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**ITS – INTEGRATED TELEMAGEMENT SERVICES, INC., IN SIMI VALLEY
HAS PARTNERED WITH
CELL PHONES FOR SOLDIERS
TO PROVIDE TROOPS WITH FREE CALLS HOME**

Simi Valley, California, December 4, 2014 – ITS – Integrated Telemangement Services, Inc., and nonprofit Cell Phones For Soldiers Inc. are asking Simi Valley residents and businesses to help troops call home by donating gently-used cellular phones. Although the military landscape is ever changing, as many as 200,000 troops are serving in the United States military overseas around the world. By donating to Cell Phones For Soldiers, Simi Valley residents and businesses can provide a lifeline for America's bravest.

Beginning today, residents and businesses can donate their phones at ITS' headquarters location at:

[4100 Guardian Street, Suite 110, Simi Valley, CA 93063](https://www.google.com/maps/place/4100+Guardian+Street,+Suite+110,+Simi+Valley,+CA+93063)

"We are so happy to be able to make a difference in the lives of the men and women who serve in the armed forces by helping them to be able to call home and speak with their loved ones" said Sharon Woods, President & CEO. She went to challenge all local Simi Valley businesses to collect and drop off their unused cell phones at our office and help us reach our goal of **500 phones by the end of January!**

Cell Phones For Soldiers was founded in 2004 by teenagers Robbie and Brittany Bergquist at the ages of 12 and 13. The charity has since provided more than 210 million minutes of free talk time to servicemen and women stationed around the world through its calling card program, Minutes That Matter. Funds raised from the recycling of cellular phones are used to purchase prepaid international calling cards. On average, Cell Phones For Soldiers distributes 3,200 calling cards each week to bases around the world, care package programs, deployment ceremonies and VA hospitals.

"Each year we have been humbled by the amount of people and organizations like ITS that take the initiative to support our troops," said co-founder Brittany Bergquist. "The communication gap between those serving and their families is a crucial need that Cell Phones For Soldiers is committed to addressing for years to come."

Donated phones are sent to Mindful eCycling for recycling. For every donated phone valued at \$5, Cell Phones For Soldiers is able to provide two and a half hours of free talk time to deployed troops.

Approximately half of the phones Mindful eCycling processes are reconditioned and reused. Phones and components that cannot be refurbished are dismantled and responsibly recycled to reclaim materials, including:

- Gold, silver and platinum from circuit boards
- Copper wiring from phone chargers
- Nickel, iron, cadmium and lead from battery packs
- Plastic from phone cases and accessories

For more information, please visit www.itstelecom.com or www.cellphonesforsoldiers.com.

ABOUT ITS

Since 1990, ITS – Integrated Telemanagement Services, Inc., has been providing complete communication solutions through our broad range of offerings which utilize the latest technology in data and voice networking. Technologies including cloud solutions for voice, hosted IP PBX, VoIP and SIP trunking, web conferencing, electronic fax, managed IT services, business continuity/disaster recovery, data back-up, anti-virus and anti-spam as well as any speed Internet access you might need. Headquartered in Simi Valley, California, ITS has customers throughout Southern California.

ABOUT CELL PHONES FOR SOLDIERS INC.

Cell Phones For Soldiers Inc. is a national nonprofit dedicated to serving troops and veterans with free communication services and emergency funding. Founded in 2004 by Robbie and Brittany Bergquist, then 12 and 13 years old, Cell Phones For Soldiers has provided more than 210 million “Minutes That Matter” to servicemen and women. Since 2012, “Helping Heroes Home” has provided emergency funds for more than 2,500 veterans to alleviate communication challenges as well as physical, emotional and assimilation hardships. For more information, visit www.cellphonesforsoldiers.com, Facebook, Twitter, Google+ and Pinterest pages.

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