



The **GARY SINISE FOUNDATION** was established under the philanthropic direction of actor Gary Sinise, who has been an advocate of our nation's defenders for nearly forty years. Our mission is to serve our nation by honoring our defenders, veterans, first responders, their families, and those in need.

Our programs, designed to entertain, educate, inspire, strengthen, and build communities, serve America's heroes and their loved ones 365 days a year.



Through the **Restoring Independence Supporting Empowerment (R.I.S.E.)** program, we build 100% mortgage-free specially adapted smart homes for our most severely wounded heroes. We also provide home modifications, mobility devices, and adapted vehicles to our injured, wounded, ill, and aging heroes.



Our **Relief & Resiliency** programs aim to ensure our nation's heroes and their families stay strong through hardships by offering complete support before, during, and after battle. Through these programmatic initiatives, we help our nation's heroes and their families find the strength to persevere and heal.



Honor. Gratitude. Rock & Roll. **Gary Sinise & the Lt. Dan Band** perform concerts worldwide for our nation's defenders and their families, boosting morale and offering gratitude for the sacrifices made by our heroes.



Our **Invincible Spirit Festivals**, held at military medical centers across the U.S., provide a respite for wounded heroes and their loved ones to celebrate with hope and positivity along the road to recovery.



The Gary Sinise Foundation's **Snowball Express** initiative serves the children of our fallen military heroes. With healing activities and celebratory events hosted year-round, we're helping these children and families learn, grow, and make lasting memories with new friends.



Through our **Mental Wellness** initiative, we address the mental wellness needs of our nation's service members, first responders, and veterans through strategic partnerships and innovative treatment.



**Heal, Overcome, Persevere & Excel (H.O.P.E.)** provides complete support to those who have experienced trauma, illness, injury, or loss during their times of urgent need. When our heroes or their loved ones experience dark times, we provide support and hope, sometimes with assistance as simple as help paying bills or buying groceries.



GARY SINISE FOUNDATION  
**COMMUNITY  
EDUCATION**

Our **Community Outreach & Education** programs bridge the gap between our defender and civilian communities. We honor America's heroes both past and present, and inspire the next generation to do the same.



**Soaring Valor** sends WWII veterans to New Orleans to tour the museum built in their honor while recording their oral histories for future generations. Students accompany our veterans to learn history first-hand, and carry on their stories with a new appreciation for the sacrifices made by an entire generation.



**Serving Heroes** shows gratitude to our defenders by serving them hearty, classic American meals nationwide and at military outposts in Germany and Korea. To date, we've had the honor of serving 300,000+ meals to our heroes.



**Arts & Entertainment Outreach** welcomes local veterans to the Steppenwolf Theatre for dinner and a free rehearsal performance. The program is now expanding to new locations across the country.



The Gary Sinise Foundation's **Ambassadors Council** inspires, educates, and encourages communities to recognize their local veterans through speaking engagements, public appearances, and leadership opportunities.



Our **Education & Outreach Center** brings civilians and defenders together. Through speaking series, workshops, and summits, our hosted events focus on character building and educating communities about the importance of service over self.



GARY SINISE FOUNDATION  
**FIRST  
RESPONDERS**

**First Responders Outreach** honors the heroes right down the block—our firefighters, police, and EMTs—who sacrifice every day to ensure our safety. The program provides funding, essential equipment, PPE, and training to ensure our first responders have what they need to perform to the best of their abilities.

## LEARN MORE

There are a number of ways to support our efforts to help our nation's defenders and their loved ones. For more information, visit us online at

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