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JOSHUA JOPLING



November is here and we take special pride in celebrating National Month of the Military Family. Behind every uniform stands a network of loved ones whose quiet sacrifices, adaptability, and unwavering resilience sustain the Montana National Guard mission every single day. From spouses managing homes during extended training to children cheering on their service members, our families are truly the backbone of our organization. Throughout November, we are dedicated to honoring each of you with community gatherings, family appreciation activities, and local celebrations happening in communities across the entire state—be sure to explore the statewide event listings featured throughout this month's newsletter to find an event near you!

In our ongoing mission to directly address the everyday needs of our Guard families, we are thrilled to officially launch our Weekend Drill Child Care program in partnership with Upwards! This is something leaders have been working toward for quite some time. We know that balancing drill duty, civilian jobs, and parenting can create real logistical challenges, and finding trustworthy, flexible care on training weekends shouldn't add to that stress. Through this new initiative, eligible Montana Army National Guard service members can access quality, vetted childcare during drill weekends at no out-of-pocket cost. Whether you are reporting for training across town or traveling across the state, this program provides peace of mind knowing your little ones are safe, nurtured, and engaged. Enrollment is officially open on 1 November. Sign up information is in the Newsletter and your local Military and Family Readiness Specialists are ready to assist you through the quick registration process.

As we look toward Thanksgiving and the approaching holiday season, remember that you belong to a close-knit, supportive community that has your back through every season of service. Milestones like our new childcare partnership and our statewide family celebrations exist because of your ongoing feedback, participation, and trust. Our Family Assistance Centers (FACs), Military and Family Readiness Specialists, and Child & Youth Program teams remain standing by your side with resources, connection, and assistance whenever you need it. Thank you for your service, your partnership, and your dedication to our Montana Guard family—we wish each of you a joyful, peaceful, and heartwarming Month of the Military Family.

SUBMIT ANONYMOUS FEEDBACK IF YOU CHOOSE!

MTARNG Soldier & Family Support Link



Let's Get Connected! Scan the QR Code to make the connection

THE HELPDESK CONNECTION CAN ALSO BE ACCESSED ONLINE AT:

HTTPS://TOUCHPOINTS.APP.CLOUD.GOV/TOUCHPOINTS/3C2FFD12/SUBMIT

OR

YOU CAN EMAIL THE MTARNG SOLDIER HELPDESK DIRECTLY AT: MTARNGSOLDIERHELPDESK@ARMY.MIL

pay issues, retention, education, or benefits

- share positive feedback or concern
- have an idea or suggestion to improve the organization

have a mental fitness professional call you

want to schedule an appointment with a: financial counselor, transition assistance coordinator, family programs specialist

NOTE: THIS IS A NON-CRISIS HELP DESK

CHAPLAINS REFLECTION



“I’ve Got Plenty to be Thankful for”

by, CH (LTC) Cody Roach

A couple of evenings ago, I was taking my fur buddy, Gracie, on an evening stroll in our neighborhood. The air was mildly crisp. The evening sky was speckled with stars. The neighborhood porches were adorned with fall decorations, including pumpkins of various shapes and sizes. Fall-colored holiday lights glimmered in the darkness on several homes, bringing a kind of warmth and nostalgia to the evening air. As we strolled the quiet streets, I tuned into one of my favorite fall music stations on Spotify and on came a song from a familiar voice, good ol’ Bing Crosby. Only, I had never heard this song before. The simplicity of the lyrics struck a chord within my soul.

“I've got plenty to be thankful for. I haven't got a great big yacht to sail from shore to shore. Still I've got plenty to be thankful for. I've got eyes to see with, ears to hear with, arms to hug with, lips to kiss with, someone to adore. How could anybody ask for more? My needs are small. I buy 'em all at the five and ten cent store. Oh, I've got plenty to be thankful for.”

It seems all too easy to get caught up in the complexities and busyness of life…work, bills, chores, shopping, relationship challenges, school assignments, military duties, etc.…only to miss the simple blessings afforded to each of us. I wonder what it would be like to intentionally take a few minutes each day to slow down and notice the simple gifts and blessings around us.

A wonderful scripture to read and meditate on when it comes to practicing “gratitude” is Psalm 100:

“Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness; come before Him with joyful songs. Know that the Lord is God. It is He who made us, and we are His; we are His people, the sheep of His pasture. Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise; give thanks to Him and praise His name. For the Lord is good and His love endures forever; His faithfulness continues through all generations.” (Psalm 100:1-5)

May the Lord bless you and keep you!

RECONNECT, RECHARGE, & GROW TOGETHER

Building Strong and Ready Teams (BSRT) • Family Enrichment Training

December 18-20, 2026 | Bozeman, MT

Escape for a weekend to strengthen your family relationships in beautiful Bozeman, Montana. This all-inclusive, fully funded marriage enrichment training is provided at NO COST to eligible Montana Army National Guard Soldiers and their spouses. Practical tools to help your marriage thrive in military life.

