## Charitable contributions: More Than 6,500 Guests Attended NASCAR And INDYCAR Events Free Of Charge At World Wide Technology Raceway In 2021

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ST. LOUIS – World Wide Technology Raceway, the home of NASCAR, INDYCAR and NHRA in Madison, Illinois, played host to more than 2,500 U.S. military veterans during the August 20-21 Bommarito Automotive Group 500 weekend. WWTR donated the NASCAR Camping World Truck Series and NTT INDYCAR SERIES tickets to charitable organization VetTix.org, which then distributed them to veterans and active-duty personnel.

WWTR's ticket donations to additional non-profit organizations totaled 3,965 for the 2021 NASCAR-INDYCAR doubleheader, distributed by Memory Maker/Raceway Gives and the United Way, to name two.

WWTR also donated experiential packages (tickets, programs, parking passes, food-andbeverage vouchers) to Autism Speaks in St. Louis, thanks to the efforts of NASCAR Sammy, an autism advocate whose mission is to create awareness of autism spectrum disorder (ASD). WWTR is NASCAR Sammy's home track.

## About Vet Tix

Vet Tix provides event tickets, which reduce stress, strengthen family bonds, build lifelong memories and encourage service members and veterans to stay engaged with local communities and American life. Vet Tix supports U.S. troops by honoring their service and providing positive family and life experiences, during and after their years of service to our country. Vet Tix provides tickets to all branches of currently-serving Military and veterans, including immediate family of troops KIA. Vet Tix is a 95% charity, independently audited over the past 11 years.

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## About World Wide Technology Raceway

World Wide Technology Raceway is the home of INDYCAR, NASCAR and NHRA racing in the St. Louis region. Located just five minutes from downtown St. Louis and covering more than 600 acres, WWTR is the largest outdoor entertainment facility in the area. WWTR's facilities include a 1/4-mile drag strip, 1.25-mile superspeedway, recentlyexpanded 2.0-mile road course, a state-of-the-art karting facility, a 14-acre, multipurpose dirt off-road venue and the Gateway Drive-In Theater at World Wide Technology Raceway (a drive-in entertainment venue able to accommodate 3,000 cars). WWTR acquired Gateway National Golf Links, adjacent to the speedway property, in 2019. WWTR was the recipient of the 2017 Outstanding Facility of the Year Award from the Race Track Business Conference and the 2017 Spirit of St. Louis Award from the St. Louis Attractions Association. In 2018, owner and CEO Curtis Francois received the Innovator Award from the St. Louis Convention & Visitors Commission in recognition of his work for restoring World Wide Technology Raceway (known then as Gateway Motorsports Park) to prominence. The 2021 season marks Francois' 10<sup>th</sup> year as owner and CEO of WWTR.