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NFL quarterback finishes drive to improve airport USO

Rams Marc Bulger and others lead renovation effort for military and their families

The USO of Missouri, Inc. unveiled a major transformation of the James S. McDonnell USO that serves thousands of military and their families every year at Lambert-St. Louis International Airport. The Marc Bulger Foundation and 97.1FM Talk radio personality, Dave Glover, raised \$300,000 for the renovation project. Bulger, the St. Louis Rams quarterback, personally contributed over \$150,000 of his own funds for the renovation.

“This is for the military, maybe give them two minutes, one hour, two days, a little piece of home before they go out and protect us,” said Marc Bulger at the Grand Re-opening ceremonies on June 3.

The new USO features a larger sleeping room with beds, a high tech cyber café, a new gaming area, an expanded media room, remodeled canteen and dining area, a redesigned nursery, a new changing room as well as a larger luggage storage area. With all new changes and amenities, the USO is now better equipped to offer traveling troops and their families a “home wherever they go.”

The USO renovation was dedicated to St. Louisan Rocky Sickmann, a former Marine who was held hostage in Iran for more than 444 days between 1980-'81.

The USO of Missouri, Inc. is a civilian, registered 501(c)(3) non-profit organization receiving no government, military, or United Way funding and is not a part of the Department of Defense. Since its inception in 1981, over 4.1 million military and their families have benefited from the services provided by the USO of Missouri, Inc and its volunteers. The USO of Missouri, Inc provides services to the entire state of Missouri and Southern Illinois. For more information on the new USO facility, contact Sara Colvin, USO of Missouri Director of Special Events and Communications at 314-429-2938 or visit online at www.usomissouri.org.

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