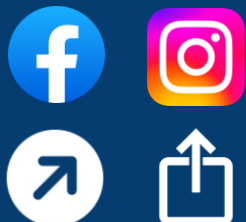


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COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER



JUNE 17 2026



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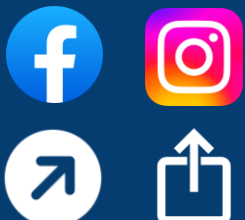
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FRONT RANGE
★ FREEDOM FEST ★

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SAVE THE DATE

JULY 3 ★ 4 P.M. - 10 P.M. ★ IRON HORSE PARK



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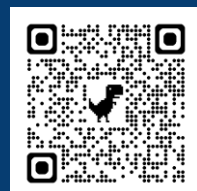


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JUNE 20 | 10:00am-1:00pm

SAFE DAY KIDS DAY

@ Southeast YMCA

2190 Jet Wing Dr, Colorado Springs, CO 80916

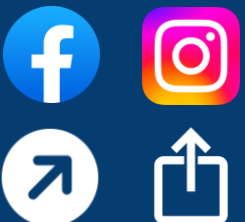
Free helmets!
(*while supplies last)

Free Event!

Join us for this
free family-friendly event!
Have fun learning about safety
at home, at play, and
on the way!



Children, youth, and adults welcome!



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COHEN CLINIC EVENT UPDATE!
Carnival & Movie Event

FREE EVENT FOR MILITARY-CONNECTED FAMILIES

This is a free event for military members, veterans, service members, and their families.

• *JUNE 27TH, 2026* •

10:00am - 1:00pm

Movie Screening (PG) | Face Painting | Games | Snacks Refreshments

UPDATED LOCATION!

Icon Cinema

1818 Spring Water Pt, Colorado Springs, CO 80921



The Steven A. Cohen
Military Family Clinic
at Red Rock



UPDATED LOCATION!
FREE DAY OF FAMILY FUN!

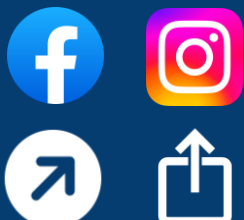
Enjoy a free movie screening, games, activities, and more!

1818 Spring Water Pt, Colorado Springs, CO 80921

June 27

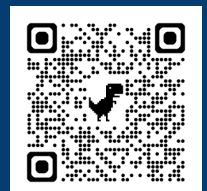
10:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Register Now: bit.ly/CohenClinicCarnival



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RECRUIT MILITARY®



MILITARY COMMUNITY HIRING EVENT

THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 2026 | 11AM - 3PM MT

Fort Carson

William Reed Special Events Center
6550 Specker Avenue BLDG 1829, Fort Carson, Colorado, 80913



rmvets.com/CAR0626

FROM LOCAL TO REMOTE — OPPORTUNITIES AT EVERY LEVEL

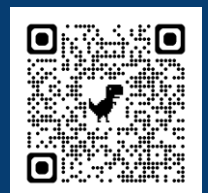
- ✓ SKILLED TRADES: TECHNICAL / INDUSTRIAL
- ✓ TRANSPORTATION / LOGISTICS
- ✓ MANAGEMENT / SUPERVISION
- ✓ INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
- ✓ GOVERNMENT
- ✓ HUMAN RESOURCES
- ✓ HEALTHCARE
- ✓ PROJECT MANAGEMENT



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FOOD DISTRIBUTION DATES & LOCATIONS



Fort Carson

600 Chiles Ave., Fort Carson

06 June 2026 | 10:00AM - 11:30AM

20 June 2026 | 10:00AM - 11:30AM



Fort Carson Prussman Chapel

BLDG 1850, Fort Carson

11 June 2026 | 5:30PM - 6:30PM

25 June 2026 | 5:30PM - 6:30PM



Norris Penrose Event Center Upper Lot

1125 W. Moreno St.

12 June 2026 | 10:00AM - 11:00AM

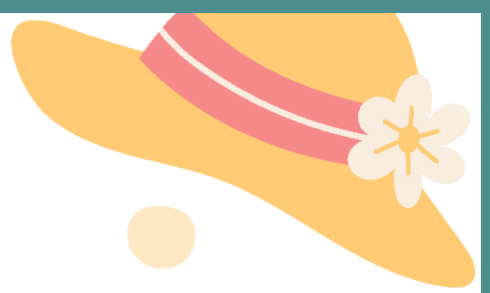
26 June 2026 | 10:00AM - 11:00AM



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2026

FREE SUMMER MEALS

MESA ELEMENTARY

JUNE 8 - JULY 2* (M-F)

PATRIOT ELEMENTARY

AND

FOUNTAIN MIDDLE SCHOOL

JUNE 8 - JULY 10* (M-F)

TIMES

BREAKFAST:

7:30 - 8:30 A.M.

