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Director's NOTE



Spring has arrived and with it comes amazing MWR family events! Get your kids into the sport of golf at Underwood Golf Course. The **PGA Jr. League** is a great way to introduce junior golfers ages 4-13 to competitive golf. PGA coaches will provide instruction on the golf swing, rules of golf, and etiquette.

Enjoy the beautiful weather with the New Parent Support Team at **Dad's Day at the Park**. This event is geared toward ages 0-3 and this year it's all about Dr. Suess! Bring the kids and grab a book for reading time in the sun! Come see what Fort Bliss is all about at the **Armed Forces Day Parade**. Watch as Fort Bliss and the El Paso community march down the historic street on Sheridan Road! Then, head on down toward Smith-Bliss Field and enjoy

all the fun and excitement! There will be Military working dog demonstrations, Military static displays, inflatables, food truck court, music, games and more!

Finish out the month of June at our largest event of the year- **Pop Goes the Fort!** Independence Day comes early this year at Fort Bliss with some major changes. We've moved the event off the holiday so families can enjoy all the 4th of July events planned within the El Paso community, too. Another big change is the addition of headliner, Sugar Ray, so make plans to join us on June 28th at Biggs Park!

And this is why, It's Better at Bliss!

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and endless
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Looking for a tasty lunch or a quick caffeine boost? One of our favorite Fort Bliss MWR facilities has you covered with daily lunch specials, a full coffee bar, and a variety of delicious lunch options to satisfy any craving. **MONDAY-THURSDAY: 9AM-8PM • SATURDAY: 2-8PM • CLOSED SUNDAY**

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ABOUT THE COVER:

Get ready for an unforgettable Independence Day celebration at Pop Goes The Fort on June 28th, 2025, filled with live music, featuring SUGAR RAY, the iconic rock band known for their catchy hits like "Fly", "Every Morning", and "Someday." Enjoy an explosive fireworks finale in a beautiful setting that you and your family will not want to miss.

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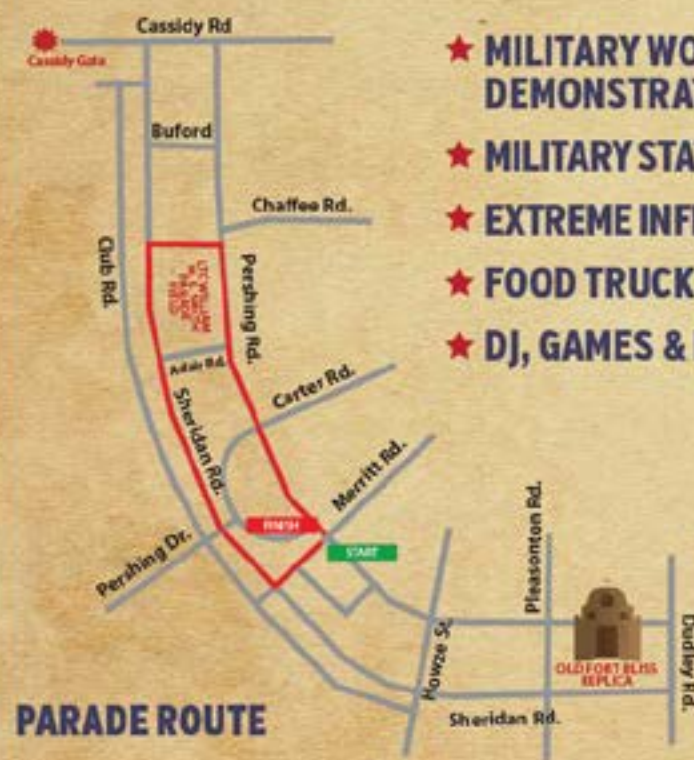
ARMED FORCES DAY PARADE



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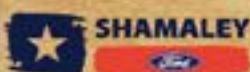
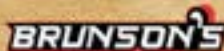
MAY 17
PARADE 10AM

★ **LTC WILLIAM W. S. BLISS**
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PARADE ROUTE



MONTHLY
CALENDAR

MAY
EVENTS THIS

3 Armed Forces Day 5K

9-11am | Soto PFC

3 Summer Fun Kids Run

9-11:30am | Bliss Smith Field

3 ACS Teen Hiring Fair Prep Class

9-12pm | ACS

3 Dads Day in the Park

9-11am | Biggs Park

5 Co-ed Youth Volleyball Tournament

5-7:30pm | Youth Sports Plex

9 Spouses Night Out

2-6pm | FRC

10 Spring Tennis Tournament & Carnival

8:30am-12pm | Tennis Club

10 Trifecta at Underwood

8am-2pm | Underwood Golf Course

10 Wine Tour

11:15am-7pm | Outdoor Rec

11 Mother's Day Bowling Special

All Day | Desert Strike Lanes

17 Armed Forces Day Parade

10am-2pm | Smith Bliss Field

17 Trap Match

9am- 2:30pm | Rod & Gun Club

17 ACS Teen Hiring Fair

9am-12pm | ACS Ball Room

31 Slot Canyon & Farmers Market

8am-12pm | SAC

ONGOING PROGRAMS

Cycling Challenge

Wednesdays: May 1-August 31
Soldier Activity Center

Spouses Welcome

Every third Tuesday: 9am
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MASSAGING MAMAS

Mother's Day is just around the corner, and what better way to show appreciation for the amazing mothers in your life than with the gift of relaxation? Starting **MAY 4-10** from 8am-8pm Treat her to a rejuvenating Deep Tissue Massage that targets tension, reduces stress, and promotes overall well-being. This special Mother's Day offer is the perfect way to unwind & indulge! For more information, call 915-744-5790.



THE TRIFECTA AT UNDERWOOD

Grab your best golf partner and come out to Underwood Golf Course **SATURDAY, MAY 10** from 8am-2pm and play the Trifecta Tournament!

This 2 person tournament consists of 6 holes best ball, 6 holes scramble, and 6 holes alternate shot. Lunch and awards will follow play. The cost is \$70 per person. For more information, call 915-568-1059 or visit the Pro Shop to register.



PAINT & SIP

Paint, Sip, and let your creativity flow! Join us **SATURDAY, MAY 17** from 11:15am-6pm for a fun-filled Paint and Sip event hosted by Art and Hobby at Rio Grande Winery! Enjoy an artistic afternoon for just \$40, which includes transportation from the Soldier Activity Center (meeting at 11am), art supplies, and the experience of painting in a beautiful winery setting. Registration is required. For more information/reservations, call 915-744-1532.



