



State of South Carolina Request for Contribution Distribution

This form is designed to collect the information required by South Carolina in accordance with Proviso 117.21 of the appropriations act and Executive Order 2022-19. This form must be submitted to the state agency that is providing the contribution for the designated organization. The state agency providing the contribution should use this form to collect information from the designated organization. The information must be collected from the designated organization before the funds can be disbursed.

Contribution Information		
Amount	State Agency Providing the Contribution	Purpose
\$100,000.00	E260 - Department of Veterans' Affairs	Reduction of Military and First Responder Suicides

Organization Information	
Entity Name	Operation Patriots FOB Inc
Address	198 Okatie Village Drive Ste 103-335 (Mailing)
City/State/Zip	Okatie SC 29909
Website	https://www.opfob.org/
Tax ID#	850894599
Entity Type	Nonprofit Organization

Organization Contact Information	
Contact Name	Vicki Day
Position/Title	Controller
Telephone	215-870-2208
Email	vickid@opfob.org

Plan/Accounting of how these funds will be spent:		
Description	Budget	Explanation
Program Expenses - Recreational Therapy	\$20,000.00	10% of program expense budget
Program Expenses - Peer to Peer Retreats	\$40,000.00	21% of program expense budget
Program Expenses - Peer to Peer Engagement Programs	\$40,000.00	12% of program expense budget
Grand Total	\$100,000.00	


Please explain how these funds will be used to provide a public benefit:

The goal of OPFOB is to help reduce the alarming rate of veteran suicides, which studies have shown is between 22-44/day. We have lost four times the number of Iraq and Afghanistan veterans to suicide (31,000) than we lost in battle (7,000). The estimate is that 50,000-100,000 Vietnam veterans have committed suicide, but the VA did not track these veterans. Within a 90-mile radius of our facility, there are 120,000 veterans, over 30,000 active-duty military. Based on feedback from those we serve we expanded our target constituents in 2023 to include active and retired First Responders and their families. We estimate that there are over 30,000 active and retired first responders within a 90-mile radius of our facility. To support the mission of OPFOB in reducing the alarming rate of veteran suicides within our local community, we have developed our Retreat programs centered around Recreational Therapy. Recreational therapy is a proven way of helping combat veterans deal with PTSD, TBI and the scars and nightmares from serving in combat. The recreational therapy @ OPFOB consists of fishing, hunting, shooting, riding all-terrain vehicles, hiking and just being outdoors, after a day of recreation, team building, peer-to-peer relationships starting to be established, the real "healing" takes place around a fire pit where each veteran, first responder can begin sharing their story with each other.

Last updated: August 2022

Organization Certifications

- 1) Organization hereby gives assurance that no person shall, upon the grounds of race, creed, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefit of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity for which this organization is responsible.
- 2) Organization certifies that it will provide quarterly spending reports to the Agency Providing Contribution listed above.
- 3) Organization certifies that it will provide an accounting at the end of the fiscal year to the Agency Providing Contribution listed above.
- 4) Organization certifies that it will allow the State Auditor to audit or cause to be audited the contributed funds.



Organization Signature

CEO

Title

Roy Brown

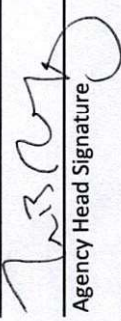
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9/11/2024

Date

Certifications of State Agency Providing Contribution

- 1) State Agency certifies that the planned expenditure aligns with the Agency's mission and/or the purpose specified in the appropriations act.
- 2) State Agency certifies that the Organization has set forth a public purpose to be served through receipt of the expenditure.
- 3) State Agency certifies that it will make distributions directly to the organization.
- 4) State Agency certifies that it will provide the quarterly spending reports and accounting received from the organization to the Senate Finance Committee, House Ways and Means Committee, and the Executive Budget Office by June 30, 2025.
- 5) State Agency certifies that it will publish on their website any and all reports, accountings, forms, updates, communications, or other materials required by Proviso 117.21 of the appropriations act.
- 6) State Agency will certify to the Office of the Governor that it has complied with the requirements of Executive Order 2022-19 by June 30, 2025.



Agency Head Signature
Teo B. McCaffrey

Printed Name

10/21/2024

Date