

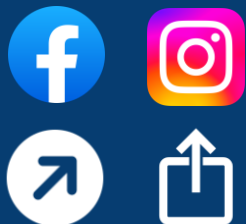


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JULY 15 2026



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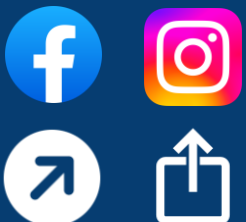
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FORGE

THE FORCE FEST

Presented by USAA

16 JULY 2026

0800-1600

PETERSON SFB

**0830 | Opening Remarks provided
by MG. Michael Simmering**

**1500 | Closing Remarks provided
by Gen Stephen Whiting,
Followed by "Big Win" Giveaways**

SCAN NOW



BUILDING **READINESS** THROUGH **RESILIENCE**.

Forge the Force Fest: A family-friendly resiliency event uniting service members, DoW civilians, and families for a day of connection

- **6 Dynamic Keynote Speakers** driving powerful motivation
- **25+ Interactive and Educational Workshops** that build mental, social, physical, and spiritual resilience
- **75+ Helping Agencies** offering essential resources and expert guidance
- **FUN ZONE**, sponsored by AMERICAN SYSTEMS video games , family activities, **FREE** food, and axe throwing

THANK YOU **SPONSORS:**



THANK YOU **PARTNERS:**



KEYNOTE SPEAKERS:



ROBERT IRVINE

World-class chef, author, entrepreneur, and philanthropic supporter of the military

ANDREW MORGAN

BG; NASA Astronaut
joined by Lt Gen Gregory Gagnon



MICHAEL SCHLITZ

Wounded Warrior; Retired Sergeant First Class



ROGER TOWBERMAN

First Chief Master Sergeant of the Space Force, highest enlisted level leadership



ELLIOTT YAMIN

American Idol Season 5 Finalist



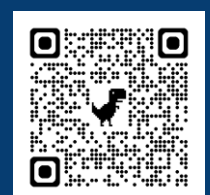
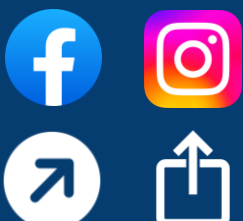
OBBIE WEST

Spoken Word poet, advocate, and author



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FREE HAIRCUTS & BACKPACKS!

Community

PIKES PEAK UNITED WAY
**Family
Success
Center**



EMPOWERING FAMILIES
THROUGH COMMUNITY
COLLABORATION

BLOCK

PARTY

Join us for a fun
neighborhood party
featuring a variety
of community and
back-to-school resources,
food trucks, and games!



Saturday, July 25

10:00AM-2:00PM



Family Success Center
1520 Verde Dr
Colorado Springs



To register
to receive
a backpack,
scan here.



UNITED WAY
Pikes Peak



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OPEN TO EVERYONE!

BEAT THE HEAT

Join us for an evening of fun,
food, and family!

FOOD & DRINKS

SNOW CONES



CARNIVAL GAMES



BAKE SALE



DUNK TANK



TUG OF WAR



WATER BALLOON FIGHT
(BRING YOUR OWN
WATER GUNS IF YOU WANT!)



VOLLEYBALL

TONS OF
LAWN GAMES

LUAU
THEME!

AUG 6

2026

1600-1800

IRON HORSE PARK



INCLEMENT WEATHER
4-10 COF

SPECIAL DANCE
PERFORMANCE

AT 1700

Wear your brightest
Hawaiian gear and get
Heat!



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DIRTY SODA HAPPY HOUR

POP BY THE USO ON FORT
CARSON TO CREATE A
DELICIOUS DIRTY SODA!
MONDAY, JULY 20TH 2026
BLDG 1524 4-5PM

YAPPY HOUR

WITH OUTDOOR RECREATION

IRON HORSE PARK



MAY 15 | JUL 17 | AUG 21

4-6 p.m.