EVENT DETAILS AT A GLANCE

WHO	MTARNG Married or Single Soldiers with Kids
WHAT	Family Enrichment Weekend
WHEN	December 18-20, 2026
WHERE	Bozeman, MT
COST	100% FREE — Lodging, meals & program covered

Note: Soldier, Spouse & children (if using childcare) must be registered in DEERS to attend.

WHAT'S INCLUDED

Premium Lodging
2 nights in Beautiful Bozeman, MT

Meals Provided
Five scheduled weekend meals for Soldier, Spouse & kids

On-Site Childcare
Childcare provided during all training sessions (ages 0-12)

Paid Military Orders
This training is considered a duty event. Soldiers will be placed on appropriate orders (BSRT, SUTA, AGR status, etc.) and receive pay and allowances for the training period. Coordinate with your unit for specific order details.

SIMPLE 3-STEP REGISTRATION • First-Come, First-Served • Limited to 30 Couples

1 Access the Portal
Visit the registration page via the below link or QR code.

2 *Complete Questions*
Complete the required questions and submit your registration.

3 *Registration Pending Approval*
Once received, your registration will be reviewed to ensure all family members are in DEERS and based on the order your registration was received, you will be added to the list or wait list.

Don't wait — secure your spot today!

Ensure you coordinate with your unit Readiness NCO for orders/funding.

QUESTIONS & SUPPORT

Point of Contact: CH (LTC) Brian Daum

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SCAN ME

Registration Link:
https://forms.osi.apps.mil/r/65ZYkTXsdg?origin=lprLink

Registration Deadline:
1 Dec 2026



WANT TO VOLUNTEER?

Volunteer Opportunities:

- Summer Camp Cabin Parent
- General Event Support
- Workshop Facilitator

Requirements:

- Volunteer Application
- Background Check
- Training

The Perks:

- Food and Lodging During Event
- Supporting Service Members and Their Families!

child & youth program
montana national guard

@MTNGCYP_

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Montana Guard Kids

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LEAD CHILD & YOUTH COORDINATOR

MTNG Child and Youth Program

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Fort Harrison, MT 59636

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406-324-3925



KADEN HITCHENS
CHILD & YOUTH COORDINATOR

MONTANA CHILD & YOUTH PROGRAM

Available to school age dependents, ages 6 to 18 years, of National Guard Soldiers and Airmen, regardless of deployment status.

HAVE A TEEN? WE HAVE A SPOT FOR THEM!



State Teen Council

The MT Teen Council gives Montana's military teens a voice to support and improve the MT ARNG Child and Youth Program.

ANNUAL EVENTS

- **Month of the Military Child**
- **Purple Up Day**
- **Fort Harrison Day Camp**
- **Teen Adventure Camp**
- **Camp Runnamucka**
- **Deployment Support**
- **Family Resilience Camp**

SIGN UP FOR EVENTS HERE

*PLEASE NOTE: REGISTRATION WILL BE HANDLED THROUGH JOTFORM RATHER THAN CAMPSITE THIS YEAR.

ArmyNationalGuard
Weekend Drill Childcare





Care You Can Count On

Finding dependable child care for drill weekend can be one more thing to coordinate. Weekend Drill Child Care (WDCC) helps make it easier by connecting eligible Army National Guard Soldiers with licensed, vetted child care at no cost.

Who is Eligible?

- Soldiers onT32 or M-Day status during drill weekends.
- Married soldiers with a working or in-school spouse. *
- Families with both parents serving in the Guard.
- Single soldiers.

What's Covered?

- Care during MUTA 1, 2, 4, and 6, including properly rescheduled weekend drill.
- Care from 0600 to 1800, based on drill duty hours plus travel time.
- Up to 12 hours of care per child, per day.
- One weekend period per month.
- Licensed, vetted child care near home of record or weekend drill location.

How to Get Started

Visit www.upwards.com/benefits/military to sign up. You'll provide a few documents to confirm eligibility and then submit a care request for the drill dates you need. Your Care Navigator will follow up with available care options and help complete enrollment.

Good to Know

- There is no cost to eligible Soldiers. Upwards pays approved providers directly.
- WDCC is separate from Army Fee Assistance and is designed specifically for covered, weekend drill periods.
- If you no longer need your reservation, notify Upwards in writing at least seven calendar days before your care date and copy your ARNG point of contact.
- Overnight care, care outside the program's prescribed hours, and annual training are not covered.

Why Choose Weekend Drill Childcare?

