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AUGUST 5 2026



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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**

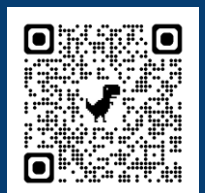


SCAN TO SIGN UP



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FRONT RANGE KUDOS

KIDS UNDERSTANDING DEPLOYMENT OPERATIONS

FREE EVENT!

BECOME PART OF THE MISSION. ★ VOLUNTEER!

KUDOS (Kids Understanding Deployment Operations) is one of the Front Range's premier military family events. Volunteers help create an unforgettable deployment experience for military-connected youth through hands-on activities, mentorship, teamwork, and encouragement. Whether you're leading a squad, supporting a mission station, or welcoming families home, you'll play a vital role in helping military children better understand their parent's service while building confidence, resilience, and lasting memories.

★ VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES ★



SQUAD LEADER

Guide a group of children through the deployment experience.



IN-PROCESSING TEAM

Welcome participants, check them in, and prepare them for their mission.



ACTIVITY STATION LEADER

Assist military agencies with interactive learning stations.



PDF LINE TEAM

Ensure safety and support as participants move through mission stations.



LUNCH & HYDRATION TEAM

Keep our young "deployers" fueled and cared for throughout the day.



WELCOME HOME CREW

Create a memorable welcome home experience for our returning families.



GENERAL VOLUNTEER

Fill in wherever extra hands are needed. Your time makes a huge impact!



DATE
SATURDAY,
AUGUST 22, 2026



EVENT HOURS
0800 – 1600
(Volunteer times vary
by position)



LOCATION
USAF ACADEMY
YOUTH CENTER
& JACKS VALLEY

READY TO JOIN ★ THE MISSION? ★

SCAN TO VOLUNTEER!



★ VOLUNTEER. INSPIRE. EMPOWER. ★



Questions? Contact

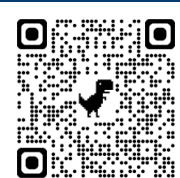


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**Backpack & School
Supply Giveaway**
Supplies Limited.

End of Summer DISCOVERY DAY

AUGUST 8TH
9 A.M. - 12 P.M.

FOR AGES 2-14



Sign Up!

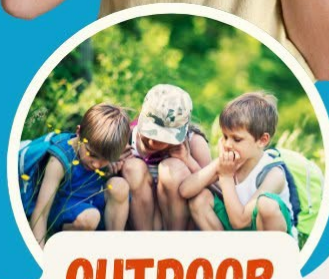
- COLOR WALK
AGES 2-8
- BACKPACK &
SCHOOL SUPPLIES
GIVEAWAY



COLOR WALK



S.T.E.A.M. FAIR
SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, ARTS & MATHEMATICS



**OUTDOOR
ACTIVITIES**

WESTSIDE COMMUNITY CENTER

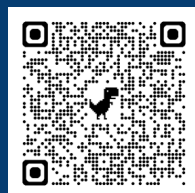
1628 W. BIJOU ST., COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 80904

SIGN UP FOR BACKPACK & SUPPLY GIVEAWAY:



OFF-POST EVENTS

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SUMMER IN SOUTHEAST

SATURDAY, AUG. 15TH
10AM - 2PM

Van Diest Park

1520 CHELTON ROAD • COLORADO SPRINGS, CO

FREE
FOOD
-BY-
BURGER
2GO

FAMILY
FUN
-AND-
GAMES

MUSIC
-BY-
DJ
HAMMER
SOUNDS

LEARN ABOUT THE 'GROW SHADE TOGETHER' PROGRAM
AND SEE IF YOUR HOME QUALIFIES FOR A FREE TREE

BROUGHT TO YOU BY



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Come & Learn About

Vroom

Free Day

at the

Buell Children's Museum!