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EVENTS



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Splash & Dash

BACK TO SCHOOL BASH

SAVE THE DATE

AUG. 1 | 11 A.M. - 1:30 P.M.

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NUTRITION

2026
RUN
SERIES



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Get ready to join us for the next run in our 2026 Run Series, the Splash and Dash!

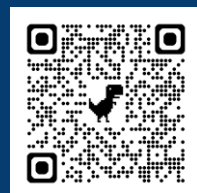
August 1

11 a.m. — 1:30 p.m.

Pershing Field



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FREE EVENT!

K.U.D.O.S.

KIDS UNDERSTANDING DEPLOYMENT OPERATIONS



OPERATION K.U.D.O.S.

**KIDS UNDERSTANDING
DEPLOYMENT OPERATIONS**

- ☒ **PRE-DEPLOYMENT
IN-PROCESSING LINE**
- ☒ **DEPLOYMENT TO
EXPEDITIONARY LOCATION**
- ☒ **WELCOME HOME
RECEPTION**



SAT, AUG 22 | 8AM – 4PM

**FOR CHILDREN OF MILITARY FAMILIES | AGES
ACROSS COLORADO'S FRONT RANGE | 5-16**

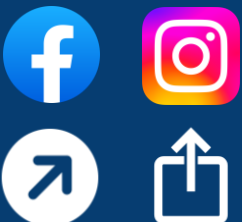


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FOOD DISTRIBUTION DATES & LOCATIONS



Fort Carson

600 Chiles Ave., Fort Carson

11 July 2026 | 10:00AM - 11:30AM



Fort Carson Prussman Chapel

BLDG 1850, Fort Carson

02, 09, 16, 23, 30 July 2026

Thursdays | 5:30PM - 6:30PM



Norris Penrose Event Center Upper Lot

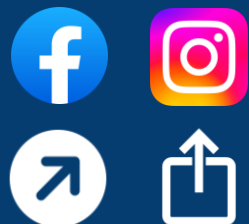
1125 W. Moreno St.

10 July 2026 | 10:00AM - 11:00AM

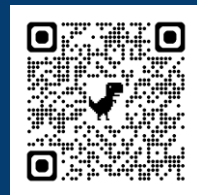
24 July 2026 | 10:00AM - 11:00AM



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BACKPACK TO SCHOOL

OPERATION BACKPACK

Registration is a must!

registration FREE FOR K-12

FREE BACKPACK AND SCHOOL SUPPLIES

sign up at <https://events.ticketleap.com/tickets/prussman-chapel/operation-backpacks-2026>

Registration is from 1 July - 6 August or until backpacks are out.

More information, please email prussmanchapel@gmail.com

REGISTER



MOBILE

Market

Choice Pantry distribution on a first-come first-serve basis, while supplies last.

THURSDAY, JULY 16, 2026

10:00 - 11:00 A.M.

DEERFIELD HILLS

COMMUNITY CENTER

4290 DEERFIELD HILLS RD., 80916

In partnership with Care and Share Food Bank. Pick out what food you want, bag it, and take it home at no cost. Available for anyone in need, no registration required.

QUESTIONS? (719) 385-5996



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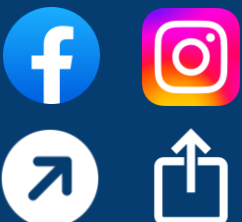
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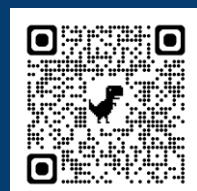
Free admission for ID holder and up to 5 family members per visit

American Numismatic Association
Buell Children's Museum
Colorado Railroad Museum
Denver Art Museum

Fiske Planetarium
History Colorado Center
MCA Denver
And More!



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DRONE & AUTONOMOUS SYSTEMS



Learn more about the emerging market for skills in autonomous systems, including industry trends, education and training pathways, and implications for the military and modern battlefield.

