

## Will you help with the 2012 Soldier's Angels VALOur-IT Fundraising Work (7/4-9/3/2012)

### Description

If you need no introduction to this wonderful project, and want to just get on with getting your blog/website participating, the signup link is [here](#).

### Background:

This year, while there is a reduction in military action, there still are men and women in the field, who are at risk of being injured. There are those, of course, presently in the military medical system who have injuries that can be circumvented or need therapy that can be provided by technology.

Beginning this Independence Day in 2012, [Soldier's Angels](#) will begin the annual fundraising efforts to provide funding for laptops with voice recognition software, Wiis and GPS units to be provide at no cost to military members or care facilities to help these men and women get back closer to normalcy in their lives, after serving their country and us.

Know these things about the annual fundraising:

- All the donated funds go to the equipment, or the delivery to the people/facilities. You don't often come across a charity project that devotes the funds right to the "end users."
- While the 4 "service teams" are listed for the donations, all the money goes to one account, and is spent to provide to those in need, regardless of their service affiliation. The teams are merely a ways for the supporters to have a little friendly competition among themselves to satisfy their fix for a little old school interservice rivalry.

The [VALOur-IT \(Voice Activated Laptops for Our Injured Troops\) project](#) was an accidental program, begun in 2005, when a blogger was injured by an IED in Iraq. From there, this project of all volunteer help, has provided over 6000 laptops to those who cannot use their hands or have vision issues. For years, they have all been brand new units, set up with [Dragon Naturally Speaking software](#).

Please consider helping out in some (or all) of the following ways:

- [Join the list of sites/blogs](#) and get it to your readership
- Get the link to [Soldier's Angels VALOur-IT donation page](#) and send it to your email list
- Lobby your workplace to allow you to post/pass out a flyer with this information to the employees
- See if your employer has matching funds for donations to this project and get that word out to your co-workers
- Present this information to your social networks, the digital ones, and the real ones, too!
- Post the information in local coffee shops/restaurants and other places with community bulletin boards (check with the management first, which is another opportunity to discuss this project with those who are not aware of the work)

Thank you for reading this and considering taking this information viral! The people who have benefited

for the donations over the last 7 years have been given a precious gift and are grateful for the equipment the has helped them get back into life!

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