ARMED FORCES DAY 5K

Are you ready to honor the brave men and women of our military while staying active? The Armed Forces 5K Run, hosted by Fort Bliss MWR Sports, Fitness & Aquatics team on **SATURDAY, MAY 3** at 9am, is your chance to lace up for a cause that truly matters. The cost is \$10 and late registration is open from May 2-May 3 at Soto PFC. Call 915-744-5798 for more info.

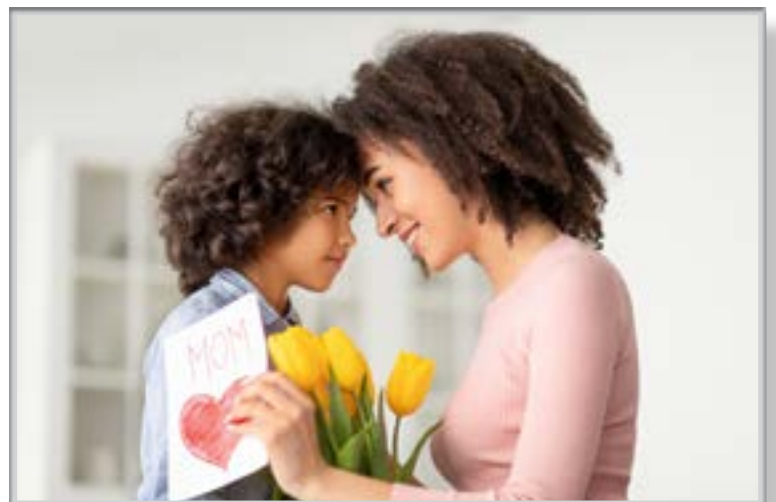
MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH

Celebrate Mother's Day with brunch on **SUNDAY, MAY 11**, at the Centennial Banquet and Conference Center, 11199 Sgt. E Churchill St. Indulge in breakfast favorites, lunch classics, and luscious desserts, along with complimentary wine, champagne, or mimosas. Prices are \$34.95 for adults, \$17.95 for kids aged 5-10, and free for children 4 and under. Reservations required, call 915-744-8427 by Friday, May 9.



OIL CHANGE SPECIAL

This **MAY**, get your vehicle ready for summer vacation with Fort Bliss Auto Craft's Oil Change Special! Prices start at \$42.50 for synthetic blend and \$46.25 for full synthetic, including a summer tire pressure check and a top-off of all fluids. For more details, call 915-568-7280.



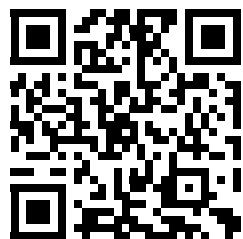


FMWR PBO

Excess Equipment Sales

Join FMWR PBO for an online auction! Items for sale include sporting equipment, appliances, vehicles, and more.

Bidding happens the first 2 weeks of every month.



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2 **Youth Sports Kickball & Basketball**
5-7:30 | Youth Sports Plex

6 **EFMP Summer Break Movie Night**
4-6pm | ACS Ballroom

7 **Open Basketball Summer League**
Saturdays: 8am | Logan PFC

9 **Youth Sports Summer Camps**
8am-1pm | Youth Sports Plex

10 **Mixed Doubles Season**
Varies | Fort Bliss Tennis Club

14 **US Open Challenge Golf Tournament**
8am-2pm | Underwood Golf

14 **Hustle & Muscle Challenge**
8:30-11:30am | Youth Sports Plex

14 **Army's 250 Splash Bash**
12-4pm | Freedom Crossing

15 **Father's Day Bowling Special**
All Day | Desert Strike Lanes

21 **Kayak the Rio/Farmers Market**
8am-5pm | Truth or Consequences, NM

21 **Spin into Summer**
9-10:30am | Soto PFC

23 **Junior Tennis Summer Camp**
8-10am | Fort Bliss Tennis Club

28 **Pop Goes the Fort**
Gates open at 4pm | Biggs Park



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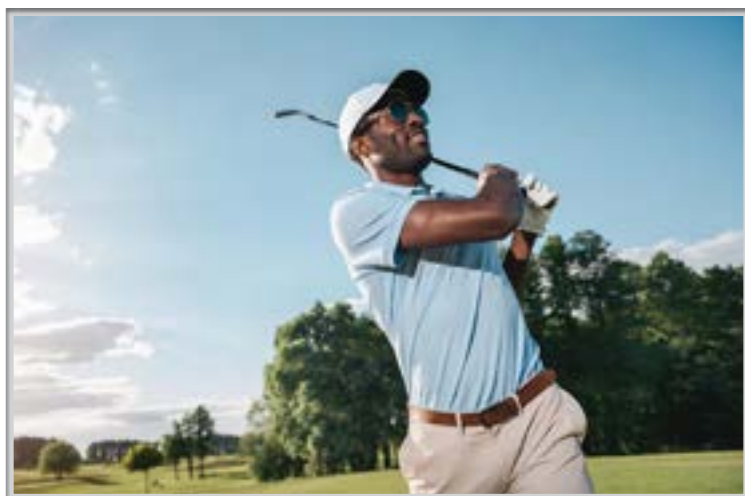
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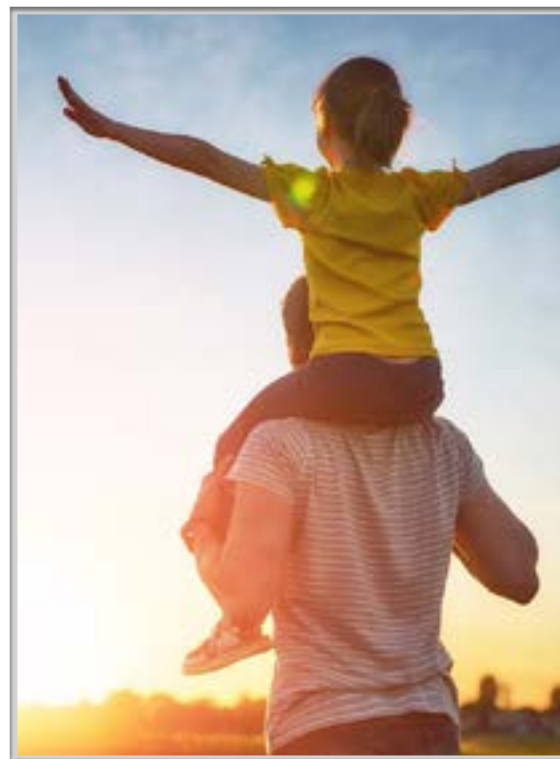
COMMANDER'S CUP SOFTBALL

The Commander's Cup Softball League kicks off on **JUN 2 - JUL 31** at the Omar Bradley Softball Complex, 2968 Carter Rd. Games are held Monday through Thursday, starting at 6pm, and it's free to participate. A coach's meeting will take place on May 27 at 6pm at the Soldier Activity Center. Active-Duty unit-level teams can register with the MWR Sports office at Soto Gym or call 915-744-5785.



