

A QUARTELY NEWSLETTER FOR OUR SUPPORTERS



A FEW WORDS FROM DAN

As we look toward the future at Operation Finally Home, we can't help but spread the excitement of what's happening now and the plans we have for the future. Our aspirations have been reignited with the defining goal we set for our organization: to complete 100 projects in 2026. And today, I am proud to share our refreshed brand identity that will mark the beginning of this new and ambitious commitment to honor those who served.

The symbolism behind our new logo is rooted in our military tradition and inspired by the Corporal Chevron. In the service, a Corporal is a Non-Commissioned Officer (NCO) and often the first line of leadership. They're the ones taking care of their people day in and day out, setting the tone to make sure the work gets done right—an inspiration we hold dearly and aspire to be every day here at home.

We also rebuilt our website with that same mindset. It's there to make things clearer, not more complicated. To show what we're doing across the country, the families we're serving, and the real impact behind every project. We wanted it to feel more open, more accessible, and more connected to the mission you help make possible.

At the end of the day, this new identity reflects where we are headed for the future. It's a symbol of our aspirations to be better every year, but it's also a reminder that we'll always have the same mission. Because at the heart of everything we hope to accomplish are our heroes and the sacrifices they made to make this all possible.

We sincerely thank you for being a pivotal piece of our mission to complete 100 projects

God Bless,

Dan Wallrath,
Founder of Operation Finally Home

A NEW VISION FOR THE SAME MISSION



Examples of new brand identity.

For more than 21 years, we have been building foundations of hope for veterans, first responders, and surviving spouses across the country. While our mission remains unchanged, the way we tell that story has evolved.

We're proud to introduce a refreshed brand identity and a completely redesigned website experience that better reflects who we are today and where we're headed tomorrow.

This evolution is about more than a new logo or updated colors. It's about creating a stronger connection between our mission and the people who make it possible. Every element was intentionally crafted to honor the heroes we serve while making it easier for supporters, partners, and families to engage with us.

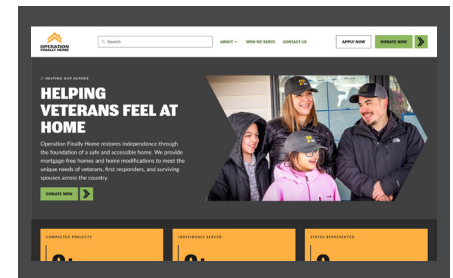


Operation Finally Home's new Primary Logo.

Our new logo draws inspiration from military tradition and leadership, reflecting the strength, commitment, and service that define the veterans and first responders at the heart of our mission. It's a symbol of the unwavering

dedication that has guided Operation Finally Home from the very beginning.

At the same time, we've reimaged our website to better showcase the life-changing impact happening every day through our programs.



Our website homepage, reimaged.

Visitors can more easily explore veteran and first responder stories, learn about our home-building and home-modification efforts, discover partnership opportunities, and find ways to get involved in creating lasting change. The new experience is built around a simple truth: impact should be seen, felt, and shared.

As we enter this next chapter, our commitment remains as strong as ever. We will continue to provide life-changing home modifications and individualized, mortgage-free homes that restore independence for those who have dedicated their lives to serving others.

The look may be new, but the mission remains the same. The fight continues. And we're just getting started.

TRANSFORMING A HOUSE INTO A HOME

>> PROJECT STORY



Front of Willard's home with new windows.



Back of Willard's home with new windows.

Willard George Jr. spent years serving his country, and like many veterans, his return home brought a new set of battles—quieter ones, fought behind walls that no longer protected him the way they should.

From January 1999 to December 2002, Willard served in the United States Navy as a Communications Technician (Communications Branch) Seaman (CTOSN), a Communications Operator responsible for ensuring vital information moved swiftly and securely. His service earned him the National Defense Service Medal, the Sea Service Deployment Ribbon and the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal.

"Your generosity in helping me obtain the windows and doors for my home is something I will never forget."

After living in his home for years, the windows and doors no longer worked properly. Drafts seeped through cracked seals. His utility bills climbed higher with each passing month. What should have been a place of comfort instead became a source of constant stress.