FREE ENTRY TO BUELL CHILDREN'S MUSEUM

OUTDOOR GAMES | POPCORN | FREE GIFTS

TAKE HOME CRAFT PROJECTS

SPECIAL SCAVENGER HUNT

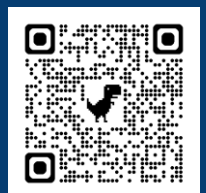
Sunday, August 23rd

12:00 PM — 4:00 PM



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FOOD DISTRIBUTION DATES & LOCATIONS



Fort Carson

600 Chiles Ave., Fort Carson

15 Aug 2026 | 10:00AM - 11:30AM



Fort Carson Prussman Chapel

BLDG 1850, Fort Carson

06, 13, 20, 27 Aug 2026

Thursdays | 5:30PM - 6:30PM



Norris Penrose Event Center Upper Lot

1125 W. Moreno St.

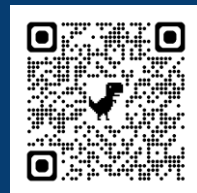
14 Aug 2026 | 10:00AM - 11:00AM

28 Aug 2026 | 10:00AM - 11:00AM



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MOBILE MARKET DISTRIBUTION

**GET FOOD -AT NO COST-
FOR YOU OR YOUR FAMILY**

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

WHERE: OLD Abrams Elementary
600 Chiles Ave.
Fort Carson, CO 80902

WHEN: 10:00 AM – 11:30 AM
July 11, August 15,
Sep 5, Sep 19,

DETAILS: Open to all ranks. Soldiers and families.
Single Soldiers and veterans.
NO COMMAND REFERRAL NEEDED



Drive Through
Food
Distribution



Every 3rd Thursday:
5/21, 6/18, 7/16, 8/20, 9/17



3:00-5:30pm



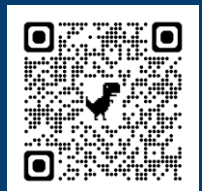
SPRINGS CHURCH PARKING LOT
1515 Auto Mall Loop, Colorado Springs, CO 80920

Dates and times are subject to change. Visit ppunitedway.org for updates.



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Prussman Chapel **FOOD PANTRY**

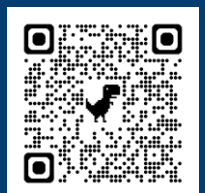
Every Thursday, 5:30 - 6:30 PM
 Building 1850, Prussman Blvd
 Fort Carson, CO

For more information, please email prussmanchapel@gmail.com



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★★★ FORT CARSON ★★★

CAREER SUMMIT

& Peterson SFB Networking Reception



Register now!



SEPTEMBER 16 - 17

Transitioning service members, veterans, military spouses, and military caregivers are welcome.

SEP 16	SEP 16	SEP 17	SEP 17
MILITARY SPOUSE WORKSHOPS	NETWORKING RECEPTION	TRANSITION WORKSHOPS	HIRING FAIR
10 AM - 2 PM	5 - 7 PM	9 AM - 12:30 PM	1:30 - 4 PM
Penrose House	Peterson SFB Hub Community Center	Elkhorn Conference Center	William Reed Special Events Center



RESOURCES





Discover, create, and explore with Blue Star Museums!



NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS
and BLUE STAR FAMILIES present
arts.gov/bluestarmuseums
BLUE STAR MUSEUMS

Free admission to nearly 2,000 museums now through Labor Day!
Just show your Military ID!

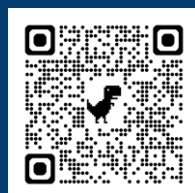
Free admission for ID holder and up to 5 family members per visit

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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**FORT CARSON
YOUTH CENTER PRESENTS**

FRIDAY NIGHT HOOPS

6-10 P.M.

FIRST FRIDAY EVERY MONTH

6181 WARE STREET

Bring your game and your friends for an epic night
at the Youth Center! Enjoy basketball tournaments,
prizes, pizza, drinks, and nonstop fun **ALL FREE OF CHARGE**

Open to registered Youth Center members (grades 6-12) and their guests.
Don't miss this night of friendly competition and good vibes!



More Events and Info at
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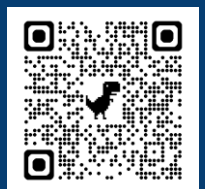
"Lead in Modernizing and Innovating to be the Army's premier installation to work, live, train, and thrive!"



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Homeschool 101

August 14 | 2 - 3 p.m.

Join your Colorado school liaisons and the Christian Homeschool Educators of Colorado (CHEC) for a fun and informative session packed with local homeschooling resources and tips on how to homeschool in Colorado.

Whether you're a seasoned homeschooler looking for fresh ideas or just starting out on your homeschooling journey, this **virtual workshop** is perfect for you.

**Register
Here:**



For more information,
contact 719-567-6176 or
50fss.fssl.slo@us.af.mil.

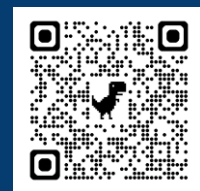


This event is open to DoD I.D. cardholders and their dependent family members.



