



May 7, 2021

Dear Bud, Steve, Phil and the entire team and family at Mauger:

Eight years and over \$116,000. Another check of \$15,000. An event and sponsorship that has never wavered since our first meeting. An integral part of a team that has raised over two million dollars to support the Veterans of Pennsylvania and their families. They, and we, are eternally grateful. 2020 was an incredibly difficult year for all of us and the Foundation and our Veterans were no different. Our shortfall last year due to cancelled fundraising activity and lost sponsorships was over \$150,000 with Veterans suffering more financially now than ever.

The Foundation has had an incredible impact on Veteran quality of life and survival. We have helped thousands either directly or by referral to organizations that provide the resources they need. ***These programs include equine therapy, homeless shelters, weekend retreats, summer camps for children of deceased military, service dogs, recreational therapy, employment, and one-on-one mentoring.***

Our grants are an opportunity to get Veterans out of the darkness, to stand tall, and in some cases, to save lives. We grant hope, dignity, respect. Be humbled yet proud of the money you raised and the impact it has.

I have spent countless hours seeking grants, begging for support of PA Veterans. Most organizations already have their favorite charity, some support those who use "***Wounded***" as a catch phrase with dollars that don't always get to the Veteran. ***No one here gets paid; your donation goes to help Veterans and their families.*** I salute you for supporting our ability to have an immediate, decisive, and life changing impact.

Sincerely,

Michael Gould

Michael G. Gould, Chairman