2026 VETERANS DAY
FREEDOM CUP

NOVEMBER 7–8, 2026

EAST LYCOMING SOCCER COMPLEX

HUGHESVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA



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PROUDLY SUPPORTING
PENNSYLVANIA WOUNDED WARRIORS

OFFICIAL EVENT GUIDE

YOUR GUIDE TO THE WEEKEND

Building American Soccer Together

YOUR WEEKEND STARTS HERE

2026 VETERANS DAY FREEDOM CUP

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LIVE SCHEDULE & RESULTS

Game times, field assignments, scores, and standings.

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TOURNAMENT RULES

Competition regulations, match procedures, and tournament policies.

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OFFICIAL EVENT WEBPAGE

Event information and updates.

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Live schedule and tournament rules are accessed externally and are not contained within this guide.

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Welcome to the 2nd Annual Veterans Day Freedom Cup!

Of all the events we host at UnitedGoals USA, this one holds a special place in our hearts. It's an opportunity to bring our soccer community together, celebrate our veterans, and make a meaningful impact beyond the field.

Last year, together, we generated **$6,350 in apparel proceeds for Pennsylvania Wounded Warriors**, helping support veterans and their families during times of need. We're incredibly proud of that impact and even more excited about what we can accomplish together this year.

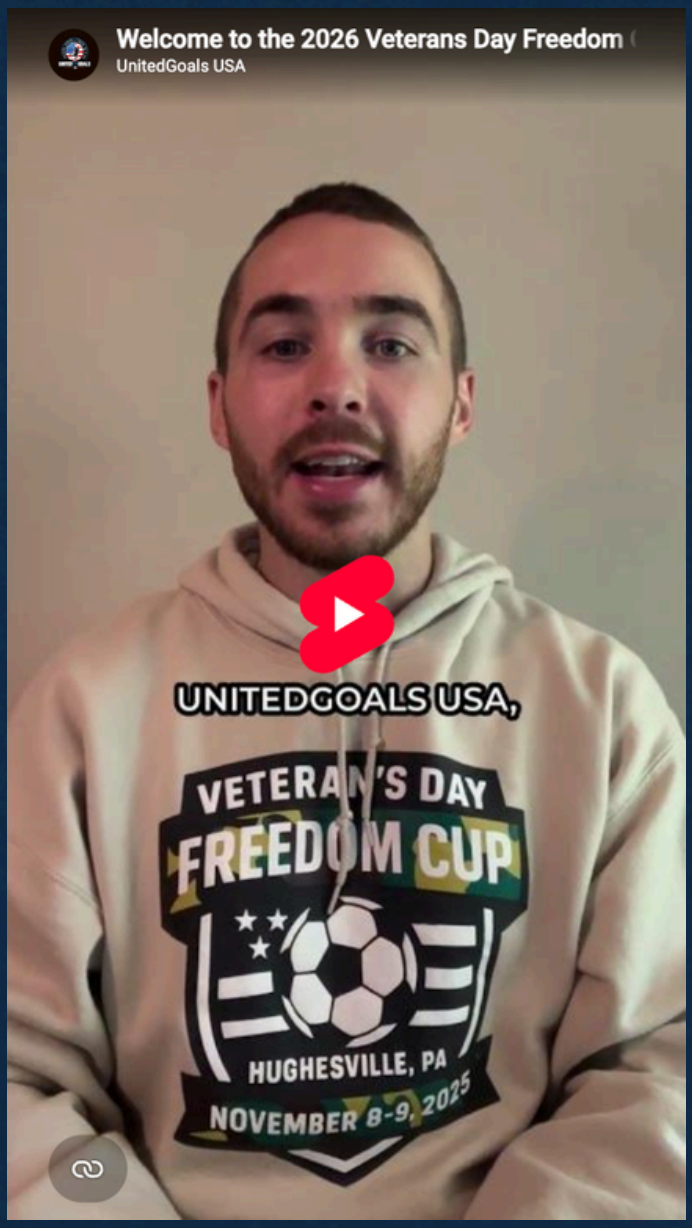
Thanks to your support, we're welcoming a **UnitedGoals USA record 104 teams from Pennsylvania, New York, Maryland, and West Virginia**, surpassing last year's attendance and bringing even more families together in Hughesville.

To every veteran joining us this weekend, thank you for your service. And to the young players who may one day choose to serve, I hope this tournament reminds you of the importance of community, gratitude, and giving back.

I encourage you to take a moment this weekend to appreciate where you are and the people you're sharing it with. These are the moments that make youth sports special.

