

## MESSAGE FROM THE MCPOCG MASTER CHIEF HEATH B JONES

To the Coast Guard workforce,

I am pleased to champion the annual Coast Guard Mutual Assistance (CGMA) Fundraising campaign. Many of us have faced a personal financial crisis at one time or another: a major unexpected car or home repair, a sick child, a pet's injury, or death of a loved one. These events can wreak havoc on a family's finances. When you see a shipmate facing challenging circumstances, it can be hard to know how to help.

CGMA extends a helping hand in times of need. Mutual Assistance is one of the farthest- reaching resources within our community, and that's why Carol and I support CGMA with a monthly allotment donation.

In 2023, CGMA campaign contributors helped to fulfill more than 6,800 requests for help and provided over \$9.9 million in direct financial support to members of our Coast Guard family.

This year, the Campaign goal is 100% participation, in honor of CGMA's extraordinary 100 years of service to the Coast Guard community. Starting an allotment of just \$1.00 a month has the power to make a lasting impact in the life of a shipmate in need.

You are Mutual Assistance, and we are thankful for your leadership, generosity, and unyielding dedication to our life-changing mission. Thank you for your generous support of the CGMA! Together, we Help Our Own.

Semper Paratus,

Heath B. Jones Master Chief Petty Officer of the Coast Guard