

No Barriers Warriors and Rise Broadband Announce the 'No Barriers Warriors Medicine Bow Range' Team

Veterans with disabilities join expedition to stretch goals, face adversity and work to lead/serve others

FORT COLLINS, Colo. (July 30, 2018) — <u>No Barriers</u> and <u>Rise Broadband</u> have selected the team of veterans with disabilities to participate in the <u>2018 No Barriers Warriors Medicine Bow Range</u> veteran's expedition. Rise Broadband is proud to sponsor its fourth annual No Barriers / Rise Broadband Expedition which is scheduled to take place in the Snowy Range in Colorado's Medicine Bow National Forest from September 21–28, 2018.

A team of nine veterans and four leaders will participate in an all-expenses-paid journey to Colorado's largest state park for five days in the wilderness. The expedition includes off-site preparation and a 30-mile wilderness trek designed to push participants physically and mentally while providing a foundation for stretching goals, facing adversity, and leading/serving others. The program concludes with a team service project alongside Rise Broadband employees.

The 2018 No Barriers Warriors/Rise Broadband team includes:

- Jeffery Amos Burns, Wyoming
- Jeffrey Hanselman Earlham, Iowa
- Guadalupe Hernandez Missouri City, Texas
- Brian Hughes Colorado Springs, Colorado
- Victor Hyser Stillman Valley, Illinois
- Jesse Luera Killeen, Texas
- Andrew McDaniel Lubbock, Texas
- Brian Williams Cooper, Texas
- Amanda Vrba Niwot, Colorado

Participants in all No Barriers Warriors programs face challenges ranging from emotional and physical trauma to impaired senses and chronic pain. Some experience combat flashbacks and survivor's guilt, while others continue to struggle with readjusting to civilian life. Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) and Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) are common injuries among the warriors. Despite these and other issues, the veterans chosen for the Medicine Bow Range program believe in their ability to overcome barriers. They also realize the expedition represents more than a climb; it represents the opportunity to impact the world as a leader who serves.

<u>John Toth</u>, No Barriers Warriors director and Operation Iraqi Freedom veteran, knows that veterans of all abilities can do amazing things in their community when given the chance. He is excited to help this group of veterans dig deep in order to realize that they are stronger than the barriers in their way.

About No Barriers

What barriers do you face? This question lies at the heart of our organization. Whether in our personal lives, at work, or in our communities, we all face challenges that can prevent us from reaching our full potential. At No Barriers, we believe that what's within you is stronger than what's in your way. No Barriers empowers people of all walks of life to overcome obstacles, live a life of purpose, and give back to the world, all through our ground-breaking curriculum, the No Barriers Life. Learn more about No Barriers at <u>NoBarriersUSA.org</u>.

About No Barriers Warriors

No Barriers Warriors is a program of No Barriers USA focused on improving the lives of veterans with disabilities through transformative, curriculum-based expeditions in challenging outdoor environments. Each No Barriers Warriors expedition is designed to push veterans mentally and physically in some of nature's more incredible wilderness settings. We create a safe space and encourage them to reflect on their past, recognize where they are in the present and then look with positivity to the future. The experience serves as a catalyst for change as veterans stretch their boundaries, innovate through adversity, and build lifelong rope teams.

About Rise Broadband's Commitment to Military Veterans

Rise Broadband believes that with everything they do, they are helping to connect people to an extraordinary experience. Because many of the company's employees and customers have served and protected our country through military service, Rise is honored to give back by helping these team members reconnect with their communities by sponsoring its fourth annual No Barriers | Rise Broadband Expedition.

About Rise Broadband

Rise Broadband is the largest fixed wireless service provider in the US; offering affordable high-speed internet, digital phone and DIRECTV services across <u>16 states</u>. Rise Broadband's parent company, <u>JAB</u> <u>Wireless</u>, Inc., was established in 2006 and serves nearly 200,000 residential and business accounts in rural and suburban areas of the Midwest, Rocky Mountain and Southwest regions. The company, headquartered in Englewood, CO (metro Denver), has earned an A+ rating from the Better Business Bureau. Additional information is available at <u>www.RiseBroadband.com</u> or by calling (844) 411-7473.

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