



HEARTS 4 HEROES USA

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Paw Platoon Placement Program:

Current placement and Partnerships with H4H USA. Our first responder handlers are on a mission in solidarity with their peer support for health, wellness, & community.

1. Folsom Fire Department – Assistant Chief Mark Piacentini Retired (*Blitz) H4H VP / Peer Support FFD
2. Firefighters Burn Institute – Director Joe Pick / retired Metro Fire Captain (*Boots)
3. Rescue Fire Department – Captain Brett Jones/ Division Chief Paw Platoon Placement (*Ash)
4. Garden Valley fire District – Chief Wes Norman (*Roy)
5. Roseville Fire Department – Firefighter Dan Solis retired (*Blaze) H4H Chaplain/ Dignity Health / Peer Support
6. Roseville Fire Department – Captain Alex Kleefeld (*Captain Charlie)
7. Roseville Fire Department – Retired Chief Rick Bartee (*Liberty) FEMA
8. Personal Medical – T. Hawthorne (*Amstel) Therapy
9. Rocklin Fire Department – Firefighter Captain Erik Garside (*Maggie)
10. Regional Peer Support Director/ trainer – Founder/ Executive Director – Shelley Martell (*Jett)
11. Citrus Heights Police Department – Commander Mike Wells (*Ellie)
12. Key Peninsula Fire Department – Washington – Firefighter Cam Bell (*Gary)
13. H4HUSA Peer Support community Dog – Bruce & Shelley Martell (*Shirley) EMS/Fire/Police
14. [Lincoln Public safety – Fire/ police Chief Alves \(*Mattis\) \(Marines\) Division Chief – Paw Platoon](#)
15. Manteca Fire Department – Assistant Chief/ Peer Support Director Traig Smith (*Nova)
16. Probationary Firefighter/Personal – Mykala Lemus (*Sutter)
17. [Atherton Police Department – Sergeant Jon Fong/ Commander Larsen \(* Emmy\)](#)
18. Aberdeen Fire District – Washington - Peer Support/ Firefighter Chuck King (*Stormy)
19. Roud Rock Fire Department – Texas - Peer Support/ Training Specialist and medical Operations– Jody Virgne (*Ivy)

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- 20. Round Rock Police Department – Texas/ Peer Support/ Public Safety Communications Manager – Kim Rendon
- 21. French Camp Fire District – Peer Support/ engineer - Christina Barsamian – (Moose JP Snook)
- 22. El Paso Fire Department – Joe Ortiz – Chief of health and wellness (Dog selections/name TBD) Hold
- 23. West Valley College Police Department – Peer Support / Captain Jorge Gutierrez
- 24. CalFire / Personal – Peer Support/ Firefighter II/ EMT Trent Pajer (Smokey therapy/service dog in training)
- 25. Currently finalizing contracts with 3 more dogs, details to follow of the departments.
- 26. 30 dogs on a waiting list and in 4 states, 3 more states coming 2026!
- 27. Announcements are coming soon as we place more dogs with multiple departments and existing departments with multiple dogs on A,B,C shifts.

H4H USA has been contacted by multiple departments in need of our program and partnership with our Paw Platoon Placement pups. These highly trained therapy Dogs and handlers go through continued training to ensure mental health and wellness to impact the departments on which they serve.

We are honored and humbled to support our brothers and sisters on the frontline, One Family!

President/First Responder – Bruce Martell

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