

NEWS RELEASE

The Hanger Foundation Awards \$127,500 in Grants to Spring 2023 Recipients

7/5/2023

AUSTIN, Texas – July 5, 2023 – The Hanger Foundation awarded its first round of 2023 Empowerment Grants, giving a total of \$127,500 to 14 non-profit organizations. Grant recipients include local and national organizations serving a variety of communities, including repeat and new award recipients.

Congratulations to the 2023 Hanger Foundation Empowerment Community Grant Recipients:

- Adaptive Expeditions
- BlazeSports America
- Camp No Limits
- Catalyst Sports
- Exercisabilities
- Indiana Disabled Hockey
- National Sports Center for the Disabled
- Power On with Limb Loss
- Quality of Life Plus (QL+)
- Rancho Los Amigos Foundation
- Team Catapult
- The Center for Individuals with Physical Challenges
- The Limb Preservation Foundation
- Triumph Foundation

The programs funded include Quality of Life Plus (QL+). QL+ provides innovative adaptations and assistive

technology designed to help disabled veterans and first responders achieve their personal goals in work, recreation and day-to-day activities. Mark Robbins, Executive Director of QL+, said, "The Quality of Life Plus Program will use this generous grant to support engineering students at the University of Texas at Austin and the University of Texas at San Antonio in designing and building assistive devices for disabled veterans and first responders. QL+ is known for creative projects like modifying cross country skis for Paralympic athletes and building automated lifts for adaptive athletes to move kayaks, bikes, and other items more easily. We look forward to seeing what projects the new school year will bring thanks to the funding from the Hanger Foundation."

The mission of the Hanger Foundation is to empower people with physical challenges to live life as fully as possible. Since its first grant award to Angel City Games in May 2015, the Foundation has donated over \$1.96 million to 96 non-profit organizations. To learn more about the grant process, previous grant recipients, and how you can get involved, visit: http://www.hangerfoundation.org

About the Hanger Foundation

THE HANGER FOUNDATION WAS FOUNDED IN 2009 BY HANGER, INC., A LEADING PROVIDER OF ORTHOTIC AND PROSTHETIC PATIENT CARE SERVICES AND SOLUTIONS. HANGER'S HERITAGE OF CHARITABLE GIVING BEGAN OVER 160 YEARS AGO. FOR MANY YEARS, HANGER CLINICIANS AND **EMPLOYEES CONSISTENTLY AND GENEROUSLY DONATED MILLIONS** OF DOLLARS IN CARE AND FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO A VARIETY OF CAUSES, INCLUDING HARDSHIP CASES IN THEIR OWN COMMUNITIES. IN 2009, HANGER FORMALIZED AND INCREASED ITS PHILANTHROPIC WORK BY **ESTABLISHING A NON-PROFIT** ORGANIZATION, THE HANGER FOUNDATION. FOR MORE

INFORMATION, VISIT:

HTTP://WWW.HANGERFOUNDATION.ORG

Krisita Burket, Hanger, Inc. 904-239-4627, kburket@hanger.com

Meghan Williams, Hanger, Inc.

512-777-3701, megwilliams@hanger.com