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MILPARENTS MILITARY SOURCE

Learn how to protect our littlest troops. Find parenting programs for children of all ages.

Learn everyday ways to keep your children happy and healthy

You do your best every day to make sure your children are happy and healthy. Military OneSource offers information designed for military families to help them thrive. You will find:

- Resources for children of all ages
- Tips to keep your children safe
- Self-care strategies for parents
- Support for children with special needs

Parents: Share resources, ask for support

It takes a community to raise our kids right. If you see a parent who needs help, reach out. And if you need support, don't be afraid to ask. Check out these resources for parents and their children:

- New Parent Support Program, which provides services that may include:
- Home visits
- Parenting classes
- Information and referrals
- Thrive, an online and self-paced parenting resource that provides:
- Programs for parents and caregivers of children through 18 years of age
- Various modules geared toward specific child age ranges to meet your needs

Find help on these and other topics, including ways to hone your parenting skills, at Military One Source.

Contact your local Family Advocacy Program office or call Military One Source at www.militaryonesource.mil | 1-800-342-9647

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

April is Child Abuse Prevention Month! Every adult in the community can play a role in supporting and protecting children. If you are worried about the wellbeing of a child, share your concerns with Family Advocacy Program staff. They can help you determine what to do next. Here are 5 ways that you can prevent child abuse:

1. KNOW THE SIGNS

- Sudden changes in behavior or school performance
- Always preparing for something bad to happen
- Frequently lacking adult supervision
- Fading bruises or other marks after an absence from school
- Unexplained burns, bites, bruises, broken bones or black eyes
- Being frightened of a parent or caregiver
- Abusing animals or pets

2. BE A TRUSTED ADULT

Let children know they can come to you with any concern and that you will:

- Listen without judgment.
- Believe them.
- Help and support them.

3. MAKE THE CALL

If you witness or suspect child abuse or neglect, do the right thing:

- Call your installation's Family Advocacy Program (435.831.2260)
- Call your local Child Protective Services office, 1-855-323-DCFS (3237).
- Call the Childhelp National Child Abuse Hotline at 1-800-422-4453.
- Call 911 or Dugway Law Enforcement at 435.831.2929 if a child is in immediate danger.

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4. IDENTIFY TRUSTED ADULTS

- Talk with your child about specific people they can trust.
- Discuss when your child should talk to a trusted adult.
- Let them know they can go to another trusted adult if the first one doesn't help.

5. EMPOWER YOUR CHILD'S VOICE

- Teach children early about healthy body boundaries.
- Tell them to trust their feelings.
- Encourage them to say forcefully, "I don't like that," or "Stop touching me."
- Remind them to leave a situation that makes them uncomfortable.
- Ask them to tell a trusted adult right away if something makes them uncomfortable.
- Talk with them about how to listen to and help their peers.

Share these resources:

Teach your kids healthy boundaries: https://www.militaryonesource.mil/parenting/children-youth-teens/teachvour-kids-healthy-boundaries/

Support for military kids: https://militarykidsconnect.health.mil/Feelings/How-to-Talk-to-an-Adult

Start Prevention Tips Early

While all adults can make a positive impact in a child's life by following these tips, parents and caregivers play an important role in protecting children. Parents and caregivers, talk with your children about tips 4 and 5 early and often.

The Family Advocacy Program at ACS supports service members, DoD Civilians, Contractors and their family members impacted by child abuse and/or neglect through parent education and crisis intervention.





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ACS PHONE NUMBERS

Army Emergency Relief 1.877.272.7337

Army Volunteer Corps 435.831.2038

Information & Referral Program 435.831.2038

Employment Readiness

435.831.2260

Financial Readiness Program 435.831.2260

Family Advocacy Program 435.831.2387

Relocation Readiness Program 435.831.2260

SHARP - 24/7 Victim Advocate (719) 338-9654

Survivor Outreach Program 801.476.3808

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HOW ARE WE DOING?

