

#### 63d RD Family Programs



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# Family Programs Connections

**July 2021** 

## **Keeping Military Families Connected**

Come and learn about Family Programs at the 63d Readiness Division! In the upcoming months, we will be hosting informational webinars, events and a town hall for Soldiers and Family members.

Information about programming will be updated on the 63d Readiness Division Facebook page or for more details please contact your Family Readiness Support Assistant (FRSA).

#### Monthly Observances



Military Consumer Protection Month: Service members are potential targets for fraudulent activity. These scams aimed at deceiving military consumers can undermine readiness and troop morale. You can learn more about the Federal Trade Commission's efforts to eliminate such activity through their educational campaigns at

**FTC Military Consumer Protection** 



Parks & Rec Month: July is the perfect time to see what your local parks and recreation area have to offer.

Find out more at Park and Recreation Month.



July 4<sup>th</sup> Independence Day: The Declaration of Independence was adopted on July 4, 1776.To learn more, and find out when a large number of the delegates to the Second Continental Congress signed the document visit <u>History of Independence Day</u>.

## Monthly Observances continued



July 25<sup>th</sup> National Hire a Vet Day: On July 25th, National Hire a Veteran Day reminds employers to consider veterans to fill their open positions. The day serves as a call to action to hire more veterans! For more information visit <u>National Hire A Veteran Day | Military Benefits</u>



July 27<sup>th</sup> Korean War Veterans Armistice Day: This observance recognizes the 5.7 million veterans of the Korean War and provides a moment for reflection on the service and sacrifices of Americans during conflict. To learn more about the Korean War visit <u>National Archives: Korean Conflict</u>



July 29<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Army Chaplain Corps: On July 29<sup>th</sup> we celebrate the spiritual leadership of chaplains of all faiths within the Army and The Continental Congress' acts in 1775 which placed a Chaplain in each of its regiments. <u>US Army Chaplain Corps</u>

## Family Readiness

#### **Keeping Military Families Connected**

#### The CFRR— A Key Link for an effective Family Readiness Program

CFRR is the acronym for Command Family Readiness Representative, formerly known as the Family Readiness Liaison (FRL). The CFRR serves as an integral, and required, position in the unit's Family readiness program and is the Commander's designated representative to the Soldier and Family readiness group (SFRG). This individual should be an NCO or officer that is appointed in writing and is willing to take on an extremely important additional duty.

A strong unit Family readiness program compliments mission readiness and the CFRR is one of the keys to success. Since this is an additional duty position, it is recommended the individual be; interested and effective in serving as a liaison between unit leadership and SFRG volunteers, displays effective communication skills, is approachable, and truly interested in the welfare of his/her fellow Soldiers and their Families. Among other duties, the CFRR will assist in providing information on activities, programs, and training opportunities related to Soldier preparedness and Family resilience. Additionally, the CFRR will assist in ensuring the unit Family readiness plan addresses the needs of the Soldiers and their Families while addressing the unit's mission requirements.

#### What does a CFFR Do?

Serves as the communications link between the Commander and the SFRG

Coordinates all actions of the SFRG and required support from the unit

Establishes and executes communication plan/strategies IAW commander's objectives

Informs Commander of known Soldier and Family issues

Coordinates and communicates resiliency events

Helps SFRGs, serves as the link between Soldiers, Civilians, Family members and Command Team

Establishes the chain of concern to pass information to the SFRG members

Other duties as assigned by the Commander

If you are interested in being a CFRR and positively contributing to your Unit's overall readiness, please contact your Commander.

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#### Child & Youth Services

Military readiness through 4-H positive youth development for youth, Families, and communities.



#### Who We Are

A collaboration of military and Land Grant University partners who intentionally integrate research-based programs and resources for military-connected youth, Families, and communities to thrive.

#### What We Do

4-H Military Partnership focuses on positive youth development through providing opportunities for youth to engage in intentional learning experiences. We partner with 4-H educators to provide them the training and resources they need to succeed in equipping the next generation of leaders.