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS:

KEYNOTE SESSIONS
QUESTION & ANSWER SESSION

SPEAKERS:

DR. JUSTIN BAUMGARTNER

ERAU FACULTY

22 JULY 2026

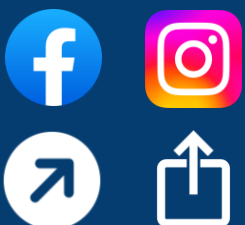
FROM 11 AM - 1 PM | AT FORT CARSON
EDUCATION CENTER, 1675 LONG ST.,
BLDG 1117, IN THE EVENT ROOM

REGISTER TODAY



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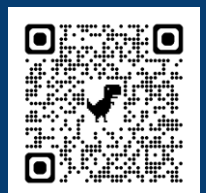
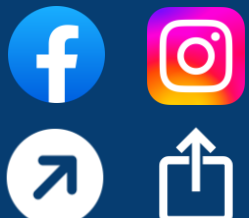
Prussman Chapel **FOOD PANTRY**

Every Thursday, 5:30 - 6:30 PM
 Building 1850, Prussman Blvd
 Fort Carson, CO

For more information, please email prussmanchapel@gmail.com



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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?

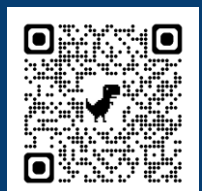
- FREE preschool Mon-Thurs
- Full and half-day options
- Quality education and resources

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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WILDFIRE RESOURCES

Scan for info &
**Emergency
Status Board:**



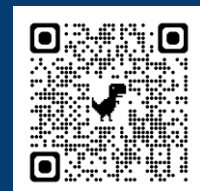
Aspen Acres Fire Disaster Assistance Center	29 Lehigh Avenue, Pueblo (Use Entrance off Colgate Lane)	Case Management; Direct Financial Assistance; Spiritual and Mental Health Care; Distribution of masks and relief supplies; Clean up Resources; Food; Basic Needs Kits
Large Animal/Livestock Site	• Pueblo County Fairgrounds (Enter at Gate 7 on Small Avenue) • Pathfinder Park, 6639 Hwy 115, Florence CO	Trucks and Trailers staged at Colorado State Fairgrounds for Evacuation needs. Call CART 719-251-0245
Shelter	• 1650 Cooper Place, Pueblo CO • Custer County Lange Hall, Lange South 3rd St Westcliffe, CO • Custer County Pathfinder Park, Colorado 115 Florence, CO • YMCA's of PUEBLO	Temporary shelter, basic support services
Renters or Homeowners Insurance Policy	Check with your Insurance Carrier for information on whether or not your policy has Loss of Use Coverage while under Evacuation Orders	
Road Closures	https://www.cotrip.org	Check your route for road closures due to fire
Colorado 2-1-1	www.211colorado.org/wildfire-resources?#aspenacres	connect to help
United Way of Southern Colorado	www.unitedwaysoco.org/hub	Resource Hub
Army Emergency Relief	https://carson.armymwr.com/AER	Apply online; assistance is on a case-by-case basis
Military Family Life Counselor (MFLC)	https://carson.armymwr.com/programs/military-and-family-life-counselors-mflc Military OneSource 1-800-342-9647	Free, confidential Counseling

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The Fort Carson American Red Cross Is Excited To Announce Our

ANNUAL VOLUNTEER DENTAL ASSISTANT TRAINING PROGRAM!

Applications will be released on 13 July 2026 at 0800 in the Red Cross Office (Room 1011) at Evans Army Community Hospital.

Military ID will be verified at time of application pick-up.

Applications must be dropped off at the Red Cross Office Evans Army Community Hospital by 4PM on 5 August 2026!

Red Cross Office - 1650 Cochrane Circle, Bldg. 7500, Room 1011
Fort Carson, CO 80913

No late applications will be accepted!

