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### SEPTEMBER, 2022 - PRESENT

For the first time, Operation Recovery teams deploy "in person" to provide immediate emergency response following Hurricane Ian. Teams conduct wellness checks, deliver life-saving supplies and pet food, and assist with debris clean-up in hard-hit Charlotte and Lee counties, Florida.

### MAY, 2022 - PRESENT

Operation Recovery partners with Nehemiah (Ukraine Chapter), Voice360, Freedom Shield Foundation, and Stuttgart Helping Hands (military spouse network) to provide counseling, medical supplies, and equipment — along with humanitarian aid — to displaced Ukrainians

#### SEPTEMBER. 2021 - PRESENT

More than \$2 million in direct to mission donations provide life-saving humanitarian aid and protected housing to thousands of at-risk Afghan allies in

At the same time, Operation Recovery staff connect travel-ready, at-risk families to the State Department's coordination team, facilitating the families' safe passage and relocation abroad.

### **SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER, 2021**

Through donations and partnerships, Operation Recovery facilitates 9 privately chartered flights out of Afghanistan. In coordination with the Department of State, 3,500 lives are relocated.

On board are US military support staff and high-risk females, most of whom are known targets hunted by the Taliban

### AUGUST, 2021

On August 27, the Gyros for Heroes Foundation offers to help with ongoing operations in Afghanistan. By September I, it is clear this new initiative must become the entire focus of the Gyros for Heros Foundation. A formal name change is initiated: Operation Recovery is born!

#### 2020

From Gyros for Heroes, the Gyros for Heroes Foundation is formed. The Foundation shares a joint mission with the food truck; supporting veterans, first responders, and their families.

### 2017

The food truck, Gyros for Heroes, begins operation. A percentage of profits benefits nonprofits focused on veterans, first responders, and their families; thousands of gyros are sold.

Operation Recovery digitally-deploys military veterans, first responders, and skilled civilians around the world in rapid-response remote assistance teams. We provide humanitarian support and coordinate with the US government to enable safe passage and resettlement for Americans and Allies abroad in need.

### SUPPORT. SUSTAIN. ENABLE.

Our agile organization is comprised of more than 150 highly-trained and experienced volunteers including Special Operations veterans, intelligence specialists, medical professionals, immigration experts, refugee organizers, and advocates. We work remotely through secure electronic channels to assess, organize, coordinate, and deploy life-saving support in the aftermath of global crises and disasters. Our response is immediate and our reach extends anywhere the need exists.

## FORGED IN UNPRECEDENTED CIRCUMSTANCES

After 20 years, America's war in Afghanistan officially ended on August 31, 2021. Countless American citizens and Afghan allies were tragically left behind, facing grave danger. Veterans quickly banded together on an unprecedented scale to honor our nation's promises of freedom and safe resettlement. Over the course of the first few weeks. Operation Recovery volunteers shepherded men, women, and children to safety on a 21st century underground railroad. Instead of lamp signals, this journey relied on mobile phones. Families were guided into Kabul's airport (HKIA) later, to safehousing where they could shelter. Operation Recovery facilitated an additional 9 private charter flights. Our mission is ongoing: natural disasters, conflict, and humanitarian crisis threaten the well-being of American citizens and American allies around the world.

## FINDING CLOSURE THROUGH CRISIS

Operation Recovery is more than a mission. Veterans and first responders were deeply affected by the withdrawal from Afghanistan as well as the last 20 years. Many are experiencing profound moral injury. Our organization isn't just a place to serve; it's a place to heal. No one is limited by factors outside of their control, such as disability. Volunteers have access to training, health services, community events, and support. Through our shared, continued service we find meaning and closure.

& PAID STAFF

HUMANITARIAN AID

PRIVATE FLIGHTS



## **AFGHANISTAN INITIATIVE**

In the face of unprecedented circumstances, Operation Recovery facilitated 9 privately-chartered flights out of Afghanistan, in coordination with the Department of State. 3,500 US military support staff and high-risk individuals being hunted by the Taliban were relocated to safety. Nearly \$645,000 in food and medical aid has been provided to date, in addition to fully-funded safe-shelter for the most at-risk. Multiple lines of effort including connecting travel-ready families with State Department relocation teams, providing immigration and travel guidance, assisting with communications and advocacy are still ongoing. Operation Recovery's 7,511 allies remain trapped in Afghanistan with limited pathways to the US, dwindling funding, and immense suffering.

## **UKRAINE INITIATIVE**

Tapping networks and utilizing processes honed during our Afghanistan Initiative, we answered the call to assist with targeted humanitarian aid in and around Ukraine. Operation Recovery is partnering with regional subject matter experts to provide a comprehensive. holistic response to those most affected by the conflict. including displaced women, separated children, elderly veterans, and the wounded. To date we have furnished essential supplies including food, water, baby formula, and personal hygiene items; life-saving hospital and rehabilitation equipment; psychiatric services and counseling; remote education options for displaced children; remote employment options for displaced Ukrainians; temporary resettlement assistance; and cross-cultural remote educational exchanges between Ukrainian and American classrooms.

### **OUR PARTNERS**





























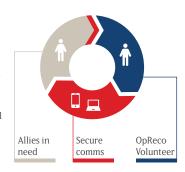
Operation Recovery partners with vetted, trusted groups to bolster our collective crisis response. Our partners are active in the community and experts on local context. We also work closely with the **US Department of State** as well as the governments of US allies and major non-governmental organizations & inter-governmental organizations.

## **FUNDING BREAKDOWN** For additional information, please contact inquiries@operationrecovery.org **Total to Date** Total amount raised to date: \$10,197,000 Total direct-to-mission expenditures to date: \$8,349,500 Afghanistan Total committment to date: \$8,010,000 Ukraine Total committment to date: \$337,000 Other Initiatives Total committment to date: \$2,500

# **DIGITAL DEPLOYMENT PIONEERS**

Operation Recovery is pioneering a Digital **Deployment** approach to crisis and disaster response. Our volunteers:

- · Are available in the immediate aftermath
- Utilize secure open-source tools to connect and maintain contact with Americans abroad, as well as allies in need
- · Determine targeted, real-time areas of local aid opportunity
- · Provide aid globally at any time, from any location



REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE



VOLUNTEER RESPONSE



ASSESSMENT/ COORDINATION



AID/SUPPORT DELIVERED



**FOLLOW UP** CONTACT



# GIVING INFORMATION | 501 (C)(3) TAX EXEMPT ID: 84-4836118

### Wire Information:

Operation Recovery, 23781 US Hwy 27 STE 412, Lake Wales, FL 33859 Receiving Bank: Chain Bridge Bank, N.A., 1445-A Laughlin Ave, McLean, VA 22101

Routing Number: 056009479 Account Number: 2100162656

### Checks by Mail:

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