



Tunnel to Towers Foundation

ANNUAL REPORT 2019



OUR MISSION



The Tunnel to Towers Foundation honors the heroic sacrifice of FDNY firefighter Stephen Siller and all those who perished on September 11, 2001 by providing mortgage-free homes to families of our military and first responders who continue to make the supreme sacrifice of life and limb.

A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Dear Friends,

When my family started the Tunnel to Towers Foundation, we knew that we wanted to honor our brother's heroic life and death, and all those who perished on September 11, 2001. Our ambitions were purely and simply to do good in their memory. Just as our little brother Stephen had his destiny on September 11, 2001, we too, began our journey.

Incredibly, over the years we have raised and given nearly \$150 million to improve the lives of catastrophically injured veterans by building *smart homes*, and we have provided mortgage-free homes to many *Fallen First Responder* families with young children. And this past year we began a new endeavor of providing homes to Gold Star families with young children.

This year we began a very ambitious \$11/month giving campaign because we experienced how these homes changed the shattered lives of those who sacrificed so much. We felt compelled to find a way to help, and we are relying on the unparalleled goodness of everyday Americans.

It was an honor to work with actor and activist Mark Wahlberg to launch our nationwide giving campaign, and we are unequivocally certain that fellow Americans will find it in their hearts to join us in our mission.

Gold Star widow Nancy Gass expressed what receiving a home has meant to her, *"I want to let all of you know what a difference you have made in my life and the lives of my children. It is so much more than a house. It is the most grand gesture of love I have ever witnessed. Thank you all for showing us that my husband's service has not been forgotten."*

To our remarkable volunteers, sponsors, and donors, you have made many grand gestures of love possible through your commitment, and we humbly thank you for all you do.

Let us continue to do good,



Frank Siller
Tunnel to Towers Foundation Chairman and CEO



2019 HIGHLIGHTS



\$150,000,000

in support of our nation's greatest heroes and their families. **By the end of 2020, the Foundation will have delivered 250 mortgage-free homes**

93%

In 2019, 93% of every dollar went directly to our programs and services

500,000

educated through our 9/11 NEVER FORGET Mobile Exhibit

500,000

participants in over 60 events in our National Run, Walk & Climb Series

4-STAR

for the sixth straight year, the Foundation received the highest rating from Charity Navigator based on our accountability, transparency, and financial health

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IN THE LINE OF DUTY PROGRAM



Firefighter Stephen Siller sacrificed his life in service to others, and in his memory, the Tunnel to Towers Foundation developed the *In the Line of Duty Program*. This program supports catastrophically injured veterans, Gold Star families, and fallen first responder families with young children. The Foundation has committed more than \$150 million in support of our nation's greatest heroes and their families. By the end of 2020, the Foundation will have delivered 250 mortgage-free homes.

The *In the Line of Duty Program* includes three distinct initiatives dedicated to supporting our nation's heroes and their families: the *Fallen First Responder Home Program*, *Gold Star Family Home Program*, and *Smart Home Program*.

SEASON OF HOPE



SEASON OF HOPE

In 2019, the Foundation asked all Americans to join us in honoring our nation's military, first responders, and their families by donating \$11 per month.

The support the Foundation received from donors across the country made 2019 the most successful year in the Foundation's history. To end this historic year, the Foundation launched the Season of Hope, which provided 24 homes in 24 days from December 1st through Christmas Eve.

This effort touched every part of the Foundation:

24 families across 17 different states received mortgage-free homes

- 10 Gold Star families were given forever homes
- 9 families of fallen first responders had their mortgages paid in full
- 5 *smart homes* restored the independence of catastrophically injured veterans

This historic effort was made possible thanks to the support of both our monthly and one-time donors, as well as our corporate partners.



FALLEN FIRST RESPONDER HOME PROGRAM



The Foundation pays off the mortgages for the families of law enforcement officers and firefighters killed in the line of duty who leave behind young children. The Foundation's goal is to ensure stability and security to these families facing sudden and tragic loss.

