

Service Project 2021 ~ eCards of Encouragement Project

September 11th, 2021 Virtual Participation Event

Stewart & Lisa Kohnberg Co-founders The Music4Hope Foundation www.music4hope.com

Healing Through Sounds of HOPE AND LOVE

Overview

This year we face many challenges living with the outbreak of Coronavirus (COVID-19) impacting our ability to gather and visit Hospitals, USO Airport Stations, and other locations face-to-face as in the past. We can still bring a very meaningful show of Love & Support into

patients and staff along with our Military service members stationed homeside and deployed. In addition to sending a card or personal message through one of our partners websites, we will be able to collect cards for mailing and delivery during the month of September so that **everyone will have a chance to participate**.

Goals

- 1. Send at eCards to each of our charity partners with totals posted on social media hourly during the day. The top 3 volunteers with the most activity will receive an invitation to a Music4Hope House Concert along with being recognized as a Music4Hope Ambassador
- 2. Donations to your favorite cause are not required to participate. Give as you feel lead and share more links to our Facebook page <u>www.music4hope.com</u>
- 3. Create awareness for the importance of how Music helps connect and heal across cultures and age groups. There are many ways to stay involved with Music4Hope today and over the year including:
- One-time event participation and opportunities to lead a committee
- Enjoy and share our Charity Album on various media outlets
 - Apple Music
 <u>https://music.apple.com/us/album/music4hope-celebration-album-ep/47862060</u>
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 - Amazon
 <u>https://www.amazon.com/Lisa-Michelle-Music4Hope-Digital-Music/s?k=Lisa+Michelle+for+Music4Hope&rh=n%3A163856011</u>
 - **Spotify** <u>https://open.spotify.com/track/2ONBUcnOJDkLmxxlbnYsxs</u>
 - YouTube
 https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLVfD7Xo8nKour_mpgY3T7MhyrcV251hw
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 - **Google Play** <u>https://play.google.com/store/search?q=music4hope</u>
 - **SoundCloud** <u>https://soundcloud.com/search?q=music4hope</u>
 - **Reverbnation** <u>https://www.reverbnation.com/lisamichelleformusic4hope/songs</u>
 - **CD Baby** <u>https://store.cdbaby.com/cd/lisamichelle2</u>
- Share and Like our Social Media
 - Facebook https://www.facebook.com/Music4Hope
 - **Twitter** <u>https://twitter.com/Music4Hope</u>
 - Linkedin https://www.linkedin.com/company/2488745/admin/
 - **Groupon** <u>https://www.groupon.com/deals/music4hope</u>

About Music4Hope

We bring hope through healing sounds of music into the lives of families going through life threatening disease. Working with other nonprofits and community groups to help make a real difference. Co-founded by Stew & Lisa Kohnberg in 2009 to serve hospital patients, families, and their caregivers. Our variety of live music events and programs has expanded over the years to meet those in need wherever they are through music, encouragement, and by providing for daily necessities. Our "Ambassadors of Hope" Jordan Smith and Kaelyn Sanders were diagnosed with childhood Leukemia called ALL (Acute Lymphocytic Leukemia) and inspire others through health awareness and fundraising efforts around the country. We are so thankful to have held a celebration party for both Jordan and Kaelyn during our annual outdoor festival with so many sharing in the joy and significance of the day overcoming their illness. Many thanks go out to all the volunteers, board advisors, and supporters who have allowed us to touch so many lives around the world through our album donation program and Cards of Encouragement program.

Charity Partners Supported

Cards and letters for caregivers

Soldiers' Angels

http://soldiersangels.org/cards-plus-team.html

The Cards Plus Team is dedicated to supporting deployed service members, veterans, and their families with encouraging or celebratory cards and notes. The Cards Plus Team also joins forces with many other Soldiers' Angels Teams to provide cards for service members, Post 9/11 wounded veterans, caregivers and military families supported by these programs. Cards of support sent by the Team include, but are not limited to:

Cards and letters for deployed military personnel

AdoptaPlatoon

www.adoptaplatoon.org

AdoptaPlatoon strives to provide a better deployment quality of life by sending cards, letters and care packages to lift the morale of Troops as they serve far from home and assist military families. AdoptaPlatoon provides an on-going mail support system, creates projects that meet the need of military requests, and establishes special projects that benefit deployed Troops representing all branches of the U.S. military.

America's Adopt a Soldier http://www.americasadoptasoldier.org/ Please join us as we thank our deployed service members for their service and sacrifices. Please send your cards and letters thanking our veterans. A pack of crayons and copy paper is just perfect to draw or write a note of thanks and encouragement.

A Million Thanks

www.amillionthanks.org

A Million Thanks is a year-round campaign to show our appreciation to our U.S. Military Men and Women, past and present for their sacrifices, dedication, and service to our country through our letters, emails, cards, and prayers.

Blue Star Moms (East Bay area, CA)

https://www.bluestarmoms.org/operation-postcard

Operation Post Card - There is nothing like a letter or postcard from home to let a soldier, sailor, marine or airman know that he or she is supported and their service is appreciated. Don't underestimate the value of your greeting!

Caring Kids Cards

www.facebook.com/CaringKidsCards

Caring Kids Cards (TM) makes and sends cards to the military in London, Germany, Bangkok, Moscow, Korea, Afghanistan and Iraq. Others are given to orphans, firefighters and police, and senior homes. Their goal is to give out over 10,000 cards, notebooks, school supplies, meals, or gifts by the time they are teenagers. If you make cards or have any questions email CaringKidsCards@live.com or visit www.facebook.com/CaringKidsCards.

