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Volunteers needed for FLW's Make a Difference Day

FORT LEONARD WOOD, Mo. – Fort Leonard Wood's Volunteer Office is hosting more than 10 different Make a Difference Day activities the public can get involved in. This year's events will be held from 7 a.m. to noon Oct. 27 at Colyer Park.

Volunteers of all ages and capabilities are needed to support these activities, such as a motorcycle ride and a display recognizing the 150th anniversary of the Civil War.

Last year, more than 577 people volunteered about 2,400 hours on projects throughout various locations on Fort Leonard Wood to include Happy Hollow, Memorial Grove, the horse stables, the John B. Mahaffey Museum and the USO to name a few. Volunteers also assembled and distributed more than 500 Thanksgiving baskets to military families.

For more information or to volunteer for these events, please contact the Fort Leonard Wood Volunteer Office at 573.596.0212.

Media interested in covering this event should contact the FLW Public Affairs Office at 563-4145.

Possible Facebook post for your use: Fort Leonard Wood sets dates and events for this year's Make a Difference Day, 7- noon, Oct.27.

Possible Tweet: Fort Leonard Wood sets dates and events for this year's Make a Difference Day, 7-noon, Oct.27.

About Fort Leonard Wood

Fort Leonard Wood is a thriving and prosperous installation that has evolved from a small basic training post 70 years ago to a premier Army Center of Excellence that trains 80-90,000 military and civilians each year.

Home to the Maneuver Support Center of Excellence, Fort Leonard Wood now trains and educates service members and develops doctrine and capabilities for the Training and Doctrine Command's U.S. Army Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear School, U.S. Army Engineer School, and U.S. Army Military Police School, three gender integrated Initial Military Training brigades, one of only five reception stations in the Army, and the Army's largest Non Commissioned Officers Academy.

Over the past several years, Fort Leonard Wood has received numerous additional responsibilities to include supporting the 4th Maneuver Enhancement Brigade, a large Forces Command unit that is responsible for all deployable capabilities at Fort Leonard Wood. A colonel-commanded Marine Corps Detachment and an Air Force Detachment, which are both the largest on any Army installation, are located on Fort Leonard Wood; a large Navy Seabee Detachment and elements of the Coast Guard train here as well.

Enclosure: Listing of events for this year's Make a Difference Day

Motorcycle Rally in support of St Nick's and Toys for Tots

5K Walk/Fun Run in Support of Domestic Violence Awareness Month MP 92nd and 14th supporting

Hail for Heroes Support of our Troops YMCA

Civil War Displays in honor of the 150th Anniversary of the Civil war 1861-1865-

Tiger Club making Thank you Cards for our Troops VISTA

Tiger Club making purple ribbons to pass out on Make A Difference Day in support of the Domestic Violence Awareness Month VISTA

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Engineer Trail support of Engineers 554th EBOLC

Wood Elementary logo painting support of Engineer EBOLC

Mulching Trees support of CCC

Coupon Class support of 1-48th

Lion's Club Hosting Lunch at Colyer Park at 12pm.