FALLEN FIRST RESPONDER HOME PROGRAM



DETECTIVE JOSEPH SEALS

Jersey City Detective Joseph Seals, 40, was a husband and father of five. The North Arlington, New Jersey, resident had served the Jersey City Police Department for over a decade. He was killed in the line of duty on December 10, 2019, after confronting two suspects who were plotting a mass shooting.

After killing Detective Seals, those two suspects then engaged in a violent shootout with police that left three other innocent bystanders dead. Detective Seals' actions to confront the suspects is credited with disrupting their plan and saving lives.

The Tunnel to Towers Foundation paid off the Seals family's mortgage on Christmas Eve, ensuring his family could stay in their home forever.

“

I don't want to speak for Laura, Joey's wife. But they are grieving. They are coping, and they are taking their time and processing everything. She has five children to take care of, so it's a lot. But like I said, with Tunnel to Towers, this is a burden she doesn't have to deal with any more—it makes it a little bit easier.

”

—Justin Smith, Detective Seals' cousin

FALLEN FIRST RESPONDER HOME PROGRAM



FIREFIGHTER JASON MENARD

Worcester Lieutenant Firefighter Jason Menard was a loving husband and father of three. He lost his life on November 13, 2019, while battling a four-alarm fire in Worcester. He rescued two of his fellow firefighters, getting them out of the burning home before he became trapped on the third floor and tragically lost his life. Thanks to his heroic actions, Worcester Firefighter Christopher Pace was able to return home to his pregnant wife. The Foundation paid off the mortgage on the Menard family's home, giving his wife Tina and their three young children, Joshua, Hailee, and Morgan, peace of mind knowing they would always have a place to call home.

“

The Worcester Department lost a great firefighter, a good man, a great fire officer, but that pales in comparison to what the family has lost. Tina lost her husband, and Jason's three children lost a father. The least we can do for them is to relieve their financial burden. It's amazing the support we get. I wish we didn't have to do this again, but again all I can say is thank you very much and God bless. ”

-Worcester Fire Department Chief Michael Lavoie



GOLD STAR FAMILY HOME PROGRAM



The Foundation honors the legacy of those who have made the ultimate sacrifice while serving our country by providing the surviving spouses and young children with mortgage-free homes.

GOLD STAR FAMILY HOME PROGRAM



STAFF SGT. CHRISTOPHER SLUTMAN

U.S. Marine Staff Sgt. Christopher Slutman was killed in Afghanistan on April 8, 2019. In addition to serving his country in the Marines, he was a decorated 15-year veteran of the Fire Department in New York (FDNY). He left behind his wife Shannon and their three daughters.

The Tunnel to Towers Foundation surprised Shannon with the news her mortgage had been paid in full the weekend of the Tunnel to Towers 5K Run & Walk NYC.

“

As a mother, it helps us to breathe a little bit. I can redirect finances that would have went to my mortgage before. This is a huge weight off my shoulders.

”

-Shannon Slutman, Gold Star Family Home recipient

GOLD STAR FAMILY HOME PROGRAM



STAFF SGT. LOUIS BONACASA

Staff Sgt. Louis Bonacasa was killed in action days before Christmas, on December 21, 2015. On Christmas Eve, 2019, the final day of the Season of Hope, the Tunnel to Towers Foundation announced the mortgage on his family's home had been paid in full.

“

This means everything. It takes off a huge financial burden on us, and Louie always wanted to provide a home for us. After his deployment and everything that happened, now Frank and Tunnel to Towers has made that dream a reality.

”

-Deborah Bonacasa, SSgt. Bonacasa's widow



SMART HOME PROGRAM



The Foundation builds specially adapted *smart homes* that help our most catastrophically injured veterans to reclaim their day-to-day independence.