Take a moment to let us know how we can improve: https://ice.disa.mil/index.cfm? fa=card&sp=97441

435.831.2038

Military Saves Week & AER Kickoff

A Financial Awareness Event

0 14-17 April





New! Budgeting Basics Class

The first step to better finances is having a household budget. Join us for one of 2 virtual classes via Teams to learn how to create a basic budget. Class attendees will receive a free Clever Fox Budget Planner (a \$30 value), while supplies last! <u>CLICK HERE</u> or Scan the QR Code to sign up!

Lunch & Learn, April 14th 12:00 to 12:30 PM





April 15th 6:30 to 7:30 PM





Questions? Contact Emily at 435.831.2260.



Prizes (By Category) First Place: \$50 Amazon Gift Card Second Place: \$25 Amazon Gift Card

MONTH OF THE MILITARY CHILD

MOMC Extravaganza Thursday, April 17th, 4:00 PM CYS, Bldg. 5124 (West)

Come out as we celebrate our military children and children of DoD Civilians and Contractors who support the warfighter. Please wear purple - the color of the military child, and join CYS for the Annual Purple Up Parade around the parade field. Next, we'll come back to CYS to have quite the extravaganza! We'll have ice cream sundaes, carnival games, bounce houses, police/fire vehicles for the kids to check out and maybe even turn on the sirens!



Every Tuesday in April

Wear teal to show your support for teal Tuesday!

Tuesday April 8, 2025

Guest Speaker, 0900, HQ Auditorium Guest Speaker 1200, Kuddes Conference Room *Both events will also be broadcast by PAO (please use the TEAMS invite and link sent).

Tuesday April 15, 2025

Teal Ribbon Balloon Photo, 1030, EV HQ Parade Field & 1230, WD in front of the Command building in the parking lot- You are cordially invited; wear teal and join us for a photo showing your support.

Wednesday April 30, 2025

National Denim Day- Denim Day started after a 1998 Italian Supreme Court decision overturned a rape conviction because the victim wore tight jeans. The court argued that the victim must have helped her rapist remove her jeans, implying consent.
Italian women protested the court's decision by wearing jeans to work the following day, and this act of solidarity became the foundation for Denim Day. Denim Day has grown into a global movement, with people worldwide wearing denim to show support for survivors of sexual violence and to raise awareness about sexual violence.
Please join us in showing support for the issue by wearing denim. You can learn more at: https://denimday.org/why-denim #DenimDay and #PeaceOverViolence





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LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

EMPLOYMENT & CAREERS

Boots to Business for Veteran **Beginning Farmers & Ranchers**

April 4th | 8:30 AM - 5 PM | Virtual Training

This full-day workshop will aid those interested in exploring agriculture-based business ownership by leading participants through the key steps for evaluating business concepts and providing foundational knowledge required to develop a business plan.

REGISTER HERE

Workability Career Exploration & Job Fair

April 8th | 9:30 AM - 2PM | In Person | Community Center for the Deaf & Hard of Hearing -5709 S. 1500 W., SLC, UT An career event devoted to those with disabilities. Individuals can attend tailored workshops, meet with industry professionals and network during this special event. Questions? Contact Josh at 385.266.0509. **REGISTER HERE**

How Career Assessments Can Help

April 10th | 1 PM MDT | Virtual Join the SECO Spotlight live event on April 10 at 3p.m. EDT to discover how career assessments can point you on the path that best suits your interests, skills and passions. To access the event on Facebook, please visit https://www.facebook.com/DoD MilSpouse.

Unlock Your Next Career with **DoD Child & Youth Programs**

April 21th | 11 AM MDT | Virtual Join us April 21 at 1 p.m. EDT to learn about careers with DoD Child and Youth Programs. From entry-level staff to director-level positions, you'll hear about openings, benefits and opportunities for professional development. To access the event on Facebook, please visit https://www.facebook.com/DoD MilSpouse.

