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## U.S. Army Europe accepts Combined Federal Campaign funds earmarked for Army communities in Europe

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**HEIDELBERG, Germany** -- The quality of life of the U.S. Army community in Europe got a boost with the July 22 presentation of a \$92,977.36 check resulting from donations to the Family Support and Youth Program of this year's Combined Federal Campaign-Overseas.

According to CFC-O, the FSYP program gives federal employees and servicemembers stationed overseas the opportunity to enhance their communities' quality of life by making designated donations that are returned -- 100 percent -- to the region in which they were donated.

"This contribution will go a long way to help our youth and family programs throughout Europe. It takes a lot of teamwork and generous spirit to make something like this happen," said Maj. Gen. Byron S. Bagby, chief of staff for U.S. Army Europe and Seventh Army. Bagby accepted the



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Maj. Gen. Byron S. Bagby, chief of staff for U.S. Army, Europe and Seventh Army, accepts a \$92,977.36 check from Renee Acosta, president and chief executive officer of Global Impact, the Department of Defense's campaign management organization for the Combined Federal Campaign-Overseas program, at USAREUR headquarters in Heidelberg, Germany, July 22.

check from Renee Acosta, president and chief executive officer of Global Impact, the Department of Defense's campaign management organization for CFC-O, at a ceremony at USAREUR headquarters on Campbell Barracks here.

Gifts to FSYP help ease the transition for families and children making new lives in overseas military communities by funding programs that provide child care, emergency assistance, recreational activities and other facilities for those who are far from home, said Constance Baker, deputy director of CFC-O.

“FSYP gifts enable overseas locations to offer free or reduced-cost programs, so that the entire cost of special activities is not passed on to those serving our country and their families. From providing softballs for youth to funding language classes for spouses or buying art supplies for the local child development center, FSYP programs directly improve the experience of those living overseas,” she added.

The next CFC-O campaign kicks off October 5 and runs through December 4.



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