SMART HOME PROGRAM



**“
There are no words for it, it
is the most incredible gift
I can receive. I will use this
home to help others and live
my life by the Foundation’s
motto, ‘While we have time,
let us do good.’”**

—U.S. Cpl. Scott Nokes

SCOTT NOKES


As a Corporal in the Marines, Scott Nokes deployed to Afghanistan twice. While on his second deployment, Scott developed dysentery, which led to sepsis and the amputation of both of his legs below the knee and a nearly complete loss of vision. Tunnel to Towers built him a custom *smart home* with features to help him live as independently as possible.

The creation of this specialized *smart home* began with a 3-D printed model of the home, so Cpl. Nokes could “feel” his way through the home and learn the layout by touch.

The *smart home* was designed to have technology work hand in hand with architectural features, helping Cpl. Nokes regain some of his independence.

The Foundation’s other *smart homes* feature lights, temperature, and a security system that can be controlled by a tablet or smartphone, but for Cpl. Nokes’s home, nearly every smart feature is voice controlled, including the appliances.

He received his custom mortgage-free *smart home* days before Christmas as part of the Season of Hope.



NATIONAL RUN, WALK & CLIMB SERIES



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WALK & CLIMB SERIES

TUNNEL TO TOWERS 5K RUN & WALK NYC



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The Foundation's signature event, the Tunnel to Towers 5K Run & Walk NYC, was held on September 29, 2019. Tens of thousands of runners, walkers, first responders, and members of the military retraced Stephen's final footsteps from the foot of the Hugh L. Carey Tunnel to the Twin Towers site. This year, in addition to honoring the 343 FDNY members, 71 law enforcement officers, and thousands of civilians who lost their lives on September 11, 2001, nearly 2,000 ROTC cadets held banners bearing the names and photos of the more than 7,000 service men and women who lost their lives since that fateful day.

“ It feels great...you have all the support from everyone around you, and you are trying to do your best to follow in the footsteps of a great firefighter. It inspires you to put your heart out on that race course. –Andres Salgado, Bethel CT Fire Department

It is an honor to be here and represent people who were here and did a lot.
–Arleny Deleon, ROTC Cadet and Banner Holder

We aren't just honoring his death, we are honoring his life. Not just him, but all of his 343 brothers. It's about everyone who lost their lives that day.

–Lt. Robert Vogt, FDNY, nephew of Stephen Siller and Banner Holder

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NATIONAL RUN,
WALK & CLIMB SERIES

TUNNEL TO TOWERS TOWER CLIMB NYC



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On June 2, 2019, the 5th annual Tunnel to Towers Tower Climb NYC was held at One World Observatory. This year's climb honored the lives of Master Sergeant Chris Raguso and Sergeant Dashan Briggs, two New Yorkers who lost their lives in Iraq. Their wives, Carmela Raguso and Rebecca Briggs, served as honorary starters for the climb. The Foundation paid off the mortgages on the homes of both heroes.

“ *I think about him every day. He would have been so into this, he would have done this in a heartbeat.* –Carmela Raguso

I miss him every day. It still doesn't feel like real life, and it's been over a year. I just wish he was home. –Rebecca Briggs

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NATIONAL RUN, WALK & CLIMB SERIES



2019 NYC MARATHON

In 2019, the Tunnel to Towers Foundation was proud to host a charity team for the TCS New York City Marathon. The first ever Tunnel to Towers team was made up of 21 runners from all over the country and included active first responders, families of 9/11 victims, and widows who lost loved ones in the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.



RUN, WALK & CLIMB SERIES

In 2019, 60 Tunnel to Towers Run, Walk & Climb events were held around the country, with more than 20,000 registrants taking part.

These events are 100% led by passionate volunteers, supporting the mission and spreading the message of the Tunnel to Towers Foundation.

In addition to the races here in America, over 100 people participated in the Tunnel to Towers Run at the U.S. military base in Kandahar, Afghanistan.