#### Why We Do It

As military Families move frequently and experience the difficulties surrounding deployment and reintegration, 4-H provides predictable programming and a safe and nurturing environment for military connected children and youth to excel.

For more information on this partnership: 4-H Military Partnership

#### Single Soldier Opportunities

#### Joint Services Campgrounds and Facilities

After a June visit to Sierra Vista, Arizona, we are traveling to Pine Bluff, Arkansas to enjoy Tulley Lake at the Pine Bluff Arsenal's "Cabin in the Pines". The quaint cabin located on the shoreline contains full amenities, separate living spaces, and an outdoor grill. The Pine Bluff Arsenal Recreation Lodging offers single, suites, and VIP suites at reasonable rates. Rooms have Wi-Fi access, cable TV, microwaves and refrigerators. Rustic accommodations are available via the four camper sites with an available boat ramp and rentals. Activities include boating, fishing, hiking, hunting and swimming. Reservations are accepted 60 days in advance.

For more information:

<u>Pine Bluff Arsenal Campsites</u>

Joint Services Campgrounds & Facilities

## Command Teams, CFFR & Volunteer Briefs!



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#### Financial Resources

#### 11 Calculators to Help You Scope Out Your Personal Finances

Buying a car or appliance? Applying for a loan? Paying off debt? Saving for college? You can learn how to take more control of your personal finances.

Military OneSource has assembled 11 calculators to show you ways to pay off debt and help you better manage life's financial decisions.

Here are a few finance tools that can help you manage your money:

<u>Car payment calculator</u>. Buying a car? Before stepping onto the lot, calculate ahead of time the monthly car payment you can afford.

<u>Credit card payoff calculator</u>. Figure out how long it will take to pay off your credit card debt.

<u>College savings calculator</u>. Calculate the amount you'll need to save each month to pay for college.

Major purchase calculator. Need to buy an appliance or furniture? Planning a vacation? Calculate how much you'll need to save and for how long.

These calculators can help you take a first step toward making sound financial decisions, but remember that the results are only estimates. You can talk with an installation <u>Financial Readiness Manager</u> for free before making any big money decisions. Go online to militaryonesource.mil or call us at 800-342-9647.

To continue reading the article, please visit the following link: Financial Calculators

Full original article: <u>11 Calculators to Help You Scope</u> <u>Out Your Personal Finances, Military OneSource, 25 May</u> <u>21</u>



#### Survivor Outreach Services





Tuesday's Children provides a lifetime of healing for Families who have been forever changed by terrorism, military conflict or mass violence. Through a time-tested, long-term approach, Tuesday's Children programming serves and supports our nation's military Families of the Fallen; builds resilience and common bonds in communities worldwide recovering from tragedies; and keeps the promise to support all those impacted by Tuesday, September 11th. In partnership with experts from around the world and in collaboration with renowned facilitators and mental health professionals, Tuesday's Children provides personalized support and a safe "landing place" to traumatized, grief-stricken children, Families and communities left reeling from terrorism, military conflict or mass violence. Our work begins when the emergency response ends - when the true, life-altering impact of the violence sets in. We remain long after other aid organizations and the media have gone. This is our promise to those we serve. Tuesday's Children is proud to offer the same life-changing programs for the military community as we did those who lost a loved one on September 11th. Our Military Initiative guides Families of the fallen beyond grief into next steps towards a lifetime of healing.

Tuesday's Children

#### Command Volunteer Advisor Meetings



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## 63d Readiness Division Family Readiness Program



## **July 2021**



Military Learning Networks will be hosting a webinar that will be focusing on helping Military consumers avoid scams and navigate finances. It will be held on Tuesday July 12 from 0800-0930 PDT. This event you would need to RSVP. Military consumers are still being targeted for COVID and other imposter scams. This help equip participants will the skills to identify these types of scams and warm clients or red flags. It will also address the process for reporting fraud and consumer complaints through the Federal Trade Commission. Go to https://militaryfamilieslearningnetwork.org/event/101316/ to register.



ESGR understands the unique talents and skill set Guard and Reserve Service member can bring to the civilian workforce. To make tis arrangement work, both parties must be aware of their rights and responsibilities under the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA).

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