



For Immediate Release
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Our Grant Committee has completed the first round of financial awards and we are pleased to be able to help two families with a total of three surviving children for a total of \$9,792.00 in assistance.



Sheila D. Mercado, proud wife of SSG Angel David Mercado Velazquez
Country: Puerto Rico
Award: \$7,350.00

SSG Angel David Mercado Velazquez, HHC, 1st Battalion, 325th ID, 2 BCT, lost his life after serving in Iraq on 9/1/06. His 10 month old son, whom he never had the opportunity to hold, his 7 year old daughter and wife have been awarded \$7,350.00 that will assist them with the reduction of their monthly mortgage, utilities and insurance. Green Beans Coffee, Mr. & Mrs. Nash and A. Langer, Jr. are some of our contributors that have made this award possible. We thank them for their continual generosity and support! Green Beans Coffee continues to serve our troops overseas with cafes, kiosks and coffee shop throughout bases as well

as newly added locations in the States of CA, VA, KY, TX and OK.



Benjamin J. Washington, proud son of SGT Bennie James Washington
Hometown: Atlanta, GA
Award: \$2,442.00

Sgt. Bennie James Washington, HHC, 44th Engineer Battalion, 2d ID (1 MEF), lost his life after serving in Iraq on 1/4/2005. His nine year old son and his mother from NJ have been awarded \$2,442.00 that will assist them with rent and utility payments. K McCoy Insurance Agency in Hamilton, NJ and their many associates have made this award possible and we thank them for their generosity and support! Ken McCoy, his Agency and many associates and customers contributing to the CFSRF beginning this past December and raised \$8,150.00 in only a couple of weeks! We continue to receive donations from their associates still today that

will be used to provide support to New Jersey families.

We thank all who contribute to our efforts to help families of our U.S. Military. To the families of our brave, one of the most valuable and precious things that we have been guaranteed is the "gift" of freedom and we have your service member to thank for that. We also thank you for all your sacrifices at home; you are heroes to us all.

The Children of Fallen Soldiers Relief Fund is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization that provides financial and emotional support to U.S. military children and spouses affected by the war on terrorism. The program has been further expanded to include families of severely disabled veterans of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom. CFSRF was founded in 2003 to honor our service men and women who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our continued freedom. For more information, please visit www.cfsrf.org.

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