

Community Information Exchange

October 2024

Community Information Exchange

<p><u>Purpose:</u></p> <p>To inform Command Family Readiness Representatives (CFRRs), Soldier & Family Readiness Groups (SFRGs), community leaders, and residents about upcoming events for Fort Bliss and El Paso (next 90 days).</p>	<p><u>Attendees:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair: Garrison CDR • OPR: USAG DFMWR • BN/CO CFRRs/SFRGs • WBAMC: CDR/Deputy • Installation Agencies • USAG Directorates & Support Offices • School Liaisons • City Representatives • County Representatives 	<p><u>Agenda:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Opening Comments: Garrison CDR 2. Calendar Review: Garrison CDR 3. DFMWR Updates: Marketing MGR or Rep 4. WBAMC Update: CDR or CMD Rep 5. Directorate of Public Works 6. Directorate of Emergency Services 7. Two-Minute Drill <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Fort Bliss Family Homes (BBC) <input type="checkbox"/> Other Garrison / Installation Agencies <input type="checkbox"/> City Update <input type="checkbox"/> County Update 8. Question & Answers (30 Minutes) 9. Closing Comments: Garrison CDR
<p><u>Timing & Details:</u></p> <p>Frequency: Monthly, except DEC & JUL</p> <p>Time: 1 hour, 1200-1300, 3rd Wed</p> <p>Location: Centennial Conf Center</p> <p>Medium: Facebook & In-Person</p>	<p><u>Inputs:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CG Decisions • Bliss Synch Events Working Group • Fort Bliss Ceremonies & Protocol Events • Local Events & Community Relations 	
<p><u>Primary POC:</u></p> <p>USAG: Ms. Deana Garcia (DFMWR)</p>	<p><u>Outputs:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information for unit SFRGs • Community Awareness & Advertising 	

Opening Comments

Upcoming Events

Monster Bash

Oct. 18-19 | 5-9PM | Biggs Park

Celebrate Monster Bash!

Enjoy a magic show starting at 7 p.m. There will be 3 haunted houses to choose from: Barely Scary, Kinda Scary & Very Scary!

This event is open to the public and free to attend! If you attend Saturday, be sure to join the Spook-a-thon runs! Choose to run from Zombies or enjoy the Pumpkin Patch run!



DID YOU KNOW?

- **A Family Travel Screening can be initiated as soon as assignment instructions are received.**
 - As soon as a Soldier receives OCONUS Assignment Instructions, they can initiate a Family Travel Screening, there is no need to wait until Levy.
- **An EFMP enrollment requires an update every 3 years.**
 - An expired EFMP enrollment will not “fall off,” those enrolled in EFMP must be disenrolled or the packet must be updated with current information.
- **An EFMP enrollment will extend a Family Travel Screening.**
 - If a family member is identified as warranted for enrollment during a Family Travel Screening, the Screening is put on hold and an enrollment is initiated. The Screening will resume once an enrollment is completed.
- **E-EFMP is the system for EFMP processing – efmp.army.mil.**
 - All EFMP processes must be completed through E-EFMP.

All these processes can impact timelines for those pending assignments.

Be proactive and be prepared!

Upcoming Events

Next 30 Days:

- [16 OCT: Anthony Gap Cave trip](#)
- [18-19 OCT: Monster Bash](#)
- [19 OCT: Spook-a-thon Run](#)
- [19 OCT: 2024 Club Championship](#)
- [21 OCT-01 NOV: Dia de los Deadlifts](#)
- [25 OCT: Spooky Floating Pumpkin Patch](#)
- [25-27 OCT: Halloween Classic](#)
- [26 OCT: MYC Harvest Fest](#)
- [26 OCT: Star Mountain Gymnastics Meet](#)
- [26-27 OCT: Zombie Fun Shoot](#)
- 01 NOV: EFMP Fall Festival
- 02 NOV: Fort Bliss Yard Sale
- [09 NOV: Trap Match](#)

Next 60 Days:

- 21 NOV: Friendsgiving Lunch
- 23 NOV: Turkey Trot
- 23 NOV: Turkey Shoot Golf Tournament
- [23 NOV: Gobble Wobble Fitness Challenge](#)
- 25 NOV: RYC Thanksgiving Camp
- [27 NOV: Cranksgiving](#)

Next 90 Days:

- [05 DEC: Zumba Under the Stars](#)
- 06 DEC: Christmas Tree Lighting Celebration
- 07 DEC: Jingle Dash
- 08 DEC: Breakfast with Santa
- 14 DEC: Wreaths across America
- 14 DEC: Christmas Golf Sale
- 15 DEC: Holiday Brunch
- 12 DEC: NYE Bingo