Through the work here at Operation Finally Home, Willard's home was given a second chance. New windows were installed. Strong, secure doors replaced the old ones. Slowly but surely, the house transformed. It became a place of safety

again. A place where dignity was restored. To best capture the impact the repairs had on his life, Willard shared the following with us:

"I wanted to take a moment to express my sincere gratitude for everything you [Operation Finally Home] have done for me throughout this process. Your generosity in helping me obtain the windows and doors for my home is something I will never forget.



Willard George Jr. smiling in front of his home.

There are times in life when words do not seem sufficient to express how thankful a person truly feels, and this is one of those times. Your kindness, support and willingness to help have made a tremendous difference in my life. Because of your assistance, my home is becoming a safer, more comfortable, and more secure place, and that means more to me than I can adequately put into words.

I honestly do not know how I could ever repay you for what you have done, but

"... your kindness has lifted a burden from my shoulders..."

please know that your generosity has not gone unnoticed. I am truly, truly grateful. Your kindness has lifted a burden from my shoulders and reminded me that there are still good people willing to help others when they need it most.

"Thank you for everything you have done for me. I will always remember your support, and I will carry this gratitude with me for years to come."



Brand new windows installed in Willard's home.



Willard's kitchen window letting in morning light above his sink.

Willard dedicated his life to serving others. Now, thanks to the collective generosity of supporters like you, his life is mending through a restored hope.

Together, we are ensuring that the home he loves remains a safe, comfortable place for him to thrive.

Because sometimes, the most powerful way to honor service is to serve in return.



Texas Veterans Commission at a ribbon cutting ceremony with OFH.



Avery Travis interviews TVC and OFH on KXAN.



Avery Travis, Katie Herries, William Makaafi, and Chip Osborne on set at KXAN.

PARTNER HIGHLIGHT

Strong partnerships create lasting impact, and few have been more meaningful to Operation Finally Home than the Texas Veterans Commission.

On June 30th, we shared our partnership and stories with KXAN. The Fund for Veterans' Assistance Grant Program helps organizations throughout Texas meet the critical needs of veterans and their families, providing meaningful support to those who have sacrificed in service for our country. Since 2014, the Texas Veterans Commission has invested more than \$2.6 million in our mission, helping us provide individualized home modifications and mortgage-free homes for our wounded heroes.

We are honored to partner with an organization that shares our commitment to restoring stability, independence and hope for those who have sacrificed in service for our freedom.



Scan QR CODE or visit the link below to watch full interview on KXAN:



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ywo0im0oeoA>

63 HOME MODIFICATIONS

(35 COMPLETED + 28 UNDER CONSTRUCTION AND PLANNING)

7 HOMES (1 - COMPLETED + 6 IN PLANNING)

4 TRANSITIONAL HOMES (2 COMPLETED + 2 IN PROCESS)

100 PROJECTS IN 2026 GOAL

100 projects in 2026 is a big goal. And thanks to the even bigger hearts of our employees, partners, and every member in our communities, we are well on pace to achieve our goal. Every project represents a family served and a promise fulfilled. Seeing that number grow reminds us why we do this work and fuels our excitement for what's still to come.

Thank you for your continuing support. Together, we can make amazing things happen for our heroes.

SOCIAL SPOTLIGHT

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Our communities are the backbone of our mission. The stronger they are, the easier it is to support the veterans, first responders, and surviving spouses that live in them. Here are a couple of our recent community highlights.



NOTES OF LOVE

We're blessed to give our heroes a place to call home. A place that's filled with love, laughter, and prayer.



WISCONSIN 5K

Thank you to everyone who joined us with OFH Wisconsin for the 2026 5K. Your support of our mission means the world to us!



HOMEVERSAARY

Happy eight-year homeversary to U.S. Army SGT Jason Castille and his family! Hard to believe it's been so long since we joined @BrohnHomes and @HEB in handing over the keys!



OUR HEROES NEED YOUR HELP

Every home modified, project completed, and life changed is made possible by supporters like you who believe our nation's heroes deserve more than just gratitude. When we complete our goal of 100 projects in 2026, we will not only achieve something unprecedented here at Operation Finally Home, but we will also show the magnitude of hope we can build for our wounded heroes. Thank you now and always for your continued support. Stay connected by following us on social media and visiting our website to see how your support directly impacts the lives that are impacted when we stand together.



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