



**They promised to defend. We promise to support.**

## FOUNDER'S MESSAGE

Hi Everyone!

Hello everyone. I hope all is well with all of you. All good here in New Hampshire and it's "warming" up a bit. In fact, we just might have what we call a "Spring". Of course, it may snow tomorrow. Lol.



We here at OHT have some VERY exciting news to share with you. As you might know, OHT has made donations to Canine Companions in their Dallas location in the past. They are a non-profit organization that matches service dogs with many different populations that need assistance. OHT donates to their veterans program specifically where those who are being challenged with physical and mental health issues related to their service are awarded service dogs so they can live more independent lives.

This year's donation went to Jeff and his new service dog, Celeste. Already, Jeff has seen a big difference in leading his life more independently thanks to having Celeste by his side.

ALSO, we asked if we could name a future puppy who would come up through the puppy training system and be placed, after 18 months or so, hopefully with a veteran, but surely with someone whose personality fits his.

After discussing a name with the OHT Board, we all agreed KILO would be our choice. You see, KILO was the name of Nate Hardy's and Mike Koch's SEAL team so it was VERY important for us to see if we could get this name approved. As luck would have it, there was a KILO I but he had been recently retired so we received approval. A VERY emotional moment for all of us. Nate's and Mike's memory would live on through KILO II.

So now it is my honor to introduce you all to KILO III!!!!!! Isn't he the cutest? He was born on Jan 26 and is now back in Dallas with his puppy raiser. It will be a lot of work for both of them – kind of like Navy SEAL training I think - but we are confident KILO will pass with flying colors. August 2023 is when he should be done with his training and ready for permanent assignment.

We can't wait to see photos of him as he grows. The puppy raiser will be sharing his journey with us and we will share with you.

I hope this puts smile on your face today. It sure has ours. We are sure to be changing someone's life with KILO II.

Remember you can support OHT by making a purchase or donation or helping a veteran in your community. Also, follow us on social media!

Until next month...

Warm regards,



Dot Sheehan  
Founder/CEO  
Operation Hat Trick

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## Introducing Kilo II

*In gratitude of your generosity*

### INTRODUCING Kilo II

SEX  
Male

DATE OF BIRTH  
January 23, 2022

PROJECTED MATRICULATION  
August 2023

BREED  
Labrador Retriever



OHT Partners with the

Operation Hat Trick (OHT) partners with the Red River Charitable Foundation to make donations to the Colorado Warriors Ice Hockey Club HAMPTON, N.H., March 15, 2021 – Operation Hat Trick (OHT), an innovative non-profit supporting the recovery of wounded service members and veterans, and the Red River Charitable Foundation, an organization that supports military veterans transitioning to civilian life, announced today they have made a donation to the Colorado Warriors Ice Hockey Club. The donation will be used to help fund ice time for practices and games.

“We are like-minded organizations, having partnered many times over the years to support wounded and recovering veterans,” said Dot Sheehan, Founder and CEO of OHT. “We’re both located in NH where hockey is a distinct part of our state’s fabric. OHT and RRCF are making it possible for injured veterans to take to the ice to connect, form new friendships and gain resilience. These motivating experiences enable injured veterans to reach a more confident place in their lives,” Sheehan concluded.

"Red River Charitable Foundation is proud to partner with Operation Hat Trick on this initiative again, to assist veterans and Warriors Hockey teams," said Kim Vacca, Director of Red River Charitable Foundation. "This is such incredible support for veterans with visible and invisible wounds of war and has provided profound impacts on the veteran community."

With this donation, Operation Hat Trick and the Red River Charitable Foundation now support nine Warriors Hockey teams across the country. The teams that have received donations, including Colorado, are the Capital Beltway Warriors, Challenge Alaska Warriors, Charleston (SC) Warriors, Chicago Warriors, Ice Vets Adaptive Sports, Minnesota Warriors, North Carolina Warriors and Pittsburgh Warriors.

## **About Operation Hat Trick**

Operation Hat Trick is recognized by GuideStar as a Platinum seal of transparency organization for its responsible stewardship (<https://learn.guidestar.org/platinum>). Dedicated to Nate Hardy and Mike Koch, two Navy SEALs who were killed in Iraq in 2008 and are buried side by side at Arlington National Cemetery, OHT never forgets their sacrifice.

OHT is differentiated from other veteran-focused nonprofits by its innovative operating model. OHT pioneered the first national philanthropic co-branded cause marketing retail apparel licensing program. Rather than relying on donations to raise money, OHT receives a royalty on every product purchase of co-branded apparel and merchandise in conjunction with over 500 supporting American colleges and universities, as well as many NHL, NBA and MiLB teams. Its products are also available via online retailers such as Fanatics, Amazon and national retailers including Dick’s Sporting Goods, Academy Sports & Outdoors, Kohl’s, Lids, Scheels and more. Support and learn more about Operation Hat Trick by visiting [operationhattrick.org](http://operationhattrick.org).

## **About Red River Charitable Foundation**

Red River Charitable Foundation (RRCF) 501(c)(3), focuses on supporting

students in STEM, veterans transitioning to civilian life, and the causes closest to our Red River employees. They strive to make a lasting impact on individuals and communities nationwide and believe in contributing our time and resources to form long-term relationships that yield long-term results. They invest in the causes their employees are passionate about, collaborate with organizations that align to their values, and take pride in their role as a catalyst in positively impacting communities.

For more information, please visit [www.redriver.com/philanthropy](http://www.redriver.com/philanthropy).

### **About the USA Hockey Warriors Hockey Program**

USA Hockey's Warrior Hockey Discipline is dedicated to injured and disabled US Military Veterans who have served our country and play the sport of ice hockey. As one of the Disabled Hockey Section's newest disciplines, Warrior Hockey is quickly growing across the country. While some of the participants played hockey prior to being injured, many try it for the first time for therapeutic reasons.

To be eligible to compete in the Warrior Hockey Discipline, participants must be or have been Veterans and Members of the Armed Forces (Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard), with former Members required to have been discharged under honorable or general conditions. For full eligibility criteria, see the Warrior Hockey rules below.

USA Hockey thanks the men and women of the armed forces for their service. For more information, please visit: [USAHockey.com/warriorhockey](http://USAHockey.com/warriorhockey).

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To learn more about how you can get involved with Operation Hat Trick to support our service members and veterans in need, please visit our Website.

[www.operationhattrick.org](http://www.operationhattrick.org)

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