

SUPPORT FOR THE MILITARY

1. Battalion Support

**Every year we adopt different battalions. This year we are supporting 6.
We support their Halloween parties, Christmas galas, Family Days, and
Homecoming events.**

**We have helped re-hab the Regimental Theater at Camp Horno and painted several
old barracks.**

We have re-landscaped the Dining Hall at San Mateo.

**We have organized events for other Rotary clubs to do projects on the base for
Rotarians at Work Day.**

We have supported Blood Drives on the base.

**We have picked up and distributed ball gowns for Marine wives to attend the
Marine Corps Ball.**

2. Generation to Generation

**For the last 3 years we have run a furniture drive between the La Cost Glen
Retirement community and Camp Pendleton. As the residents move in and down-
size or move to smaller facilities, they donate their furniture and household items to
the Marines who come to Camp Pendleton with nothing. The program has
expanded to the relatives of the residents of La Costa Glen and into one of the
Orange county Rotary districts.**

3. Navy-Marine Corps Relief Support

**We worked with the La Jolla Golden Triangle club to build an addition to the Thrift
Shop, resulting in a doubling of their retail space.**

One meeting a month is dedicated to volunteering at the Thrift Shop.

4. Wounded Warrior Support

**We acquired 2 brand new motorized wheel-chairs for the Wounded Warrior
Battalion.**

We have hosted lunches for the wounded.

5. Scholarships and Leadership Rewards

We have provided scholarships for Marine dependents.

We send at least 2 students to LEAD every year.

6. Corporal School

We have organized and oversee a program of 15 Rotary clubs contributing to a fund to buy an Officer's Sword for the honor graduate of each of the Corporal schools on Camp Pendleton. Every 3 weeks one of the 15 clubs is chosen to present the sword at the graduation.

7. Dancing with Heroes

Dancing with Heroes is our annual fund-raiser. A fancy dinner/dance held on the base for the public to come and dine and dance with Marines. People get to meet the people they are helping. A signature Marine charity is chosen each year to be presented and funded during the event above and beyond the normal proceeds of the event.

8. Defenders' Bowl

The Defenders' Bowl is an annual event to raise money for both the Marines and the charities of the Escondido Police Foundation. A football game is held in early spring pitting a Marine Team against the Escondido Enforcers (a team made up of Escondido police officers and firemen).

9. Secret Santa

We adopt 2 Marine families every year to be their Secret Santa, buying gifts for each member of the families.

10. Thanksgiving

Marines are hosted at our homes for Thanksgiving dinner.

11. Memorial Wall

We are working with 6 other Rotary clubs to build a Memorial Wall on Camp Pendleton to remember the Camp Pendleton fallen from Iraq and Afghanistan.

12. Memorial Garden

We are raising money to build a Memorial Garden for 1st Marines at Camp Horno.

13. Food Drive

We are organizing a Military Family Appreciation Day with 18 other Rotary clubs, Von's grocery stores and the Military Outreach Ministry. This is designed to obtain enough food for the Military Outreach to meet the needs of military families through the holidays.