

ANNUAL SUMMARY

2024



SEAL FAMILY
FOUNDATION



IN 2024,

we provided over \$1.3 million in direct support to Naval Special Warfare families—helping them navigate deployments, heal after loss, and stay connected through every chapter of service.

PROTECTING THEIR FAMILIES WHILE THEY PROTECT OURS



FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CINDY AXELSON

2024 was a year of impact—and your support made it possible.

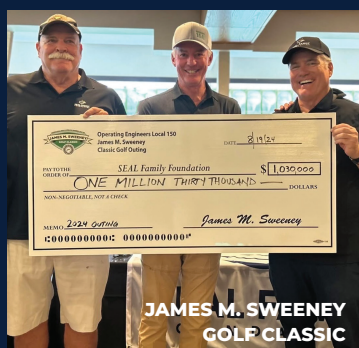
Thanks to the extraordinary generosity and unwavering commitment of our donors, we were able to expend over \$1.3 million in program funds and expanded our support across every corner of the Naval Special Warfare (NSW) community. This funding directly impacted U.S. Navy SEALs, Special Warfare Combatant-Craft Crewmen (SWCC), and their families. These warriors operate around the globe, defending our nation through some of the most demanding missions and training in military history. The cost of this service is profound for both operators and their families.

The NSW community forges ahead with strength and resolve, even as it carries the weight of decades of service. We remain steadfast in our mission to support the families who serve alongside them. These families face unique challenges, including long separations, the demands of caregiving, and supporting children through transitions; yet, they continue to demonstrate perseverance and adaptability.

Our programs are designed to uplift families, foster connection, and support mental health with compassion — helping to empower active-duty operators, their families, and Gold Star families to thrive.

WE ARE PROUD
of what we've accomplished
together in 2024 — but there
is still so much more to do.

THANK YOU
FOR WALKING ALONGSIDE US



WE maintain a 4-star
(100%) Charity Navigator
rating for financial
health, transparency,
and governance.

\$1.3+
MILLION
IN 2024

PROGRAM FUNDING DISTRIBUTION

58%

\$1.3M

TOTAL PROGRAM FUNDS

This shows our
prioritized
approach, which is
designed to serve
the unique needs
of the family first.

FAMILIES

17%

WARRIORS

25%

**FALLEN
HEROES**

OUR SCOPE of SERVICE

3 PILLARS

1 FAMILIES

Grants for Family Readiness Groups: FRGs are volunteer-led organizations that serve as a vital network of support for NSW members and their families. FRGs provide a range of resources, from welcome and mentor-ship to social events, and aim to enhance family readiness and resilience within the SEAL community.

Spouse Reintegration Retreats: Help spouses prepare for family reintegration after deployment.

SEALKIDS Partnership: Provides educational diagnostics, tutoring, and support for children with learning or emotional challenges.

Sisterhood Gatherings: Peer-led community events held globally with record-setting attendance in 2024.

Direct Emergency Assistance: Immediate support for travel, housing, therapy, medical care and more.



2 WARRIORS

Injury and Emergency Aid: Critical support for operators facing medical or crisis needs.

Graduation Ceremonies: Hosted over 2,500 family members at SEAL and SWCC events.

Hell Week Support: Recognizing and reconnecting SEAL and SWCC candidates with loved ones post-training.



3 FALLEN HEROES

Wreaths Across America: An annual event honoring fallen service members by placing wreaths on their grave. This is part of a nationwide effort to honor, educate, and remember the fallen. In 2024, the SEAL Family Foundation hosted 28 Gold Star spouses and their families at Arlington National Cemetery and 7 families at Fort Rosecrans National Cemetery. By participating in the weekend, SFF provides these families with support and a meaningful opportunity to remember their loved ones.

Army Navy Game: Held the same weekend as Wreaths Across America, SEAL Family Foundation welcomed 13 Gold Star families to experience the time-honored rivalry with special box seating and amenities. This event offered families an opportunity to connect, build community, and share in the spirit of camaraderie during a meaningful weekend of remembrance and pride.

Gold Star Family Support: Covers memorial services, internment travel, holiday events, and remembrance gatherings.





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To support individual and family readiness through an array of programs specifically targeted to assist the Naval Special Warfare community in maintaining a resilient, sustainable, and healthy force in this era of persistent conflict and frequent deployments.

FINAL WORDS FROM OUR COMMUNITY:



Events like these are what really help my family — and honestly, myself — get through the difficult times of being away.

—WEST COAST HARVEST HOEDOWN PARTICIPANT FAMILY



The Sisterhood gathering helped me feel connected during deployment. It was needed, appreciated, and reminded me we're not alone.

—ACTIVE DUTY NSW SPOUSE

THANK YOU FOR BEING THE STRENGTH BEHIND THEIR LEADERSHIP

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