- No-cost care during covered weekend drill periods.
- Licensed, vetted child care providers.
- A Care Navigator to help with enrollment, provider matches, and tours.
- Options for care near home or the weekend drill location.
- One less thing to coordinate on a busy drill weekend.

heroes@upwards.com
www.upwards.com/benefits/military

child & youth program
Army National Guard

www.arngcys.com



November
IS

MONTH OF THE MILITARY FAMILY

THIS MONTH OF THE MILITARY FAMILY, WE HONOR YOUR STRENGTH, SACRIFICE, AND SUPPORT. YOUR ROLE IS VITAL, AND WE ARE DEEPLY GRATEFUL.

NOVEMBER 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4	5 Townsend	6	7
8	9	10 Malta	11 Veterans Day	12	13 Movie Night- Ft. Harrison	14
15	16	17 Great Falls	18	19 Helena	20	21 Fall Festival - Kalispell
22	23	24 Havre	25	26 Happy Thanksgiving	27	28
29	30					

RSVP's REQUIRED by Monday Nov 16

ALL MILITARY WELCOME!

ACTIVE, RETIRED, VETERAN...ALL

Fall Festival



Caramel Apples

RSVP

JOIN US FOR SOME FAMILY FUN!

KALISPELL ARMORY

2989 HWY 93 N,

KALISPELL, MT 59901

GAMES • SNACKS • DRINKS

NOV 21 2:00 TO 4:00 PM

Melissa.l.coppock.civ@army.mil

or

406-324-5182

Bounce House

Cotton Candy

FREE

MONTH OF THE MILITARY FAMILY APPRECIATION

PRESENTS

MOVIE NIGHT



FRIDAY
13 NOVEMBER 2026

5-8 PM

DEVIL'S BRIGADE COMMUNITY CENTER – 4535 FREDERICK DRIVE
FORT HARRISON

MOVIE

Enjoy a FREE screening of "Free Birds" – popcorn & drinks provided! Open to all service members & families.

GAMES & FUN

Play games, meet neighbors & explore the Devil's Brigade Community Center – especially if you've never been! Located next to the Post Exchange/Shopette.

REFRESHMENTS

Hosted with the Child & Youth Program and the Soldier & Family Readiness Group, 1-189th GSAB. Single service members welcome!

JOIN YOUR COMMUNITY – ALL SERVICE MEMBERS & FAMILIES WELCOME! COME TOGETHER FOR A NIGHT OF FUN!

COFFEE CHATS AROUND MONTANA

NOVEMBER 2026





Military & Family Support
Montana Army National Guard

COME SEE YOUR LOCAL MFRS AT COFFEE CHAT AROUND THE STATE!

V2B MONTANA

VETERAN TO BUSINESS

V2B Montana
Stronger Businesses
Stronger Communities

A veteran-led networking event during National Veteran Small Business Week.
For veteran entrepreneurs, and for the local businesses that hire them, buy from them, and build alongside them.

TUESDAY
NOV. 10, 2026

3 - 5 PM

BLACK RIFLE COFFEE COMPANY
305 2ND AVE W

FREE TO ATTEND
OPEN TO ALL

WHAT TO EXPECT

Connect • Learn • Access • Grow • Execute

#NVSBW26

SUBMIT YOUR DIGITAL BUSINESS CARD

Scan to RSVP

V2BMONTANA.COM

Want to contribute/support, go to **V2BMontana.com/support** and let us know.

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MILITARY CHILD OF THE YEAR®



Help us find Operation Homefront's next award recipients!

WHAT

Operation Homefront's Military Child of the Year Awards celebrate and recognize the tremendous achievements of outstanding military children.

WHEN

The Awards Gala will be held in Washington, D.C. in April 2027 during the Month of the Military Child.

WHO

Eachyear, hundreds of military teens (ages 13–18) are nominated by a parent, teacher, mentor or guardian. Candidates for the Military Child of the Year Awards demonstrate resilience, strength of character, and the ability to thrive in the face of the challenges of military life.

RECIPIENTS

Military Childof the Year Award recipients receive a $10,000 cash award, a laptop, and are flown with a parent or guardian for a 3-night stay in Washington, D.C.

