



FISHER HOUSE FOUNDATION, INC.

*“Dedicated to our greatest national treasure ...
our military service men and women and their loved ones”*

FISHER HOUSE FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES ELIGIBILITY FOR DONATED AIRLINE TICKETS

The nonprofit Fisher House Foundation administers the “Hero Miles” program for the Department of Defense in accordance with Public Law 108-110, the FY 05 Defense Authorization Act. The program is comprised of individual airlines whose passengers donate their frequent flyer miles to assist service members and their families. Specifically, Fisher House Foundation provides free airline tickets to military men and women who are undergoing treatment at a military or VA medical center incident to their service in Iraq or Afghanistan, and their families.

There are two categories of eligible recipients:

- Service men and women with an approved leave of five or more days may be given a free round trip airline ticket for travel from the medical center to their home and return if they are not eligible for government funded airfare.
- Qualifying service men and women may be given free round trip airline tickets to enable their family or close friends to visit them while they are being treated at the medical center.

The request for tickets will ordinarily originate with the service member and be forwarded to Fisher House Foundation by the social work staff or family assistance center at a medical center, or through service casualty offices. Only under exceptional circumstances should family members contact Fisher House Foundation directly.

AIRLINE PARTNERS

Fisher House Foundation has written agreements with individual airlines that contain specific criteria for the use of the miles donated to the “Hero Miles” program. It is for this reason that the Foundation must ensure the miles are used only for service members whose hospitalization is the result of service in Iraq or Afghanistan.

Participating airlines are:

Airline	Frequent Flyer Program	Charity Program	Airline Permits Passengers to donate miles
AirTran Airways	A+ Rewards		Yes
Alaska Airlines	Mileage Plus	Charity Miles	Yes
American Airlines	AAdvantage		Yes
Continental Airlines	OnePass		No
Frontier Airlines	Early Returns		Yes
Midwest Airlines	Midwest Miles	Miracle Miles	Yes
United Airlines	Mileage Plus	Charity Miles	Yes
US Airways	Dividend Miles	Miles of Hope	Yes

ABOUT FISHER HOUSE

Fisher House Foundation is best known for the network of 43 comfort homes on the grounds of major military and VA medical centers. The houses are 5,000 to 16,800 square foot homes, with up to 21 suites, donated to the military and Department of Veterans Affairs by Fisher House Foundation. The Foundation provides support to families of patients receiving care at the nearby medical center and has ensured that families of service men and women wounded or injured in Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operating Enduring Freedom do not pay for their stay at a Fisher House or other base facility if they are on a wait list. For more information on the work of Fisher House Foundation, go to www.fisherhouse.org, or call toll-free (888) 294-8560.

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