US OPEN CHALLENGE

Join the U.S. Open Challenge on **SATURDAY, JUN. 14**, at Underwood Golf! This two-person golf tournament features an 18-hole Scramble format with an 8am shotgun start. Enjoy lunch and prizes after the game and stay to watch the U.S. Open on every TV in the Golden Tee restaurant. The cost is \$70, and registration is required. Sign up at the Underwood Golf Complex Pro Shop or call 915-568-1059.



FATHER'S DAY BRUNCH

Celebrate Father's Day with brunch on **SUNDAY, JUN. 15**, at the Centennial Banquet and Conference Center, 11199 Sgt. E Churchill St. Indulge in breakfast favorites, lunch classics, and luscious desserts, along with complimentary wine, champagne, or mimosas. Prices are \$34.95 for adults, \$17.95 for kids aged 5-10, and free for children 4 and under. Reservations required, call 915-744-8427 by Friday, June 13.



POP GOES THE FORT

Pop Goes the Fort gets loud and proud this year as we welcome Sugar Ray on **SATURDAY, JUN. 28!** Enjoy a day of fun with family and friends at this Family and MWR event. Gates open at 4 p.m. with food trucks, beverage stations, and glow merchandise available for purchase. Experience high-energy performances by Free Daps, 1st Armored Division Band and Sugar Ray, immediately followed by a spectacular fireworks display! Guests are welcome to bring picnic baskets, blankets, coolers, and lawn chairs. Please note that outside alcoholic beverages, glass containers, and pets are not allowed at the park. This event is free and open to the public, be sure to get your community access pass to get on the installation. Children 10 & under are required to secure an ID bracelet upon entering. For more information, call 915-588-8247.



PAMPERING PAPAS

From **JUN 5- JUN 15**, between 8am and 8pm, treat a special man this Father's Day to a Deep Tissue Massage. It's the perfect way to relax and show appreciation for all their hard work—whether they're soothing sore muscles or simply unwinding. Celebrate the dedication of dads with this stress-melting experience. For more information, call 915-744-5790.



SUMMER HEAT A/C RECHARGE

This **JUNE**, take advantage of Ft Bliss Auto Craft's special AC recharge offer! Enjoy a \$40 savings with labor starting at just \$80 (freon and parts costs vary). Now servicing 2016 or newer vehicles requiring R-1234 freon (electric and hybrid vehicles excluded). Prices vary by vehicle. For more details, call 915-568-7280.



GET THE ATTENTION OF A CAPTIVE AUDIENCE:

**Top Advertising
and Sponsorship
Opportunities at
Fort Bliss!**

Fort Bliss, home to a large military community, provides unique and high impact opportunities for businesses and organizations to reach an immense, engaged audience. With a total population served reaching close to 163,000, including military personnel, family members, and civilians. Fort Bliss offers unparalleled access to a diverse demographic. Whether you're looking to advertise through physical placements or sponsor large-scale events, we offer numerous avenues to boost your brand's visibility.

Fort Bliss sees significant traffic daily, with over 213,000 vehicles passing through our busiest gate. Additionally, the post's largest gym — the most immense in the Army — welcomes an average of 500,000 visitors every month, providing a prime location for advertisers to connect with an active audience. Our **bliss.armymwr.com** website also garners 350,000+ impressions per month, ensuring your brand can reach a vast number of individuals, both on and off the installation.

Advertising Opportunities

There are various ways to advertise at Fort Bliss, including but not limited to:

- Outdoor Banners at Gates: Positioned at key entry points, these banners ensure your brand is visible to thousands of service members, families, and visitors.
- Wall Clings Inside Facilities: Enhance visibility in high-traffic indoor areas, such as gyms, community centers & various MWR facilities in Fort Bliss.
- Poster and Flyer Placement: Distribute your promotional materials in strategic locations around the installation.
- Digital Screens: with a total of 22 different locations around East and West Bliss this is the perfect way to create brand awareness.

Event Sponsorship Opportunities

Fort Bliss hosts several special events throughout the year which draw large crowds and offer prime sponsorship opportunities. Pop Goes the Fort, our 4th of July Celebration is by far our largest event of the year, hosting close to 30,000 attendees. People from Fort bliss and the surrounding communities come together to celebrate Independence Day with us, enjoying a concert and ending with a firework spectacular! Sponsoring such a high-profile event ensures your brand is front and center at a memorable occasion.

From outdoor banners and digital impressions to high-visibility event sponsorships, there are numerous ways to enhance your brand's visibility while engaging with a dedicated community. Whether you're seeking to advertise or sponsor an event, Fort Bliss is a prime location to achieve your marketing goals. If you would like to learn more about upcoming events or advertising opportunities, please reach out to 915-568-3415/915-568-6078.



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MAKING A SPLASH:

SWIM LESSONS FOR YOUTH!

BY FORT BLISS MWR MARKETING

Learning to swim is a vital life skill, and the Aquatics team offers comprehensive swim lessons for all ages and abilities. The program starts with Parent/Child lessons for children aged 6 months to 3 years, fostering a bond between parent and child while building water comfort. Parents are guided in how to safely lead the learning process. Pre-School Levels 1–3 for ages 3 to 6 years, focuses on water safety and foundational skills like submerging, floating, and gliding. Level 3 introduces treading water, rotary breathing, and coordinated arm and leg movements.

Once these basics are mastered, children progress to the Learn-to-Swim program, which spans six levels. These range from beginner water skills and stroke development to stroke refinement and advanced techniques, providing a structured path for young swimmers to grow. Adults aren't left out—lessons are available for Active-Duty soldiers and civilians at beginner, intermediate, and advanced levels.

Learning to swim isn't just a fun activity—it's a powerful tool for safety and confidence. Studies have shown that formal swim lessons can reduce the risk of drowning by an incredible 88%, giving families peace of mind while kids and adults alike enjoy the water. By teaching essential skills early on, the Aquatics program not only creates strong swimmers but also encourages a lifelong love and respect for aquatic environments. It's a step toward a safer and happier community, one lesson at a time!

Scan the QR code to learn more or call 915-741-5901/915-568-7431.