NEVER FORGET PROGRAMS



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9/11 NEVER FORGET MOBILE EXHIBIT

In 2013, the Stephen Siller Tunnel to Towers Foundation launched its 9/11 NEVER FORGET Mobile Exhibit: a tribute to all those who lost their lives on September 11, 2001, including the 343 members of the Fire Department of New York City (FDNY) who made the ultimate sacrifice. The high-tech, 83-foot tractor trailer, which transforms into a 1,100-square-foot exhibit, is a tool to further educate people across the country about the events of that tragic day.

Welcomed around the nation, the memorial provides interactive education, including artifacts such as steel beams from the towers, documentary videos, and recordings of first responder radio transmissions. Interactive guided tours are carried out by FDNY firefighters who provide firsthand accounts of the day and its aftermath. The 9/11 NEVER FORGET Mobile Exhibit, which has traveled to nearly 50 states and Canada, has welcomed in over 500,000 visitors to date.



FOOTSTEPS TO THE FUTURE GALA

The Tunnel to Towers Foundation held its 3rd Annual Footsteps to the Future Gala at the New York Hilton Midtown on April 11, 2019.

This year, the Foundation honored **GM CEO Mary Barra** with the Foundation's Let Us Do Good Award, recognizing the company's dedication and commitment to America's heroes. In 2015, General Motors, one of the world's most admired companies, named the Foundation its charity of choice.

GMC works with the Foundation to build *smart homes* for catastrophically injured veterans around the country.

"These veterans deserve homes that are free of barriers and free of financial burdens. They will live better, more independent lives in accessible, safe homes that have been customized to meet their unique physical needs." – GM CEO Mary Barra

During the Gala, Barra announced she would donate the final seventh-generation Chevrolet Corvette to the Foundation. It sold for a record-setting **\$2.7 million** when it went up for auction in June.



NEVER FORGET PROGRAMS



LIBERTY NATIONAL GOLF CLASSIC

Once again, the Tunnel to Towers Foundation held its annual Golf Classic at Liberty National Golf Club in Jersey City, New Jersey.

Liberty National Golf Club, which, according to Phil Mickelson, is “unlike any course in the world,” offers spectacular views of the Statue of Liberty, the New York Harbor, the Manhattan Skyline, and the Verrazano-Narrows Bridge.

The event is hosted by the Honorable Rudolph Giuliani.

TUNNEL TO TOWERS NATIONAL GOLF SERIES

The Tunnel to Towers Foundation hosts a number of charitable golf events to benefit our programs and efforts in 2019.

This included the annual Veterans Day Golf outing on Staten Island, New York City’s largest one-day golf tournament. The event was played on three courses and attracted over 400 golfers.

New to the series this year were the T2T Huntington, Long Island Crescent Golf Classic; the T2T Brooklyn Golf Classic; and the T2T Texas Hero Golf Classic at Bentwater Yacht & Country Club.



NEVER FORGET PROGRAMS



FIREFIGHTER FOR AMERICA'S BRAVEST BBQ

On October 12, 2019, the New York City Firefighters for America's Bravest hosted the 10th Anniversary of the Tunnel to Towers Bravest Barbecue. The event honored FDNY Deputy Assistant Chief Andrew DiPadova. Proceeds from the Bravest Barbecue went to support the **Tunnel to Towers Foundation's *In the Line of Duty Program***, which supports our nation's military, first responders, and their families.



MIDWEST BBQ FOR THE BRAVE

In 2012, Jim and Gayla Smith hosted a BBQ in their backyard to raise money for the Tunnel to Towers Foundation's *Smart Home Program*. Since then, the BBQ has continued to grow and has become a highly anticipated annual event.

This year the Foundation announced it had paid off the mortgages on the homes of two first responders killed in the line of duty in Illinois: McHenry County Deputy Sheriff Jacob Keltner and Fulton County Deputy Troy Chisum.

McHenry County Deputy Sheriff Jacob Keltner was attempting to serve a warrant when he was killed. Keltner left behind his wife, Becki, and his two young sons, Caleb and Carson.

Fulton County Deputy Troy Chisum was killed while responding to a domestic violence call. He left behind his wife of more than 20 years, Amanda, and their three daughters, Kyleigh, Abigail, and Gracie.

