

River Deep is a newly established collaboration of likeminded organizations working exclusively to serve individuals with disabilities, many of whom served or are serving in the military. Their common goal is to acclimate, enable and engage their clients as a way to assist in the healing process, improving outlook and guality of life.



SCI HOP is a program within this collaboration that organizes group outings for clients across all the organizations to help toward this goal.

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## **September 8, 2018** Location: Lincoln Hills, Blackhawk, CO Hosted By: River Deep and SCI HOP Participants: Operation TBI Freedom, Craig Hospital, Ft. Carson WTB

## Anglers of Honor at Lincoln Hills

It's fall in the Rockies and the weather is perfect. We have an enthusiastic group of Vets and Craig hospital patients. We gathered on the deck of the eco-center for some pastries and juice. Next, we broke out into small groups with the guides to review the basics of fly fishing. Now it's time to put the waders on and head to the river. The guides pair up with the Vets and head for the water. The rest of us waited for the Craig hospital bus to arrive.

Once the Craig patients were ready, we headed to the dock that surrounds the pond. A couple of the Craig patients got into the Trac chairs and went to the river and on a scenic tour of the grounds. Everyone is fishing, smiling and having a great time. Some trout will end up in a net and will be released to swim away. After a morning of fishing, it's time to head up to the deck for lunch and conversation. Ranch West 40 restaurant in Lakewood provided our lunch and always has fantastic meals waiting for the group. It only takes a minute to glance at everyone's face to see that it's been a wonderful day. A big thanks to all the Anglers of Honor guides, volunteers, Craig hospital staff and Ranch West 40 who made today possible.

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