



In 1970, Mark was born into a military family in Rota, Spain. Mark grew up an avid bow hunter and admirer of the military. In 1994, he followed his father's footsteps and joined the Army, serving a three-year term.

After the 9-11 attacks, Mark rejoined the Army Reserve. In May 2004, while serving in Iraq, Mark was hit in the face by enemy fire. Shrapnel penetrating Mark's goggles destroyed his left eye and caused near complete blindness in his right.

Mark Schrand, U.S. Army

After nearly four years of rehabilitation Mark began training with his bow again. In April 2009, Mark participated in his first blind archery competition in April 2009 and finished second. Soon thereafter, Mark was regularly winning Gold at various archery competitions around the country. Due to Mark's determination, he was noticed by U.S.A. Archery coaches and was selected to compete as a U.S.A. Archery athlete. Mark is one of three visually impaired archers in the United States.

"CAF gives me the opportunity to see no limits and reach the pinnacle of my sport."-Mark Schrand

The generosity of supporters like you has given Mark the opportunity to compete at the highest level of his sport.

How Does Operation Rebound Help?

Operation Rebound provides unparalleled sports opportunities and support to our troops and veterans of any branch of service and first responders who have served honorably and have suffered permanent physical injuries. Grants are awarded for event travel, lodging, entry fees, training and equipment.

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