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**Wounded Warrior Project Named the #1 NonProfit to Work For
--WWP ranks first in the second annual survey by The NonProfit Times--**

Jacksonville, FL (April 5, 2011) – Wounded Warrior Project (WWP) was recently selected as one of the *Best NonProfit Organizations to Work for* 2011. The awards program was created in 2010 and is a project of *The NonProfit Times* and Best Companies Group. Wounded Warrior Project placed first among all participating organizations.

“What an incredible honor,” said Wounded Warrior Project Executive Director Steven Nardizzi. “We have worked hard to create an environment based on our core values of fun, integrity, loyalty, innovation and service. The team here is truly dedicated to serving this generation of wounded warriors and we always try to recognize their tireless efforts, encourage their input and ideas as well as nurture their ongoing enthusiasm for this very important cause.”

This nationwide survey and awards program was designed to identify, recognize and honor the best places of employment in the nonprofit industry, benefiting the industry's economy, its workforce and businesses. To be considered for participation, organizations had to fulfill the following eligibility requirements:

- Have at least 15 employees working in the United States;
- Must be a nonprofit organization with 501 (c) 3 status;
- Have a facility in the United States; and
- Must be in business a minimum of 1 year.

Organizations from across the nation entered the two-part process to determine the *Best NonProfit Organizations to Work for*. The first part consisted of evaluating each nominated organization's workplace policies, practices, and demographics. This part of the process was worth approximately 25% of the total evaluation. The second part consisted of an employee survey to measure the employee experience. Approximately 100,000 employees from participating organizations were surveyed. This part of the process was worth approximately 75% of the total evaluation. The combined scores determined the top organizations and the final ranking. Best Companies Group managed the overall registration and survey process in the United States and also analyzed the data and used their expertise to determine the final rankings.

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Over 40,000 troops have been physically wounded during the current military conflicts in Iraq and Afghanistan. Hundreds of thousands more are estimated to be recovering from invisible wounds of war, including post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), major depression, and traumatic brain injury (TBI). Thousands of wounded warriors and caregivers receive support each year through WWP programs that are uniquely structured to nurture the mind and body, and encourage economic empowerment and engagement.

About Wounded Warrior Project

The mission of the Wounded Warrior Project® (WWP) is to honor and empower wounded warriors. WWP's purpose is to raise awareness and to enlist the public's aid for the needs of injured service members, to help injured servicemen and women aid and assist each other, and to provide unique, direct programs and services to meet their needs. WWP is a national, nonpartisan organization headquartered in Jacksonville, FL. To get involved and learn more, visit woundedwarriorproject.org.