



JOHNNY MAC
SOLDIERS FUND

JOIN OUR MISSION

GIVING BACK THROUGH EDUCATION



OUR MISSION

Johnny Mac Soldiers Fund honors military service and sacrifice by providing scholarships to veterans and military family members, especially to children of our nation's fallen or disabled.





OUR INSPIRATION

As our name suggests, we are inspired by the memory of Colonel John “Johnny Mac” McHugh. On May 18, 2010, 24-year Army officer Colonel McHugh was killed in action while serving our country on Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan when his military convoy was attacked by a suicide bomber.

A group of his West Point classmates began raising money for John’s family, with the intent of ensuring the five McHugh children could all go to college. Later, this group of classmates believed they could help many more military families.

On April 10, 2014, Johnny Mac Soldiers Fund was formed and designated by the IRS as a nonprofit organization. Now, 12 years later, Johnny Mac Soldiers Fund has served thousands of military families.

Photo courtesy of the McHugh Family

OUR MOTIVATION

35,000

Approximate number of children affected by post-9/11 combat casualties

\$1.37 BILLION+¹

Projected cost to fund post-secondary education for those children

Since September 11, 2001, more than 50,000 U.S. service members have died in connection with military operations — leaving thousands of children without a parent and many more families facing lasting challenges from service-related injuries.

For these families, the impact extends far beyond a single moment shaping daily life and future plans. Higher education can offer a path forward, but the cost often places it out of reach. While federal benefits provide important support, they do not fully meet the need.

At Johnny Mac Soldiers Fund, we are committed to bridging that gap — ensuring these children have the support, stability, and opportunity to pursue their education and build their future.

Military service and sacrifice continue. So does the responsibility to ensure that these children have access to education and the stability it provides.

¹ *Freedom's Future: Impact & Donor Report, No Greater Sacrifice*

JOHNNY MAC SCHOLAR

KEIRA JOHNSON is an undergraduate student at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Arizona, where she is pursuing a degree in Industrial-Organizational Psychology. Originally drawn to forensic psychology, Keira discovered a passion for understanding how people and organizations work together.

She has built an outstanding academic record and is actively involved on campus as a member of the Women's Ambassadors student group.



Keira is the daughter of Army Captain Quincey Ellis Johnson, who passed away in

2013 after a 17-year military career. Following deployments to Iraq and Afghanistan, he was diagnosed with Stage 4 colon cancer linked to burn pit exposure and passed away just 10 months later.

