

## The Latest News from Work Vessels for Vets



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LATEST AWARDEE



### SPOTLIGHT ON OREGON VET RESCUING SHEEP FROM FIRES

WVVFV assisted injured US Army and Oregon National Guard Veteran Mickey Willenbring of Dot Ranch with an ATV donation to help her tend to her flock of heritage breed sheep. This year has been an extra tough one on the ranch as

Mickey works hard to rescue lambs. "As a disabled combat veteran, I felt a strong call to return to my rural roots, and seek healing in the land and the unjudging presence of animals. Joined by my child and husband, Dot Ranch is 100% family owned and operated. We provide a wide range of products including artisanal meats, eggs, hand tanned pelts, skulls, fiber products, and finished goods. All of our products are certified Homegrown by Heroes through the Farmer Veteran Coalition and the USDA, proving that your purchase supports a genuine military family run operation." **She has a wonderful Etsy Shop you can visit [HERE](#). For more Veteran Stories like Mickey's click [HERE](#).**

### DONOR STORY: CT Brewery, Tavern and Beer Distributor Present Donation to Help Injured Veterans

WVVFV received a tasty gift – a check for \$1907 to use toward their goal to buy a tractor for an injured veteran in Canterbury, CT. The unique formula "Workin' Vets IPA" was brewed for a



limited time by Outer Light Brewing Company of Groton, CT and sold to restaurants and package stores in the region. The presentation of \$1907 represents a portion of sales of "Workin' Vets IPA" served in the Outer Light taproom, draft sales at Friar Tuck's tavern in Mystic and a percentage of each case sold by Levine Distributing Company.. **[READ MORE HERE](#)**

### LATEST AWARDEE: Disabled Veteran Receives \$2000 Donated Laptop

Ben is a medically retired Army Ranger with 100% disability rating. He is a single father and finishing his degree in Clinical Health Services at GWU, which required a powerful laptop. WVVFV shipped him a high-end Lenovo laptop valued at \$2000 which was donated by a widow whose veteran-husband died last year after using the laptop for only a few months. WVVFV relies on laptop donations from corporations and individuals. Ben says, "WVVFV has provided a great value



to another veteran and my family! Thank you." **[Read more Veteran stories HERE](#)**

### Thank you for your support!

WVVFV earned a 2021 Platinum Seal of Transparency at Guidestar! Now, everyone can see our strategy, metrics, and achievements. Check out our updated profile **[HERE!](#)**

Another way you can continue to help our injured veterans is by doing your regular Amazon shopping through Amazon Smile. Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible purchases to WVVFV. **Click this link to start shopping: [smile.amazon.com/ch/26-3201760](https://smile.amazon.com/ch/26-3201760)**

### How can you help?

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West Mystic CT 06388
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