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## **U.S Navy and Marine Corps Reach Out to Pull Tabs for Charity**

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Our Sailors and Marines may be half a world away, but they find ways of helping at home. Imagine our surprise and joy when Sailors from the U.S.S. Stennis and Marines at Air Station Futenma in Okinawa, Japan contacted PTFC seeking to join our growing network of collectors that includes all branches of our armed services.

Add to that the fact that the per capita consumption rate of soft drinks by a U.S. Military serviceman is almost double the U.S. per capita rate of 52 gallons per year. This fact alone makes the U.S. Military a valuable asset to the non-profit organization Pull Tabs for Charity Inc. (PTFC). PTFC, a public not-for-profit charity, has welcomed both the USS John C. Stennis and the Marine Corps Air Station Futenma as active partners with the organization.

The U.S.S. Stennis is a nuclear powered aircraft carrier that has a crew of 5,600 and is the largest ship of the U.S. Fleet and can find itself anywhere in the world it is needed. And, the 1<sup>st</sup> Marine Air Wing based at Marine Air Station Futenma in Okinawa is home to about 4,000 Marines. Not only are these sailors and marines serving abroad and at sea, but they are also

servicing their communities back home by working for the benefit of PTFC and NIH Charities.

Pull Tabs for Charity, Inc. works to raise children's awareness of the value of giving to others and raises funds for Children's Inn at the National Institutes of Health, Special Love for Children with Cancer and Friends of the Clinical Center. PTFC primarily raises funds by sponsoring semi-annual fund raising events in the Washington, DC Metropolitan Area, but has a number of supporters from states across the U.S. as well as in the U.S. Military who actively participate in the organization's aluminum pull tab recycling program. Currently there are 47 states actively collecting pull-tabs. Add to that the fact that every branch of our armed services are participating in the pull-tab recycling program .

ABOUT Pull Tabs for Charity, Inc.

Pull Tabs for Charity (PTFC) is an IRS-recognized public not-for-profit charity based out of the Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Area that works to raise children's awareness of the value of giving to others and raises funds in support of NIH Charities. For more information: [www.pulltabsforcharity.org](http://www.pulltabsforcharity.org)

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