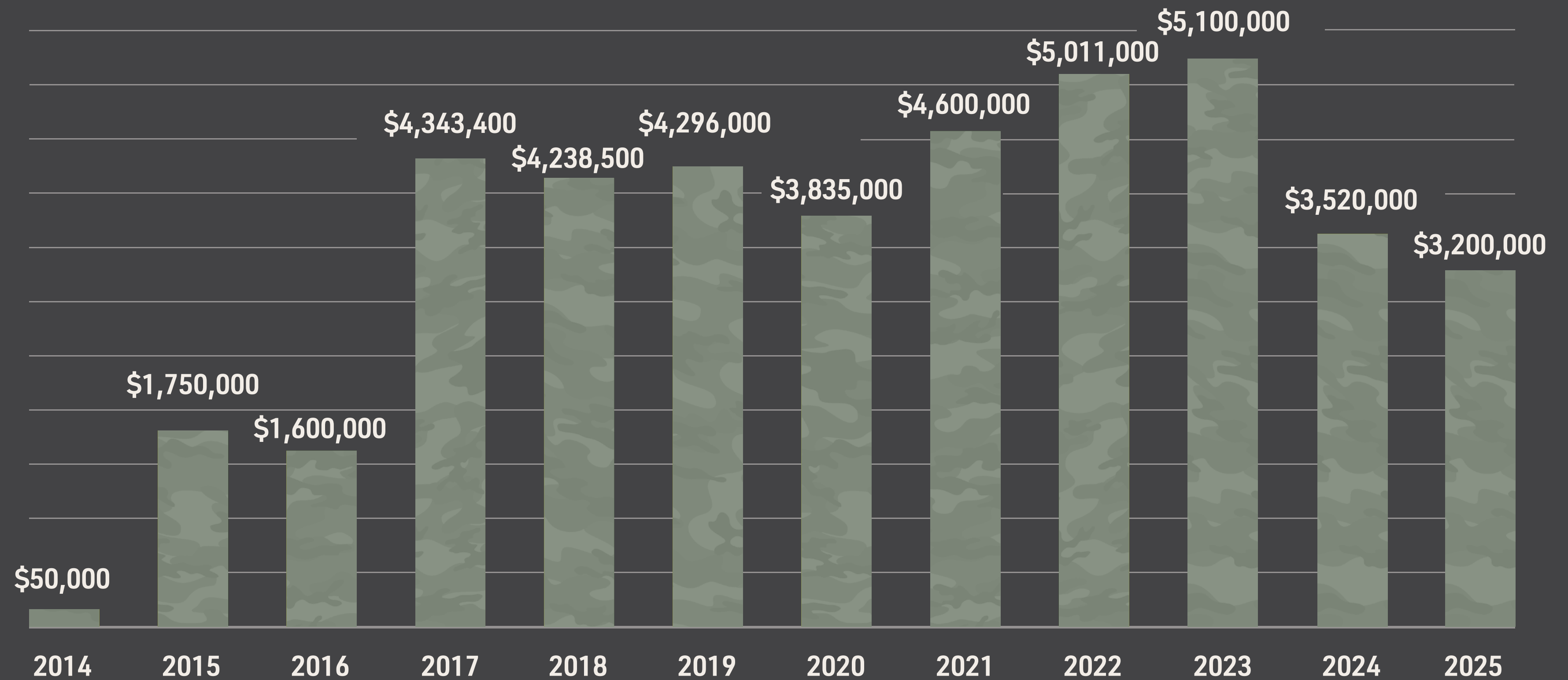
Her mother, Jennifer, is also an Army veteran.



12 YEARS OF IMPACT

Since 2014, we've provided over **\$41.5 million** to more than **8,600** Johnny Mac Scholars.

This is just a fraction of the need.



TOTAL AWARDED \$41,543,900

OPERATING WITH INTEGRITY

Now commemorating its 12th anniversary, Johnny Mac Soldiers Fund has raised **\$53.2M** to date. Independently audited each year, we prioritize excellence and results, earning the nonprofit industry's highest accolades for our commitment to fiscal responsibility and transparency, along with effective nonprofit operations.



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I am so grateful to the supporters who have made this journey possible. Although I didn't really know my dad, I believe he would be proud of me. One day, I hope to give back to others the way so many have supported me.

PATRICK ROBINSON

ROBBINS is a student at Marymount Manhattan College, pursuing his passion for musical theatre. Through daily dance training and weekly voice lessons, he is working toward a future on stage.



Patrick is the son of Army Sergeant First Class Christopher Robinson, who was killed in 2006 during combat operations in Afghanistan. He was the first Mississippi National Guard soldier killed in Afghanistan since the start of the war.

PARTNERSHIP POTENTIALS

We'll work with you to support your company's philanthropic goals.

- Designate scholarship institutions or fields of study important to your company
- Recognition at our events, including premier seating, signage, and speaking opportunities
- Brand amplification through web, social, and print promotion
- Johnny Mac Scholar internships and talent recruitment
- Employee engagement



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CHARITY NIESKENS

attends Southern Methodist University, where she is pursuing a degree in business with a focus on real estate. She hopes to build a career as a successful real estate professional. Outside of the classroom, she is an active sports enthusiast who enjoys playing volleyball and basketball, as well as cheering on her favorite teams.

Charity is the daughter of Army Sergeant Kelly Nieskens, who was severely wounded in action while deployed to Iraq. His Humvee struck an IED and he was shot by a large-caliber sniper round, resulting in internal ricochet injuries to his ribs, spine, and intestines.

OUR LEADERSHIP

Johnny Mac Soldiers Fund is guided by a volunteer Board of Directors with deep personal ties to the military community. More than 80 percent of board members are veterans. Others are parents of service members, or members of families of the fallen.

Our board members are CEOs, senior executives, and entrepreneurs who lead a diverse array of businesses including those at right.

The board personally donates 20% of our donation revenue each year.





Brandi Anderson
Johnny Mac Scholar



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