FINANCIAL READINESS LUNCH & LEARN

How to Protect Your Finances From Fraud

April 1st & 3rd | 12 PM | Virtual With fraud being so prevalent in today's world, join us to learn strategies to protect yourself and your finances! **REGISTER HERE**

ACS Budgeting Basics Lunch & Learn

April 14th | 12 - 12:30 PM | Teams Gain control of your finances with our Budgeting Basics class. Learn practical strategies to track spending, create a realistic budget, and achieve your financial goals. Class attendees will receive a free Clever Fox Budget Planner (a \$30 value), first come first serve! **REGISTER HERE**

Wise Use of Credit April 22nd & 24th | 12 PM MDT |

Virtual Got Credit? Let us show you how to use credit wisely so that you can stay on track with your long term financial goals. REGISTER HERE

Budget Friendly Tips for a Fantastic Summer

April 29th | 12 PM MDT | Virtual Beat the summer heat and boredom without emptying your wallet! Join us for this informative session where we'll explore a variety of budgetfriendly summertime options. **REGISTER HERE**

FAMILY ADVOCACY

Home Run Parents

Tuesdays starting April 8th | 4 sessions | 7-9 PM | Virtual Home Run Parents teaches you using the Relationship Attachment Model, how to manage your relationship with your children and takes the guesswork out of how to build respect, teamwork, loyalty, and appreciation between you and vour kids.

REGISTER HERE

Parenting with Love & Logic

April 24th | 9 AM - 4 PM | Virtual This FREE course uses the Parenting the Love and Logic Way[®] curriculum and teaches parents how to raise responsible kids and enjoy parenting. Participants will learn how to end power struggles with their children, teach responsibility, and prevent arguments. **REGISTER HERE**

Positive Discipline

Tuesdays starting April 22nd | 8-10 PM MDT | 4 Virtual Sessions Positive Discipline is a parenting program designed to teach young people to become responsible, respectful, and resourceful members of their communities. Parenting with Positive Discipline means being kind and firm at the same time. REGISTER HERE

7 Principles for Making Marriage Work

Weds. starting April 30th | 6:30-8:30 PM MDT | 5 Virtual Sessions This educational workshop is designed to help couples improve their friendship and conflict management skills. The Seven Principles Program includes lectures and private couple exercises. Please plan for both partners to attend all sessions.

REGISTER HERE



Army Family Team Building

Army Family Team Building (AFTB) is a Family Training and readiness program that provides participants with a better understanding of Army culture, as well as the skills and resources needed to become resilient, self-sufficient members of the military community. This training is open to anyone who wants to learn more about the Army lifestyle. There are 3 levels of AFTB Training available and each course offers a certificate of completion. **CLICK TO ACCESS**

Child & Family

You can now access a range of free ecourses and quick lessons on a range of topics including marriage, couples, parenting, and self-improvement - on demand. Presented by the USU Extension and the Utah Marriage Commission. **CLICK TO ACCESS**

Financial Frontline

Whether you are newly married, having your first child, experiencing a military move, or want information on the Thrift Savings Program, there are 10 different trainings available to meet your needs. These online trainings are go-at-your-own-pace and are intended to be taken within 20-30 minutes. **CLICK TO ACCESS**



COMMUNITY FAMILY READINESS GROUP

- In lieu of an FRG Meeting for April, we encourage you to come out to the Community Garden on 25 April at 10 AM for a Garden Talk & Potluck Lunch. Come and learn new gardening techniques from a Master Gardener! Bring a dish to share for lunch.
- For those volunteers wishing to submit **volunteer hours**, please note that March Volunteer hour are due in VMIS no later than 10 April.
- Seeking Fund Custodians The CFRG is looking for a couple of great volunteers to act as fund custodians. This is a crucial position that allows the FRG to hold fundraisers for future events and activities. If you would like more information, please contact Emily at 435.831.2260.
- Thank you to everyone who came out to our first **Paint** Night last month! We had a great group of folks and we painted a desert sunset. We are looking to do these events every other month. Be on the lookout for next Paint Night event this May.









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FindSupport.gov

988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline

988 or 988Lifeline.org





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Employee Assistance Program (EAP)

Marie Colton, SSW, CEAP

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Chaplain Services MAJ Gary Sands

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Maximizing your Mental Health



April 30th at 1 PM MT

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