

Desperate for help and hobbled by federal bureaucracy, the men went public with their needs, recently posting their stories to total strangers on USATogether.org, a non-profit group created by a Silicon Valley entrepreneur to help injured veterans.

Strangers are coming to the aid of Soldiers with things such as auto repair, a new washing machine or lodging for family while a Soldier recuperates at a Veterans Affairs hospital far from home. Potential donors can read a Soldier's profile and either help financially or donate goods and services.

"There's a normal human dignity that it's hard to ask for help," said USA Together founder and Chief Executive Officer Dave Mahler. But some of these Soldiers "come out and are literally released with nothing. No money. Not a chair to sit on. We want to be the extra safety net."

TVNL Comment: It is a shame how the U.S. treats vets. Americans think supporting the troops means nothing more than slapping a flag on everything they own and singing the national anthem. They allow their leaders to send them off to wars based on complete lies. And then they bash anyone who wants to prevent vets, and others, from going without a home, food or health care and call them bleeding heart liberals. What a shameful country we have become.

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