Thank you for being part of the Veterans Day Freedom Cup. Our entire team is excited to welcome you, celebrate our veterans, and create an unforgettable weekend of soccer.

Let's continue Building American Soccer Together —one tournament at a time.



With Gratitude,

Colin Gorini
Founder | UnitedGoals USA

FACILITY MAP & KEY INFORMATION

ARRIVAL & PARKING

- **Venue**: East Lycoming Soccer Complex, 350 S. Broad St., Hughesville, PA 17737
- **Parking**: Ashkar Elementary, Raymond H. Perritt Soccer Complex, East Lycoming High School, and legal street parking. See map for overflow parking.
- **Keep entrances, driveways, and emergency access clear.**
- **Saturday Parade**: Main Street closes at 1 PM for the Lycoming County Veterans Day Parade. Facility access and exits will remain unaffected.

HEAD TENT & COACH CHECK-IN

- **Coaches must check in at the head tent.**
- Visit the head tent for scheduling help, lost and found, or general questions.

FACILITY & TEAM SETUP RULES

- **All tents must be staked down** and kept away from parking areas and playing fields. The grass near the softball fields and vendor village is recommended.
- **Stay off fences, softball fields, and equipment areas.**
- **No propane/heaters, smoking, drugs, alcohol, or electric scooters.**
- **Dispose of trash properly and follow all facility policies.**

2026 FACILITY MAP



CONCESSIONS & VENDORS

FOOD & TREATS



EAST LYCOMING SOCCER ASSOCIATION (ELSA)

ELSA will operate concessions throughout the weekend, offering food and drinks for tournament families. Stop by and support our local host organization!

KONA ICE

Cool off in between games with sweet treats from Kona Ice!

APPAREL - 100% APPAREL PROCEEDS GO TO PA WOUNDED WARRIORS



PREORDER PICKUP & SWEATSHIRT SALES

Pick up your pre-ordered apparel at our apparel stand inside Raymond H Perritt Stadium (Field 8). Additional sweatshirts will be available for purchase.

FINE DESIGNS

Making on-site custom event apparel at our vendor village with the event logo

SHOPPING & PHOTOGRAPHY

BELLANOROSE BOUTIQUE

Squishy toys and other sports items

FUTURE STARS

Top replica soccer jerseys

GG SPORTS

Sports merchandise & accessories

SLAM PHOTOGRAPHY

Official event photography

COMMUNITY EXPERIENCES

Meet representatives from the Pennsylvania State Police and Army National Guard as they connect with families throughout the weekend.

PA STATE POLICE

ARMY NATIONAL GUARD

CHICK-FIL-A

Stop by to meet the Chick-fil-A mascot, learn more, and enjoy gift card giveaways! (Saturday only)

MORE THAN A GAME. A GREATER PURPOSE.



$6,350

2025 APPAREL PROCEEDS FOR PENNSYLVANIA WOUNDED WARRIORS

PENNSYLVANIA WOUNDED WARRIORS, INC.
www.PAWoundedWarriors.org



"No Warrior Without Help." Pennsylvania Wounded Warriors is a volunteer-run nonprofit dedicated to supporting veterans and their families facing financial hardship. Through emergency financial assistance, PAWW helps those who have served our country navigate difficult times and regain stability.

The Veterans Day Freedom Cup proudly supports Pennsylvania Wounded Warriors and is presented with East Lycoming Soccer Association. Every dollar generated through event apparel supports Pennsylvania Wounded Warriors and helps veterans and their families during times of need. In 2025, we helped raise $6,350 through apparel proceeds for PA Wounded Warriors. UnitedGoals USA is eager to build this relationship in 2026, continuing to support those who defend our country.

SEE THE IMPACT

▶ WATCH THE 2025 WNEP COVERAGE



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Community-Focused Banking, Loans & Financial Services

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New & Pre-Owned Vehicles, Sales & Service

Berger Septic

Residential & commercial septic, portable toilets, and gas industry services

Thank you to our community partners for supporting youth soccer and helping make the Veterans Day Freedom Cup possible.

Interested in supporting youth soccer in your community?
Scan or click the QR code to get in touch.

