



DANNY PALTJON

CO-FOUNDER,
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In 2003, Danny suffered a spinal cord injury that left him paralyzed from the chest down. Since his injury, Danny focuses his time and energy on helping others who have physical and mental limitations.

In 2014, Danny started a non profit called Oceans of Hope Foundation. This non profit offers ocean and river/lake access for individuals with limited and no mobility to safely kayak and surf the waves in New Smyrna Beach. "Adapted" modifications are made to each kayak and surfboard to meet the physical needs of each individual. His goal is to help them succeed in having a fun filled day on the water.

Danny continues to push the boundaries that individuals face due to an injury or illness that limits their ability to travel freely. He is determined to help those who face adversity and to prove one can still find purpose and strength amongst dark days.