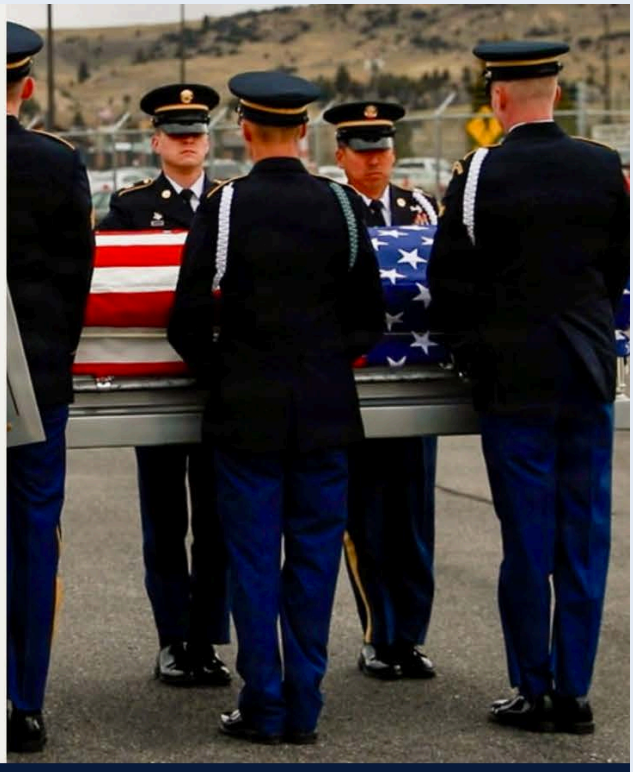
Nominations accepted September 2 to December 1, 2026

For more information, scan the QR code or visit **operationhomefront.org/mcoy**

ARNG HONOR GUARD

MONTANA NATIONAL GUARD

JOIN THE HONOR GUARD PROGRAM



The Montana National Guard's Honor Guard Program is seeking motivated individuals to perform funeral honors for eligible service members, veterans and retirees, as well as conducting Color Guard ceremonies.



★ FUNERAL HONORS



★ COLOR GUARD CEREMONIES

THE MISSION

Funeral Honors
Render a dignified final tribute to eligible service members, veterans, and retirees.

Color Guard Ceremonies
Present the colors with precision at official and public events across Montana.

Standard of Excellence
Train to the highest level of drill, bearing, and attention to detail.

Get your dress tab after completing the Level One course.

WE'RE LOOKING FOR

- ✓ MOTIVATED INDIVIDUALS
- ✓ DEDICATED SOLDIERS
- ✓ DISCIPLINE & ATTENTION TO DETAIL
- ✓ PRIDE IN REPRESENTING THE GUARD

★ INTERESTED? ★

Contact your coordinator or command leadership today!

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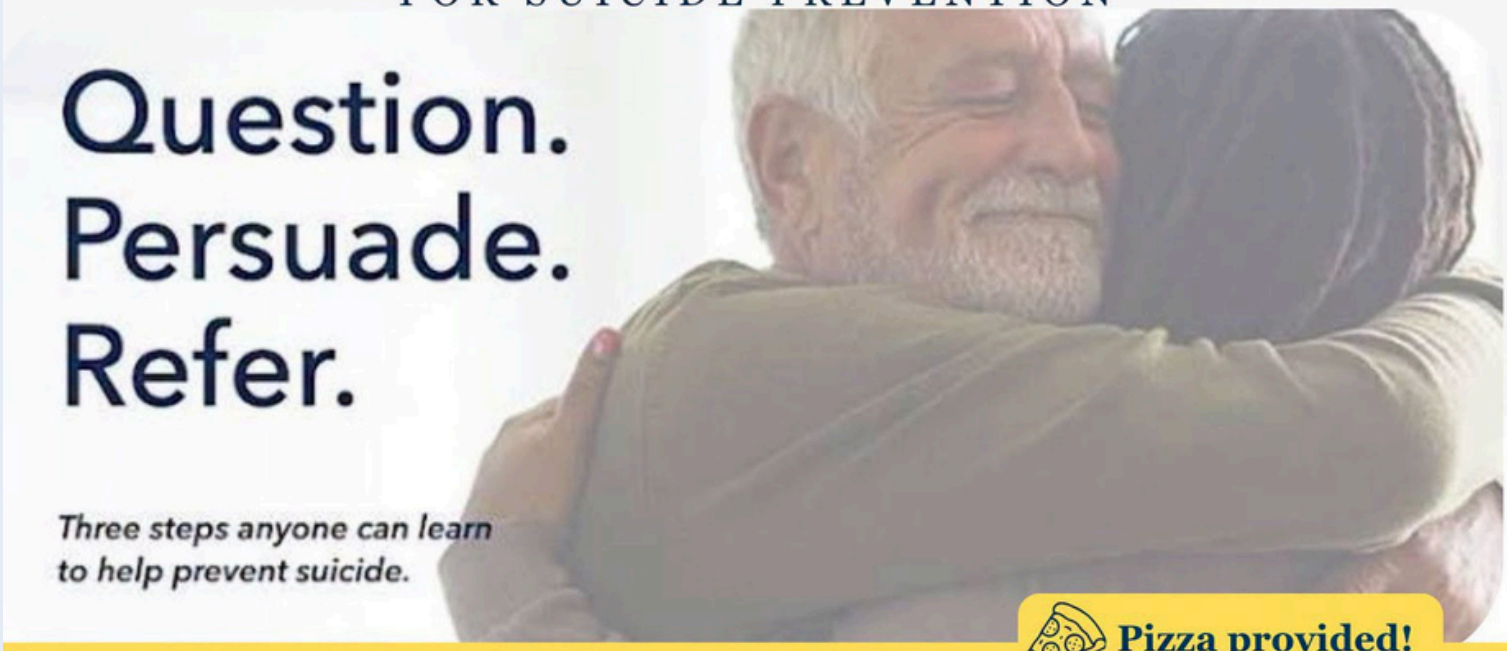
HONOR THE FALLEN. SERVE WITH PRIDE. STAND FOR MONTANA.

