


**PHOENIX PATRIOT
ADVISOR**

This issue is about how the programs at Phoenix Patriot Foundation affect the lives of the veterans we work with. We are highlighting our Music Program in this issue, and how the program and the Phoenix Patriot Band enables veterans to deal with the effects of post-traumatic stress.

-The Board of Directors and Staff Phoenix Patriot Foundation

The Music Program is off to a great start this year!

The Music Program is showing great progress and we wanted to update you on three of the veterans who are currently participating in the program.

U.S. Army Veteran Jen Housholder, USMC Veteran Brad C. Fite, and USMC Veteran Logan Tash have all had the opportunity to perform on stage live with the Phoenix Patriot Band at several fundraising events to benefit Phoenix Patriot Foundation in California.



Jen and Brad composed and performed original veteran-themed music and shared their stories of resiliency and survival to a large crowd, and Logan performed live in front of an audience for the very first time. With the funds raised at these events for Phoenix Patriot Foundation, Phoenix Patriot Foundation awarded two music grants. These grants were awarded to Jen and Brad to pursue their musical careers which they are using to support other veterans and spread the word about veterans using music to cope with post-traumatic stress.



Phoenix Patriot Band

Jen Housholder

Jen Housholder is an Army Reservist and certified Master Resilience Trainer (MRT). Jen speaks publicly about resilience from own personal experience, teaching both service members and civilians skills to build and develop their resilience. Having endured the effects of combat experience, Jen imparts firsthand knowledge about the value of resilience in persevering through challenges and adversities. Jen shares a message of hope that real healing does exist, and the effective resources available to facilitate that healing. She is sought out by active duty, Veteran, and civilian organizations to share her story of survival, healing, and the importance of learning how to be resilient, and shares her music as a therapeutic method of dealing with post-traumatic stress.



Jen Housholder

Brad C. Fite

Brad C. Fite is currently an entrepreneur, motivational speaker, and author of the book, "[Life after Death: A Survivor's Story](#)", an inspirational book about his personal battles with post-traumatic stress.

Brad promotes PPF and how working with the music program and performing with the Phoenix Patriot Band has helped him cope with post-traumatic stress.



Brad C. Fite (Pictured above left)

New Veteran Joins The Music Program & 2016 News

Logan Tash is just beginning his stint working within the Music Program, to overcome issues with battle-induced post-traumatic stress.



The Phoenix Patriot Band continues to charge hard with supporting the foundation. Recently recognized at the 2016 Wake of Fame Awards for their

dedication and role in supporting veterans, the band also performed at the 50th Anniversary Vietnam War Commemoration "Welcome Home" event hosted by the San Bernardino County VA in Ontario, CA.

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The "Welcome Home" event was one of many events held nationally on March 29th in observance of National Vietnam Veterans Day. The band graciously accepted a Special Congressional Recognition Certificate from Congresswoman Norma Torres from the CA 35th District on behalf of Phoenix Patriot Foundation, and received an award of appreciation from the San Bernadino County Veteran Center.



The band, as the hub of the PPF Music Program, is booked for many upcoming events, including the Independence Day Celebration Game for the Lake Elsinore Storm, and the Salute to Heroes event for the city of Temecula, CA. The Phoenix Patriot Band is also currently involved with an upcoming film documentary on how the PPF Music Program and the Phoenix Patriot Band is positively impacting the lives of veterans.

From the desk of Music Program Director Darrin Isham

PPF and I would like to personally thank all of our supporters and volunteers for their hard work and continued support of the Music Program. We couldn't accomplish the mission without you! You are making a significant difference in the lives of these wounded and injured heroes.

To get involved and help service the mission of the Music Program of incorporating music into the lives of these warriors, providing the therapeutic and focused aspects to combat the challenges of physical disabilities and post-traumatic stress that they endure, please contact Darrin@PhoenixPatriotFoundation.org.

For more information:

1. <http://phoenixpatriotfoundation.org/music-program>
2. www.PhoenixPatriotBand.com
3. www.facebook.com/PhoenixPatriotBand

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