

### Soul Survivor Outdoor

SERVING ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY
THROUGH CHRIST-CENTERED
OUTDOOR ADVENTURE SINCE 2014

### 2023 IMPACT REPORT

## BUILDING SPIRITUAL FOUNDATIONS

God is moving in the hearts of active duty service members! Every soldier, sailor, or Marine who participates in our program hears the life-changing message of having a faith foundation and understanding their ultimate identity comes from Jesus Christ. Their response has been overwhelming. Our teams typically see 30-50% in attendance profess faith in Christ - and oftentimes even 100%.

SSO's unique program pushes service members out of their comfort zone through outdoor activities that challenge them physically and mentally. They return to their commands having grown in ways that make them more effective as individuals and members of their units



"The organization is completely and unequivocally committed to the resiliency and spiritual fitness of our service members. And they do it through fun, challenging, and unique events for our heroes." LTC Jay Harty, U.S. Army, Deputy Brigade Commander, 111th MI Brigade

Our team works with local volunteers, pastors, and churches to provide connection to help ensure service members find a community where they can grow in their faith, have questions answered, and get support for the challenges they are facing.

#### **IMPACT SNAPSHOT**

2,490

Active Duty Service Members Attended Programs

60+

Military Commands and

87

Resiliency and Spiritual Fitness Programs Held

100+

Volunteers Across the Nation Served With SSO SSO traveled across the United States and into Europe to serve active duty military.



10 States + Poland







#### 2023 REVENUE

\$813,320

80%

Of Funds Used For Programs

16

Church and Parachurch
Partners-Financial & Volunteer

200+

Donors-Individuals, Foundations, & Grants

7

Full & Part Time Staff



8

Board Members

10

Advisory Board Members

**Major Donors:** CBN, The Harbaugh Foundation, Served With Honor Foundation, Amy's Legacy Foundation, Tsuha Foundation. Charlie Daniels The Journey Home Project, El Pomar Foundation, Recreation Military Ministries, VFW Post 741-Vista.

Church and Parachurch Partners: Antioch Georgetown, Georgetown, TX; Celebration Church, Georgetown, TX; Eagle Nazarene, Eagle, ID; Evangelical Presbyterian Church, Elkton, VA; First Baptist Clarksville, Clarksville, TN; LifePoint Church, Clarksville, TN; Manna Church, Fayetteville, NC; North Coast Calvary Chapel, Carlsbad, CA; Trace Church, Colorado Springs, CO; Christian Surfers-Carlsbad, CA; CRU Military, Orlando, FL; Mighty Oaks Foundation, Magnolia, TX; Ride Nature, Carlsbad, CA; Youth With A Mission-Endless Summer, Carlsbad, CA; Jamie Efaw, Colorado Springs CO; Jerry Stevens, Waco, TX.

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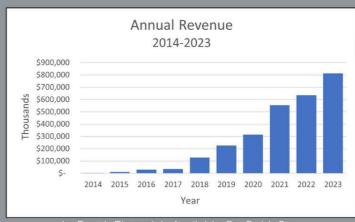


#### **FUNDS RAISED SINCE 2014**

\$2,743,750

16,000+

Active Duty Service Members Attended Programs



In-Depth Financials Available On GuideStar

#### FORCE READINESS & SPIRITUAL FITNESS

COMMANDER'S PROGRAM



Military leaders value how SSO's comprehensive approach to physical, mental, and spiritual fitness help their service members be more mission ready and combat effective, which contributes directly to unit

CSM Lance Kachermeyer shared that "the last few months have been particularly rough due to the high OPTEMPO... I haven't seen my team smile so much and enjoy each others presence over the past year. I highly encourage all other commanders and units to take advantage of and utilize this organization to better the morale and esprit de corps as well as spiritual readiness of their service members. We will definitely seek out other opportunities to build the team."

CHAPLAIN'S PARTNER



Captain Ed Helm, U.S. Army Chaplain, has been working with our team since 2021 while stationed in Fort Liberty, NC. He reported that the feedback from soldiers has been amazing and had this to say about how our programs support him as a chaplain.

"SSO is an incredible benefit to my ministry to Soldiers. They are a great example of what it means to meet people where they're at and on terms they can relate to. The foundation of faith and military service allows SSO to speak into the lives of our Soldiers and families in a unique and impactful way. SSO is by far the best organization I have partnered with in serving Soldiers and sharing the Gospel."

SERVICE MEMBER'S FITNESS



Active duty service members, like U.S. Army soldier Stephen Hartman, come out to our program and leave knowing we are each uniquely made by God for a purpose. That message provides a foundation for life and builds resiliency so we can be better equipped to face our challenges.

"The rafting was unbelievable and their message and training on spiritual fitness and resilience was incredible. I wish every soldier and military member could hear this message and get this amazing experience."



# We cannot do it without your generous support.

We are honored and privileged to have our nation's warriors out with us for a day of Christ-centered outdoor adventure. Your donation provides an opportunity for them to become more physically, mentally, emotionally, spiritually, and socially fit through attending one of SSO's resiliency and spiritual fitness programs.

Your generosity makes it possible!

With over 2 million active duty service members in the U.S. Armed Forces, SSO looks forward to reaching many more!

# Thank you to all our donors, volunteers, and partners.



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