



**DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA
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All About the Fisher House Foundation, Inc.

Since its inception in the early 1990's the Fisher House Foundation has provided lodging to some 500,000 military families and families of veterans receiving medical care at VA facilities. These homes away from home offer free accommodations to the families, allowing them to be close to their loved one during a medical crisis and focus on the healing process. Today, there are 101 Fisher Houses' located in the U.S., Germany, and the United Kingdom. California is currently home to six Fisher Houses':

- Travis Air Force Base Fisher House, David Grant USAFMC, Travis AFB, Travis, CA
- Los Angeles Fisher House, Greater Los Angeles VAHCS, Los Angeles, CA
- Long Beach Fisher House, Long Beach VAHCS, Long Beach, CA
- Camp Pendleton Fisher House, Naval Hospital Camp Pendleton, Oceanside, CA
- Palo Alto Fisher House, Palo Alto VAHCS, Palo Alto, CA
- San Diego Fisher House, San Diego VAHCS, San Diego, CA

In the last 35 years more than 12 million lodging nights have been offered to these families at a savings of approximately \$610 million in transportation and lodging fees.

The Fisher House Foundation also operates the Hero Miles program, using donated frequent flyer miles to bring family members to the bedside of injured service members, as well as the Hotels for Heroes program using donated hotel points to allow family members to stay at hotels near medical centers without charge. The Foundation also manages a grant program that supports other charities and scholarship funds for military children, spouses, and children of fallen and disabled veterans.

To learn more about this amazing organization, their dedicated mission to assist military and veteran families and other services they provide, visit www.fisherhouse.org.

Year-End Reporting Deadlines

- **Friday, April 11, 2025 – Unit Report to District Chairman**
- **Thursday, May 1, 2025 – District Chairman Report to Department Chairman**
- **Thursday, May 15 – Department Chairman Report to Western Division Chair AND National Chairman**

PLEASE RESPECT THESE DEADLINES.

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