

Veterans Network Directory - Montgomery County, MD

Children and Youth in Military Families

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Army Child, Youth & School Services

www.armymwr.com/programs-and-services/cys

410-278-2223 (Aberdeen Proving Ground) 301-619-4453 (Fort Detrick) 301-677-1177 (Fort Meade)

Provide each family with a childcare option that meets their needs.

- Child Care Fee Assistance is an initiative that assists Army Families in reducing the cost of off-post childcare when on post options are not available or when geographically separated from on-post childcare options. These childcare options are available in 50 states and may include full-time, part-time, before & after school care, respite care, as well as weekend and evening duty hourly care.
- **Child Development Centers** are on-post childcare centers that offer full-day, part-day and hourly care for children in nationally accredited environments.
- **Family Child Care Program** is a childcare option offered in homes on post by authorized Military Family members and qualified civilians working as independent contractors.
- School-Age Centers (ages 6 12 years) offers before and after school programs, weekend activities during the school year, and summer care and camps during school vacations.
- Youth Centers offer comprehensive, supervised program options and affordable, quality, predictable services that are easily accessible for eligible youth in grades 6 through 12.
- Youth Sports & Fitness Programs (ages 3-18 years) offers developmentally appropriate opportunities for children
 and youth to be engaged in individual and team sports, competitions, skill building clinics, and nutrition and health
 classes that foster development of life-long healthy habits.
- **School Support Services** support the readiness and well-being of Army Families by reducing the conflict between military mission requirements and parental responsibilities related to K-12 education.
- Parent & Outreach Services offer registration, enrollment, records transfer, parent education classes, and babysitter training and referral services for Families with children up to 18 years old.

Camp Corral

www.campcorral.org

Email: campinfo@campcorral.org

1-855-605-1267 (Toll Free)

Free, one-of-a-kind summer camp for children ages 8 to 15 of wounded, ill, injured, or fallen military service members. A place where kids are free to be kids, apart from the day-to-day challenges they may face as children. Camp activities include canoeing and fishing, target sports, ropes course, horseback riding, swimming, campfire stories, sleeping in cabins, and crafts. Camp is all-inclusive - families pay only for transportation to and from camp.

Center for the Study of Traumatic Stress - Military Children and Family Programs

www.cstsonline.org/research/child-and-family-programs

Study, research, and intervention on the impact of war including deployment stress, parenting and family function, and the impact of war injuries on military children and families.

Child Care Aware® of America - Military Families - Fee Assistance

Email: militaryinfo@childcareaware.org

1-800-424-2246 (Toll Free)

www.childcareaware.org/fee-assistancerespite/military-

Hours: Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

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Child Care Fee Assistance was created to provide authorized active duty personnel assistance in locating, selecting, and offsetting the cost of civilian childcare when on-base childcare is not available, or a viable option for the service member and their family. The programs available through Child Care Aware® of America provide subsidies for eligible military dependents enrolled in quality commercial childcare programs throughout the United States. Child Care Aware® of America authorizes subsidy amounts based on total family income for those eligible families and supplies monthly payments directly to the prospective childcare provider. Assistance is available to Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps and Army service members. Partners with United States Military and Department of Defense.

First Tee - Greater Washington DC

Dolly Davis, Contact

240-479-2588 (V)

Email: dolly@firstteedc.org

https://firstteedc.org/programs/on-golf-courses/financial-assistance/

Offer after-school and weekend programs at 14 golf facilities throughout DC, Northern Virginia, and Montgomery County, MD. Full scholarships are available for Active Duty US military families. Golf is used to teach young people life lessons and leadership skills. Classes include a fun, group setting for youth ages 7 to 18 regardless of background or previous experience.

Little Warriors Child Development Program - Easterseals DC MD VA

1420 Spring Street

301-588-8708 (V)

Silver Spring, MD 20910 Email: respite@eseals.org

www.easterseals.com/DCMDVA/programs-and-services/military-veteran-services/little-warriors.html

Provide children of wounded warriors, known as the Little Warriors, with free inclusive high-quality early childhood education as well as the healing benefits of inter-generational interaction with the seniors of the Adult Day Services program. Child Development Centers for children ages six weeks to five years are located in College Park and Silver Spring, MD; Washington, D.C.; and Falls Church, VA. Saturday respite and childcare is available for children ages six weeks to 13 years. Includes community outings, arts and crafts, music, games, special performances, lunch and nutritious snacks.

