

NEWSLETTER

JUNE 2024

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Fort Buchanan Military Family Life Counselors

Available Services:

- Individual & Couples Support for Adults
- Family Non-Medical Counseling (parent or guardian must attend sessions with children)
- Appointments are available in person, phone or virtual

787-220-4538
 787-463-1932



Our Programs

- Family Advocacy Program
- Army Emergency Relief
- Army Volunteer Corps
- Survivor Outreach Services
- Financial Readiness Program
- Relocation Readiness Program
- Employment Readiness Program
- Information and Referral Program
- Exceptional Family Member Program
- Mobilization and Deployment Program
- Military and Family Life Counseling Program
- Other services and resources

CONTACT US

 Bldg. 225 Davis Street, Fort Buchanan

 787-707-3804

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WORKSHOPS INFORMATION

Throughout the month of June: Services are available hybrid: walk-in, by appointment, face to face, via phone, and/or virtually (ACS, Davis Street, bldg. 225)

Employment Readiness Program: The Army Community Service/Employment Readiness Program assists with career exploration, information on job fairs, résumé revision, employment search platforms, interview process advice, and job search in the federal and local communities.

Tuesday, 4 June | 10 am – 11 am at ACS Conference Room, Bldg. 225

Relocation Support for Kids: Join us to learn about the array of relocation assistance and comprehensive moving resources available to help children transition smoothly to your next duty station.

Monday, 10 June | 9 am – 10:30 am at ACS Conference Room, Bldg. 225

Investing: As savings held in cash or low-yield savings accounts will tend to lose value due to inflation, investing can help protect the value of your money and potentially build wealth. Should you invest? Find out in this workshop.

Friday, 14 June | 9 am – 12 pm at the Community Club, Bldg. 660, Newcomers Orientation Briefing: Learn about available programs, services, and resources that enhance the well-being of the Fort Buchanan community.

Tuesday, 18 June | 10 am – 11 am at ACS Conference Room, Bldg. 225, Cultural Adaptation: Join us to learn about strategies for adjusting to a foreign culture during an overseas assignment. There is a period of adjustment to learn a new language, customs, gestures, and monetary system.

Information & Referral
Program 787-707-3804

Employment Readiness
Program 787-707-3365

Mobilization &
Deployment
787-707-3292

Survivor Outreach
Program & Army Volunteer
Corps
787-707-3692

Exceptional Family
Member Program
787-707-3295

Financial Readiness
Program & Army
Emergency Relief
787-707-3310

Family Advocacy Program
787-707-3709

Relocation Readiness
Program
787-707-3682

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WORKSHOPS INFORMATION

Monday, 24 June | 9 am – 10:30 am at ACS Conference Room, Bldg. 225

Blended Retirement System: The military offers one of the best retirement systems, with the “Defined Benefit Plan” affording Soldiers a pension after 20 years of service. The BRS makes it even more attractive by adding the TSP with matching as a “Defined Contribution Plan.” However, the BRS has other components, which we will discuss in this workshop.

Wednesday, 26 June | 10 am at ACS Conference Room, Bldg. 225, Military Spouses’

Forum: Join us to brainstorm ideas for programs, events, workshops, and activities to strengthen and enhance Military Families' well-being. "Your voice is important. We want to hear ideas from you."

Wednesday, 26 June | 9 am – 10 am at ACS Conference Room, Bldg. 225 and via MS

Teams, Army Volunteer Corps/Training for OPOCs: To provide useful management tools to OPOCs of the Army Volunteer Corps, such as volunteers’ PDs, approving volunteers’ hours, supervision, and mentoring. Hands training on navigating VMIS will be conducted during this workshop, and ideas for internal and annual volunteer recognition events will be brainstormed.

Wednesday, 26 June | 11 am – 12 pm at ACS Conference Room, Bldg. 225 and via MS

Teams, Army Volunteer Corps/Training for Volunteers: To provide useful management tools to volunteers, including how to record volunteers’ hours, manage their service records, ethics, and customer services, and open the floor for questions and answers.

Thursday, 27 June | 9 am – 10 am at ACS Conference Room, Bldg. 225

Relocation Tips for Teens: The ACS/Relocation Readiness Program invites Fort Buchanan teens to learn how to cope effectively with moving, stay in touch with friends, and understand the process of relocating to a different state or country.

Thursday, 27 June | 10 am – 11 am at ACS Conference Room, Bldg. 225

New Parent Support Program (NPSP) Morning Playgroup: This group is for families with children ages 0-3. Parents can participate in activities that enhance parent-child interactions and stimulate the child's growth and development.