POOL SEASON

**All outdoor pools will open:
Saturday, May 3rd. Weekends
only until Memorial Day!**

- **Community Pool: 10am** **May be delayed pending repairs needed.*
- **Soldier Activity Center
Pool (18+): 12pm**

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hours of operation and pool fees





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ARMY TRIALS

ARMY ADAPTIVE SPORTS COMPETITION



BY FORT BLISS MWR MARKETING

This year, Fort Bliss MWR had the honor of hosting the Army Trials, a powerful and inspiring event showcasing the strength, resilience, and determination of wounded, ill, and injured Soldiers and Veterans. The Army Trials serve as a qualifying event for athletes hoping to earn a spot on Team Army for the Department of Defense Warrior Games.

Watching these incredible athletes compete across multiple adaptive sports was more than just exciting—it was deeply moving. Their stories of perseverance and courage brought a renewed sense of purpose and pride to everyone involved. Fort Bliss was truly humbled to provide the support and setting for such a meaningful event. It was a heartwarming reminder of the strength of the human spirit and the power of community.

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MAY 10, 2025

Sign In Starts: 9:30a

Race Starts: 10:30a

Awards: 3:30p



Sign Up to Race, Volunteer, or Donate!
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THE ARMY FAMILY ACTION PLAN:

Your Voice, Your Army, Your Future

BY FORT BLISS MWR MARKETING

The Army Family Action Plan (AFAP) is more than just a program; it's a powerful tool designed to improve the lives of Soldiers, their families, and Army civilians. It's a direct line of communication to Army leadership, ensuring your concerns are heard and acted upon. AFAP

Issues are categorized into seven areas: Soldier Support, Family Support, Military Healthcare, Civilian Support, Survivor Support and Caregiver Support.

Here's what the AFAP can do for you:

- 1. Be a Voice for Change:** The AFAP empowers you to identify and raise issues impacting your well-being and quality of life. Whether it's about childcare, healthcare, spouse employment, or any other concern, your voice matters.
- 2. Drive Real Solutions:** The AFAP doesn't just listen; it acts. Issues raised through the program are reviewed at various levels, with the goal of developing and implementing tangible solutions. This can lead to policy changes, new programs, and improved services.
- 3. Connect with Resources:** The AFAP process connects you with valuable resources and support networks within the Army community. You'll find information, guidance, and assistance to navigate challenges and access the benefits you deserve.
- 4. Build a Stronger Army Community:** By participating in the AFAP, you contribute to creating a stronger and more resilient Army community. Your input helps shape the future of the Army and ensures it remains an organization that values and supports its people.

How does the AFAP work?

The process is simple and accessible:

1. Identify an Issue: Recognize a problem or area for improvement that affects you or your community.

2. Submit your Issue: You can submit your issue through various channels, including online forms, AFAP meetings, or by contacting your local Army Community Service (ACS) center.

3. Issue Review: Your issue will be reviewed and prioritized based on its impact and scope.

4. Action and Implementation: If your issue is selected for action, it will be assigned to the appropriate agency for resolution. You will be kept informed of the progress made.

AFAP has a proven track record of success. Over the years, it has led to significant improvements throughout the Army and here at Fort Bliss, including:

- Expansion of childcare options
- Improvements in healthcare access and quality
- Enhanced spouse employment and education opportunities
- Increased support for families during deployments
- Dynamic speed signs installed around high traffic areas
- Building a carwash on base as a safer location

Don't hesitate to make your voice heard! AFAP is your platform to shape the future of the Army and ensure it remains a supportive and rewarding environment for Soldiers, families, and civilians alike.

To learn more about the AFAP and how to get involved, visit Army Community Service, Family Resilience Center Building at 250 Club Rd. or call 915-569-5500. You may also visit the Army Family Action Plan website at <https://ims.armyfamilywebportal.com/> for more information or to submit an issue. Scan the QR Code to submit an issue with your mobile device.



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Stout PFC • 2930 Cassidy Rd.

3 Indoor Courts, all equipment can be checked out free of charge at facility front desk. Info: 915-568-3264.

Milam PFC • 11896 Hann Rd.

1 Indoor Court, all equipment can be checked out free of charge. Info: 915-568-7318.

Biggs Park • 11388 Sgt Major Blvd.

1 outdoor court, all equipment can be checked out at the park office. Info: 915-744-8087.

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From the Frontlines to Firelines:

How One Soldier Reignited a Rural Texas Fire Department

When a nearly defunct fire department in rural Texas was on the brink of collapse, one combat medic answered the call—off-duty and off-base.

BY BONNIE CONRAD,
PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER

"They told me it was done. I said, 'Let's start over.' That was the moment everything changed. The local volunteer fire department in northern Hudspeth County, Texas, had all but disappeared. With only two active volunteers and response times stretching up to 90 minutes, it was a community risk waiting to happen.

That's when U.S. Army Combat Medic Staff Sergeant Nicholas Rudl stepped up—not because he had the time, but because he had the heart.

Already serving full-time with 6-1 Cav, 1/1 AD, SSG Rudl didn't see an abandoned department. He saw an opportunity to serve again—in a different uniform.

On December 1, 2024, SSG Rudl took the helm as Fire Chief for Northwest County Volunteer Fire Department and began what could only be called a tactical rescue mission. He knew that saving the department meant more than new gear or a fresh coat of paint. It meant rebuilding trust. Fast.

So he turned to the people he trusted most: his fellow soldiers. Word spread across Fort Bliss, and in what can only be described as a grassroots act of service, a team began to form. Today, the department is powered by 11 active-duty soldiers, one retired soldier, and one active-duty military spouse—each bringing their unique strengths to the mission.

Their roster includes:

- Chief Nicholas Rudl (SSG)
- Assistant Chief Matthew Brougher (Retired Army)
- Deputy Chief Ryan Smith (Captain)
- Captain Bonnie Conrad (Military Spouse)
- Lieutenant Will Lozano (SPC)
- SSG Andrew Bullock
- PFC Aiden Davies
- SPC Josh Hunter
- SPC Patrick Rieg
- SPC Jordy Santiago
- SPC Lalo Sepulveda
- SFC Joby Stokes
- SGT LJ Sanchez

No pay. No glamour. Just service.

Today, this once-silent department now roars with purpose. Every call is answered. Every emergency met head-on. And the residents of Desert Haven, Loma Linda, and Cornudas? They're no longer waiting an hour for help to arrive.

Running a fire department as active-duty personnel means juggling drills, deployments, and daily readiness. But it also means discipline, leadership, and mission-first focus.

