Building Teams That Care Stacy Bare Executive Director, Friends of Grand Rapids Park December 8, 2023





Stacy Bare!

- US Army, served in Bosnia 40 & Baghdad (-06) & EOD Tech in Angola (0405) & Abkhazia / FSR Georgia (05)
- Used outdoor recreation to ease transition post military
- National Geographic Adventurer of the Year
- Helped launch the Great Outdoors Lab in 2018 on Koledy
- Adventure Not War: First climbing ascents in Angola in 2015 a descent of Iraq's Malguran 2017, skied in Afghanistan in 2019 launched a freeride event in Kyrgyzstan in 2020





Learning Objectives

- Why care as a concept matters
- Defining self care for you
- Ways to approach caring for your team
- Challenges with caring— ϵ aring too much!
- When its time to walk away





BLUF: Bottom Line Up Front

Care takes time. Tell people how you feel. Listen to others. Figure it out.
Seek consent before helping











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Improved sleep, reduced stress from baselfixedecrease in PTSD for

- Improved sleep, reduced stress from base veterans
- Hormonal balance (cortisol/DHEA) relates to positive emotions during trip
- Social connectedness during trip associated with reduced cytokines improving mortality by negating behaviors like smoking, excessive alcohol consumption & disordered eating*









Self Care



Teams Need Care





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Jack Handy

bigger man to laugh at that man."









I'm the little brother!









Challenges With Care

- **Consent and Solutions**
- Walking Away Martyrdom and Caring Too Much





Got to have fun!

"Be a half-assed crusader, a part-time fanatic. Don't worry to much about the fate of the world. Saving the world is only a hobby. Get out there and enjoy the world, your girlfriend, your boyfriend, husbands, wives; climb mountains run rivers, get drunk, do whateverr you want to while you can, before its too late!





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