

# Our Community



Members of the Operation Homefront Team, including Karen Whitesel, corporate vice president, Professional Relations (back row, fourth from left); Theresa Jansen, manager, Dental Electronic Services (back row, far right); and Mike Spangler, Cost Management manager (front row, second from right).

## United Concordia Marathon Participants Raise Funds for Military Families

Three United Concordia employees hit the pavement in the Oct. 28 26.2-mile Marine Corps Marathon in Washington, DC. They teamed with an additional 17 runners to raise money for Operation Homefront, contributing more than \$30,000 to support military families in need.

The members of Team Operation Homefront earned \$20,957 by soliciting donations from family, friends and other contacts. United Concordia donated an additional \$10,000, bringing the total netted from the race to \$30,957.

“United Concordia is extremely proud to have sponsored Operation Homefront for this year’s Marine Corps Marathon,” says Tom Dzuryachko, President and CEO of United Concordia Companies, Inc. “As the administrator for the Department of Defense’s TRICARE Dental Program, United Concordia has been serving over 1.8 million members of the military community since 1996. We are honored to continue this tradition and commitment.”

The runners’ and sponsor’s generosity will benefit military families across the country, said Regina Galvin, vice-president of communications for Operation Homefront.

“With every stride they ran and every cent they raised, the team members and the generous people who supported them are helping us care for military families in need,” Galvin says. “We are so thankful for such phenomenal support of our mission.”

Operation Homefront is a nonprofit organization that provides emergency assistance and morale to our troops, the families they leave behind and to wounded warriors when they return home. Founded after the terrorist attacks Sept. 11 by a Navy wife determined to help other military families, Operation Homefront now leads more than 4,000 volunteers in 34 chapters nationwide. Since its inception, Operation Homefront has provided critical assistance to more than 45,000 military families in need. For more information, visit [www.operationhomefront.net](http://www.operationhomefront.net).

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