Cash Value of Miles traveled:
$2,848,612.00

Contributions:
Cash $3,873,540.00
Non-Cash $6,274,839.00
Hours Worked 30,381,930.00
Miles Traveled ** 2,848,612.00

Total Contributions $43,378,921.00

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ELKS AND THE USO JOINING FORCES

The Elks National Veterans Service Commission is ‘Joining Forces’ with the USO to provide support for service members and their families. We see this partnership as an extension of our own ‘Army of Hope’. The resources, programs, and contacts of the USO will provide new avenues of approach to assist members of our armed forces and their families.

The USO today is “not your father’s USO”. While the USO still sponsors live entertainment like the famous Bob Hope tours, today it reaches troops in a number of new and meaningful ways. Operation Home Phone, United Through Reading, Sesame Street, and mobile entertainment systems are just a few.

At the Grand Lodge Convention in Phoenix, the Elks launched this partnership by presenting the USO a check for $25,000.00, which was used to purchase, ship, and deliver a USO 2 GO kit to soldiers stationed at Forward Operating Base Shinwar, on the Pakistan/Afghan border. The USO 2 GO kit contains everything found at a USO base: video consoles, televisions, recreational equipment, books, games, and communications equipment to allow the troops to connect to home. A Video of the troops receiving the USO 2 GO can be viewed at:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K9skLp14

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