104 TEAMS

47 PROGRAMS

20 DIVISIONS

47 PARTICIPATING PROGRAMS



COMPETING PROGRAMS

Back Mountain Surf
Balls Mills SC
Barrens Travel SC
Black Diamond SC
Western York Bulldogs FC
Camp Hill SC
Carlisle
Carrollton City FC
Celtic SC
Central Susquehanna SC
Centre Soccer Association
Donegal Youth Soccer
Ephrata Youth SC
FC 814
FC Ballyhoo
FC Central Penn
FC Dallastown
FC Montour
FC Pocono
Hughesville SC
Iron Valley United
Lancaster FC
Mifflin County United SC
Mountain Top FC
Northeast United
TNT Elite
NSSC
NU United
PA Classics
Penn Manor SC
Pennsylvania Soccer Academy
Penn United Soccer Academy
Pequea Valley YSA
Pine Grove
Preston County
Shippensburg SC
Soaring Capital SC
Susquehanna SC CPU
SVSC
Tuscarora SC
Union SC
Valley Youth SA
Warrior Run SC
Warriors United
Wellsboro
Williamsport City Lions

KEY DIVISIONS TO WATCH

U12 GIRLS GOLD
A Stacked Field of Champions

Returning U11 champions FC 814 headline a loaded division featuring WCL Celtic (Kicks 4 Canines and 4v4 Clover Cup champions), BDSC Surge, and out-of-region contenders PA Classics, Penn United, and Soaring Capital. Expect fierce competition throughout this bracket.

U14 GIRLS
A Championship Rematch in the Making?

NUU Strikers edged Penn Manor SC 1–0 in last year's U13 final. Both return with championship ambitions, but Soaring Capital HEAT and NorCenPenn-leading Roniettes will look to disrupt a potential rematch in another competitive field.

U15/16 BOYS
The Most Unpredictable Division?

Play this division ten times, and you would get ten different outcomes. Local contenders CSSC Menace, Panther Predators, and FC Montour face returning champions Iron Valley United and Penn United Spurs, last year's semifinalists and CenPenn Summer Cup finalists. A must-watch bracket.

U10 BOYS PREMIER
A Battle of Proven Contenders

Lancaster FC (2025 U9 champions), NU United Crew (2025 U9 runners-up), Penn United Ipswich (CPYSL Division 1), and CSSC Destroyers (Kicks 4 Canines champions and NorCenPenn leaders) headline a thrilling Premier bracket packed with talent.

85 TEAMS | INAUGURAL TOURNAMENT | 2025

In November 2025, 85 teams came together in Hughesville for the inaugural Veterans Day Freedom Cup. From unforgettable championship moments to a shared commitment to supporting our veterans, the first Freedom Cup laid the foundation for a growing tradition.

2025 CHAMPIONS (BOLD = RETURNING IN 2026)

Lancaster FC 2017 Boys Academy
Celtic SC 16
NU United 2016 Gunners
WNY Rochester 2015B Premier
Susquehanna SC CPU Lions Elite
PA Classics United
Susquehanna SC CPU Elite Falcons
CSSC Menace 12
Iron Valley United SC 2011 Boys
NEU 2017 Girls
MTFC Maidens of Mayhem
FC 814 United
NU United SC 14F Chaos
NU United SC 13F Strikers
Northeast United 2012 Venom
FC Montour U15 Girls






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READ THE 2025 EVENT RECAP



WATCH THE WNEP COVERAGE



TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS

CHESTERFIELD, VA

AUGUST 14-15, 2027

RIVER CITY SPORTSPLEX - CHESTERFIELD COUNTY, VA

The Tournament of Champions is the pinnacle of the UnitedGoals USA tournament ecosystem, bringing qualifying champions together for an elite championship experience. Every division champion at the 2026 Veterans Day Freedom Cup automatically earns a place at the 2027 Tournament of Champions.

TWO WAYS TO JOIN

EARN YOUR PLACE

Win an eligible division at any displayed UnitedGoals USA qualifying event and automatically qualify for the Tournament of Champions. Finalists receive priority invite.

APPLY AT LARGE

At-large applications are reviewed according to competitive level, division availability, and overall field balance. Submitting an application does not guarantee acceptance.

Watch The Full Rundown Here



THINK YOUR TEAM BELONGS ON THE FIELD?

APPLY NOW

More tournaments. New destinations. Bigger opportunities.
Explore what's ahead for UnitedGoals USA in 2027!



EXPLORE OUR 2027 TOURNAMENTS

The Veterans Day Freedom Cup exists because of you.

To our families, coaches, referees, volunteers, sponsors, and community partners: thank you for making this weekend possible.

Your energy, dedication, and support bring this tournament to life and help us continue building something bigger than soccer.

We can't wait to welcome you back.

BE PART OF WHAT'S NEXT

Join the UnitedGoals USA Community

Get tournament updates, upcoming event announcements, coaching insights, and stories from our soccer community.

SCAN OR CLICK TO JOIN

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ONE TOURNAMENT AT A TIME.