

Meet Andrew Harriman

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Last week we received overwhelming support for our warriors — thank you! In response to the wishes of many, Wounded Warrior Project

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(WWP) would like to share an inspiring story with you.

Andrew Harriman deployed to Iraq as a medic in 2006. During the first nine months of Andrew's deployment, he treated 23 men. **Every one of them survived.** "There was a lot of skill involved," Andrew says. "But I got very lucky in a lot of circumstances, too."

On March 5, 2007, while on a mission to deliver supplies to snipers in a heavily armed insurgent area of the Diyala River Valley, a fellow warrior was hit by gunfire. While attempting to save his comrade, Andrew's medical kit exploded, forcing him to act quickly.

While applying pressure to stop his comrade's bleeding, Andrew grabbed a nearby weapon in his other hand and started to fire. He dragged his fellow warrior out of the line of fire, stabilized him, and quickly arranged to have him airlifted to safety.

Andrew was awarded the Silver Star for bravery, and by the end of his deployment, he was also awarded a Bronze Star for valor, an Army Commendation Medal with valor, and the Purple Heart.

Andrew's own injuries include leg wounds, punctured eardrums, and post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD). But he, too, had someone to help him when he needed it most. He says: "WWP has helped me immensely ... [including] getting me out with other warriors who have been hurt ... resources for finding a job through the Warriors to Work™ program ... WWP has all the aspects covered."

Andrew continues his involvement with WWP through outdoor excursions. "The fact that everyone has had similar experiences really helps. You can be yourself."

[You show Andrew and the countless injured warriors like him your support by giving a generous gift of \\$50, \\$75, \\$100, or more today.](#) Your gift lets injured warriors know they

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are not forgotten.

With thanks,

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