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- 5-12 November: Heroes' Week
 - 5 November: Welcome Ceremonies at HSV Airport + Westin Hotel

The Semper Fi Community Task Force (SFCTF) of North Alabama is proud to announce it is hosting the 14th Annual Heroes' Week, to be conducted 5-12 November 2021. The SFCTF all-volunteer staff is excited to host our guests - military Heroes and their spouses or caregivers. These service members represent various branches of the military and will come from across the Country to enjoy a week of relaxation and recognition.

Heroes' Week provides a unique opportunity for the Tennessee Valley/Northern Alabama Community to show its deep appreciation and recognition to these men and women for their humbling sacrifices while defending our Nation and the freedoms we enjoy each day.

Our guests will be honored with a Welcome Ceremonies at the Huntsville International Airport and the Westin Hotel, and other events throughout the week including, an opportunity to visit and speak at local schools, a parade of boats on Lake Guntersville, and an aerial tour of North Alabama, as well as numerous lunches and dinners hosted by local organizations and businesses.

Guests will be greeted by local community and military leaders as they walk through a flag line supported by the Patriot Guard Riders and extended by many community members, community partners, and volunteers. Following the Welcome Ceremony, our guests will be given a full police and Patriot Guard Riders motorcycle escort to the Westin Hotel at Bridge Street, where they will receive another welcome from our community, community partners, and volunteers.

We invite the community, our community partners, volunteers, and the media to join us at the Huntsville International Airport on Friday, November 5, at 3:15pm to welcome our guests. Please arrive by 3:00pm so we are all in place before our guests proceed through the flag line. The subsequent welcome opportunity at the Westin will take place approximately 30-45 minutes after the airport welcome. Please be advised that all times are subject to change due to the nature of air travel. Additionally, we will adhere to all COVID-19 mitigation guidelines, including the airport's requirement for everyone to wear masks regardless of vaccine status.

*The Task Force is following all local COVID-19 mitigation guidelines during Heroes' Week.

The Semper Fi Community Task Force is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization composed of dedicated representatives from all services, their families, and community friends. SFCTF members apply the core values of courage, honor, and commitment into their community through volunteerism in our five (5) signature programs: Heroes' Week, Outdoor Adventures, Semper Fi Racing, Veteran Outreach, and Youth Engagement. Learn more about our programs at semperfictf.org.