



KENTUCKY WOUNDED HEROES, INC.

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Overview of Activities

The mission of Kentucky Wounded Heroes, Inc. is to honor and empower injured military service veterans, police, fire and emergency medical responders by providing opportunities for them to participate in outdoor activities, programs, and services that would otherwise not be available.

KYWH is staffed primarily by veterans, retired or current military, police, firefighters and first responders from federal, state and local agencies. Our unsalaried Officers, Board and staff execute projects, set daily itineraries, and secure transportation, lodging, meals, insurance and funding. Heroes participate free of charge. Referrals for participants come from previous employers, social services, public agencies and word-of-mouth. Our all-volunteer staff often include doctors, nurses, EMTs, counselors and other professionals attending as escorts. Projects are funded through donations by individuals, service organizations, businesses, companies, fundraising events and from in-kind contributions from participating businesses.

Following is a summary of events sponsored in 2021:

Month	Activity	KYWHs Served
January	1/8 – 1/10 Morgan County Rabbit Hunt	18
	1/15 – 1/17 – Bardstown Pheasant Shoot	20
	1/30 – Paddock Coffee House – fellowship	14
	1/30 (2019) Wild Game Meal	22
February	2/5 – Kentex Meeting (snow)	8
	2/8 – Middletown Chamber luncheon	5
	2/25 – Paddock Coffee House – fellowship	10
March	3/5-3/7 – Bardstown Pheasant Shoot	20
	3/13 – Winchester Quail Point Pheasant Shoot	14
	3/21 – Meadowlake, AK Fly In (AKWHS) Wasilla	15
April	4/13 – Hardee’s for Heroes gathering – Richmond	10
	4/24 – Lake Cumberland Cpt. Flagge – stripers	6
May	5/14 – 5/16 Reelfoot Lake – fishing	20
	5/15 – Sioux Counseling – Kristin Gallagher	14
	5/29 – Vets Gathering – Awake Ministries	35
June	6/6 – 6/13 – Florida fishing event (+5 FL WHS)	20
	6/16 – 6/20 – Lake Erie (+60 Ohio WHS)	35

July	7/4 – Shelbyville, KY Parade	6
August	8/12 – 8/24 – Bucket List Trip AK – 15 th annual (2 AK WHS)	20
September	9/10 – WHAS Interview w/KYWHs	3
	9/18 – Henry Co. volleyball fundraiser for KYWHs	10
	9/24 – BBQ fundraiser for Camp Hero – Lexington, KY	12
October	10/2 – “Mogadishu Mile” event – Queenslake Farm	8
	10/2 – Prestonburg Power Lift Event – Jake Goble	5
	10/15 – Eagle Trace Golf Scramble – Morehead (Seal Collin Thomas Memorial)	7
	10/26 – Malones Lexington meeting – fellowship	6
November	11/6 – Cabela’s Gathering for KYWHs	10
	11/12 – 11/14 – Woodford Warrior’s deer hunt for KYWHS	8
	11/12 – 11/14 – Serenity Hills Farm deer hunt	8
	11/16 – 11/18 – Serenity Hills Farm deer hunt	8
	11/19 – 11/21 – Serenity Hills Farm deer hunt	8
December	12/4 – Winchester Pheasant Shoot	12
	12/17 – 12/19 – Bardstown Pheasant Shoot	15

In total, there were 502 Wounded Heroes from Kentucky served in 2021, plus another 145 Wounded Heroes from five other states. It is not unusual for Heroes to describe renewed spirit and appreciation for the opportunity to participate in positive “activities of a life”, interacting “like normal people” with similarly injured Heroes and KYWH escorts. This reaction was common and widespread at all the events described above.

Although not an official event, volunteers from KYWH serve at the Serenity Center Vets program in Shelbyville, KY. This program is sponsored by Awake Ministries and serves approximately 10 veterans every Wednesday. These veterans represent those not officially enrolled in VA sponsored programs, and are offered coffee, food and fellowship at each meeting. In addition to serving needy veterans, this interaction identifies those qualified for KYWH programs that would not otherwise be known.

Total Support Revenue	\$82,324.90
Expenses	
Management & General Expenses	\$11,475.52
Fundraising Expenses	<u>\$58,007.41</u>
Total Program Expense	\$69,482.93
Net Asset Balance	\$12,841.97

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