

Outdoors for All receives \$30,000 Boeing Global Engagement Grant

Funding to enrich the lives of wounded military veterans and their families

SEATTLE (February 15, 2019) [Outdoors for All](#) today announced that it has been awarded a \$30,000 from [Boeing Global Engagement](#) to support life enriching programs for wounded and recovering military veterans and their families.

“Outdoors for All is tremendously grateful for this support from Boeing Global Engagement,” said executive director, Ed Bronsdon. “This investment will help us use outdoor recreation as a powerful means to enrich the lives of injured, wounded and recovering veterans – and their family members. These veterans have sacrificed so much for all of us – and we are thankful for Boeing Global Engagement’s investment in our mission and operations. Together, we can help so many more veterans to become active again in their communities -- with their family members -- as they return to civilian life.”

This is Outdoors for All’s first grant awarded through Boeing Global Engagement through its “Our Hero’s: Veterans and Family Members”. Its focus is to provide support to programs offering veterans skill development and training for workforce transition; recovery and rehabilitation programs that focus on post-traumatic stress, moral and physical injuries and suicide prevention; and employee volunteerism in veteran specific communities.

For 40 years now, Outdoors for All has used outdoor recreation programs to enrich the lives of people with disabilities in Washington state. This \$30,000 grant from Boeing will provide recovering veterans and their families more opportunities to recreate and bond in the outdoors through programs including: cycling, camping, river rafting, kayaking, mountain biking and rock climbing. Many veterans who participate with Outdoors for All attribute these activities as positive impacts on their recovery. They note that by being physically active in the outdoors they become more fit, more connected in the community and experience improvements in their social interactions.

“Outdoors for All recreation programs for recovering veterans are simply amazing,” said past participant and US Army Combat Veteran Brittney Linville. “The organization’s commitment to people of all abilities is second to none. Their expertise in the outdoors with cycling, skiing and so many other life-enriching activities is remarkable. Outdoors for All volunteers and staff transformed my life for the better, and I’m pleased to now be giving back as a volunteer myself!”

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ABOUT OUTDOORS FOR ALL:

Outdoors for All has been enriching the lives of children and adults with disabilities in Washington state since 1979. Today, more than 2,900 individuals with disabilities exercise their abilities annually thanks to the support of more than 800 volunteers. More information is available at outdoorsforall.org.

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