, snacks, furniture, electronics and monetary donations from caring Americans on the other side of the world.

“It gives you a whole different perspective. I’m a happier person because of it. If I do have a bad day, all I have to think about is the soldiers.” MARY PARRY, ON BEING A USO VOLUNTEER SINCE 1941



“The USO is probably the only organization that has done anything for us. There is a USO at almost all the airports, where troops can go to get free food and drinks... They also give out care packages full of useful stuff... they gave me phone cards to call home. The USO is by far the best organization and their volunteers are some of the nicest people I’ve ever met.”

DR. PETER CARVER'S
LETTER TO THE EDITOR,
MIDLAND DAILY NEWS,
MICH.



“It may seem small, but after multiple deployments something as basic as a cold bottle of water means a great deal. Being able to get to the USO tent in Kuwait and sleep many hours on their couches left a very strong impression with me and my fellow Marines. The men and women I have been in contact with both overseas and in the states think very highly of the USO because of such things. Semper Fi.” JOSHUA ROOTS