



## MC&FP FACT SHEET

### History

*Military Family Month was first celebrated in 1993. The following year, President Clinton issued a presidential proclamation establishing National Military Families Recognition Day. Subsequent presidents have issued proclamations, and Congress has periodically passed resolutions designating November as Military Family Month.*

### Additional Information

#### Joining Forces

[www.whitehouse.gov/joiningforces](http://www.whitehouse.gov/joiningforces)

#### Military Spouse

#### Employment Partnership

<https://msejobs.militaryonesource.mil>

## Military Family Month

### Background

Each year in November, communities around the world observe Military Family Month. It is a time to celebrate the contributions of military families and convey to them respect and appreciation for the sacrifices they make to support their service members. Military communities typically organize special events to recognize their local military families.

### Highlights

- During Military Family Month, we honor and thank military families for their sacrifices and dedication to our country.
  - They face the dangers of combat and separation during holidays and life milestones with courage and poise.
  - As part of the Family Readiness System, they strengthen the military community by volunteering as family readiness volunteers and ombudsmen, providing support to others when they need it most.
  - They serve as a beacon of hope for those who have been wounded in service, supporting their journey to recovery.
  - They bravely cope with the loss of troops who have made the ultimate sacrifice and keep their memory alive.
- During Military Family Month, we acknowledge our collective responsibility to honor and support the family members of military personnel, who also serve.
- We owe each day of security and freedom that we enjoy to the members of our armed forces, veterans, the fallen and their families.
- As we approach the season of gratitude, consider ways that you can honor and thank the military families in your community.

