



Keiser University Teams up with Operation Homefront

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Military men and women who have returned from Iraq and Afghanistan but are struggling here at home are getting some holiday help.

Keiser University is teaming up with Operation Homefront to help military families in need.

Santa helped to kick off a toy drive today that will last until December 13th.

These are the first of many gifts they hope to deliver to military families who are coping with financial hardships, physical injuries or the loss of a loved one.

"We have a good relationship with Operation Homefront, we believe in what they're doing and we believe in, you know, the service members and what they do for our country so we're just happy to partner with them and look forward to continued years of doing so," said Maria Mead, Keiser's Tallahassee Campus President.

If you'd like to donate to Operation Homefront, you can drop off an unwrapped toy at Keiser University - on Halstead Boulevard in Tallahassee - from now until December 13th.

Keiser University to Kick-Off Holiday Toy Drive Benefiting Operation Homefront

Event Date: Wednesday, Dec. 4 at 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Location: 1700 Halstead Blvd., Tallahassee

Event Details: Keiser University is partnering with Operation Homefront to make the holiday season a little brighter for the children of military families.

Children will enjoy a visit from Santa Claus, a coloring station to create holiday wishes for service members and Veterans, cookies and milk, refreshments, and other activities to be announced. Members of the Armed Services and community leaders are expected.

The event is free of charge and guests are asked to bring a new, unwrapped toy for a child of a member of our military in need. The toy drive continues on campus through Dec. 13.

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Operation Homefront: A 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, Operation Homefront was formed in February 2002. It was developed to support the families of deployed service members immediately following 9/11. Operation Homefront is headquartered in San Antonio, Texas, and has evolved into a major nonprofit.

The target population is American military personnel and/or their families who have unmet needs due to financial hardship, death, injury, or physical or mental detriment as a result of service in Iraq or Afghanistan.

Keiser University: Keiser University is a private, not-for-profit university serving nearly 20,000 students pursuing doctoral through associate degrees on 17 campuses, online and internationally, employing 3,500 staff and faculty.

Over 20 percent of Keiser University's students are active duty service members, veterans, or military family members and 62 percent of students graduate annually in the Science, Technology, Engineering, Math (STEM) and health care fields.

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