Military Child Education Coalition

Email: info@militarychild.org

254-953-1923 (V)

www.militarychild.org

Hours: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., CST

Provide information regarding student opportunities to participate in peer-to-peer programs to assist students who are relocating into and out of their schools, art and space camp opportunities, early literacy resources, and state and national transition information.

Military Projects at ZERO TO THREE

www.zerotothree.org/our-work/military-families

202-638-1144 (V)

Offer resources and information for parents and professionals supporting the health and development of infants and toddlers in military families.

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National Military Family Association - Operation Purple

2800 Eisenhower Avenue, Suite 250

703-931-6632 (V)

Alexandria, VA 22314

Email: info@militaryfamily.org

www.militaryfamily.org/state-of-the-military-family-programs/operation-purple/

Operation Purple Camps offer a free week of summer fun for military kids with parents who have been, are currently, or will be deployed. The program gives military children tools to help deal with the stresses that result from a parent's deployment. Camps are open to military children of all ranks and services - active and reserve components - and give priority to children whose parents are currently within a 15-month deployment "window" (specified dates announced each year). Camps are held at host camp locations throughout the U.S. and U.S. Territories. Host camps are chosen annually and locations often change from year to year. Operation Purple Family Retreats brings families from all uniformed services, including National Guard and Reserves, to beautiful outdoor locations to spend quality time reconnecting after a deployment. Families take part in specially adapted communication activities developed by FOCUS (Families Over Coming Under Stress™) and build memories through fun family-oriented activities like hiking, canoeing, and building bird houses. Operation Purple Healing Adventures celebrates rediscovering family-fun and togetherness after an injury. This free three-day experience combines family-focused activities with outdoor exploration, like hiking and canoeing to encourage each family's growth on their new journey post-injury. The Association welcomes wounded, ill, injured, medically separated, or medically retired military families to reconnect at Healing Adventures.

Our Community Salutes

Ryan Bauman, Director, Community Engagement

703-727-4966 (V)

703-734-6654 (V)

Email: ryan@ocsusa.org

www.ourcommunitysalutes.org

Recognize and support high school seniors who plan to enlist into the military immediately after high school graduation and provide them with resources that aid in their transition into military service. Help the parents, guardians, and families of high school seniors enlisting in the military and provide them information and resources to support their son or daughter's transition into the military. Help communities provide the collective support of like-minded parents, families, educators, business leaders, and veterans coming together for the purpose of honoring our nation's newest service members.

Our Military Kids

2911 Hunter Mill Road, Suite 203

Oakton, VA 22124

Email: omkinquiry@ourmilitarykids.org

www.ourmilitarykids.org

Provide support to children of deployed National Guard and Reserve personnel as well as to children, ages 1 through 18, of wounded warriors from all service branches. Grants pay for participation in activities that help children cope with stress and anxiety while their parents are recovering or absent.

Sesame Workshop - Military Family Outreach - Talk, Listen, Connect

www.sesameworkshop.org/what-we-do/military-families

Bilingual educational outreach initiative designed for military families and their young children to share. For children ages 2 to 5 who are experiencing deployment, multiple deployments, or a parent's return home changed due to a combat-related injury. Videos, storybooks, and workbooks especially created for this program guide families through these tough transitions by showing how real families — as well as furry monsters — deal with similar circumstances.

VFW National Home for Children

Email: info@vfwnationalhome.org www.vfwnationalhome.org

1-800-424-8360 (Toll Free)

1-800-313-4200 (National Home Helpline)

Offers a safety net for military families when a family care plan fails, supportive services for Veterans with children who are approved for VA Vocational Rehabilitation, a chance for Veteran-related single-parent families to get a fresh start and a loving home for Veteran-related children who need it. Call the National Home Helpline if you need help with supportive services and resources in your own community or if you are seeking a referral to an on-campus program.

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