Heartillery Group

www.heartillerygroup.com

Heartillery Group is a non-profit organization who's mission is to show support, love and gratitude to our troops overseas in simple ways. *Heartillery Group* collects cards from all over the world showing love and gratitude to help boost soldier spirits. We send cards to troops who are stationed throughout the globe.

Hugs for Soldiers

www.hugsforsoldiers.org

Our program is dedicated to offering comforts from home and brightening a Soldier's day with a care package, card or letter of encouragement. Our "adopted" troops, who are deployed thousands of miles away from home, need to be reassured that America cares about them. We appreciate the great sacrifices they are making, and we will do all we can to boost their morale and lift their spirits during this difficult time. We have been supporting the troops since 2003.

Military Moms in Action

www.militarymominaction.org

Our mission is to reach out and touch the lives of as many U.S. soldiers with support and encouragement as we can. We do this by sending them boxes of goodies and letters "monthly" wherever they are around the world. We especially want to encourage those not receiving any or little support from home. We desire to lift them up giving them hope and the knowledge that someone cares.

Mollys Adopt A Sailor

http://mollysadoptasailor.com/

Molly's Adopt a Sailor Project, a broad based, collaborative and community initiative to support deployed United States Military Personnel by way of cards, letters, and care packages filled with love, support, and necessities from home.

Operation Christmas Cards for Troops Overseas

Facebook

We are a veteran family-founded organization seeking to connect the community with deployed service members each year during the holiday season. What began as a great idea in 2010 supporting just one person in Afghanistan, has flourished into an over-5,000 member network supporting deployed service members world-wide.

Operation Gratitude

https://www.operationgratitude.com/writeletters/

Our troops tell us the most cherished items in the packages are the personal letters of appreciation from Americans. We welcome as many letters as you can provide. We accept letters year-round. It will only take 5 minutes out of your day to write a letter, but it will bring joy to our troops that will last a lifetime.

Operation Post Card (Blue Star Moms)

https://www.bluestarmoms.org/operation-postcard

There is nothing like a letter or postcard from the home front to let a Soldier, Sailor, Marine or Airman know that he or she is supported and their service is appreciated. Don't underestimate the value of your greeting!

Operation Shoebox - Looking for penpals, classrooms to adopt

www.operationshoebox.com

https://www.facebook.com/Operation-Shoebox-6687530274/

Sends care packages to the Troops. Looking for donations of AT&T phone cards and used printer ink cartridges. Currently looking for Teachers and Troops for for classrooms to correspond with troops.

Operation Tarjeta De Navidad (Esposas Militares Hispanas USA)

www.esposasmilitaresusa.org

Sends cards and letters to deployed military personnel and to Hispanic military families!

Este projecto nos permite enviarle tarjetas de navidad a todos los miembros del grupo y a los esposos(as) de militares que esten desplegados "deploy", en training, companias, TDY y/o fuera de la casa, etc. Si deseas recibir una tarjeta de navidad de nosotros o deseas que le enviemos una a algun militar que va a estar solito dirante la navidad, envianos tu direccion a janet.sanchez@esposasmilitareusa.org

Support our Soldiers' Letters from Home Campaign

http://supportoursoldier.com/support-soldiers-programs/ <u>www.operationwearehere.com</u> In this day of technology, card and letter writing are becoming a lost art. SOS has committed to sending the written word to those who do not receive mail while away or to who need it most.

Thank you for sharing the website links!



Mission Trip to Kenya, South Africa ~2010



Ronald McDonald House Visit Greensboro, NC ~2013



Ronald McDonald House Patient Release Celebration Day~2014 Chapel Hill, NC

Stay Safe & Keep Healthy,

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Contact us today about volunteer opportunities and events near your community!

GooglePlay | Apple Music | Spotify | Amazon Music | CD Baby | iHeart Radio | **ReverbNation Fan Page** YouTube Channel | Music4Hope Theme Song

Secure PayPal Giving IRS Registered Charity #27-1319892 US Patent & Trademark Office Seal

Global Resources for Health & Safety as we battle COVID-19 together:



https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/communication/toolkits/community-faith-based.html



European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control An agency of the European Union

https://www.ecdc.europa.eu/en/covid-19/all-reports-covid-19





Government Gouvernement du Canada

https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada.html



Australian Government Department of Health



https://www.health.gov.au/



https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health-and-social-care



https://www.who.int/#



National Health Commission of the People's Republic of China 中华人民共和国国家卫生健康委员会

http://en.nhc.gov.cn/



The Russian Government

http://government.ru/en/department/23/events/



COVID-19 Online Resource & News Portal SAcoronavirus.co.za

http://www.health.gov.za/



https://www.health.gov.il/English/Pages/HomePage.aspx



https://www.mohfw.gov.in/#



https://www.zusammengegencorona.de/en/

GOUVERNEMENT Liberté Égalité Fraternité

https://www.gouvernement.fr/en/coronavirus-covid-19

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https://www.bag.admin.ch/bag/en/home.html



Folkhälsomyndigheten PUBLIC HEALTH AGENCY OF SWEDEN

https://www.folkhalsomyndigheten.se/the-public-health-agency-of-sweden/communicable-dis ease-control/covid-19/



Government of the Netherlands

https://www.government.nl/ministries/ministry-of-health-welfare-and-sport



https://sum.dk/english