



Operation Legacy Opening Ceremony Talking Points

Your Operation Legacy service project will bring together local veterans, families of fallen heroes, and inspired civilians through your common cause: to honor the lives and legacies of Fallen Heroes by serving in the community.

Use this document as a guide to craft your opening ceremony to center all participants on the shared goal and “If Not Me, Then Who...” ethos.

Opening Ceremony Basics:

- Share information about your Fallen Hero and include aspects of their character that you admire
- Connect your Fallen Hero to the location or activity (ie; Fallen Hero was an Eagle Scout and enjoyed nature, so I chose a trail clean up)
- Opening Ceremony should take no longer than 10 minutes
- May include a pledge of allegiance or another reverent patriotic moment

Travis Manion Foundation Background:

- Mission Statement: TMF empowers veterans and families of fallen heroes to develop character in future generations.
- Vision: A nation of purpose-driven individuals who thrive by living with character and using their strengths and passions to serve others.
- Who We Are: We are a community, led by veterans and families of the fallen that serve together and support each other.
- What We Do: Empower Veterans to lead their communities with character and service.
- How We Do It:
 - Provide growth and training opportunities for Veterans and Survivors
 - Encourage Veterans and Survivors to lead their local communities as mentors to youth, address local needs with community service, and build community
 - Visit travismanion.org to Join The Mission
- Operation Legacy:
 - During Operation Legacy, TMF unites communities through a common cause, with volunteers living the “If Not Me, Then Who...” ethos and leading a movement of character, leadership, and selfless service.

***Projects must comply with federal and local health and safety guidelines. To provide a safe environment, we require all participants submit a COVID-19 Health Screening Form (see QR Code) before in-person events.*

