

# **Army Volunteer Corps**



The Army Volunteer Corps is your destination to volunteer opportunities on and off Fort Carson, and throughout our community. Fort Carson is home to more than 6,000 volunteers, contributing nearly 200,000 hours annually. This selfless service is equivalent to \$4 million. Join the force and make a difference!

Volunteering within Army Community Service (ACS)	Volunteering within ACS offers volunteers enriching and fulfilling service opportunities further supporting the ACS mission of commitment to excellence. These opportunities empower volunteers with Fort Carson and community program resources and services. Volunteers have the opportunity expand, hone or build their skillset and connect with dynamic teams!  Come in and speak to the ACS Volunteer Coordinator opportunities. Volunteer Position Descriptions can be found in VMIS.
Make a Difference Day (MADD)	Make a Difference Day (MADD) is an annual National Volunteer Day dedicated to helping others a celebration of 'Neighbors helping Neighbors.' On the fourth Saturday of October, millions of volunteers participate in community projects. Every year more than 3 million people help complete thousands of projects in hundreds of towns and communities around the United States.
On-Post Volunteer Opportunities	There are a number of on-post volunteer opportunities with our partners. Our on-post partners include: the American Red Cross, Army Community Service, Fountain-Fort Carson District 8 Schools (on-post schools), Mountain Post Spouses' Club & Thrift Shop, Mountain Post Santa's Workshop, Tumbleweeds at the Mountain Post, USO at Fort Carson, Warrior's Warehouse, Fort Carson Units and more! For the full list of on post volunteer opportunities, visit our webpage.
Off-Post Volunteer Opportunities	Catholic Charities, Care and Share, Colorado Springs Promise Food Distribution, Citizen's Project, Humane Society of the Pikes Peak Region, Salvation Army, Silver Key, Pikes Peak United Way, and many more! For the full list of off post volunteer opportunities, visit our webpage.
Operation Good Samaritan ( for off- post, non-profit)	Fort Carson has a volunteer umbrella position which covers all off-post volunteer service opportunities called <b>Fort Carson Operation Good Samaritan</b> . Under this position, your volunteer hours can be tracked through the Volunteer Management Information System (VMIS). Build your official Volunteer Service Record at <a href="https://vmis.armyfamilywebportal.com">https://vmis.armyfamilywebportal.com</a> . For more information, visit our webpage!
Fort Carson Volunteer Award Recognition Programs	Annual Recognition Ceremony, Quarterly and Immediate Recognition Programs: Commanding General's Certificate of Appreciation, Exemplary Service Award, Youth and Adult Volunteers of the Year, Steadfast and Loyal Hall of Fame Volunteer, and Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal (MOVSM). Volunteers of the Quarter (VOQ) are also recognized quarterly through a nomination process.
VMIS: Volunteer Management Information System	VMIS is for volunteers & Organizational Points of Contact (OPOCs) / Volunteer Coordinators to register, track, verify, and log service hours. An in-person training for volunteers and OPOCs is held the last Wednesday of every month,1:30-3:00pm, at the ACS Main Center.  To learn how to get started, how to select a position, and how to enter volunteer hours, visit our website and check out the <i>Quick VMIS How To Resource Guide</i> or contact AVC: 719.526.1082 / 526.8303
Types of Volunteers	Statutory Volunteers are those volunteers authorized by federal statute (10 USC 1588) to provide services in certain Department of Defense activities such as MWR, family programs, museums, chaplain, child care, etc. Statutory volunteers, when acting within the scope of their position description, are provided certain benefits by law such as worker's compensation.
	<b>Private Organization Volunteers</b> are part of non-federal entities authorized to operate on the installation. These organizations contribute to the overall installation mission, but their volunteers are not considered statutory. All liability for incidents/accidents or injury to the volunteer are the responsibility of the private organization.
	<b>Gratuitous Service Volunteers</b> provide services to organizations not covered under the federal statute, and do so with no expectation of compensation or benefit coverage.











## Fort Carson Organizations Where You Can Volunteer

#### **Fort Carson Agencies/Directorates**

Army Community Service (ACS)

Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation (DFMWR)

Directorate of Human Resources (DHR)

Directorate of Public Works (DPW)

Fort Carson Museum

Religious Support Office (RSO)

Multi-media Visual Information (DPTMS)

Public Affairs Office (PAO)

Staff Judge Advocate (SJA)

## Soldier Family Readiness Groups (SFRGs)

1<sup>st</sup> Space Brigade

1<sup>st</sup> SBCT, 4ID

2<sup>nd</sup> IBCT, 4ID

3<sup>rd</sup> ABCT, 4ID

4<sup>th</sup> CAB, 4ID

4<sup>th</sup> SFAB, 4ID

4<sup>th</sup> EN

627<sup>th</sup> Hospital Center

71<sup>st</sup> Ordnance Group

759<sup>th</sup> MP Battalion

10<sup>th</sup> SFG (A)

HHBN, 4ID

DIVARTY, 4ID

MEDDAC/VET/DENTAC

Special Operations Command North (SOCNORTH)

Wounded Transition Battalion (WTB)



For VMIS classes, resources & materials.



To create a VMIS account, apply & search for positions & enter hours.

# Private Organizations / Non-Profit Organizations Where You Can Volunteer

American Red Cross (ARC)

Catholic Charities

Fountain-Fort Carson School District 8

Fort Carson Boy Scouts - Troop 164

Fort Carson Cub Scouts - Pack 264

Fort Carson Girl Scouts - Service Unit 417

Fort Carson Operation Good Samaritan--

GOS Fort Carson Knights of Columbus,

Council 15269 Fort Carson Retiree Council

Mountain Post Spouses' Club & Thrift Shop

Mountain Post Santa's Workshop

Mt. Carmel Veteran Services

Silver Kev

Tumbleweeds at the Mountain Post

**USO** at Fort Carson

Warriors Warehouse & more...



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