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Spouse Meet-UP

Every Tuesday, 10:00–11:00am

Calling All Fort Carson Spouses!

Join ACS for this casual social, meet other spouses,
build friendships, learn about local resources,
share experiences and build community!
(children are welcome)

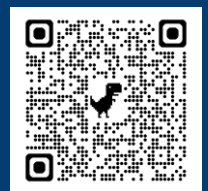
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Sign up:



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TWO MILES TO TOMORROW

SAVE THE DATE

SEP. 17 | 4:30 P.M. | IRON HORSE PARK



ASAP
ARMY SUBSTANCE
ABUSE PROGRAM

988

SUICIDE & CRISIS
LIFELINE



Two-mile community walk
Food trucks on-site
Open to all Fort Carson Soldiers, Families, and Civilians.

Questions?

POC: Johnny Strickland, johnny.j.strickland2.civ@army.mil



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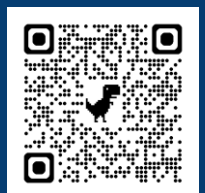


Iron Horse Park
6151 Elwell St.
Fort Carson, CO 80913



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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



RESOURCES





DEVELOPMENTAL SCREENING

FREE For Children Newborn–5 Years Old

September 3rd from 3:30–5:30 p.m.

Ivy Child Development Center

September 24th from 3:30–5:30 p.m.

YMCA, 2190 Jetwing Drive Colorado Springs

Hosted by Army Community Service (ACS), Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) in collaboration with The Resource Exchange and The New Parent Support Program

- Screening helps determine if a child is meeting developmental milestones
- Early identification can address potential concerns and support skill-building, strengths, and overall quality of life

**Service Animals welcome; Parents/guardians must remain with their children throughout the event.*

Registration HERE:

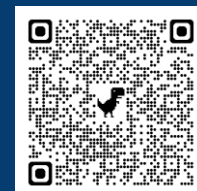


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YOUTH CENTER



A military fun place to spend time with friends, volunteers, participate in clubs, and more!

Fort Carson Youth 6th- 12th Grade
Free open recreation, clubs, snacks
and more!
School In (Monday - Friday 4-8 p.m.)
School Out (1-6 p.m.)

FOR MORE
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Youth Center
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Fort Carson CO, 80913

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EFMP 101

We Know the System. We can Help!

Learn the ins-and-outs of EFMP
How to enroll into EFMP
How EFMP can be beneficial to you and your family

10:00 am - 11:00 am

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**3rd Friday of
EVERY
Month**

Register Here:



Free and open to all DoD ID Card Holders

EFMP Exceptional
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WELCOME



Moving to a new installation can feel like scaling Pikes Peak, but you don't have to hike it alone!

- **Meet fellow spouses**
- **Get insider installation tips**
- **Grab a coffee with us!**

**25 JUL
22 AUG
19 SEP
24 OCT
9am-10am**

**04 AUG
15 SEP
5:30pm-
6:30pm**

FORT CARSON SPOUSE WELCOME

New View, New Community

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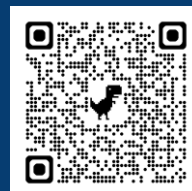


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Gain the mental **Edge** you need to dominate your **Fitness** goals!

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:

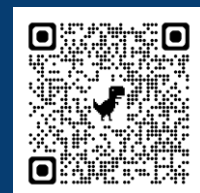


<https://www.armyresilience.army.mil/ard/r2/R2-Performance-center.html>



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Back to School Can Be Stressful.



MFLCs are Here to Help

CONFIDENTIAL & SHORT-TERM COUNSELING

One-On-One Support

Personalized guidance
for individuals

Couples Counseling

Strengthen
communication and
connections

Group Sessions

Connect, learn, and grow
together

Child & Youth Services

Support young minds
and families

Briefings & Presentations

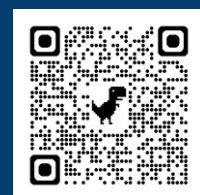
Tailored resources for
schools and units



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RESPITE CARE

Exceptional Family Member Program

Fort Carson

Respite Care provider positions available.
LPNs and RNs are encouraged to apply!

GenRev Strategies, combining GenRev Technologies and Strategic Resources Inc., is a full service provider with more than 30 years of experience in the Federal, military and commercial marketplaces, seeks caring individuals to Serve as Respite Care Providers (RCPs) for the Army's Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP).