"Our team operates with a military mindset—efficient, fast, and always accountable," Chief Rudl explains. "We've brought our training to the fire line, and we're building new skills every day."

The volunteers undergo regular drills, joint-agency training, and wildfire preparedness workshops. And with nearly 1,100 square miles of rugged West Texas terrain to cover, they're always preparing for the next call—whether it's a structure fire, a medical emergency, or a brush fire in the backcountry.

Among the crew is a military spouse who proves service isn't limited to those in uniform. She joined not only to support the community but to support the mission of her fellow military families. Her presence reminds everyone that community resilience takes all hands—and all hearts.

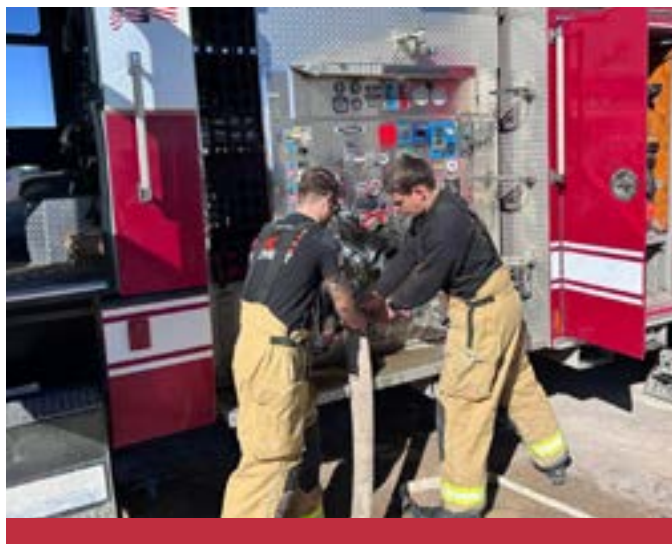
What started as one soldier's act of commitment has become a blueprint for rebuilding trust and service in forgotten corners of America. The Northwest County Volunteer Fire Department isn't just operational—it's thriving.

And they're only getting started.

The team is now focused on strengthening community involvement and investing in the continued growth of its volunteers. Plans are underway to expand training opportunities and mentorship programs within the department—ensuring that each firefighter not only sharpens their emergency response skills but also deepens their connection to the community they serve.

Assistant Chief Brougher put it best:

"It's more than just providing a viable, trained, quality service to the community—it's also about leaving a legacy after we're gone."



SUMMER CAMPS



YOUTH SPORTS:

Tee Ball Camp

June 9-13 • 9am-10am

Ages: 3-6 • Cost: \$25

Soccer Camp

June 9-13 • 8:30am-10:30am

Ages: 5+ • Cost: \$25

Water Wednesday Camp

June 11,18,25 • 9am-10am

Ages: 5-15 • Cost: \$20

Little Ballers Camp

June 9-13 • 10am-11am

Ages: 3-6 • Cost: \$25

UTEP Volleyball Camp

June 9-13 • 11:30am-2pm

Ages: 10-14 • Cost: \$25

Sports Beginnings Camp

June 16-20 • 9am-10:30am

Ages: 3-6 • Cost: \$25

Obstacle Course Challenge

June 16-20 • 9am-11am

Ages: 7-12 • Cost: \$25

Junior Ballers Camp

June 16-20 • 11am-1pm

Ages: 7-12 • Cost: \$25

Bump/Pass/Serve Camp

June 16-20 • 1:30pm-2:30pm

Ages: 8-11 • Cost: \$25

All Skills Training Volleyball Camp

June 23-27 • 9am-10:30am

Ages: 8-11 • Cost: \$25

Extreme Sports Camp

June 23-27 • 9am-10:30am

Ages: 6-10 • Cost: \$25

Basketball Camp

June 23-27 • 11am-1pm

Ages: 13+ • Cost: \$25

Sports Beginnings Camp

June 23-27 • 1pm-2:30pm

Ages: 3-6 • Cost: \$25

Warriors Tournament Basketball

July 1 & 3 • 9am-11am • Ages: 5-8

July 1 & 3 • 11:30am-1:30pm • Ages: 9-12

July 1 & 3 • 2pm-3:30pm • Ages: 13+

Warriors Tournament Volleyball

June 30 & July 2 • 9am-11am • Ages: 8-11

June 30 & July 2 • 12pm-3pm • Ages: 12-16

Water Wednesday Camp

July 2,9,16 • 9am-10am

Ages: 5-15 • Cost: \$20

Kickball Camp

July 7-11 • 8:30am-10am

Ages: 7-12 • Cost: \$25

Indoor Soccer Camp

July 7-11 • 9am-10am

Ages: 3-6 • Cost: \$25

All Sports Crafting Camp

July 7-11 • 10:30am-12pm

Ages: 5+ • Cost: \$25

Hitting and Blocking Camp

July 7-11 • 12:30pm-2pm

Ages: 12+ • Cost: \$25

Balloon World Cup Camp

July 14-18 • 9am-10:30am

Ages: 7-12 • Cost: \$25

Flag Tag Camp

July 14-18 • 10am-12pm

Ages: 7-12 • Cost: \$25

Defense and Serving Camp

July 14-18 • 12:30pm-2pm

Ages: 12+ • Cost: \$25

Splash Dash Finale

July 21-25 • 9am-10:30am

Ages: 4+ • Cost: \$25

INFO: 915-568-2617

SKIESUnlimited:

Dance Camp

June 9-12 • 9am-11am

Ages: 6-18 • Cost: \$60

Beginning Gymnastics Camp

June 23-27 • 9am-11am

Ages: 6-18 • Cost: \$65

Art Camp with Ms. Mia

July 14-18 • 9am-11am

Ages: 6-18 • Cost: \$65

Cheer Camp

July 21-25 • 9am-11am

Ages: 6-18 • Cost: \$65

Fencing Camp

June 16-20 • 8am-12pm

July 14-18

July 21-25

Ages: 6-18 • Cost: \$75 *Equipment Rental

INFO: 915-568-5544



Replica Youth Center:

Art Camp

July 7-11 • 8am-1pm

Cooking Camp

July 14-18 • 8am-1pm

Amazing Race Camp

July 21-25 • 8am-1pm

Survivor Camp

July 28-August 1 • 8am-1pm

Registration is required. Visit Replica Youth Center or call 915-568-3526

Cost is based on household income. **INFO: 915-568-3526**

CYS camps are open to DOD ID Cardholders. All participants must be registered with CYS Parent Central. To register for CYS, call Parent Central at 915-568-4374.

