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USO Northwest Coming to Portland

Dear USO Supporter,

For 72 years, the USO has lifted the spirits of America's military and their families. It is my distinct pleasure to announce that USO Northwest, in cooperation with the Port of Portland, has an opportunity to open the first new USO center in Oregon in more than 60 years.

Under the leadership of Port of Portland Executive Director Bill Wyatt, the Port has generously provided space at Portland International Airport (PDX) for a new USO center. With your help, USO Northwest will open the PDX center this year, extending the USO's world-class care and comforts to local and traveling military, military families and veterans across Oregon and Southwest Washington.

On behalf of our military families, I ask that you join USO Northwest in this historic endeavor and pledge your support today to help open a new USO Portland Center at PDX. A simple pledge form is enclosed. You can show your support for our military with an annual or monthly monetary or in-kind contribution, and by encouraging your employees to volunteer for USO Northwest.

Your sponsorship is essential to the success of our mission, and it sends a loud and clear message to our military that you stand with the USO in honor of their dedication, service and sacrifice.

Thank you for your support - Until Every One Comes Home!

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joe Williams".

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USO (United Service Organizations) currently operates 183 locations around the world in Afghanistan, Bahrain, Kuwait, UAE, Germany, Italy, Japan, Guam, South Korea and the United States. Portland is home to one of the few international airports in the U.S. that does not have a USO center serving the needs of local and traveling active-duty military, military families and veterans. With your sponsorship, we can change that.

The new USO PDX center will be open from 6 a.m. to 4 p.m., 7 days a week, 365 days a year to serve the needs of our military, their families and our veterans. Staffed by the USO's all-volunteer "Army of Gratitude," the USO Northwest center at PDX will provide a range of programs and services benefiting military in the center and throughout Oregon and Southwest Washington.

Planned Programs & Services for USONW PDX:

- ★ Lounge
- ★ TV and movies
- ★ Snacks & Refreshments
- ★ List of discounts from airport restaurants / vendors
- ★ Laptop stations with Skype and email access
- ★ Free Wifi access
- ★ Writing Supplies
- ★ Calling Cards
- ★ Travel Assistance
- ★ Luggage Storage
- ★ XBOX 360 Entertainment System
- ★ United Through Reading Program

A new USO Northwest center at PDX will allow us to serve thousands of local military members, families and veterans including the Oregon National Guard's 41st Brigade Combat Team and 142nd Fighter Wing, the U.S. Army Reserve 364th Civil Affairs Brigade, U.S. Coast Guard in Portland, Astoria, Air Station in North Bend, and many more.

Please contact USO Northwest today to let us know how your company can help bring a new USO Northwest center to Portland. There are many ways to make a difference, from monetary and in-kind donations, to volunteering and encouraging your friends and colleagues to get involved.

USO Northwest is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization and receives no funding from the government. We rely on the generosity of sponsors like you to continue our mission!



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PROPOSED FLOOR PLAN OF USO CENTER @ PDX



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The USO Northwest Mobile Canteen is a customized 32' Winnebago RV that delivers the USO's legendary hospitality to military installations, deployments, homecomings and community events throughout the Pacific Northwest. The Mobile Canteen is truly a complete mobile USO center, providing many of the programs and services available at our permanent centers. Whether it's a Coast Guard vessel heading out to sea, a fighter squadron preparing to deploy, or troops training in the field, the USO Mobile Canteen is there where and when the military needs us most.

The Mobile Canteen is on the road more than 300 days a year, delivering all the comforts of home to our active-duty military, their families and our veterans across Washington, Oregon and Idaho.

Examples of Mobile Canteen events, programs and services:

- ★ Deployments
- ★ Homecomings
- ★ Community Events (Parades, Run / Walks, etc.)
- ★ Concerts
- ★ Hot Meals / BBQs
- ★ Snacks & Refreshments
- ★ Free Wifi
- ★ Coloring books / donated toys
- ★ XBOX 360 Entertainment System
- ★ United Through Reading Program
- ★ Trevor Romain Deployment Kits
- ★ Info on USO programs / services



(The USO Northwest Mobile Canteen serves BBQ to troops at the Yakima Training Grounds, Yakima, WA)



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PLEDGE FORM

I / we choose to stand with the USO and honor our military with the following contribution:

Individual / Organization Name: _____
(Please indicate the type of organization: foundation, corporation, trust, etc.)

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

I / we would like to contribute a total of \$ _____ Once _____ Monthly _____ Annually _____

This pledge will be matched by (company or individual): _____

Billing Options (choose one)

Check (enclosed)

Checking Account

Routing #: _____ Acct. #: _____

Credit Card / Debit Card

Type: Visa MasterCard Discover AMEX

Name on card: _____

Card #: _____ Exp. Date: _____ / _____

(Please make checks payable to USO Northwest. Mail check and pledge form to:
USO Northwest, 17801 International Blvd., PMB #313, Seattle, WA 98158)

Billing Information

Billing Contact Name: _____

Billing Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Note: By filling out the debit / credit card information, you authorize USO Northwest to automatically withdraw the contribution amount listed above at the specified frequency (once / monthly / annually)

Accepted and Agreed:

_____/_____/_____
Signature of authorized cardholder Date



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PDX USO Projected Timeline

Pre Lease Phase (~ 3 months)

April 1 thru July 1 – USO Board approval, fund raising, lease development and review process

July 1 - Lease signed with USO and notice given for relocating tenants

*Completion of this phase could move faster or slower based on fund raising milestones as well as lease development, review and processing.

