Express Scripts Sponsors 2011 USO Gala

Express Scripts recently showed its support to the USO with a $100,000 donation for the 2011 USO Gala.

Several employees, including members of senior staff, were on hand at the Oct. 6 event in Washington, D.C., which marked the organization’s 70th anniversary. Express Scripts’ donation will go toward continuing the USO’s mission of lifting the spirits of troops and their families through the many programs the organization delivers to service members, their families and wounded warriors.

“The global outreach of the USO touches these lives in a genuine and caring manner, much like a family, and reminds us we are all in this together,” says Nancy Gilbride, vice president & general manager, TRICARE Pharmacy Division. “Our dedication and the dedication of all members to this cause make a difference, and Express Scripts is humbled to be a part of this effort. “

The gala recognized USO Service Members of the Year from each branch of the armed forces, USO Volunteer of the Year, and the Spirit of the USO honorees Gen. James Jones and his wife Diane.

“The USO Gala is something we look forward to every fall,” says Kelli Seely, USO senior vice president & chief development officer. “Not only because it allows us to pay tribute to the men and women who sacrifice their lives every day to protect our country, but also because it gives us the opportunity to thank our partners and sponsors that make it possible for the USO to fulfill its mission. Without partners like Express Scripts, we could not do what we’ve been doing for the past 70 years.”

The star-studded event featured comedian Carlos Mencia, award-winning country music artist Randy Travis and Miss USA 2011 Alyssa Campanella. The estimated 1,000 guests included Washington dignitaries, members of Congress, military leadership, celebrities, members of the USO Board of Governors, USO corporate sponsors and the media.
Express Scripts employees who attended the 2011 USO Gala include, from left, Tom Nowakowski, senior director, Program Management; George Paz, chairman & CEO; Nancy Gilbride, vice president & general manager, TRICARE Pharmacy Division; Tracy Egler, senior director, Program Development Management; Ann Stroud, director, Proposals; Sara Wade, senior vice president & chief human resources officer; and Pat McNamee, executive vice president, Operations & Technology.