LUNCH:

11:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

***NO MEALS ON
JUNE 19 & JULY 3
(DISTRICT
HOLIDAYS)**

**THIS
INSTITUTION IS
AN EQUAL
OPPORTUNITY
PROVIDER.**



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HOUSING HELP CLINIC



5.23
6.20
7.25

JOIN US AT
Penrose Library in Columbine A
20 N Cascade Ave
Colorado Springs, CO

9:30AM
-
12:30PM



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The ACS Mobilization & Deployment Program Presents



June 23, 2026
0900-1200
BLDG 1526, Fort Carson

Four Lenses:

Understanding Personalities & Improving Communication

- Build Better Relationships
- Understand Different Perspectives
- Strengthen Team Communication
- Improve Leadership & Collaboration

Scan to Register

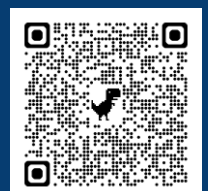


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REGISTER HERE



MILITARY YOUTH CAREER READINESS EXPO

Tuesday, 30 June | 1–4 PM
Fort Carson Army Community Service (ACS) BLDG 1526

Empowering military youth with the skills, confidence, and employer connections to launch strong career paths.

1–2 PM: Professional Development Session

2:15–3 PM: Industry Panel (Q&A)

3–4 PM: Employer Networking & Hiring Opportunities

Open to Young Adults 16+ (Military Youth) | Parents are welcome to attend



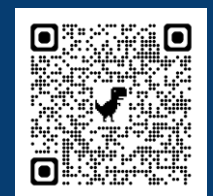
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FREE PRESCHOOL ON FT. CARSON!



Who Do We Serve?

- Children from birth to 5 years old
- Expecting parents

What Do We Offer?

- FREE preschool Mon-Thurs
- Full and half-day options
- Quality education and resources

How Do I Qualify?

- Can qualify through income (BAH not included)
- No employment requirements for qualification
- Please call to learn more about additional ways to qualify



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FREE SERVICE

AVAILABLE NOW!

NEW on-demand microtransit service, making it easy to travel around Fort Carson and connect to two convenient off-post locations.

Download the app: "Ride Fountain Transit"

Request your ride!

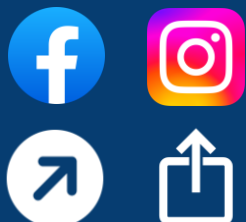
Track your vehicle and receive trip updates



Microtransit service provided by City of Fountain



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Volunteers Needed

for Freedom Fest

Join Us!

Volunteer with us for Freedom Fest!

Be part of history - celebrate America's 250th birthday!

DFMWR and ACS are looking for enthusiastic volunteers to support our Independence Day community celebration at Ironhorse Park on July 3rd. All volunteers will receive a free t-shirt!

1. SEARCH for the "ACS Special Events" position at the link and APPLY.

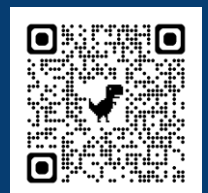
<https://vmis.armyfamilywebportal.com/volunteer/opportunities>

2. EMAIL Kristen.M.Kea.civ@army.mil to express your interest. We have several key roles available:
 - Event Runner (1): Assist the production team and performers. (0800-1600)
 - Parking Detail (4): Help manage guest parking and assist with event tear-down. (1400-2200)
 - Bouncy House Support (2): Ensure a fun and safe experience for kids. (1500-2200)



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SUMMER READING Program

June 2 to August 1

How it Works:

1. Sign Up: Register or log in online or via the Beanstack mobile app. Select Grant Library. Pro-tip: You can link multiple readers in your household to one account for easy tracking!
2. Track Your Time: Log your reading minutes daily. Audiobooks count, too! If you miss a day, don't worry—you can back-log your reading for up to 90 days.
3. Get Your Prizes: Trade your reading minutes for points, then use your points to shop for awesome prizes at our Summer Reading Store!



