

## **MARYLAND LIVE! CASINO CELEBRATES INDEPENDENCE WEEK AT THE FORT MEADE USO CENTER**

Maryland Live! Casino recently celebrated Independence Week with a 4<sup>th</sup> of July themed Backyard BBQ for the troops at the Fort Meade USO Center. Working in association with the West County Chamber Military Affairs Committee, Maryland Live! Executive Chef Rudy Volpe and his culinary team grilled up a variety of traditional BBQ favorites with all the fixings for all active duty military personnel stationed at Fort Meade. Over 250 soldiers feasted on the complimentary buffet, which included pulled pork BBQ, roast chicken, bourbon glazed BBQ hog hammers, grilled kielbasa, and of course, hot dogs and hamburgers.

Maryland Live! offered this special “salute to the troops” as part of their ongoing commitment to get involved and support the local community, including their neighbors at Fort Meade. Members of the Maryland Live! HR Team were also on hand to provide information about job opportunities at the Casino.

“Maryland Live! Casino takes great pride in our role as a leading corporate partner and community steward. It’s important to us to serve as an example to other regional businesses and encourage them to step up and make a difference in their own communities,” said Rob Norton, President & GM of Maryland Live! Casino.

The BBQ is just one example of the partnership Maryland Live! enjoys with the USO. The Casino is also a major sponsor of the organization’s upcoming Stars & Stripes fundraiser in October, which benefits the Wounded Warrior project.

“We’re committed to supporting worthwhile nonprofits and organizations, such as the USO, whose mission is to lift the spirits of America’s troops and their families,” continues Norton. “Our partnership has afforded us several opportunities to get involved and honor those who honor us with their service.”