

About Us

- As a 501(c)19, The Coast Guard Chief Petty Officers Association (CPOA) was chartered in 1969 to advance the interests of the United States Coast Guard Chief Petty Officer Corps and to encourage integrity, fidelity and fellowship within our ranks.
- With 126 Chapters and Branches, and nearly 11,000 members, we were able to raise over \$600K in 2022...100% going to Coast Guard families in need or the communities in which we serve.
- We work to advance the interests of our membership through **community service**, **scholarships** and **fundraising**, and by partnering with military and veterans organizations both locally and nationally. A non-partisan, not-for-profit organization, the CPOA serves as an advocate on a variety of military and veterans issues. Representing our members on Capitol Hill as a partner of The Military Coalition, our Association promotes legislation to enhance the lives of past, present and future members of the U.S. Armed Forces and their families.



- •Through our partnership with the Coast Guard Foundation, we distribute financial relief to Coast Guard families impacted by natural disasters. Once the storms subside, we collaborate with local Coast Guard leadership to provide morale support for the units that responded. This support provides opportunity for repairing and restoring the physical spaces where Coast Guard members live and work, and builds community and health/wellness for those impacted.
- •Just last year, we were able to provide over \$350K in grants to CG families impacted by Hurricanes Ian and Fiona and recently over \$75K in grants resulting from Typhoon Marwar damage in Guam.
- •Since partnering with the Foundation in 2017, we've distributed nearly \$2 Million in Grants to Coast Guard families helping them recover from natural disasters.



Other Initiatives

- Coast Guard Recruit Training Alumni Association which exists to build a network to serve as a resource for Training Center Cape May's recruit training mission. We seek to harness the power of those of us who have served and wish to honor the life lessons our boot camp experience provided. www.cgrtalumni.org.
- Coast Guard Philanthropy Council hosted by Vice Commandant, Admiral Poulin in which we discuss avenues that we all can support each other for the betterment of our service. Partnership associations include the CG Foundation, CG Mutual Assistance, the National CG Museum Association, the CG Academy Alumni Association, and the Navy League of the United States.
- **Veterans Day** we represent the CPOA at the Veterans Day National Ceremony held at Arlington National Cemetery where 4 members place a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and 2 members parade the CPOA & American flag in the amphitheater before and after the ceremony.
- EPOY/REPOY support. Each year we provide new Bravo Uniform jackets to each recipient.







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- The Military Coalition (TMC), is a group of 35 military, veterans and uniformed services organizations. The philosophy of The Coalition is that, by working together on issues of mutual agreement, the participating organizations can harness the grassroots support of more than 5.5 million members, plus their families, and accomplish far more than by working on these initiatives separately. I have served on the TMC Leadership Board as Treasurer for the past 8 years. www.themilitarycoalition.org
- The Coast Guard Chief Petty Officers Academy. Always working with and supporting the Coast Guard mission to transition newly advanced Chiefs into technical experts and organizational leaders.
- The Coast Guard Chief Petty Officers Foundation (CGCPOF), established in 2016 to provide financial assistance to members of the Coast Guard Family who experience an unforeseen financial crisis: Enlisted and Officer, Active Duty, Reserve, Retired, and Civilian members of the Coast Guard and members of their immediate families are eligible to apply for a grant. www.cgcpof.org/