

COMMUNITY HEALTH CHARITIES EXISTS TO EMPOWER PEOPLE TO TAKE ACTION TO IMPROVE HEALTH AND WELLBEING.



Craig is a national, not-for-profit top 10 rehabilitation and research hospital that specializes in spinal cord and/or brain injury. From day one, we develop a unique partnership between the patient, their family and the staff in order to establish a strong support system and produce the best possible outcomes. Our unyielding determination and our emphasis on customized programs, education, family involvement and preparing for life after rehabilitation provides our patients with a goal-oriented structure to achieve their highest level of independence and life quality.

PATIENT STORY

Operation TBI Freedom, Craig's program for Veterans with traumatic brain injuries provided 500 veterans with individualized case management, financial assistance, mentoring, benefit coordination, parenting and financial management classes, recreational outings and more. Veterans like Melissa, an Army Black Hawk Mechanic who was injured when a 40-pound helicopter panel fell on her head. Her traumatic brain injury caused her to have memory loss, irritability, depression, and difficulty focusing. "You wouldn't look at me and know there was a problem and I felt really alone in my injury," she says. "It's really scary to have injured Veteran status and live in the civilian world".

She was introduced to Operation TBI Freedom and her military support specialist, Jesus, who helped her apply for unemployment benefits, got her involved in recreational outings with fellow veterans and connected her with a support group.

"I've learned that if I don't have a solution to a problem, Jesus can help me figure it out," she says, "He always has my back."

Melissa is now in school and studying for a bachelor's degree in biology. "My life has changed for the better," she says.



What a Dollar Buys

Here are some examples of the difference your donation makes:

\$5

Pays for durable medical equipment for a patient in need

\$10

Pays for an air ambulance for new inpatients

\$20

Funds training and support for caregivers

\$30

Helps patients with scholarships for going back to school, participate in therapeutic recreation or take classes at the PEAK center