Post Lease, Pre Construction Phase (~2 months)

July 1 thru July 15 - 50% building drawings developed

July 15 – 50% drawings turned into the Port of Portland

July 29 – Port comments back

July 29 thru Aug 14 – 100% building drawings produced

Aug 14 – 100% drawings turned into the Port of Portland

Aug 28 – Port comments back

Aug 28 thru Sep 5 – Permit issued

Sep 5 – Pre construction meeting

Construction Phase (~1 to 2 months)

Sep 5 thru mid/late Oct – Construction

Operational Start-Up (~ 1 month)

Mid/late October – Soft opening

November 11 (Veterans Day) – Grand opening

Total time projected time frame is approximately 7 months.



Colonel (Retired) Joseph M. Williams

Colonel Williams' final assignment prior to his retirement on 30 September 2007 was as the Operations Officer for the Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff, G4 (Logistics) for Mobilization and Training Headquarters, Department of the Army, The Pentagon.



Prior to Colonel Williams arriving at the Pentagon in August 2005, he was a National Security Fellow at Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government in Cambridge, MA from August 2004 to July 2005.

Colonel Williams' military career began by enlisting as a Cavalry Scout in his hometown Army National Guard unit in Junction City, KS. Upon completing Officer Candidate School, he remained in the Kansas ARNG where he served in the 1st Battalion, 635th Armor, 69th Infantry Brigade as a Tank Platoon Leader, Tactical Intelligence Officer, and Assistant Operations Officer in Abilene & Manhattan, KS.

In 1982, Colonel Williams transferred to the United States Army Reserve and from September 1982 to March 1985, he was assigned to the 2nd Squadron, 322nd Cavalry initially as the S1 and later as Commander of Troop E at Fort Riley, KS. From July 1985 until October 1987, he commanded the 342nd Transportation Detachment in Manhattan, KS before transferring to the 821st Transportation Battalion in Topeka where he served from October 1987 to January 1990 as the S1, later the S2/3 and finally the Battalion Executive Officer.

From January to August 1990, he served on active duty in both Honduras and Fort Sam Houston, TX working for Fifth U.S. Army as an Administrative Officer. In September 1990, he entered active duty in the USAR Active Guard/Reserve (AGR) program and was assigned to the 1394th Deployment Control Unit (DCU) as a Movement Team Chief at various locations in the Continental United States and the Kuwaiti Theater of Operations until July 1991 during Operations Desert Shield/Desert Storm. From July 1991 to May 1994 he served as the S4, 1394th DCU at Camp Pendleton, CA.

Colonel Williams was reassigned to Fort Sam Houston, TX as the Logistics Readiness Officer from 1994 to 1996 for the 90th Army Reserve Command. From 1996-1997, he was Deputy Commander, 363rd Corps Support Group in San Marcos, TX. He was then reassigned to Heidelberg Germany as the USAR Logistics Advisor at HQ, U.S. Army Europe from 1997 to 2000 when he was re-assigned to the 311th Corps Support Command (COSCOM) at Fort Lewis, WA. From August 2000 until May 2002, he was the 311th COSCOM Liaison Officer to I Corps. In April 2002, he was promoted to Colonel and commanded Logistics Task Force Wright from May 2002 until June 2003 before serving as the 311th COSCOM Deputy Commander (Forward) at Fort Lewis until his reassignment to Harvard University in July 2004.

Colonel Williams is a graduate of Officer Candidate School; the Armor Officer Basic and Transportation Officer Advanced Courses; Command & General Staff College; Naval War College Joint Maritime Operations and Strategy & Policy Courses, and was an Army War College Fellow at Harvard University. He holds a BS in Management /Finance from Park College and an MA in Computer Resources and Information Management from Webster University.

His military awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit; Meritorious Service Medal w/4 Oak Leaf Clusters (OLC); Joint Service Commendation Medal; Army Commendation Medal w/7 OLC; Army Achievement Medal w/OLC; National Defense Service Medal; Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal; Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal; Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal; Southwest Asia Service Medal; Armed Forces Service Medal and the Armed Forces Reserve Medal.

His civilian career highlights include Owner/Broker CENTURY 21 Williams Real Estate, 1981-1988, Owner/Instructor Kansas Real Estate Academy, 1981-1989, and Shelter Insurance Agency Manager, 1979-1985. He has two sons, Chase & Bradley, and lives in Tigard, Oregon.