



Purpose

To publicize information on community services and programs provided by a broad range of installation support agencies. Increase awareness on upcoming and key installation events and initiatives to support Readiness of Soldiers, Families and Installation. Achieve the Senior Commander's intent with regards to strategic communications and information flow.

***A well informed community supports Soldier Readiness!**





Agency Updates





ACS





Army Emergency Relief

AER Career Skills Program (CSP) Assistance

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- **Purpose:** CSP allows retiring and separating Soldiers to participate in skills training during their transitional period to improve their civilian employment options.
- **Assistance can include:** Funding for purchase of business attire/uniforms, tools, travel expenses, lodging, and basic living expenses either before, during, or after CSP program. All assistance will be provided before ETS/Retirement date.
- **Assistance offered as 100% grant:** \$500 cap for local CSP programs, \$1,000 cap for Permissive TDY programs, \$1,500 cap for OCONUS to CONUS CSP programs.
- **Process:**
 - Soldier works closely with the Transition Assistance Program (TAP) CSP team at Fort Bliss.
 - TAP verifies enrollment and expenses needed to attend CSP.
 - Soldier submits AER request with Fort Bliss AER office.
- www.armyemergencyrelief.org/news/cspassistance
- Fort Bliss AER 915-568-4706





Army Community Service

2021 Combined Federal Campaign (CFC)

- ✓ **Purpose:** To promote and support philanthropy through a program that is employee focused, cost-efficient, and effective in providing all federal employees the opportunity to improve the quality of life for all.
- ✓ **Fort Bliss Combined Federal Campaign:** 21 September 2021 – 15 January 2022

Fort Bliss Goal: \$100,000.00 with 100% Informed

- ✓ **Donations Accepted through:** Online, CFC Mobile App, Paper Pledge Form
- ✓ **On-Line donation through:** <https://desertsouthwestcfc.givecfc.org/>
- ✓ **For any questions:** Mr. Richard Fairley, Phone: 915-568-8841
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2021 Fort Bliss Combined Federal Campaign (CFC)

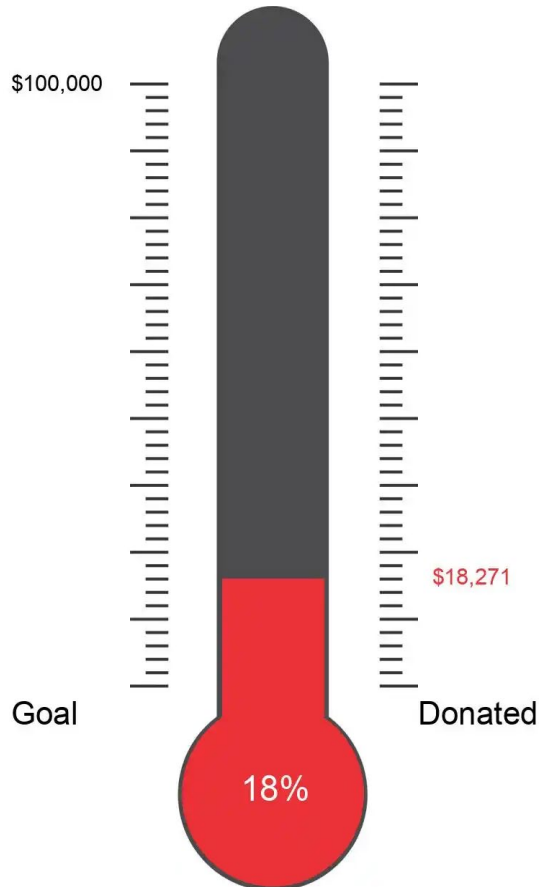
FORT BLISS 2021 CAMPAIGN PROGRESS

- ✓ FORT BLISS COMBINED FEDERAL CAMPAIGN
21 September 2021 – 15 January 2022

Current Status:

\$18,271.53 as of 30 November 2021

FORT BLISS GOAL: \$100,000



TOP UNITS/DIRECTORATES

1.	WBAMC (CIV):	\$5934
2.	3-1 AR:	\$3000
3.	USAG (CIV):	\$2790
4.	4-27 FA:	\$1241
5.	2-3 FA :	\$1200
6.	WBAMC (AD):	\$1140
7.	AF ELM (CIV):	\$800
8.	USASMA (CIV):	\$320
9.	5-52 ADA:	\$300
10.	JMC:	\$300
11.	USASMA (AD):	\$240
12.	204 MI:	\$180
13.	1-43 ADA:	\$120
14.	2-43 ADA:	\$76





Army Community Service

Employment Readiness Program

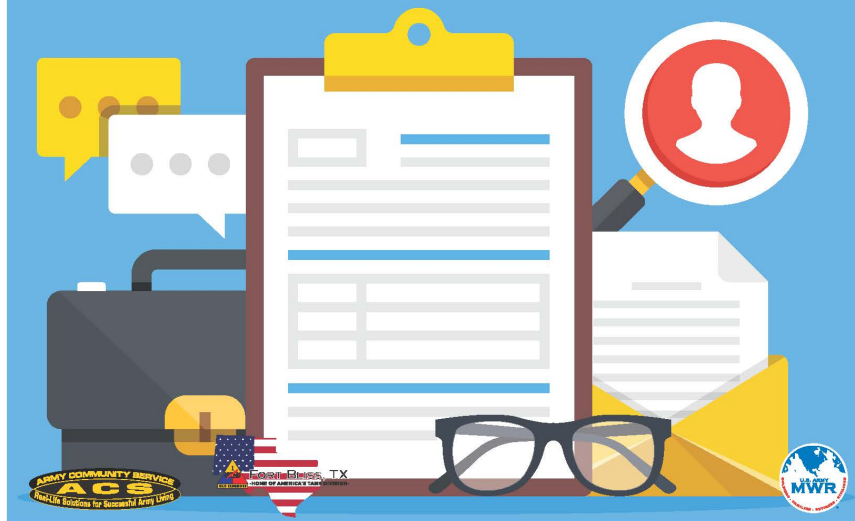
EMPLOYMENT READINESS HIRING FAIR PREP CLASS

February 3 • 9am-12pm • Info: 915-569-5838

Are you ready for the Fort Bliss Hiring Fair? Join the Employment Readiness Team and get ready to land that job! This class will cover resume writing, interview skills and MORE!

Open to DOD ID cardholders 18+.

Registration is required and can be done online at www.bliss.armymwr.com search "Employment Readiness Group."



Hiring Fair Prep Class

Purpose: To help job seekers prepare their resumes and interview skills for the ACS Hiring Fair.

Who: Open to Active Duty Military Members, Spouses, Family Members, Retirees, and DOD ID Card Holders.

When: Thursday, 3 Feb 2022

Time: 0900-1200

Where: ACS Building 2494 Ricker Road, Ballroom, Fort Bliss, Texas 79916





Army Community Service

Employment Readiness Program

The ACS Hiring Fair

HIRING FAIR

**THURSDAY,
FEBRUARY 17
9AM-1PM**

**AT THE CENTENNIAL
11199 SGT. E. CHURCHILL ST.**

**DRESS TO IMPRESS AND BRING YOUR RESUME!
OPEN TO SPOUSES, FAMILY MEMBERS, RETIREES,
ACTIVE DUTY AND DOD ID CARD HOLDERS.**

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL 915-569-5838.

**MUST
PRESENT A
MILITARY ID
CARD TO
PARTICIPATE**



Purpose: To help Fort Bliss job seekers to find employment. This event will give employers and job seekers a chance to meet one another, establish professional relationships and discuss potential job opportunities.

Strategic Engagement Objectives:

- Providing opportunity to interact one-on-one with employers of interest
- Gain awareness of organizations and positions they are hiring for
- Practice and enhance networking skills
- Establish professional relationships and gather contact information from employers





SLO





School Liaison Office (SLO)



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Bldg. 505 Pershing Road
915-569-5064

For questions email us at:

usarmy.bliss.imcom-fmwrc.mbx.school-liaison-office@mail.mil

Visit us at:

<https://bliss.armymwr.com/programs/school-support-services>

State Advisory Council (HB 3932)

- Established the State Advisory Council on Educational Opportunity for Military Children.
- **ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:**
 - Will increase coordination among state agencies, school districts, and military installations concerning the state's participation in and compliance with Interstate Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Child.
- **State Advisory Council Committee Members**
 - The Council will consist of 11 or more members to oversee the Interstate Compact and participate in the Military Interstate Children's Compact Commission (MIC3).
- **Roles of the State Advisory Council**
 - The council may recommend policy concerning operations and procedures of the Interstate Compact within the state.
 - The council will help increase knowledge of the Interstate Compact requirements for local education agencies, thereby increasing education success for military-connected students.





