



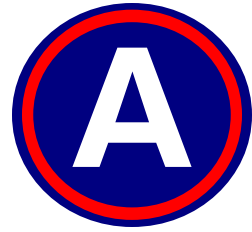
# ***Third Army/USARCENT Family Readiness Program Newcomer's Briefing***





**Welcome to  
Third Army/USARCENT**

**“Patton’s Own”**



The Third Army/USARCENT Family Readiness Program is here to assist Commanders, Soldiers, DA civilians and their Family members with:

## **EDUCATION AND REFERRAL**

for Army and USARCENT Family Readiness programs and issues.



# USARCENT Family Readiness Program



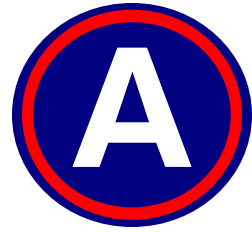
The Third Army/USARCENT Family Readiness Program Manager (FRPM ) works closely with:

- Department of the Army
- Third Army Commanders
- Army Community Service (ACS)
- Airman & Family Readiness Center (AFRC), Shaw AFB

To keep the command, Soldiers, DA civilians and their Families informed and educated on DA programs and benefits that are available should they be needed

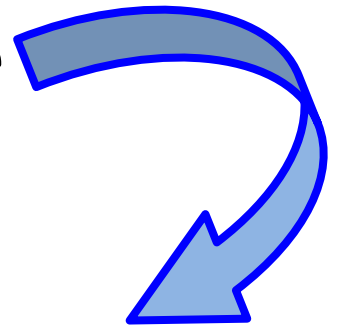


# USARCENT Family Readiness Program



How do we keep you informed?

- Information updates to Commanders
- Family Readiness Education Program
- Input to unit FRG meetings and newsletters
- Family Readiness Program web-site
- By answering your questions



<http://www.arcent.army.mil/family-readiness-program/home-page.aspx>



## Family Readiness Groups (FRG)



A recognized organization of Soldiers, DA civilians and Family members of a unit, which together provide a network of mutual support, assistance and communication among the Family members, the chain of command and the community.

**\*\*FRGs need volunteers to be effective\*\***





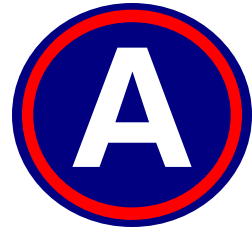
## Services Available Through AFRC and ACS



- Information and Referral Program
- Relocation
- Employment Services
- School Liaison Officer
- Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP)
- Financial Services
- Volunteer Opportunities
- Family Life Education
- Transition Assistance Services
- Family Services Loan Locker
- Personal and Family Readiness
- Army Family Covenant Benefits
- And many more...



# Army Family Covenant Benefits



## IF YOUR STATUS IS:

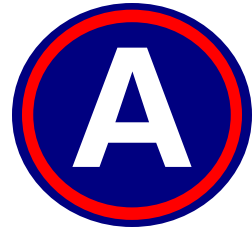
## YOU ARE ELIGIBLE FOR:

<b>ALL PATRONS</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1- Free CYS registration and Re-registration fees</li><li>2- Free hourly group care for all attendees of a memorial service for a Fallen Soldier</li></ol>
<b>Mission Level 1 - Deployed</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1- Free hourly or Kids on Site (KOS) care during mandatory deployment meetings</li><li>2- Free hourly or KOS care for FRG meetings (paid thru ACS)</li><li>3- <b>16 hours</b> free hourly Respite Care (per child/month) <b>starts 30 days before deploy to 90 days after return</b></li><li>4- \$2.00 per child per hour rate for any hourly care beyond the free Respite care hours</li><li>5- Free hourly care for Support group meetings during AW2, WT, SOS period</li><li>6- <b>20% reduction to fees for reg scheduled full/part day care. Valid 30 days before deploy to 90 days after return</b></li><li>7- Up to <b>\$300</b> for SKIES classes per deployment per child/youth</li><li>8- Up to <b>\$100</b> for CYSS Team or individual sports per deployment per child/youth</li></ol>
<b>Mission Level 2 - TCS, PCS Unaccomp, TDY (90-179) days</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1- Free hourly or Kids on Site (KOS) care during mandatory deployment meetings</li><li>2- Free hourly or KOS care for FRG meetings (3 hrs per child per month)</li><li>3- <b>16 hours</b> free hourly Respite Care (per child, per month) <b>during designated TCS, PCS, or TDY period</b></li><li>4- \$2.00 per child per hour rate for any hourly care beyond the free Respite care hours</li><li>5- Up to <b>\$150</b> for SKIES classes per child/youth during designated support assignment</li><li>6- Up to <b>\$50</b> for CYSS Team or individual sports per child/youth during designated support assignment</li></ol>
<b>Mission Level 3 Rear Det Cadre, Warriors in Transition (WT Cadre)</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1- Free hourly or Kids on Site (KOS) care during mandatory deployment meetings</li><li>2- Free hourly or KOS care for FRG meetings (paid thru ACS)</li><li>3- <b>5 hours</b> free hourly Respite Care (per child, per month) <b>during designated support assignment</b></li><li>4- \$2.00 per child per hour rate for any hourly care beyond the free Respite care hours</li><li>5- Up to <b>\$150</b> for SKIES classes per child/youth during designated support assignment</li><li>6- Up to <b>\$50</b> for CYSS Team or individual sports per child/youth during designated support assignment</li></ol>





# Contact Information



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