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719-526-2350

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JUNE 2026

Summer Program Schedule



week 1

TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2 PLANT ART 10:30 a.m.	3 LEGO GARDEN CLUB 10:30 a.m.	4 STORYTIME W/ A CRAFT 10:30a.m.	5 PLANT SCIENCE 10:30 a.m.	6 ELLIS OUTDOOR POOL 11:00 a.m.

week 2

9 PLANT ART 10:30 a.m.	10 LEGO GARDEN CLUB 10:30 a.m.	11 STORYTIME W/ A CRAFT 10:30a.m.	12 PLANT SCIENCE 10:30 a.m.	13 IVY GYM: ROCK CLIMBING 10:30 a.m.
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week 3

16 PLANT ART 10:30 a.m.	17 ARMY's 250TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION/ 2.50 MILE RUN 1100 - 1500	18 STORYTIME W/ A CRAFT 10:30a.m.	19 CLOSED	20 IVY GYM: BASKETBALL 10:30 a.m.
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week 4

23 PLANT ART 10:30 a.m.	24 LEGO GARDEN CLUB 10:30 a.m.	25 STORYTIME W/ A CRAFT 10:30a.m.	26 PLANT SCIENCE 10:30 a.m.	27 IVY TRACK FIELD: BEE AND FLOWER FLAG TAG 10:30 a.m.
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JULY 2026

Summer Program Schedule



week 5

TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30 NO PROGRAMS	1 NO PROGRAMS	2 NO PROGRAMS	3 CLOSED FOR FREEDOM FEST: 4PM- 10PM	4 CLOSED

week 6

7 PLANT ART 10:30 a.m.	8 LEGO GARDEN CLUB 10:30 a.m.	9 STORYTIME W/ A CRAFT 10:30a.m.	10 PLANT SCIENCE 10:30 a.m.	11 Thunder Alley Bowling Center: 11:00 a.m.
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week 7

14 PLANT ART 10:30 a.m.	15 LEGO GARDEN CLUB 10:30 a.m.	16 STORYTIME W/ A CRAFT 10:30a.m.	17 PLANT SCIENCE 10:30 a.m.	18 Ellis Outdoor Pool: 11:00 am
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week 8

21 PLANT ART 10:30 a.m.	22 LEGO GARDEN CLUB 10:30 a.m.	23 STORYTIME W/ A CRAFT 10:30a.m.	24 PLANT SCIENCE 10:30 a.m.	25 Ivy Gym: Rock Climbing/ Racquetball: 10:30am
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week 9

28 PLANT ART 10:30 a.m.	29 LEGO GARDEN CLUB 10:30 a.m.	30 STORYTIME W/ A CRAFT 10:30a.m.	31 PLANT SCIENCE 10:30 a.m.	1 Ellis Outdoor Pool: Splash and Dash Back to School 1100-1330
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UNITED STATES ARMY
CHILD & YOUTH SERVICES

US ARMY GARRISON FORT CARSON

CURRENTLY HIRING

CHILD AND YOUTH PROGRAM
ASSISTANTS AND LEADS

CYS COMPETITIVE STARTING PAY

**NEW
BENEFIT**

Now offering 100% discount on childcare for the first child,
25% Discount for each additional child

Subject to approval annually

BENEFITS

- Insurance coverage for full-time & part-time employees
- Paid leave for full-time & part-time employees
- Paid parental leave (restrictions apply)
- Retirement options and 401K savings plan
- Easy lateral transfers using the Army NAF CEAT program
- Access to Fort Carson Commissary
- * Certain benefits are subject to CYS Employees only

SCAN CODE



U.S. ARMY



More Events and Info at
carson.armymwr.com



Find us on Social Media
@CarsonDFMWR



@carsonmwr
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Elkhorn Catering/Conference Center
1725 Woodfill Rd., Bldg. 7300
Fort Carson, CO 80913

"Lead in Modernizing and Im

work, live, train, and thrive!"