Milam Youth Center:

Water Camp

June 9-13 • 8am-1pm

Baking Camp

June 30-July 3 • 8am-1pm

Fear Factor Camp

June 23-27 • 8am-1pm

Adventure Camp

June 16-20 • 8am-1pm

Registration is required. Visit Milam Youth Center or call 915-744-2449

Cost is based on household income. **INFO: 915-744-2449**

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A woman with curly hair, wearing a white long-sleeved shirt and a light-colored apron, is smiling while grooming a small, fluffy dog (likely a Yorkshire Terrier) with a black and silver blow dryer. The dog is sitting and looking towards the camera. The background is slightly blurred, showing an indoor setting.

PCS TO PROFIT:

How Fort Bliss Families can Launch Home Businesses



Home Based Business owners must obtain approval from the garrison commander or his delegated authority to operate their business out of their Fort Bliss Home.

HBBs allow Families to work from their Army quarters, developing rewarding careers that follow them through PCS moves. The wide span of HBBs operated by Army Families includes, but is not limited to:

- **Car Repair/Service**
- **Hairdressing and Hairstyling**
- **Pet Grooming and Pet Sitting**
- **Massage Therapy**
- **Retail Sales from Home**

What's the Process:

- 1. Obtain the HHB application by visiting bliss.armymwr.com, or MWR Headquarters-Bldg. 11 Pershing Rd. from the Home-Based Business Advisor.**
- 2. Complete the Application packet with guidance from the Home-Based Business Advisor.**
- 3. Once all items have been cleared receive your Operating Permit to run your business.**

Home Based Business Permits are valid for 3 years pending any required inspections. The Permit and associated inspections do not have a fee. The Fort Bliss Home Based Business Advisor can be reached at 915-568-3437 Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from 9am-4:30pm.

LEGEND

Fort Bliss and Family & MWR Facilities

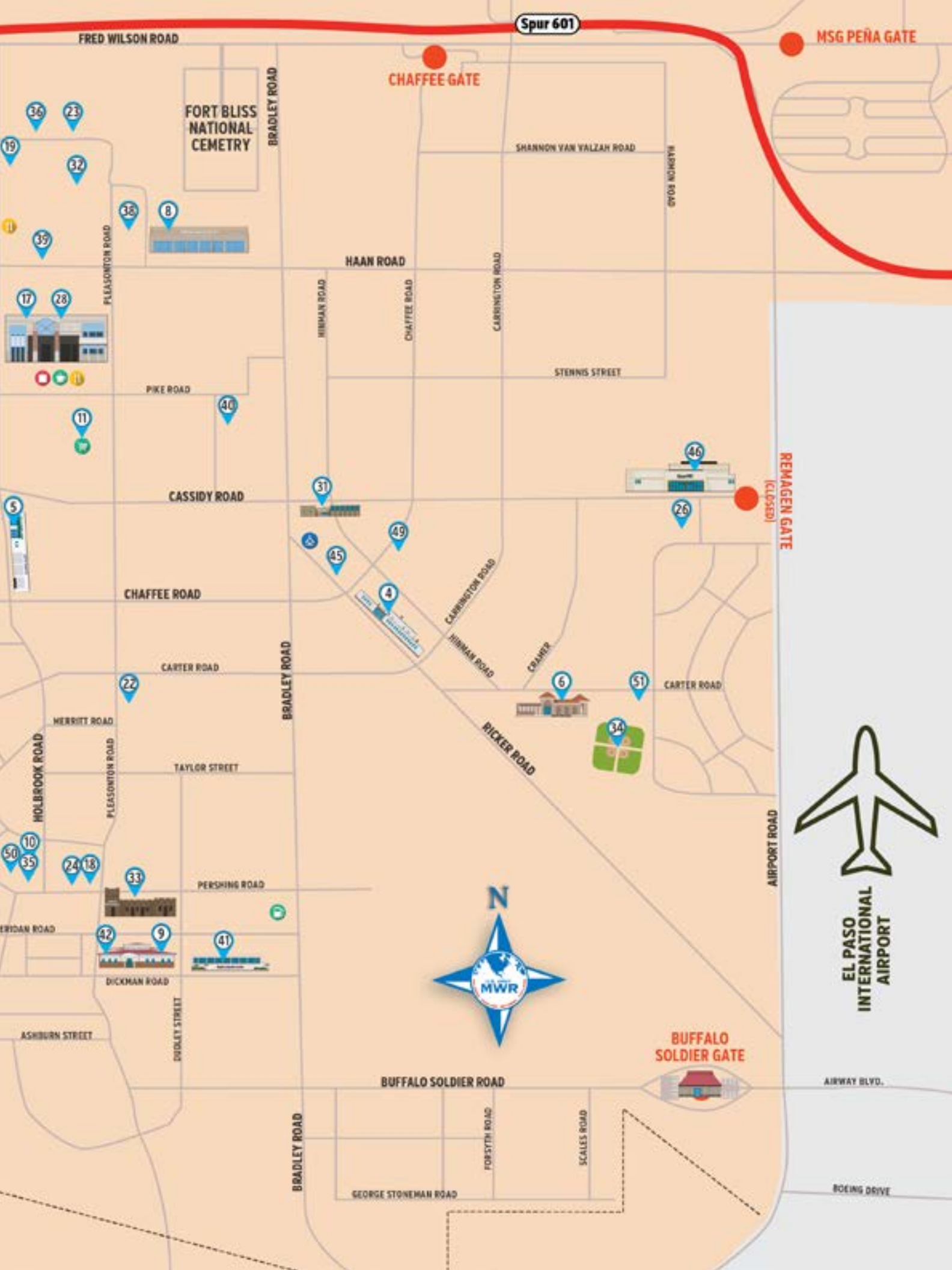
No.	Organization	Bldg.	Phone
1	Adjutant General	1	915-568-3301
2	American Red Cross	45	915-568-4849
3	Armed Services YMCA	7060	915-562-8461
4	Army Community Service (ACS)	2494	915-569-4227
5	Art & Hobby Shop/Auto Crafts	820	915-568-7280
6	Bowling Center/Desert Strike Lanes	2949	915-568-6272
7	Car Wash	197	915-630-8669
8	Child Development Center, Main	1730	915-568-5689
9	Child Development Center, Replica	5036	915-569-7199
10	Civilian Personnel Office	5048	915-568-6287
11	Commissary	1620	915-568-4022
12	Community Pool	253	915-568-5380
13	Family MWR Headquarters	11	915-568-3500
14	Family MWR Marketing	12	915-568-6741
15	Family and Resilience Center (FRC)	250	915-569-5500
16	Fort Bliss Thrift Shop	801	915-562-5451
17	Freedom Crossing PX: • Post Exchange, Grand Theatre • Third-party shops	1613	915-562-7200
18	Funky Rooster Cafe	505	
19	Garrison Command	1741	915-568-2833
20	VA Clinic • Information	7777	915-564-6100
21	Housing: On-Post/Balfour Beatty • Kelly Park	1991	915-564-0795 915-569-1833
22	Housing: Off-Post	1741	915-568-2898
23	IHG Army Hotels at Fort Bliss	1744	915-565-7777
24	In-Processing/Welcome Center	505	915-568-3035
25	Inspector General	21	915-568-1241
26	Ironworks Gym West	2996	915-568-2892
27	Junior Enlisted Family Center	2004	915-263-7164
28	LTS Kiosk at Freedom Crossing	1611	915-569-6446
29	Legal Assistance	113	915-568-7141
30	Nickelsen Community Library	2	915-568-6156
31	Milans Physical Fitness Center (PFC)	2499	915-568-7318
32	Old Ironsides Museum	1735	915-568-5412
33	Old Fort Bliss Replica	5054	915-568-4518
34	Omar Bradley Softball Complex	2968	915-568-7393
35	Outbound Transportation	5038	915-568-9699
36	Parent Central/CYS Registration	1743	915-568-4374
37	Pershing Pub	243	915-781-6809
38	Post Office	1733	915-562-4036
39	POV Car Resale Lot		915-569-6446
40	Recycling Center	1250	915-568-5437
41	Replica Pool	5035	915-568-7431
42	Replica Youth Center	5037	915-568-3523
43	School Age Center, Bliss	2010	915-568-2178
44	SKIES Unlimited #2	131A	915-568-5544
45	Soldier & Family Medical Clinic	2496	915-742-3858
46	Stout Physical Fitness Center (PFCC)	2930	915-568-3264
47	Survivor Outreach Services (SOS)	241	915-568-5970
48	Tennis Club & Fitness Zone	262	915-569-5448
49	USO	2408	915-569-5644
50	Vehicle Registration	503A	915-568-1890
51	Veterinary Services	6077	915-742-2266
52	Youth Sports Plex	195	915-568-4055

