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TDECU Teams Up with Combined Arms to Spread Holiday Cheer to Military and Veteran Families



TDECU is joining forces with Combined Arms for the 13th annual Operation Santa hosted by The Astros Foundation. Starting on Thursday, November 10, Houston's largest credit union will begin collecting new, unwrapped toys at each of its Member Centers. The donations will then be sorted, wrapped, and handed out at a holiday party for more than 300 military and veteran families.

TDECU President & CEO Isaac Johnson, who is also a veteran, says partnering with Combined Arms was an easy decision.

"TDECU's mission is to help people navigate their financial journeys, and that goes beyond our banking services. It also involves helping the communities we serve," said Johnson. "I've witnessed the sacrifice our veterans' families make to our country. To be able to give back to those families in our communities is an honor."

Combined Arms is a nonprofit that connects transitioning veterans and the military-connected with services, resources, community, and purpose to accelerate their impact. By bringing together veteran-

focused nonprofits, agencies, and communities, Combined Arms provides resources that empower veterans to lead the successful civilian lives they want, making our community stronger than ever.

"This is one of our favorite times of the year," said Combined Arms' CEO Mike Hutchings. "Everyone at Combined Arms knows about the obstacles and problems that service members and their families face during the transition to civilian life, and afterwards. We are happy to have this opportunity to help these families during the holiday season."

To ensure donors are supporting veterans closest to home, donations made in Member Centers in Calhoun, DeWitt, Jackson, Lavaca and Victoria counties will benefit [Grace After Fire](#). Donations made at Member Centers in Fort Worth and Garland will benefit North Texas veteran families currently being served by [Texas Veterans Network](#).

Those who are unable to bring a toy can still donate by scanning the QR code at each collection site to access their designated organization's Amazon Wish List.

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