



Running 4 Heroes Inc.
273 Winding Hollow Blvd. Ste. 1005
Winter Springs, FL 32708
501(c)(3) Organization

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Running 4 Heroes Tribute Hall & Headquarters Grand Opening & Oviedo Police Department Injured Officer Grant Presentation

Winter Springs, FL, 10/1/22 – On October 1st at 10:00AM, the Running 4 Heroes Inc. 501(c)(3) will officially open their doors to the Running 4 Heroes Tribute Hall and Headquarters.

Running 4 Heroes, which was founded in 2019 by 10-year old Winter Springs resident Zechariah Cartledge, is a non-profit organization that supports Injured First Responders, K9's, and Families of our Fallen Heroes, all while honoring each fallen hero with a 1-mile run. Since 2019, our organization has awarded over \$600,000 in funding to our various missions, and have conducted over 1,300 mile runs in honor of fallen heroes.

The Running 4 Heroes Tribute Hall, located in Winter Springs, Florida, will serve as a memorial to the heroes who have given the ultimate sacrifice, while also providing a brief historic overview of the 9/11 terrorist attacks, an event that inspired Zechariah to begin his efforts when he was just 8-years old. As part of our Tribute Hall, we will have on display pieces of steel recovered from Ground Zero following the 9/11 terrorist attacks, as well as worn uniforms of our fallen heroes donated to Running 4 Heroes by the families, and other memorabilia that helps bring the stories of our fallen heroes to life. We also will have a section dedicated to honoring all the heroes who have given the ultimate sacrifice serving Seminole County.

As part of the ribbon cutting ceremony, which will include a brief speech by both the Winter Springs Mayor and Winter Springs Police Chief, the Running 4 Heroes organization will also be awarding a \$10,000 grant to injured Oviedo Police Department Officer Leann Gomez. Her grant will mark the 38th recipient of our Injured First Responder Grant since our first award was given back in 2020.

We cordially invite your news agency to be in attendance as we open our doors to the community while furthering the mission of Running 4 Heroes Inc., and organization that begun when a local 10-year old decided to run a mile to honor a fallen hero.

The location of the Grand Opening will be: 273 Winding Hollow Blvd. – Winter Springs, FL 32708. We advise folks begin arriving between 9:00-9:30 for traffic and parking purposes. Please forward any questions or inquiries to chad@running4heroes.org.

Sincerely,

Chad Cartledge
Co-Founder & CEO – Running 4 Heroes Inc.