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- Building locations
- Military Gates
- Wi-Fi locations
- Hospital
- Shopping/Coffee/Food areas
- Groceries
- Religious Services
- Gas Stations
- International Airport

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Fire Emergencies	915-568-1117
Housing Areas	915-565-4100
Military Police	915-744-2115
Ambulance	915-744-2115
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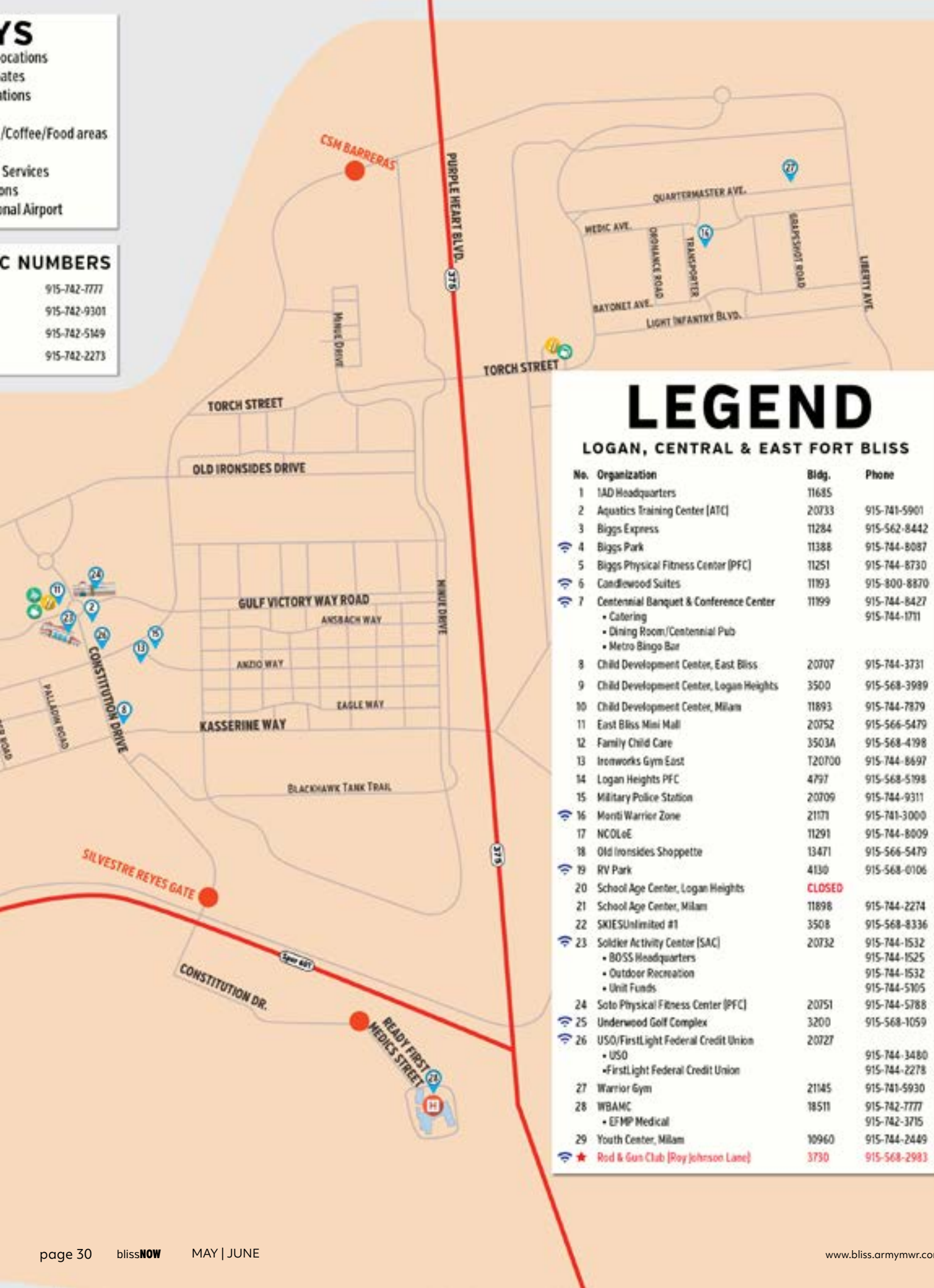
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915-742-2273