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ACS New Parent Support Program

NURTURING PARENT ACCELERATED 4 WEEK CLASS

This Nurturing Parent class teaches parents with children ages 0-12 how to be nurturing to their children and themselves.

Topics Include



- ★ Communication with your child
- ★ Behavior management
- ★ How to build self esteem
- ★ and more.....

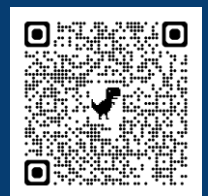


*childcare will not be provided



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FATHERING FOR LIFE

- Understanding Child Development
- Improve Communication
- Manage Stress
- Planning for Future

WEDNESDAYS JUN 17 - SEP 23

1530-1700 HOURS

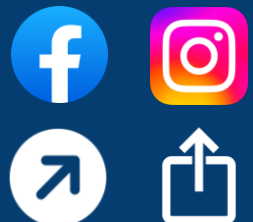
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For more information or to register:
719-526-0461



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TSP ROTH In-Plan Conversion



2nd Tuesday of
each Month
1:00-2:00 PM

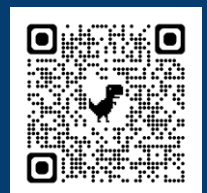
Must-know information for anyone,
Active Duty or GS, with funds in the Thrift
Savings Plan (TSP)

Location: Army Community Service,
6303 Wetzel Avenue, BLDG 1526
NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED



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WEDNESDAYS

9:00 A.M. – 6:00 P.M.

Build, create, and imagine with LEGOs!

Join the Grant Library LEGO Club and dive into a world of colorful bricks and endless possibilities. Whether you're a master builder or just starting out, we have all the LEGOs you need to bring your ideas to life.

All ages, All Day. No Registration needed.



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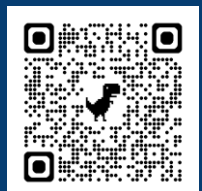
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Join Grant Library for

STORYTIME

Thursdays

10:30 A.M.-11:30 A.M.

Join us for engaging stories, lively songs, and a fun-filled craft project that will spark your little one's creativity.

This program is perfect for all ages, and no registration is needed.

Just bring your little one and get ready for a magical time. We can't wait to see you there!



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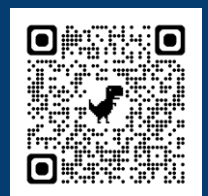
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Summer Program Opportunities

- Summer Sports Camps - dates and times vary by sport
- Summer Meals
 - June 8 - July 10 at Patriot Elementary and FMS
 - Breakfast and lunch provided free to ages 0 - 18



Hiring

- Spring is hiring season for FFC8
- Be on the lookout for job opportunities in all areas!
 - Teaching, all levels
 - Special Education - teachers and paraprofessionals
 - Bus drivers and monitors
 - And more!
- Visit www.ffc8.org/employment to get started



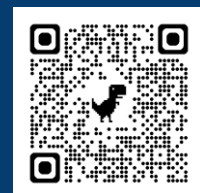
Enrollment

- Families who live out-of-district and out-of-zone and wish to attend FFC8 schools in 2026-2027 can still submit requests for enrollment - through October 1, 2026
- Request forms will be available online at www.ffc8.org/enrollment
- Note: FFC8 accepts all students within our boundary throughout the year
 - Enrollment for returning students and families living within FFC8 boundaries is open now (at the link above)

TODAY'S READY



INFORMATION



School Liaison Program

SFRG Events
Family Events
Briefings Related to Deployment

School Liaisons are the central POC for commanders, military families and school districts on Preschool-12th grade school matters. They advocate for military connected students at the local, state and national level.



The School Liaison Program is committed to outreach, advocacy and partnership initiatives that generate real-time solutions for military-connected students as they face educational and personal challenges.

