



FACT SHEET

Transparent Community Communications



Fort Detrick Public Affairs Office
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What is it:

People Count.

Fort Detrick's responsibility is a dedication and promise to the safety and viability of our Soldiers, Families, Civilians, and our Community.

What is the background:

Fort Detrick operates a proactive and wide-ranging public information and community outreach program, encompassing media, local leadership, civic groups and community groups as well as an effective web presence.

Through continued close partnership and regular communications with city, county, state and federally elected officials Fort Detrick is able to provide regular and prompt awareness of issues, events and concerns while quickly responding to their inquiries and issues.

Fort Detrick endeavors to maintain transparency as well as complete clarity to maintain a responsive, active and comprehensive relationship with the community, local officials and community groups.

Garrison leadership and subject matter experts routinely participate in events with civic, professional and citizen groups providing briefings, tours, and educational opportunities. Speakers are available, upon request, to speak at local organization meetings.

Fort Detrick representatives regularly meet with Rotary, Chamber of Commerce, Neighborhood Advisory Committees and remain engaged at all levels of the civic arena including direct partnership with local hospitals, and emergency services including fire response in the community.

Why is it important to the Community:

As one of the Top 5 Family Friendly Businesses and Best Places to Work in Frederick County, Fort Detrick strives to make accommodations to support resiliency efforts prioritizing Soldiers, Families, Civilians, and Community.

Fort Detrick's community relations program continually seeks new venues to reach out to the community. The community is encouraged to participate in advisory bodies such as the Restoration Advisory Board and new Community Activities Committees.

If the community or members of the media desire to seek information on Fort Detrick's activities, they are encouraged to visit <http://www.detrick.army.mil>, or contact the Garrison Public Affairs Office at (301) 619-2018.