VETERANS NAVIGATION NETWORK

FREE TRAINING

QPR + FIREARM SAFETY

FOR SUICIDE PREVENTION



Pizza provided!

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 18 | 6-8 PM

VETERANS NAVIGATION NETWORK 7 N 31ST ST, BILLINGS | HRDC BUILDING

QPR

Question, Persuade, Refer

QPR is a suicide prevention training that teaches people how to recognize warning signs, ask directly about suicide, persuade someone to seek help, and connect them to appropriate support.



Firearm Safety for Suicide Prevention

Firearm Safety for Suicide Prevention (FSSP) is a training that teaches participants how to have respectful, practical conversations about temporarily reducing access to firearms during periods of elevated suicide risk.



ATTENDEES ARE ELIGIBLE TO WIN A STOPBOX COMPACT

Secure, mechanical firearm storage with instant access—no batteries, keys, or electronics to fail.

FREE TO ATTEND - REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Email Mike@VeteransNavigation.org to register or with questions.

MT NATIONAL GUARD

ASIST TRAINING

Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training



December 10–11, 2026
0830-1630

2915 Gabel Road
Billings, MT 59102

As family members and resources for our Guard members you are likely the first to encounter someone who is struggling with suicide. Our goal is to provide you with training to help navigate this difficult time and get them to the best care possible.
Completely free of charge

To Register:

Contact Mark Juntunen
(406) 794-8948
mark.d.juntunen.civ@army.mil
Or scan the official unit QR code
Spots are limited

Suicide First-Aid Intervention Training for Guard Family Members and Community Resources



Fellow

WOMEN VETS

of the Flathead

Hey, ladies!
Let's get together!

3rd Saturday of Each Month

COFFEE HOUR

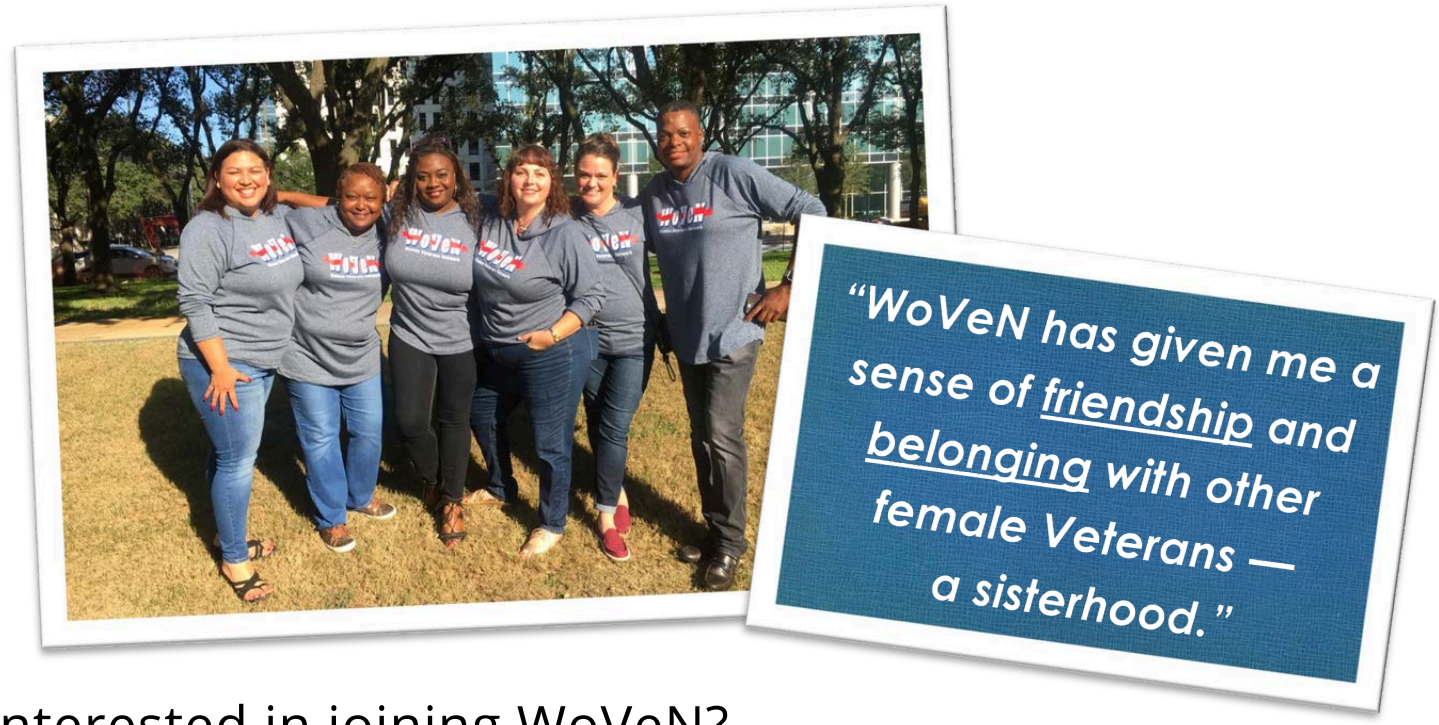
10 - 11AM
@Black Rifle Coffee
305 2nd Ave W., Kalispell