RCP Levels 3 and 4 positions available.

Responsibilities include but are not limited to:

Must have a minimum of two years of employment experience working with children/youth in child care settings or with children/youth/adults with special needs to include bathing, toileting, dressing, feeding to include feeding EFM using Eating apparatuses such as feeding tubes.

To apply please send resume to:
wwickstrom@sri-hq.com



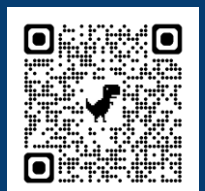
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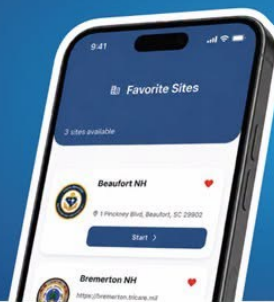
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Evans Army
Community
Hospital



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**Lessons Weekly on Friday's
(Experienced Shooters)**
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

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

**Free open shooting
all day Thursday!**

**Archery School of the Rockies
is proud to host:
FREE**

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

***Equipment & adaptive equipment provided.
ASR is accessible for wheelchairs.***

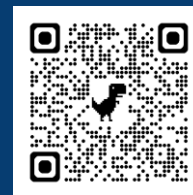
**Call (719)ARCHERY to reserve your spot.
(719)272-4379
or Cindy directly at 720-480-5946
2110 Busch Ave, Colorado Springs 80904**



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Fort Carson HEARTBEAT

Peer Support for Survivors of Suicide Loss

6:15pm the 2nd Tuesday of each month

Heartbeat Care and Share, a time for Heartbeat families and friends affected by suicide to connect.

Virtual ZOOM Meeting or In-person

6990 Mekong Bldg. 6215 Fort Carson

Contact for more information:

Angelika McShan

719-338-1796

gsdfriend2@gmail.com

Paul McShan

202-441-8580

paulmcshan@gmail.com



HEARTBEAT Survivors After Suicide, Inc.

www.heartbeatsurvivorsaftersuicide.org is a international non-profit organization affiliated with

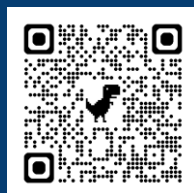
Suicide Prevention Partnership / Pikes Peak Region
American Association of Suicidology
American Foundation for Suicide Prevention
Suicide Prevention Coalition of Colorado

www.pikespeaksuicideprevention.org
www.suicidology.org
www.afsp.org
www.suicidepreventioncolorado.org



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FORT CARSON EMPLOYMENT READINESS PROGRAM AUGUST- DECEMBER 2026

NAVIGATING USAJOBS

Aug 25, 9:30-10:30
Sep 23, 1:30-2:30
Oct 21, 9:30-10:30

RESUME ESSENTIALS

Aug 5, 9:30-10:30
Sep 2, 1:30-2:30
Oct 1, 9:30-10:30
Nov 4, 1:30-2:30
Dec 2, 9:30-10:30

FEDERAL RESUME 101

Aug 26, 9:30-10:30
Sep 24, 1:30-2:30
Oct 22, 9:30-10:30

INTERVIEW SKILLS & TECHNIQUES

Aug 11, 9:30-10:30
Sep 8, 1:30-2:30
Oct 6, 9:30-10:30
Nov 10, 1:30-2:30
Dec 8, 9:30-10:30

FEDERAL EMPLOYMENT TOOLS

Aug 12, 9:30-11:00
Sep 9, 1:30-3:00
Oct 7, 9:30-11:00
Nov 18, 1:30-3:00
Dec 9, 9:30-11:00

INTRODUCTION TO ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Aug 27, 8:00-4:00
Oct 29, 8:00-4:00
Dec 10, 8:00-4:00

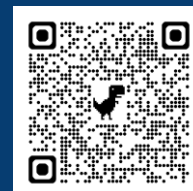


Scan QR Code to register



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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



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MOUNTAIN POST HORSEPOWER

Hangout



Join us for a fun-filled day of cars, community,
and family-friendly activities for all ages.

August 8 | 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. | Iron Horse Park



Car Show Registration: \$30 Active Duty | \$40 Civilians

Registration & Check-In: 9–10 a.m. | Registration Deadline: August 8

Event Highlights:

- Car Show Judging: 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
- Awards Ceremony: 2 p.m.
- Kids' Car Show: 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
No registration required. Bring your own toy car.

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