"Thank you from the bottom of our hearts. We could not have made it through this horrendous time without all of you. Thank you so much."

- Amanda Chisum



FINANCIAL STATEMENT & EXPENSE RATIO



Since its inception, the Tunnel to Towers Foundation has been committed to practicing sound fiscal management, organizational efficiency, and program integrity. Tunnel to Towers keeps fundraising and administrative costs at a minimum, with only a small percentage of funds allocated to overhead expenses.

For the past several years, the Foundation's program service percentage on average was 93%; 93 cents out of every dollar goes directly to our programs and services. Program service ratio is a key barometer used to measure operating effectiveness.

The organization's Chairman and CEO, Frank Siller, is an uncompensated volunteer. For six years running, the Foundation has achieved the highest rating, 4-Star, from Charity Navigator, the nation's largest and most utilized evaluator of charities.



[Click here to access our Financial Statement](#)



PARTNERS



The Tunnel to Towers Foundation is committed to honoring our nation's first responders and military heroes. We are truly grateful for our partners who believe in our mission and help us achieve our goals.

PARTNERS



THE HOME DEPOT FOUNDATION

The Home Depot Foundation serves as the philanthropic arm of The Home Depot and has been the top corporate partner of the Tunnel to Towers Foundation since our partnership began in 2012.

Committed to serving those who have served us, The Home Depot Foundation and Team Depot, a 400,000-strong army of associate volunteers, work to improve the homes and lives of U.S. veterans, train skilled tradespeople to fill the labor gap, and support communities impacted by natural disasters.

In 2016, The Home Depot Foundation announced its goal of investing a quarter of a billion dollars in veteran-related causes by 2020.

In May 2018, Chairman, CEO, and President of The Home Depot, Craig Menear, announced at our Annual Footsteps to the Future Gala that their funding goal was met two years early. The Home Depot has now committed to investing a half a billion dollars by 2025 for veteran-related causes.

corporate.homedepot.com/community



GMC

Since 2014, GMC, a division of General Motors, has partnered with the Tunnel to Towers Foundation as its exclusive and national charity of choice. With more than 100 years of supporting the U.S. Military, General Motors is committed to our partnership and our nation's heroes.

The company employs more than 60,000 veterans.

General Motors is dedicated to transforming lives through technology and engineering and has been pushing the limits of transportation for more than a century. Today, it is in the midst of a transportation revolution to create a safer, better, more sustainable future with Zero Crashes, Zero Emissions, and Zero Congestion.

As an open, inclusive company, it is also creating an environment where everyone feels welcomed and valued for who they are.

GMC.com



ESTHER AND HAROLD MERTZ FOUNDATION

The Esther and Harold Mertz Foundation is an extraordinary partner of the Tunnel to Towers Foundation and is instrumental in our efforts to serve veterans as well as fallen first responder and Gold Star families. The members of the Mertz Foundation's Board of Directors continue what its founders began in the 1970s.

The Mertz Foundation furthers the legacy and philanthropic generosity of Esther and Harold Mertz by giving hope and assistance to those who are impoverished or disadvantaged, showing compassion to those who have lost hope, and making a difference in the lives of those who are suffering from some deficiency in body, mind, or spirit. mertzfoundation.org



CBS NEW YORK

CBS New York continues to serve as a proud media sponsor of the Tunnel to Towers 5K Run & Walk NYC, as it has for over a decade. The event is broadcast live by many of its owned and operated stations and affiliates throughout the country.

NewYork.cbslocal.com/tunnel-to-towers



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THE MARCUS FOUNDATION

The Marcus Foundation was founded by Bernie Marcus, the co-founder of The Home Depot. Bernie and Billi Marcus have pledged to give away at least half of their wealth to philanthropy, and to date, have given over one billion dollars since they created their Foundation.

Since 2015, The Marcus Foundation has been a tremendous supporter of Tunnel to Towers. The Marcus Foundation focuses its efforts on veterans, human services, mental health, Jewish federated giving programs, education, public affairs, and community.

