

New Mexico VFW Post Earns National Award

Post 11999 provides rest and relaxation to America's wounded warriors

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. – The Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U.S. is proud to announce Sacramento Mountain VFW Post 11999 in Cloudcroft, N.M., has been selected to receive the prestigious Fred C. Hall Memorial Outstanding Post Special Project Award in honor of its “Warriors in Transition Event” project.

The VFW's Fred C. Hall award recognizes VFW Posts, County Councils, Districts and Departments for unique and outstanding community service projects.

VFW Post 11999 is being recognized for helping service members from the nearby Fort Bliss (Texas) Warrior Transition Battalion and their families to rest and recuperate from their traumas of war in a peaceful, alpine environment. Since 2011, Post members have generously donated their time and money, working with the local community to ensure visiting service members and their families receive accommodations, meals, and access to activities like fishing, hiking, swimming, and other outdoor recreational entertainment – free of charge.

“The healing, relaxation and peace VFW Post 11999 provides to the brave men and women of our Warrior Transition Battalions is extremely important,” said VFW National Commander Brian Duffy. “They — and their families — have already sacrificed so much for our country. This program truly exemplifies the VFW's mission of service to others.”

Representatives from the Post will be honored at the 118th VFW National Convention in New Orleans, La., July 22-26, and receive a \$10,000 service scholarship for future

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community projects. They will also receive a plaque congratulating them for this exceptional project.