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### Operation Surf hosts another week of healing and rejuvenation for wounded military men and women

With the support of our community, Operation Surf Central Coast 2018 was able to serve over 20 wounded military men and women to one week of transformational healing this past October. Together, the support allowed our program to provide an unrivaled experience for our heroes. Operation Surf is no cost to its participants - flights, equipment, meals, lodging, surf instruction, transportation and so much more are provided including the invaluable opportunity to heal and grow while regaining a sense of tranquility.

On day four of the program, Hollister Ranch in Gaviota hosted Operation Surf's participants and staff to a healing and pivotal day of the program. Located miles from the nearest public road or facility, and far from the hustle and bustle that often exists at busier areas, the remote coastline along Hollister Ranch provided Operation Surf participants a tranquil place to focus on rehabilitation and community building. "Operation Surf participants truly benefit from the Hollister Ranch event," said Amazing Surf Adventures' Executive Director Amanda Curaza, "it is so special to bring our veterans and military heroes to this rural location, where they have space to connect with the ocean, themselves, and one another. We are so thankful to have spent our fifth year here, everyone truly steps up to make this day incredible."

*"The Ranch to me was almost like going to a mythical and magical place, as an adult. I instantly felt that same feeling that I did as a child going to Disneyland for the first time. Pure happiness, in awe of all of the beauty around me, and just all around really excited to be there with my brothers and sisters; people who went with me to hell and back. I am grateful for the privilege to enjoy this part of California and the peace it brought me."—Jordan M. , Operation Surf Veteran Participant*

It costs an average of \$5,000 to put one hero through Operation Surf. The organization extends its gratitude this season for the help they have been given to provide this experience to the men and women who have given up so much for our freedom. To learn more about Operation Surf and see all 2019 programs, you can visit [www.amazingsurfadventures.org](http://www.amazingsurfadventures.org) and a recent documentary on Netflix called RESURFACE shows an in depth look at what Operation Surf is all about. We invite you to check it out and get involved. Mahalo!