Contact:
Catherine Lerner, USAF @ 406.270.3582
Sandee Haats, AZC(AW) USN Ret. @ 406.465.5202

WoVeN
Women Veterans Network

Join the Women Veterans Network

WoVeN is an 8-week, online or in-person program led by women Veterans that explores life transitions, balance, connections, and more!



Interested in joining WoVeN?

1. Go to www.wovenwomenvets.org/join to sign-up
2. WoVeNpeerleaders will be in touch with you about the time and date of your WoVeN group!

Questions? Get in touch!

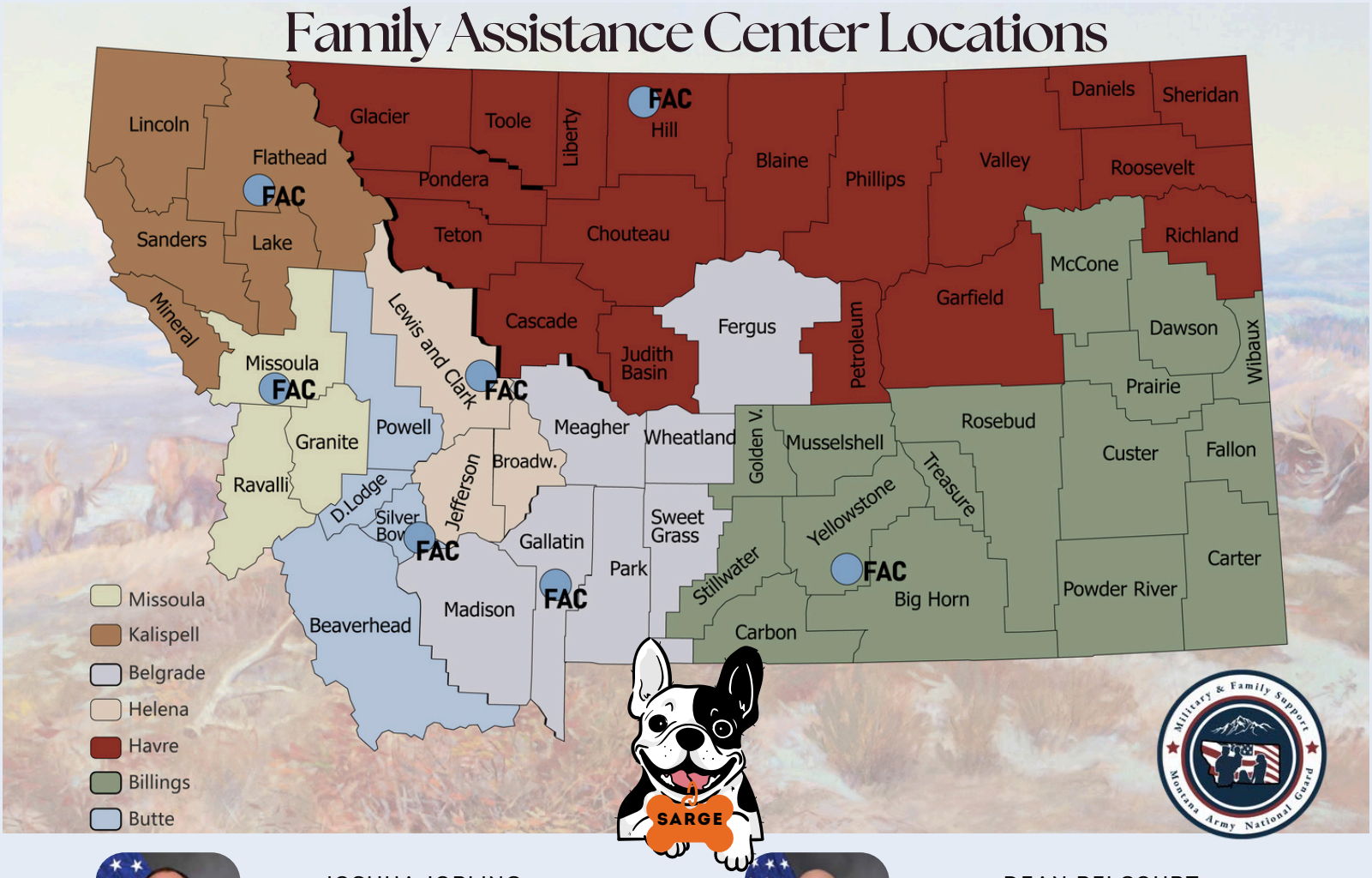
Contact Your State's Peer Leader!

