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On behalf of Operation Gratitude and the Military recipients of our care packages, I thank you for your generous donation. Your contribution will enable us to send over 100,000 'chock full' Care Packages this year to the tens of thousands of brave men and women still deployed overseas in harsh and remote areas; to their children anxiously awaiting their return; and to New Recruits, Veterans, First Responders, Wounded Warriors and their Care Givers.

With the help of supporters nationwide since 2003, we have sent more than 1.1 Million Operation Gratitude Care Packages containing snacks, hygiene products, entertainment and hand-made items, and personal letters from appreciative Americans. These expressions of love and concern from fellow citizens offer our Military & Veterans a much-deserved "Thank You For Your Service" and are always greeted with enthusiasm and great appreciation.

As one young Sailor wrote:

"Today I received a package from your organization. This package brought a smile to my face and warmth to my heart that I will never forget. I especially enjoyed the letters and drawings from the children which made me laugh and feel very proud of what I am doing out here. The thought and actual tangible items sent are a very loving and appreciated gesture. For those members in the military with nobody back home, this organization is an immeasurable act of love, care, and thoughtfulness that could and does uplift morale. So, from myself and all the other members of our military I just want to say thank you and God bless you."

To read all the current letters of thanks from our troops and to see their photos with your Operation Gratitude care packages, please "Like" us on

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For questions, regarding your donation, email us at donations@operationgratitude.com.

Thank you again for your thoughtfulness and wonderful patriotic spirit. Every single donation we receive furthers our mission of saying "Thank You" to those who serve. The recipients of your generosity will remember your kindness forever. And I will always be appreciative of your support and encouragement for Operation Gratitude.

Fondly,

Carolyn Blashek Operation Gratitude

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