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Family and MWR

Events

Date	Time	Event	Location	Comments
11 DEC	0800	Christmas Balloon Pop Sale	Underwood Golf	Varies
11 DEC	1700	Night Golf Scramble	Underwood Golf	\$50
12 DEC	1000	Holiday Brunch	Centennial	\$21.95
19 DEC	0830	Christmas Ham Shoot Out	Underwood Golf	TBD

All events are subject to COVID protocol requirements.

www.bliss.armymwr.com





Community Events

El Paso

Date	Time	Event	Location	Comment
Saturdays	0900	Arts and Farmers Market	Downtown	Free
Now-2 JAN	TBD	Winterfest	Arts Festival Plaza	Varies
14 DEC	1900	Dave Koz and Friends	Plaza Theater	\$97/up
19 DEC	1900	Merry-Achi Christmas	Plaza Theater	\$29.50/up
21 DEC	1900	Gracias Christmas Cantata	El Paso Coliseum	Free
31 DEC	1000	Tony the Tiger Sun Bowl	UTEP	\$22/up
16-17 JAN	1900	Simon and Garfunkel Story	Plaza Theater	TBD
21-22 JAN	1900	El Paso Symphony Orchestra Double Trouble	Plaza Theater	\$16/up

www.visitelpaso.com





ASBP





Armed Services Blood Program



Weekly Quota	Quota Weeks	Weekly Quota Compliance
19 LTOWB 21 O + 6 O -	Dec 3 – Dec 9	(Est) 60%
	Dec 10 – Dec 16	(Est) 100%
	Dec 17 – Dec 23	(Est) 40%
	Dec 24 – Dec 30	(Est) 20%

The quota compliance percentages are based off the blood drives scheduled for those weeks.


- November collections: 759 units collected (highest month of collections all year) (535 units collected at Fort Huachuca & Fort Carson)
- Unit(s) tasked for the month of December per OPOD
 - 1 AD Sustainment (97 units collected over five days)
 - 86th ESB (not scheduled)
- Unit(s) scheduled for the month of January per OPOD
 - 1AD HHBN (not scheduled)
 - 1st BDE (scheduled)





Armed Services Blood Program

Scheduled Blood Drives for December

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5	6 JTF-N	7	8	9 Cannon AFB (TDY)	10	11
12	13 WBAMC	14 WBAMC	15 WBAMC	16 WBAMC	17 WBAMC	18
19	20 Reception BN	21 149 th MEB	22	23	24	25
26	27 Reception BN	28	29	30	31	





Armed Services Blood Program



- Reminders:
 - Fort Bliss Blood Donor Center is in DIRE NEED of O positive & O negative blood types.
 - The holiday season is a historically low collection time for our organization.
 - Fort Bliss Blood donor center is desperate for Command Support for blood drives.
 - PLEASE host a blood drive during block leave (Dec 20-22 & 27-29)
 - We need at least 20 donors each on those days to make mission over the holiday season
 - We still need to support those troops who are conducting combat operations.
 - Troops who are away from their families during the holidays still need our support.
 - Afghanistan and Korea (N. of Seoul) are now 3 month deferral instead of 12 months.
 - ASBP is still in need of Convalescent Plasma Donors (with confirmed positive test result).





Fort Bliss Family Homes





BBC – Tenant Satisfaction Survey – Holiday Deco/Trash

- ✓ **Tenant Satisfaction Survey (Coming Soon-January 2022)**
 - Formerly known as Army Housing Survey or Resident Satisfaction Survey
 - It will launch on January 11th.
 - If you are a resident, the email provided to us at move in was used to communicate and send the survey to you.
 - If you have not received a survey email:
 - Check your spam folder. The initial email came from ArmyHousingSurvey@celassociates.com.
 - Check with your spouse, partner, or other household member(s) to determine if they received the email.
 - Each household may only complete one survey.