PCS in/out
Deployment
ETS/Retirement
Reserves & Guard
Local Change of School
Public School
Homeschool
Private School
Charter School

"I want my kids on post"
Out of Boundary/Zone
School Locations
Registration Process
Transfer of Records
Universal Pre-K
IEP/504/ELL/ALP
New Plans
Transferred Plans

Free Tutoring
Military Family Life
Counselors
Laws Protecting Military
Students
Parent Education
Staff Education
Community Outreach

High School Stabilization
High School Credit Transfer
Advanced Placement
International Baccalaureate
Dual Enrollment
Sports Tryouts
Homeschool Events



Dawnna Benoit
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CYS Ft. Carson 25+ years
21-year military spouse
3 sons
Zoo docent

Retired public school
teacher: 27 years
50 years in the C/S area
New Gramma

The SLO mission is to support military connected students in transition through educating families, school staff, and the community about the unique opportunities and challenges of the military lifestyle.



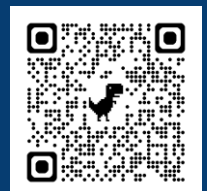
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Meet your Ft. Carson School Liaisons



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TRAVELING OUTSIDE THE COUNTRY?

The Fort Carson Public Health Travel Clinic offers the following medical services for LEISURE international travel (**by appointment only**):

- ◇ Travel immunization services
- ◇ Detailed up-to-date information about your itinerary regarding safety and travel restrictions
- ◇ Prescription medication to prevent malaria, treat traveler's diarrhea and other travel-related ailments
- ◇ Detailed travel documents for your records that include embassy and consular contact information, as well as available hospital information for your destination
- ◇ Call the Public Health Travel Clinic at (719) 526-9929 to make an appointment with a medical travel specialist.



FORT CARSON DEPARTMENT
OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Bldg 2059 (Magrath Ave. and Yano St.)

719-526-9929

Travel Visits by appointment only



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BE PREPARED FOR A WILDFIRE



FEMA

FEMA V-1013/May 2018

Wildfires can ruin homes and cause injuries or death to people and animals.

A wildfire is an unplanned fire that burns in a natural area such as a forest, grassland, or prairie.



Often caused by humans or lightning.



Can cause flooding or create problems with transportation, gas, power, and communications.



Can damage your property. Set up defense zones to protect your home.



Can happen anywhere, anytime. Risk increases with little rain and high winds.

IF YOU ARE UNDER A WILDFIRE WARNING, GET TO SAFETY RIGHT AWAY

Leave if told to do so.



Listen for emergency information and alerts.

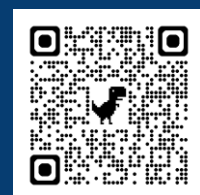
If trapped, call 9-1-1.



Use N95 masks to keep particles out of the air you breathe.

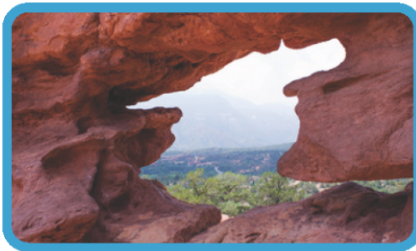


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Colorado Springs Area

Nestled at the base of Pikes Peak, Colorado Springs offers families a mix of mountain adventures, military heritage, and wide-open skies. From red rock canyons to alpine lakes, nature is right outside your door.



Garden of the Gods

This iconic park is famous for its towering red sandstone formations and sweeping views of Pikes Peak. Families can hike, bike, or join guided nature walks while spotting mule deer and birds. It's a breathtaking backdrop for outdoor play and family photos.

Pikes Peak

Rising above the city at over 14,000 feet, Pikes Peak is a must-see. Families can drive, hike, or ride the cog railway to the summit for panoramic views stretching for miles. Along the way, enjoy alpine forests, picnic spots, and the thrill of being on top of the world.



Florissant Fossil Beds National Monument

Just west of Colorado Springs, this monument preserves ancient giant redwood stumps and thousands of fossils. Families can explore easy trails, learn about prehistoric ecosystems, and connect with Colorado's deep natural history in a hands-on way.

Great Sand Dunes National Park and Preserve

Just a few hours south of Colorado Springs, the tallest sand dunes in North America rise dramatically against snowcapped peaks. Families can sled down sandy slopes, splash in Medano Creek during spring and summer, and hike into alpine forests nearby. It's a one-of-a-kind playground where desert, mountains, and sky all meet.



20-90 MINUTES
a day in nature is most beneficial for mental health
Mayo Clinic

Take a mindful minute:
Go outside and take your shoes off. Stand in the grass and notice the sensations around you. Breathe deep and let yourself be fully present.



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