This program is open to Military ID Card holders (dependents, retirees, active duty) who are American Citizens and are at least 18 years of age with a valid high school diploma or GED.

The program will run full time
(M-F, 0645-1615) from 11
January 2027 to 27 July 2027.
All classes must be attended;
no partial credit will be given.



For more information contact
the Red Cross at 719-526-7144



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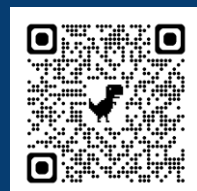
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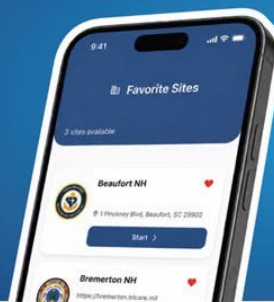


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1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

(New Shooters)
3:30 pm - 5:30 pm

**Free open shooting
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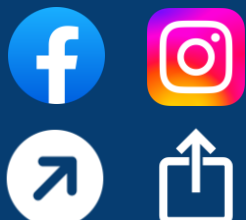
***Learn to Shoot Archery Clinics!
(or learn to shoot better)
For Veterans and
Active-Duty Service Members***

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ASR is accessible for wheelchairs.***

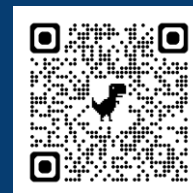
**Call (719)ARCHERY to reserve your spot.
(719)272-4379
or Cindy directly at 720-480-5946
2110 Busch Ave, Colorado Springs 80904**



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Gain the mental **Edge** you need to dominate your **Fitness** goals!

Aspiring gym-goers face cognitive demands that can stall the fitness journey. Army **READY** and **RESILIENT (R2)** Performance Teams provides the tools to sustain focus, manage fatigue, and perform at your peak: from first step to finishing a 5k.

Available anywhere - R2 Teams have options to meet your needs!



WHO?

You!

Individual Performance Coaching is open to all Soldiers, DoD Civilians or Family members interested in improving mental performance.

Regular Army, ARNG, USAR Soldiers, and their families are eligible for no-cost mental performance coaching anywhere in the world.



HOW

R2 Performance Coaches provide one-on-one coaching in person at installation performance centers, on location at relevant training sites, or remotely from your home or office.

R2 Performance Coaches work with you to identify your needs, prioritize skills and tools, and develop a tailored training plan to support your goals.



WHY?

Equip yourself to perform at your best!

- ✓ Boost physical endurance and stamina
- ✓ Overcome performance setbacks
- ✓ Maintain commitment to exercise

Your R2 Performance Teams can help you target exactly what you need to succeed.

Mental Readiness is within reach. Scan the QR code to download the Individual Mastery Performance Coaching (IMPC) consultation request form, or go here to learn more about what R2 Performance Teams can do for You or your Unit:

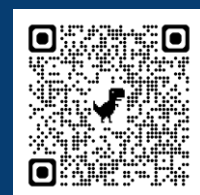
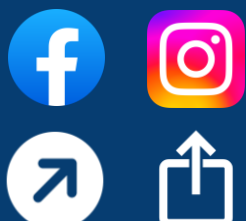


<https://www.armyresilience.army.mil/ard/r2/R2-Performance-center.html>



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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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JUNE 2026

Summer Program Schedule



	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
week 1	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.
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.
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.



JULY 2026

Summer Program Schedule



	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
week 5	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.
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
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
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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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.....

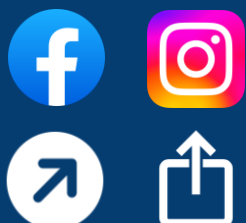


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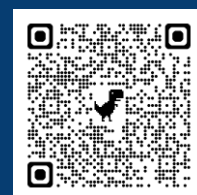
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FATHERING FOR LIFE

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

WEDNESDAYS JUN 17 - SEP 23

1530-1700 HOURS

1481 TITUS BLVD BLDG 7492



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



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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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