A few of their many worthwhile initiatives include: The Marcus Stroke and Neuroscience Center at Grady Hospital in Atlanta, The Marcus Heart Valve Center, the SHARE Military Initiative, and the Marcus Institute for Brain Health.

Marcusfound.org



CARPET ONE FLOOR & HOME

Established in 1984, Carpet One Floor & Home is North America's leading floor covering retailer, with more than 1,000 independently owned and operated locations in the United States, Canada, Australia, and New Zealand. As the exclusive flooring supplier to our *Smart Home Program*, Carpet One has committed to the installation of the floor coverings for each of the *smart homes* built throughout the United States.

In addition, Carpet One has carried out a successful campaign where a portion of each sale benefitted a *smart home*. Through Carpet One, we forged relationships with Mohawk, MasterBrand, and Hunter Douglas.

CarpetOne.com



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NEW YORK JETS

The generosity of New York Jets Chairman and CEO Woody Johnson has made a remarkable difference in the lives of our injured service members. Mr. Johnson and the Jets have been strong advocates for the Tunnel to Towers Foundation by supporting the construction of *smart homes* for our injured service members. Mr. Johnson also opened doors to additional support by Johnson & Johnson. **NewYorkJets.com**



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Mohawk, a company known for revolutionary product innovation, award-winning design, and outstanding service provides the flooring for each *smart home*. The company provides the highest quality laminate and engineered hardwood flooring products and has innovated the softest, most family-friendly and pet-friendly carpets ever.

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The Fox News Channel including Fox and Friends, Fox Business Network, America's Newsroom, and Fox 5 serves as a proud media supporter of the Tunnel to Towers Foundation through their television, radio, and online outlets. Fox News is dedicated to promoting the mission and message of the Tunnel to Towers Foundation and has been instrumental in raising awareness and funds for our military, first responders, and their families. **FoxNews.com**



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SEMPER FI FUND

The Semper Fi Fund was established in 2004 by a group of U.S. Marine Corps spouses. Those same women run the Fund today alongside other spouses from all service branches and retired service members, all of whom intimately know the needs of military families. Since inception, the organization has issued more than \$145 million in assistance.

The Semper Fi Fund and America's Fund, which provides assistance to injured veterans of all branches of the military, provide immediate financial assistance and lifetime support to post-9/11 wounded, critically ill, and injured members of all branches of the U.S. Armed Forces.

In 2010, the organization first partnered with the Stephen Siller Tunnel to Towers Foundation, and continues to do so today by donating to each of our *smart homes*. Together we are providing independence for our most catastrophically injured heroes.

SemperFiFund.org



OLDCASTLE

Based in Atlanta, Georgia, Oldcastle Materials is the leading vertically integrated supplier of aggregates, asphalt, ready-mixed concrete, and paving services in the United States with operations at 1,400 locations nationwide. Old Castle provides the hardscapes for our *smart homes*.

Oldcastlematerials.com.



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UPS

United Parcel Service (UPS) and its employees have supported the Tunnel to Towers Foundation since its inception. Whether it's providing trucks for our race participants to store their personal items at our annual Tunnel to Towers 5K Run & Walk NYC, issuing grants to the Foundation, participating in a workplace giving campaign that has raised hundreds of thousands of dollars, or hosting an annual golf outing to support the Foundation, UPS has been a tremendous supporter.

[UPS.com](https://www.ups.com)



MASTERBRAND

MasterBrand, one of the largest cabinet manufacturers in North America, builds and donates all of the cabinetry for our *smart homes*. MasterBrand is committed to four basic tenets: quality construction, fashionable products, and on-time and complete delivery.

[MasterBrand.com](https://www.masterbrand.com)



SCOUT MARKETING

SCOUT, a full-service marketing firm, supports the Tunnel to Towers Foundation with a pro bono effort that includes campaign development, branding, PSAs, videos, and marketing materials. SCOUT, which built the agency on the mantra Be Brave, is proud to support our nation's bravest heroes and their families.