BBC – Tenant Satisfaction Survey – Holiday Deco/Trash

✓ Holiday Decorations and Trash

- All holiday decorations must be removed by January 14th.
- There will be no change in trash/recycle pick-up schedules this year. If you're unsure about your regular service schedule, please visit the Resident Portal and click Service Schedules under the Community Info tab.
- Trash/recycling must be in the trash bins with the lid closed to be picked up. Trash bins with open lids and trash sticking out will not be picked up. Please do not leave bags, trash, recyclables, or cardboard boxes next to the bins on the curb. It will not be picked up.
- We have dumpsters for extra trash at our maintenance facilities building at 6601 Lutes (up Ricker Road and off Morgan) Stop by Self Help, and they will direct you from there, and please have your ID ready.
- For extra cardboard boxes and recycling, you can drop them off at SY014 Irving Road or call at 915-568-1537 with any questions
- If you have furniture or appliances that you are discarding, you can call Bulk Pick-Up at 915-490-5860 to schedule a pickup. Please note this is ONLY for furniture & appliances, not extra trash, or cardboard.





The Exchange





Exchange Holiday Hours

Christmas Eve: 24 December 2021

- Main Exchange: 0900-1800
- Freedom Crossing Food Court: 0900-1800

Christmas Day: 25 December 2021

- Global Reach Mini Mall Express: 0900-1700

All other AAFES facilities will be closed on Christmas Day

New Years Day: 1 January 2022

- Main Exchange: 1000-1800
- Freedom Crossing Food Court: 1000-1700





Freedom Crossing





Freedom Crossing

Chili's: Specials

- Friendly reminder that Chili's has a 10% military discount!

YOU ASKED, WE LISTENED... Now at Ft. Bliss



MILITARY DISCOUNT

ASK FOR OUR 10% MILITARY DISCOUNT FOR ACTIVE-DUTY MEN AND WOMEN AND VETERANS!

VETERANS AND ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY SIMPLY SHOW PROOF OF MILITARY SERVICE.



Chili's @ Fort Bliss
Freedom Crossing
Weekly Specials

Monday Night Football

A selection of half-priced appetizers



Awesome Blossom Petals

Fried Pickles

Texas Cheese Fries

Tuesdays-20% off All Entrees- after 5 PM



Big Mouth Burgers®

Fajitas

Wednesdays - Grab Bag Coupon Night!

Every table WINS! Discounts,
Be Our Guest Certificates
and Free Entrees!!!





Freedom Crossing

US Cryotherapy: New Service

- US Cryotherapy is now offering Red Light Therapy!
- To set up an appointment, call (915) 313-4055 today.


USCryotherapy
 FASTER RECOVERY • BETTER HEALTH
 PROUDLY PRESENTS

RED LIGHT THERAPY

ENJOY THE BENEFITS...

- PERFORMANCE ENHANCEMENT
- IMPROVED EXERCISE RECOVERY
- COGNITIVE IMPROVEMENTS
- INCREASED ENERGY
- IMPROVED SLEEP QUALITY
- DECREASED INFLAMMATION
- REDUCED PAIN
- FASTER HEALING
- ENHANCED FAT LOSS
- ANTI-AGING
- INCREASED COLLAGEN PRODUCTION

ONLY 10 MINUTES/SESSION

Share the Light 

 TAG US: @uscryofortbliss





Freedom Crossing

Denny's: New Operational Hours

🕒 Denny's is now open 24/7!



December-February



Senior Leader attendance
MWR Event



U.S. ARMY

	01-05	06-12	13-19	20-26	27-31
December		**Senior Leader Update Slide Distro 10 Dec**		Christmas Holiday Dec 23-Dec 26	
January			**Senior Leader Update Slide Distro 14 Jan**	January Retirement Ceremony 26 Jan, 0900, 1AD Museum	Half Marathon and 5K, 29 Jan, 0800, Soto Gym
February			February Retirement Ceremony 23 Feb, 0900, 1AD Museum,		





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