



Dear American Society Of Military Comp,

On behalf of the Board of Directors, Companions For Heroes (formally P2V) Staff and the heroes and their companions who we have served and continue to serve, thank you for your most generous gift of \$10,000.00 on March 13, 2014. Because of you an active duty military member, military veteran, first-responder, their family and their companion have not been forgotten, and their lives have been saved.

Each year Companions For Heroes continues to advance its mission to provide companion and service dogs to the 10-12 million military veterans, active duty military, law enforcement officers and first-responders who suffer with severe physical injuries, Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), depression, and traumatic brain injury (TBI); and to save the 3-4 million shelter animals that are euthanized each year.

Companions For Heroes relies solely on private donations and does not receive government support. Your contribution makes an immediate difference for Lance Corporal (LCpl) Lemelin and others like him. LCpl Lemelin, a United States Marine, was deployed to Iraq at age 20, fresh out of infantry school. During combat he was severely injured resulting in back injuries and severe PTSD.



"The symptoms of my illness are dizziness, isolation, agoraphobia (fear of crowds), deep and dark depression, nightmares/night terrors, flashbacks, anxiety, panic attacks and not trusting anyone that looked like the men and women I was trained to view as an enemy in combat."

LCpl Lemelin was matched with "Gunner", a yellow lab rescued from a shelter, and trained to assist LCpl Lemelin with climbing stairs, balance and stability, waking from bad dreams, giving gentle nudges and leading LCpl Lemelin out of stressful situations. Having Gunner also enables LCpl Lemelin to perform daily activities that he couldn't before such as being in crowds, public areas and leaving his home for any task. "Walking around corners has been tough for me, many times I am not sure whether there is an Improvised Explosion Device (IED) on the other side. Gunner is trained to let me know the coast is clear and that I am safe."

Our Nation's heroes need and deserve every opportunity to heal. We look forward to keeping you interested and involved. Please follow us on www.companionsforheroes.org.

With sincere appreciation,

David E. Sharpe
Founder & Disabled Combat Veteran

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