

# CDOT's Wounded Warrior - Kelli Baker

Army Sergeant First Class Kelli Baker (E-7, Active Duty and Reserves 1995-2012) has a Bachelors of Science Degree in Business Management, Summa Cum Laude, Park University, Missouri. Prior to working for CDOT, as Director of Operations for an investment company, Kelli researched industry Law and Policy as well as industry trends providing rock-solid investments for legal and insurance communities. Kelli holds certifications as an Animal Care Specialist and Veterinary Medicine as well as Health Food Sciences from the US Army. Kelli has served tours in Afghanistan, Dominican Republic, South Korea, Kuwait, Iraq and Oman. While on Active duty, Kelli served as a Military Intelligence Operator and Analyst.

While in Afghanistan (January – December 2008), Kelli served as the Staff Authority Subject Matter Expert and discovered that there were 120 sites that required forms of food and/or veterinary attention. Kelli assessed the overall requirements of the sites and strengths of personnel and chose teams best suited for tasking at the individual project sites.

Kelli began work with CDOT's Office of Policy & Government Relations (OPGR) on October 13, 2010 and completed her Wounded Warrior Program tenure on April 12, 2011. The OPGR provides CDOT's Executive Director, CDOT's Executive Management Team Transportation Commission, and elected officials with strategic analysis in the areas of transportation policy development and management, and government relations.

**OPGR submitted the following:** *Through the Wounded Warriors Program, Kelli Baker served her six month tenure in our Policy and Government Relations Office as the Rules/Policy Procedures Coordinator. Kelli was a tremendous asset to our office in implementing new policies and procedures as well as CDOT Rules. We thoroughly enjoyed her work and her professionalism. She always went out of her way to help you. We have had nothing but positive feedback from CDOT peers and we appreciated the opportunity we had with Kelli Baker. We wish her nothing but success in the future.*



Kelli plans on applying for open competitive, permanent positions here at CDOT. CDOT's Wounded Warrior Program Coordinator, Greg Martinez states "CDOT would be fortunate to have an employee with Kelli's work ethics and experience. Let's hope she continues to pursue a career with us. It is not every day that we get the chance to actually see the talents a perspective employee possesses prior to a potential hire. This is a great example of how this program serves as a vital transition for our veterans."