Ongoing Classes and Events:

- [Youth Sports Calendar](#)
- [Girls Spring Volleyball](#)
- [Military Spouse Morning Social](#)
- [Military Spouse and Soldier Employment Readiness Workshop](#)
- [Coffee and Connections with EFMP](#)



Community Events

Date	Time	Event	Location	Comments
18 OCT	1930	Night Women Hike at Cardiac Hill	Chuck Heinrich Memorial Park	\$5
19 OCT	1600	Halloween Town Art Show & Market	El Paso County Coliseum	Varies
20 OCT	0800	2024 AIA El Paso Architecture Run- 5K Run and Fun Walk	Paso del Norte Hotel	\$30
24 OCT	1700	YMCA Walk A Mile In Her Shoes	San Jacinto Plaza	\$25
26 OCT	0800	Amazing Scavenger Hunts! Sun City Escapade	San Jacinto Plaza	\$12.99
26 OCT	0900	12 Hours Old El Paso	Bowen Ranch Roundhouse	Varies
27 OCT	1900	Wheel of Fortune Live!	Abraham Chavez Theatre	\$31.50 and Up
03 NOV	0800	Annual Miner Dash & Family Fitness	UTEP Centennial Plaza	\$25

Directorate Family Morale Welfare and Recreation

- **Army Community Service**
 - 6 November: Military Spouse Morning Social
- **Business Operations**
 - 26-27 October: Zombie Fun Shoot
- **Youth Center**
 - 25 October: MYC Harvest Festival
- **MWR Events**
 - 18-19 October: Monster Bash
- **Outdoor Recreation**
 - 19 October: Wine Tour
 - 20 October: Intro to Climbing
- **Sports Fitness and Aquatics**
 - 19 October: Spook-A-Thon (Zombie Run and Pumpkin Patch Dash)
 - 25 October: Spooky Floating Pumpkin Patch

William Beaumont Army Medical Center

Patient Information

• Clinical

- Flu Vaccines are still pending; however, pediatric (6m to 36m) vaccines are available. Call appointment line to book appointment.
- Additionally, flu vaccines for anyone 65+ are also available.
- Access to Care: Appointment line (915-742-2273). Hours: 0645-1630

• Happenings

- Patient and Family Partnership Council (PFPC) will be November 7th at 11:00 a.m. in the WBAMC Clinical Assembly Room (CAR).
- Children's Waiting Room (CWR) are by appointment only; call 915-742-9926/0975. Hours are Monday to Friday 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
- Our phone operator line is 915-742-7777 (NOT the appointment line) and is 24 hours a day seven days a week; there is an option to speak to an information receptionist during duty hours.
- Your feedback is important; please take the time to fill out your JOES and TRISS surveys.
- Visit our website for current information: <https://william-beaumont.tricare.mil/>

Directorate of Emergency Services

Police Services

- ✓ Trick or Treating will be on 31 October 2024
- ✓ 1800 – 2000 hours
- ✓ Portions of Sheridan Road will be shut down to vehicular traffic
- ✓ All housing areas will have Military Police walking and vehicle patrols in addition to the normal law enforcement professionals
- ✓ All non-DoD personnel visiting Fort Bliss will require valid Fort Bliss visitor pass or escorted by DoD-ID cardholder under trusted traveler to enter main post
- ✓ Random Anti-terrorism Measures will be conducted throughout the evening in the noncontiguous housing areas
- ✓ If you see something, contact the DES Consolidate Dispatch at
 - ✓ 744-2115
 - ✓ 744-2116
 - ✓ 744-2117

Directorate of Emergency Services

Police Services

Weapons Policy Update:

- ✓ On 9 Aug 2024, the DES changed from an **apprehension to education policy** for certain weapon violations
- ✓ Weapons storage containers in the VCCs is currently under review
- ✓ The two biggest violations are **unregistered and improperly stored weapons**
- ✓ Weapons can be registered online or through the QR-Code located at all ACPs and AAFES gun counter. Do not bring a weapon to any location
- ✓ Registered weapons can only be stored in quarters, unit arms room or the Rod and Gun Club
- ✓ References: AR 190-11 & FB 27-5 (Prohibited Conduct)

Directorate of Emergency Services Police Services

BE WISE. STAY ALIVE. WEAR YOUR PPE!

All U.S. Army personnel are required by regulation to wear Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) when riding as the operator or a passenger on a motorcycle. This applies to all Soldiers and Army civilians in a duty status, on or off a DOD installation, and all persons at any time on an Army installation.