Friday, 28 June | 11 am at ACS Conference Room, Bldg. 225

Survivor Outreach Spouse and Surviving Family Forum: Join us and learn about organizations that support you with education, information, benefits, and networking opportunities. To provide you with a better understanding of local installations and community-based programs.

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES



The ACS/Exceptional Family Member Program teaches Soldiers and their eligible Family members in classroom and individual sessions.

Call or email for available services at
787-707-3292/3804.



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NEW PARENT SUPPORT PROGRAM (NPSP)



We welcome expectant parents and parents of children from birth to three years of age who are active-duty Service members, Army Reserve and Army National Guard members who are on active duty for 30 days or more, and to Family members who are assigned, attached, and reside on the Fort Buchanan installation.

The NPSP provides hospital and home visits, morning playgroups, and educational and prevention services, including parenting classes, baby sign language, and more.

Information and referrals to military and civilian programs that support parents of infants and young children are also available.

All services and activities provided through the NPSP are voluntary and non-stigmatizing and emphasizing the parent's strengths.

INFORMATION

787-707-3292 or
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NEWCOMERS ORIENTATION BRIEFING

- Friday, June 14
9 am to 12 pm
Community Club

LEARN more ABOUT AVAILABLE PROGRAMS, SERVICES, and resources that enhance the well-being of the Fort Buchanan community.



We welcome new Military, Family members, and Civilian personnel.
Please bring your spouses!

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Call ACS/Relocation at (787) 707-3682/3804 or
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Relocation Readiness Program



The ACS/Relocation Readiness Program (RRP) invites the Fort Buchanan community to learn about services available to all military members, Army Civilians, and their Families.

- 04 JUNE 2024: RELOCATION SUPPORT FOR KIDS (10 AM - 11 AM)
- 18 JUNE 2024: CULTURAL ADAPTATION (10 AM - 11 AM)
- 27 JUNE 2024: RELOCATION TIPS FOR TEENS (10-11 AM)

All workshops will be held at ACS Bldg, 225 Davis Street.

These orientations include the family members of the 1st MSC, PRANRG, PRANG, USNR, and USMC-R.

MORE INFORMATION

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SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

EVERY DAY is Child Abuse Prevention Day

Help Us Give Every Child A Promise
for a Safe and Better Tomorrow

ALL incidents of Child Abuse/Neglect
MUST be reported to the
Department of the Family: (787) 749-1333
(Talia's Law 23 December 2016)
and then, please call:
Fort Buchanan Reporting Point of Contact:
Department of Emergency Services/
Police Department
(787) 707-3337

National Child Abuse Hotline:
(800) 4-A-CHILD (422-4453)

For more information and the Family
Advocacy Program, please call the
Army Community Service at
(787) 707-3709/3292



EMPLOYMENT READINESS PROGRAM

The Army Community Service/Employment Readiness Program assists with career exploration, information on job fairs, résumé revision, employment search platforms, interview process advice, and job search in the federal and local communities.

Services are available at ACS (face to face), via telephone, and virtually.

For additional information, please contact us at 787-707-3365 or via email at luis.a.torresrios.civ@army.mil

Army Community Service
Bldg. 225 Davis Street
Fort Buchanan



MILITARY SPOUSES FORUM

Join us to brainstorm ideas of programs, events, workshops, and activities to strengthen and enhance Military Families' well-being.
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WEDNESDAY
JUNE 26
10:00 A.M. | **ARMY COMMUNITY SERVICE OFFICE**
DAVIS ST. BLDG. 225

This initiative is sponsored by ACS to create and maintain a partnership among military spouses stationed in Puerto Rico: U.S. Army Garrison, Army Reserve, PR Air/Army National Guard, U.S. Navy, and U.S. Marine Corps.

For more information and to
reserve your space
787-707-3804 /3292
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FINANCIAL READINESS PROGRAM

The Financial Readiness Program offers information on money management, financial management, I&Rs on legal affairs topics, and standard military training IAW DODI 1322.34.

June 2024 Workshops

MONDAY, JUNE 10
Investing

MONDAY, JUNE 24
Blended Retirement System

Workshops are offered from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. in-classroom sessions.
Classes are also offered virtually via MS Teams and/or in person.

Per 10 U.S.C. § 992, military departments must provide financial-literacy training at personal and professional training points throughout service members' careers.

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