Name: **Kristen Correll**

Contact: **kristen.l.davis2@gmail.com**

www.facebook.com/wovenwomenvets @womenveteransnetwork

Family Assistance Center Locations





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LEAD MILITARY AND FAMILY
READINESS SPECIALIST
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MILITARY AND FAMILY
READINESS SPECIALIST
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Butte Family Assistance Center 406-324-5280

Introducing the new MWR online leisure travel program, the American Forces Travel site!

www.americanforcestravel.com

The American Forces Travel site will include a wide range of discounted, leisure travel offerings including flights, hotels, rental cars, travel packages and cruises.
Get more information here!

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Share on Social

Check out our regularlyupdated and post-ready content and images curated for MilSpouse communities.

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MilLife Milestones – Make smart money moves during life's big moments.

MilKids – Explore engaging tools and videos to help you discuss money with your kids.

MilCommunity – Learn and share insightful tips from other MilSpouses to help in your journey.

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Videos and more – Find videos, wallet cards, calculators, and other helpful resources to stay financially fit.

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Join the conversation | **www.milspousemoneymission.org**

MILITARY ONE SOURCE

Military One Source is a confidential Department of Defense-funded program providing comprehensive information 24/7 on every aspect of military life at no cost to active duty, guard, and reserve component members and their families. Information includes, but is not limited to; deployment, reunion, relationships, grief, spouse employment and education, parenting and childhood, and more.

Montana Military OneSource
www.militaryonesource.mil
or call: 800-342-9647



Personal Financial Counselors

Are you eligible? All active-duty, National Guard and reserve service members, their family members and survivors are eligible to receive no-cost financial counseling services. If a counselor is not available within 50 miles of your location, PFCs can provide virtual appointments. While you'll see service branch affiliation listed, you are welcome to work with any PFC.

- Support and Counseling Services:
- Confidential financial consultations for individuals & families
- Referrals to military and community resources
- Help with credit management and budgeting

Helena, Montana
Laura Leck
pfc.helena@magellanfederal.com
406-202-4276

TRANSITION ASSISTANCE ADVISORS

Direct liaison to VA health and disability benefits and Vets Center Information. Serves as a first line of support for returning veterans to help troubleshoot concerns surrounding their benefits, education assistance, employment and other issues they may encounter when they return home from deployment or transition back into civilian life.



The Montana National Guard Family Support Fund

MTARNG Family Support Fund provides grants and zero-interest loans for emergency/urgent situations for Montana Army National Guard members and their families whom have exhausted other avenues of help.

Contact your local Soldier and Family Readiness Specialist for more information about how to apply for the Family Support Fund.

NOTICE

DID YOU KNOW?

Sponsors can now renew their eligible dependent's ID Card online and have it mailed directly to them without having to visit an ID Card office!

The dependent must have already been enrolled in DEERS.

- The sponsor cannot replace their own ID Card (just the dependent's Card).
- Dependents 17 years and under need a photo that is less than 12 years old in DEERS.
- Dependents 18 years and over need two forms of ID, must already in be in DEERS, and need a photo that is less than 12 years old.

Scan the QR code blow or visit https://dwp.dmdc.osd.mil/dwp/app/id-management/id-cards for more information.

MONTANA ID CARD STATIONS

LOCATION	PHONE	HOURS
HELENA - FT HARRISON 1956 MT MAJO ST. FT HARRISON, MT	**406-324-3263** **SITE: 620755/620336**	**WALK IN ONLY** **M-TH 0830-1630** **F 0830-1500**
BILLINGS 2915 GABLE RD. BILLINGS, MT	**406-324-5409** SITE: 153314	**BY APT** HTTPS://IDCO.DMDC.OSD.MIL/IDCO/ 0800-1600
BELGRADE 350 AIRPORT RD. BELGRADE, MT	**406-324-5057 or 5026** SITE: 620171	**BY APT** TUES-THURS 0900-1300
KALISPELL 2989 US HWY 93 N KALISPELL, MT	**406-324-5168** SITE: 620172	**WALK IN ONLY** WED & THURS 0900-1200/1300-1600
BUTTE 415 SUGAR LOAF LOOP BUTTE, MT	**406-324-5217** SITE: 620173	**BY APT** WED & THURS 0800-1600
MISSOULA 9383 RUNNING W RD. MISSOULA, MT	**406-324-5113 or 5100** SITE: 620335	**WALK IN ONLY** TUES & WED 0900-1100/1300-1500
GREAT FALLS 2800 AIRPORT AVE B GREAT FALLS, MT	**406-791-0284**	**WALK IN ONLY** MON- THURS 0800-1200/1300-1530
GREAT FALLS - MALMSTROM GOODARD AVE GREAT FALLS, MT	**406-731-4155**	**WALK IN/ APT** MON-FRI 0730-1630