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BE BRAVE

ASHLEY FURNITURE

Ashley HomeStore is the No. 1 furniture retailer in the U.S. and one of the world's best-selling furniture store brands with more than 700 locations in 36 countries. From design through fulfillment, Ashley is committed to the world's best home furnishing values, selection and service, and earning the loyalty and trust of its customers every day.

[ashleyfurniture.com](https://www.ashleyfurniture.com)



API GROUP, INC.

API Group, a multi-billion-dollar parent company for over 40 independently managed construction companies located in more than 200 locations worldwide, supplies the fire protection and life safety for each of the *smart homes*. The sprinkler systems provided by API Group are extremely important to the safety of the service members.

[APIgroupInc.com](https://www.apigroupinc.com)



HUNTER DOUGLAS

Hunter Douglas supplies each *smart home* with window treatments. Hunter Douglas products offer amazing design, variable light control, motorization, insulation against heat and cold while saving energy, protection from damaging UV rays, sound absorption, and child safety.

[HunterDouglas.com](https://www.hunterdouglas.com)



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GLIDDEN

Glidden Professional Paints is a nationally recognized brand, dedicated to serving the needs of the professional marketplace, specifically commercial painting contractors, architects, building owners, and facility managers. Glidden donates the paint for all of the *smart homes* we build. Glidden Professional is a trusted and recognized professional paint brand available at The Home Depot.

Glidden.com



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U-HAUL

In addition to all it does for programs in local communities, U-Haul has made a commitment to support many military and veteran organizations, including the Tunnel to Towers Foundation.

On the last weekend in September, as we carry out the annual Tunnel to Towers 5K Run & Walk NYC, U-Haul is a tremendous sponsor, donating its vehicles to transport supplies from our base on Staten Island to the starting line in Brooklyn and finish line in Manhattan. And it doesn't stop there. U-Haul donates its vehicles to the Foundation for each of our service-member homecoming ceremonies through our *Smart Home Program*. This enables our crew to transport stages, platforms, chairs, video equipment, and more at no cost. This type of donation allows us to continue to boast a program service percentage of over 93%.

U-Haul.com



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NORTHFIELD BANK

Northfield Bank, which operates 38 locations in Staten Island, Brooklyn, and New Jersey, is a key local sponsor for the Tunnel to Towers Foundation. Northfield has been a sponsor at each of our Veterans Day golf outings, and regularly provides the Foundation with the time and talent of its volunteers. The assistance Northfield employees provide at registration for the Tunnel to Towers 5K Run & Walk NYC is immeasurable.

eNorthfield.com



NORTHWELL HEALTH

Northwell Health strives to improve the health of the communities it serves and is committed to providing the highest quality clinical care; educating the current and future generations of health care professionals; searching for new advances in medicine through the conduct of bio-medical research; promoting health education; and caring for the entire community regardless of the ability to pay. Through responsible decision-making and community support, Northwell Health strives to protect and improve the environment and quality of life in our communities.

northwell.edu



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Lincoln Property Company was founded in 1965 as a developer and manager of high-quality residential communities. With development and investment properties in more than 200 cities, Lincoln is currently ranked the second largest property manager in the United States. Lincoln strives to provide its residents with superior service for a comfortable and convenient lifestyle. Lincoln Property Company has the distinct honor of being the first sponsor of the Tunnel to Towers 5K Run & Walk NYC.

LPC.com



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Bassett Furniture Industries is busy building a better furniture business. The company, founded in 1902, makes wooden and upholstered furniture for home use, featuring bedroom and dining suites, sofas, chairs, love seats, and home office furniture. Bassett sells through 60 company-owned stores and some 30 licensed locations under the Bassett Home Furnishings brand. With about a dozen stores, Texas is the largest market among the 25 states in which Bassett operates. The company's logistics unit handles getting goods from factories and warehouses to stores; it has nearly 800 vehicles on the road.

BassettFurniture.com

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