

The U.S. Army Community and Family Support Center (CFSC)

Mission: As a Field Operating Agency under the Assistant Chief of Staff for Installation Management, The U.S. Army Community and Family Support Center's (CFSC) foremost mission is to develop and formulate plans, strategies and standards for [Morale, Welfare and Recreation](#) (MWR) and Family programs and services.

CFSC has oversight of 167 missions from all aspects of child care and families to athletics, renovation and construction design and management, legal and statutory oversight, and Non-Appropriated Fund employee benefits and retirement. CFSC also directly operates four world-class Armed Forces Recreation Centers, a world-wide recreation gaming machine program and the World Class Athlete Program.

The U.S. Army Community and Family Support Center was established as a Field Operating Agency by General Order Number 40 on Nov. 23, 1984, by then Army Chief of Staff Gen. John A. Wickham Jr.

[CFSC](#) helps Soldiers and their families thrive through a robust network of Soldier and family support programs including Army Community Service; child care; youth services; financial counseling; spouse employment programs; sports and recreation opportunities; MWR support to deployed Soldiers; instruction in Army basics, lifestyle and culture; and Family Readiness Groups, among others.

Programs and Services highlights:

- [The Family and Soldier Readiness System](#) provides commanders with an integrated chain of support from Army Community Service, family assistance centers, Family Readiness Groups, rear detachments, Child and Youth Services, and other military and community resources.
- [The virtual FRG system](#) is designed to provide all of the functionality of traditional FRGs in an ad-hoc and online setting. Each unit's site has an FRG Administrator who may be the unit's RDC or an FRG Leader who the RDC designated to maintain the site.
- [Army child care](#) supports Soldiers and their families with a service proclaimed as a "Model for the Nation" with more than 400 facilities and 2,800 Family Child Care homes worldwide. Providers are assessed and accredited by professional civilian organizations. The Army shares the cost of this valuable service with Army families to ensure child care is affordable for all Army families.
- [Army Clubs, Food, Beverage and Entertainment](#), operations including Army branded/theme restaurants, are an integral part of business operations in Army communities and contribute essential funding to support MWR programs. The Army operates 227 worldwide CFBE facilities with a wide variety of programs and services enhancing unit readiness and supporting community social needs.
- [Army Lodging](#) operations at 80 garrison locations support the Army Lodging mission to provide customer-focused, mission-driven lodging and hospitality services that support the readiness of the total defense force worldwide. The Army's Lodging Success Program saves official travelers millions of dollars annually through reduced room rates that averaged 20 percent below area lodging per diem rates.
- [Army Community Recreation](#) provides mission sustaining fitness, recreation and library programs including community centers; aquatics activities; cardiovascular, strength and flexibility activities; competitive sports; and reference and research services. Community support programs include outdoor recreation programs and equipment, travel information, Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers, arts and crafts, performing arts and entertainment, and recreation.
- Core MWR programs are expanding to increase child care availability, increase Army Community Service support to the Guard and Reserve, deploy sports and physical fitness personnel and equipment downrange, and tailor more promotions and events to garrison business operations in order to maintain community cohesiveness and morale.