



Spirit of America directly contributes to the safety and success of American servicemembers and diplomats on the front lines.

“Spirit of America is agile. It is responsive. It has truly saved lives. It has been worth its weight in gold to us.”

General Jim Mattis, US Marine Corps, Retired

2020 FEATURED PROJECTS



Building Friendship through Education in Iraqi Kurdistan

To ensure local support for the presence of US troops in Iraq – who continue to fight the remnants of ISIS – and to strengthen the vital partnership between Americans and Iraqi Kurds, Spirit of America provided 700 student backpacks to four schools in Iraqi Kurdistan. The backpacks, each filled with school supplies, were distributed to low-income children by members of the US military and Ministry of Peshmerga Affairs, fostering goodwill within the community.



Strengthening the US-Montenegro Relationship

To demonstrate American friendship and to tackle food security issues that arose from COVID-19, Spirit of America developed the Montenegro Seed Project with the US Embassy and local organizations. We provided \$20,000 of agricultural assistance, including almost 30 types of locally sourced seeds, to help sustain families in vulnerable rural communities. Over 6,500 pounds of food harvested was donated to public kitchens, and based on the project’s success, the US Embassy allocated \$130,000 to scale the project.



Keeping Soldiers Safe in Ukraine’s War Zone

To strengthen US-Ukraine relations during COVID-19 and to counter Russian misinformation and propaganda, Spirit of America partnered with the US embassy in Ukraine to provide funding for a women’s veteran organization to sew face masks for Ukrainian troops and civilians in the eastern conflict zone. This project also helped a vulnerable veteran population during an uncertain time.



Expanding Access to COVID-19 Testing in Laos

To support Americans deployed to Laos who are fighting to control the coronavirus, and to improve Laos’ COVID-19 testing capacity, Spirit of America quickly provided 2,500 viral test kits and 2,500 sterile swabs at the beginning of the outbreak. The United States was the first country to offer coronavirus assistance to the people of Laos, and this donation was a reminder of US partnership in fighting the global pandemic.

SINCE OUR FOUNDING:

1,366
PROJECTS

82
COUNTRIES

16,700
DONORS

\$36M
TOTAL DONATIONS

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“Spirit of America is a whole of nation approach to service that strengthens our national security.”

Michèle Flournoy, former Under Secretary of Defense for Policy

“Spirit of America represents a new capability – not just another nonprofit.”

General Joseph F. Dunford Jr., US Marine Corps, Retired

PATRIOTISM WITHOUT POLITICS

Spirit of America is citizens serving the nation, working together to exemplify America's values and doing our part to preserve the blessings of liberty and the promise of a free and better life.

NOT NEUTRAL

Most organizations that provide assistance overseas are neutral. As a matter of principle and doctrine, they will not directly support US personnel. Spirit of America is not neutral. We take the side of America's troops and diplomats. We only provide assistance in support of their safety and success, and the local people and partners they seek to help. We are also not political. We take no position on policy or politics: when America's men and women are sent to serve abroad, we support them, and help them return safely and proud of their success.

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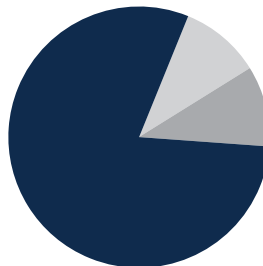
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