MONTANA NATIONAL GUARD
Soldiers, Airmen & Families
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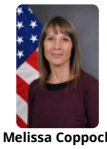


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Facebook: Montana Guard Kids

Montana Resilience, Risk Reduction and Suicide Prevention (R3SP)
(406) 324-3242

MTARNG
Yellow Ribbon Coordinator
Fort Harrison, MT
O: 406-324-3128

INTERVENTION SERVICES

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For reporting, questions, support or advocacy related to SAPR, please contact the 24/7 Helpline at 406-465-9928.

to reach a credentialed SAPR/Victim Advocate.
Personnel can also contact the DoD SafeHelpline for Anonymous and Confidential 24/7 assistance at 1-877-995-5247.

National Guard Psychological Health Program

Veterans Crisis Line 1-800-273-8255 PRESS 1

Confidential CHAT
WEB
MilitaryCrisisLine.net
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SUPPORT PROGRAMS

ESGR EMPLOYER SUPPORT OF THE GUARD AND RESERVE

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406-431-7529

USERRA - Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act Case Call:
1-800-336-4529
option 1 -or-
406-324-3809

www.ESGR.mil
Employment Assistance, employer recognition, resume writing.

Survivor Outreach Services

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VET CENTER

Vet Center Call Center
1-877-927-8387 is a free, around the clock confidential call center where Veterans, service members and their families can talk about their military experience or any other issue they are facing in transitioning after military service or trauma and get connected to their nearest Vet Center. Our call center team is comprised of combat Veterans from several eras as well as family members of Veterans

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SUICIDE PREVENTION Veterans

CALL 988 or TEXT MT TO 741-741 24/7 for help

Transition Assistance Advisor

D. C. (Deiv) Smart
Office: 202-987-3616
Cell: 385-337-1973
DSmart.ctr@gapsi.com

Defense: Adverse Actions, Separation, & Investigations
Contact Trial Defense Services (TDS) by calling: ARNG TDS: 703-601-2214
ng.ngb.tdsfts@army.mil
TDS will connect you with JAG in Montana

Office of the Staff Judge Advocate
Support: Wills, powers of attorney, advanced medical directive, landlord-tenant issues, and consumer law.
Call: 406-324-3325

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CH (CPT) Stormy Tuffield (1-189th GSAB) M-Day

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https://montanaguard.gov/Family/Family.html
Montana National Guard Family Programs

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NATIONAL GUARD Montana is FAMILY Ready

INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING FOR YOUR SERVICE MEMBERS UNIT?





Soldier and Family Readiness Groups (SFRG) are SEEKING FAMILY MEMBERS to join in and become an active SFRG Volunteer for their Soldier's unit. Family members include; spouse, mom, dad, sister, brother, girlfriend, boyfriend and extended family!

WHAT ARE THE GOALS AND EXPECTATIONS OF THE SOLDIER AND FAMILY READINESS GROUP?

► Act as an extension of the unit command in providing official and accurate command information to Soldiers and their Families.

► Connect Soldiers and Families to the chain of command and provide support between the command and SFRG members.

► Connect SFRG members to available community members.

► Offer a network of mutual support.

► Provide outreach, unit readiness activities and Family educational programs.

TO VOLUNTEER OR HEAR MORE, CONTACT OUR STAFF:

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Military and Family Readiness Lead
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OUTREACH WILL BE CONDUCTED ON THE MOBILE VET CENTER ON THE FOLLOWING DATES / PLACES*:

*** ALL DATES, LOCATIONS AND TIMES SCHEDULED COULD CHANGE DUE TO WEATHER OR OTHER REQUIRED EVENTS OUT OF THE VET CENTERS CONTROL**

- 1st Tuesday of the month: Plains MT- VFW Post 3596 at 201 Lynch St, Plains, MT 59859 (Parked in the back lot behind the VFW.)
- 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th Tuesday of the month: Stevensville MT- American Legion Post 94 at 754 Middle Burnt Fork Rd, Stevensville, MT 59870 (Parked up front of A.L. hall)

Serving Montana's Veterans

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More Information: 406-721-4918 **https://www.va.gov/missoula-vet-center/**