

"A Message from the DSC Frontline Foundation"

by John Patterson, President

Six years ago DSC recognized that as a hunting organization whose members rely heavily on the services of professional outfitters and guides, there needed to be a way for DSC to financially support these professionals when they suffer disabling injuries while carrying out their professional duties, or help their families in the case of a fatality. DSC understood that due to the nature of their hazardous professions, and its inherent dangers, financial hardships were a grim reality if unexpected accidents, or tragedy befell these hard-working professionals. Compounding the severity of unexpected events, many have limited, or zero, access to either life or health insurance. Injuries, or in the worst case the death of the breadwinner, translates into complete loss of income, and families are now left without means to support or educate their children.

Understanding these needs, DSC created, and initially funded the **DSC Frontline Foundation**, whose sole mission is to provide financial support to professional hunters, outfitters, guides, and their staff who put their livelihood, and oftentimes their very lives, on the FRONTLINE of risk while serving the hunting community. Over the past six years, **Frontline** has provided financial assistance to professional hunters, guides, game scouts, trackers and, recently included, anti-poaching personnel, and the families of those killed in the line of duty. This assistance has covered everything from search and recovery efforts, extraction from the point of injury, defraying medical expenses, loss of income, providing for children's education, and when necessary, funeral expenses.

Any outfitter, PH, or guide who is a member of African Professional Hunters Association ("APHA") is eligible for **DSC Frontline Foundation** assistance (this includes an outfitter's staff who may not be APHA members). The only cost to you is simply the expense of maintaining your membership in APHA and the requirement that you be in good standing.

We urge you to keep in mind that the DSC Frontline Foundation was created for professionals like you, and it stands ready to support you. Do not hesitate to contact us when you have a qualifying need. We also urge you to promote membership in APHA to your friends in the

professional hunting industry. In addition to supporting APHA, mention the benefits Frontline provides that go along with membership. The small cost of a membership is the cheapest insurance they will ever have.

More information about the **DSC Frontline Foundation**, including eligibility requirements and how you can support this worthy cause, may be found at www.dscfrontlinefoundation.org or by contacting the Frontline Foundation at the address or phone number below. The Frontline Foundation is a tax-exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Contributions to the Foundation are deductible under Section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code.

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