



eMailOurMilitary.com Experiences an Increase in Membership as Support For The Troops Soars

NEWPORT NEWS: (April 1, 2003) - With the onset of "Operation Iraqi Freedom", Support for the Troops Soars!

"The number of people wanting to show their support for the military is overwhelming", said BiBi Melguizo, the organization's Public Affairs Director. " It's incredibly heart warming. People from all over the globe want to show their support to the troops. We had over 400,000 hits on our website in March. It's inspiring!"

Melguizo stated "Not everyone is in agreement about this war, but they all want to show their support for the men & women who are risking their lives in it" "Service members need to know that we care about them, regardless of our political views." "It's an amazing feeling to know that there are so many people from all over the world who really care and want our troops to know it." Melguizo said with a smile.

Melguizo states that "Our members have received so much email and correspondence from the troops we support, talking about how much more difficult their situations are made when all they hear about is the Anti-War protests going on in America." Melguizo goes on to say, "They feel they are out there risking their lives for these folks & they don't even care. It really bothers them and that's hard for me to hear."

With so many newly formed support groups and websites created with the intention of supporting our troops, eMail Our Military wanted to make sure the public understands that though their intentions are good, that doesn't mean they are legitimate organizations in the business of supporting our troops. "That's why we're here and that's why they need us so much. eMail Our Military is a legitimate business and exists solely to extend that support and let our troops know WE DO CARE!" Melguizo exclaims.

eMail Our Military provides a safe way for people to continue the tradition of "Any Service Member" mail with a much more personal touch because military service members actually request support through the program. It's an opportunity to let civilians show America's military how much we appreciate what our troops do on our behalf 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year, not just during war time.

eMail Our Military directly supports troops with eMail, cards and letters. Melguizo states, "We don't want to be confused with other websites that post messages on the internet. The majority of troops participating in Operation Enduring Freedom & Operation Iraqi Freedom do not have web access. We correspond directly with our troops via email because they do have eMail access."

eMail Our Military also wants to make it clear that they don't send unsolicited email or mail to service members which the DoD has advised against. "Every service member eMail Our Military corresponds with has requested to receive mail and or email from us. We're just making sure that everyone received a little encouragement and kind words from back home in the United States." Melguizo stated.

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