LEGEND

LOGAN, CENTRAL & EAST FORT BLISS

No.	Organization	Bldg.	Phone
1	IAD Headquarters	11685	
2	Aquatics Training Center (ATC)	20733	915-741-5901
3	Biggs Express	11284	915-562-8442
4	Biggs Park	11388	915-744-8087
5	Biggs Physical Fitness Center (PFC)	11251	915-744-8730
6	Candlewood Suites	11193	915-800-8870
7	Centennial Banquet & Conference Center	11199	915-744-8427
	• Catering		915-744-1711
	• Dining Room/Centennial Pub		
	• Metro Bingo Bar		
8	Child Development Center, East Bliss	20707	915-744-3731
9	Child Development Center, Logan Heights	3500	915-568-3989
10	Child Development Center, Milam	11893	915-744-7879
11	East Bliss Mini Mall	20752	915-566-5479
12	Family Child Care	3503A	915-568-4198
13	Ironworks Gym East	T20700	915-744-8697
14	Logan Heights PFC	4797	915-568-5198
15	Military Police Station	20709	915-744-9311
16	Monti Warrior Zone	21171	915-741-3000
17	NCOLeE	11291	915-744-8009
18	Old Ironsides Shoppette	13471	915-566-5479
19	RV Park	4130	915-568-0106
20	School Age Center, Logan Heights	CLOSED	
21	School Age Center, Milam	11898	915-744-2274
22	SKIESUnlimited #1	3508	915-568-8336
23	Soldier Activity Center (SAC)	20732	915-744-1532
	• BOSS Headquarters		915-744-1525
	• Outdoor Recreation		915-744-1532
	• Unit Funds		915-744-5705
24	Solo Physical Fitness Center (PFC)	20751	915-744-5788
25	Underwood Golf Complex	3200	915-568-1059
26	USO/FirstLight Federal Credit Union	20727	
	• USO		915-744-3480
	• FirstLight Federal Credit Union		915-744-2278
27	Warrior Gym	21145	915-741-5930
28	WBAMC	18511	915-742-7777
	• EFMP Medical		915-742-3715
29	Youth Center, Milam	10960	915-744-2449
	★ Rod & Gun Club (Roy Johnson Lane)	3730	915-568-2983

PHONE DIRECTORY

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ARMY COMMUNITY SERVICE

2494 Ricker Road
915-569-4227

Army Emergency Relief

915-569-4227, ext. 1

Financial Readiness

915-569-4227, ext. 2

Employment Readiness

915-569-5838

Family Advocacy Program

915-568-9129

Exceptional Family Member Program

915-569-4227, ext. 5

Relocation Readiness

915-569-4227, ext. 6

Family Resilience Center

250 Club Road

915-569-5577

Army Family Team Building

Applied Suicide

Intervention Skills Training

Army Family Action Plan

Army Volunteer Corps.

Master Resilience Training

Mobilization Deployment

Support Stability Operations

Soldier & Family Assistance Center

915-568-6879

Survivor Outreach Services

241 Sheridan Road

915-568-5970

BUSINESS OPERATIONS

Centennial Banquet & Conference Center

11199 Sgt. E. Churchill Street

915-744-1171

Bingo

915-744-8427

Catering

915-744-9330

Centennial Pub

915-744-8427

Desert Strike Lanes

Strike Zone Lounge

2949 Carter Road

915-568-6272

Funky Rooster Cafe

1735 Marshall Road

Bldg. 505B Pershing Road

Monti Warrior Zone

21171 Medic Ave.

915-741-3000

Pershing Pub, Pace Hall

243 Club Road

915-781-6809

Rod & Gun Club

The Bullseye Grill

3730 Roy Johnson Lane

915-568-5026

Special Events

Bldg. 11 Pershing Road

915-588-8247

Underwood Golf Course

3200 Coe Ave.

915-568-1059

The Golden Tee Restaurant

915-568-1116

CHILD YOUTH SERVICES

Parent Central Services

1743 Victory Ave.

915-568-4374

School Liaison Office

505 Pershing Road, Rm. 135

915-569-5064

Family Child Care

3503A Story Street

915-568-4198

CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTERS

East Bliss: 20707 Kasserine Way

915-744-2731

Logan: 3500 Story Street

915-568-3989

Main: 1730 Haan Road

915-568-5689

Milam: 11896 Haan Road

915-744-7877

Replica: 5036 Sheridan Road

915-569-7196

SCHOOL AGE CENTERS

Bliss: 2012 Sheridan Road

915-568-2178

Logan: 3505 Ellerthorpe Road **(CLOSED)**

Milam: 11898 Haan Road

915-744-2274

SKIESUNLIMITED

SKIES #1: 3508 Ellerthorpe Road

915-568-8336

SKIES #2: 131A Doniphan Road

915-568-5544

YOUTH ACTIVITY CENTERS

Replica Youth Center

5037 Sheridan Road

915-568-3523

Milam Youth Center

10960 Haan Road

915-744-2449

Youth Sports Plex

195 Chaffee Road

915-568-2617

Youth Education Support Services

505B Pershing Road

915-568-2784

COMMUNITY RECREATION

Auto Crafts/Art & Hobby Shop

820 Marshall Road

915-568-7280

915-568-5563

Biggs Park

11388 Sgt. Major Blvd.

915-744-8087

RV Park

4130 Ellerthorpe Road

915-568-0106

SOLDIER ACTIVITY CENTER

20732 Constitution Ave.

915-744-1522

Outdoor Recreation

915-744-1532

Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers (BOSS)

915-892-5195

LEISURE TRAVEL SERVICES

Freedom Crossing: 1611 Marshall Road

915-569-6446

LIBRARY

Mickelsen Community Library

2E Sheridan Road

915-568-1902

PHYSICAL FITNESS CENTERS

Biggs PFC: 11251 Biggs Street

915-744-8730

Logan Heights PFC: 4797 Ellerthorpe Road

915-568-5198

Milam PFC: 2499 Cassidy Road

915-568-7318

Soto PFC: 20751 Constitution Ave.

915-744-5788

Stout PFC: 2930 Cassidy Road

915-568-3264

Tennis Club/Fitness Zone

262 Club Road

915-569-5448

Ironworks Gym East

720700 Anzio Way

915-744-5201

Ironworks Gym West

2996 Cassidy Road

915-568-2892

POOLS

Aquatics Training Center

20733 Constitution Ave.

915-741-5901

Community Pool *

253 Club Road

915-568-6925

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915-568-7431

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