Helmets

Must meet DOT standards and be properly fastened under the chin. Full face helmets offer the best protection. NHTSA estimates that helmets reduce the likelihood of a crash fatality by 37% and brain injury by 67%.*

Eye protection

A windshield alone is not proper eye protection. Impact or shatter resistant face shield, goggles, or wraparound glasses that meet ANSI Standard Z87.1 are required. Tinted lenses may be worn during the day, but clear lenses should be used at night.

Clothing

Dress for the SLIDE not the ride! Garments made from leather or abrasion resistant fabric provide a high level of protection. AR 385-10 requires the use of full fingered gloves or mittens designed for riding a motorcycle.

Sturdy footwear

Sturdy footwear, leather boots or over the ankle shoes must be worn. Motorcycle footwear with low heels and oil resistant soles provide a good grip on the pavement.

BE SEEN AND PROTECTED

Clothing designed for riding a motorcycle generally offers both protection and visibility. If black is chosen, a conspicuous enhancement should be worn. Reflective quality and location on the rider is more important than the amount of reflective material.

Local requirements may differ slightly. Riders should check with their installation safety office for details.

*NHTSA Traffic Safety Facts DOT HS 810 887W



ARMY STRONG



U.S. ARMY COMBAT READINESS SAFETY CENTER
<https://csrc.army.mil>

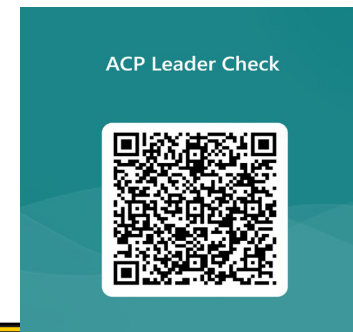
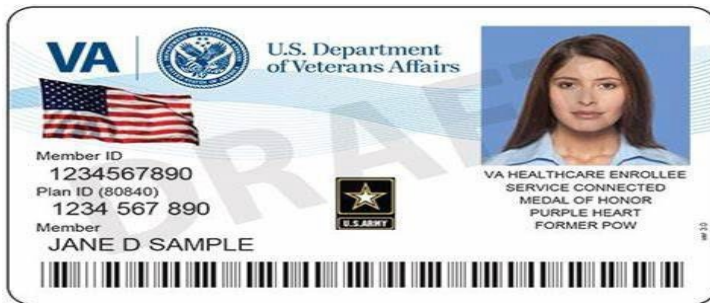


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Directorate of Emergency Services

Physical Security

- ✓ Individual Internship Program (Part of CSP): SMs exiting military service are afforded the opportunity under CSP to conduct DASG training program to become a DASG upon completion of military obligation.
- ✓ CSM Barreras ACP will close for 18-24 months beginning January 2025.
- ✓ Veteran Health Identification Card (VHIC) must be registered at a VCC to utilize for access to the installation for up to three years.
 - ✓ VHIC cannot serve as a sponsor for trusted traveler; non-DoD passengers must have a valid pass.
- ✓ Leaders can share with DES through the ACP Leader Check QR-Code.



Directorate of Public Works

UESC Fiber Installation

Communication fiber installation. Manholes and overhead pull, on Carter Rd and Bradley Rd

- Construction start Date: 21 OCT 2024.
 - Completion timeline approximately 1 day (7AM - 5 PM).
- AB Powers will be coordinating with DES for traffic control.



Directorate of Public Works

UESC Fiber Installation

Communication fiber installation. Manholes and overhead pull, on Chaffee Rd and Pleasonton Rd

- Construction start Date: 22 OCT 2024.
 - Completion timeline approximately 1 day (7AM - 5 PM).
- AB Powers will be coordinating with DES for traffic control.



Directorate of Public Works

UESC Fiber Installation

Communication fiber installation. Manholes and overhead pull, on Chaffee Rd and Bradley Rd

- Construction start Date: 28 OCT 2024.
 - Completion timeline approximately 1 day (7AM - 5 PM).
- AB Powers will be coordinating with DES for traffic control.



Directorate of Public Works

FBWSC Wells 11 & 13

POC: Duston Horacek (602) 628-1366

Project:

FBWSC working on re-drilling 2 existing water wells

Road Impacts:

Chaffee Rd, North of SPUR 601 - Water hose to be laid across road, will use specialized traffic rated ramps to allow traffic flow to cross hose & continue

Schedule

Well 13

Starting early November 2024

Ending Early January 2025

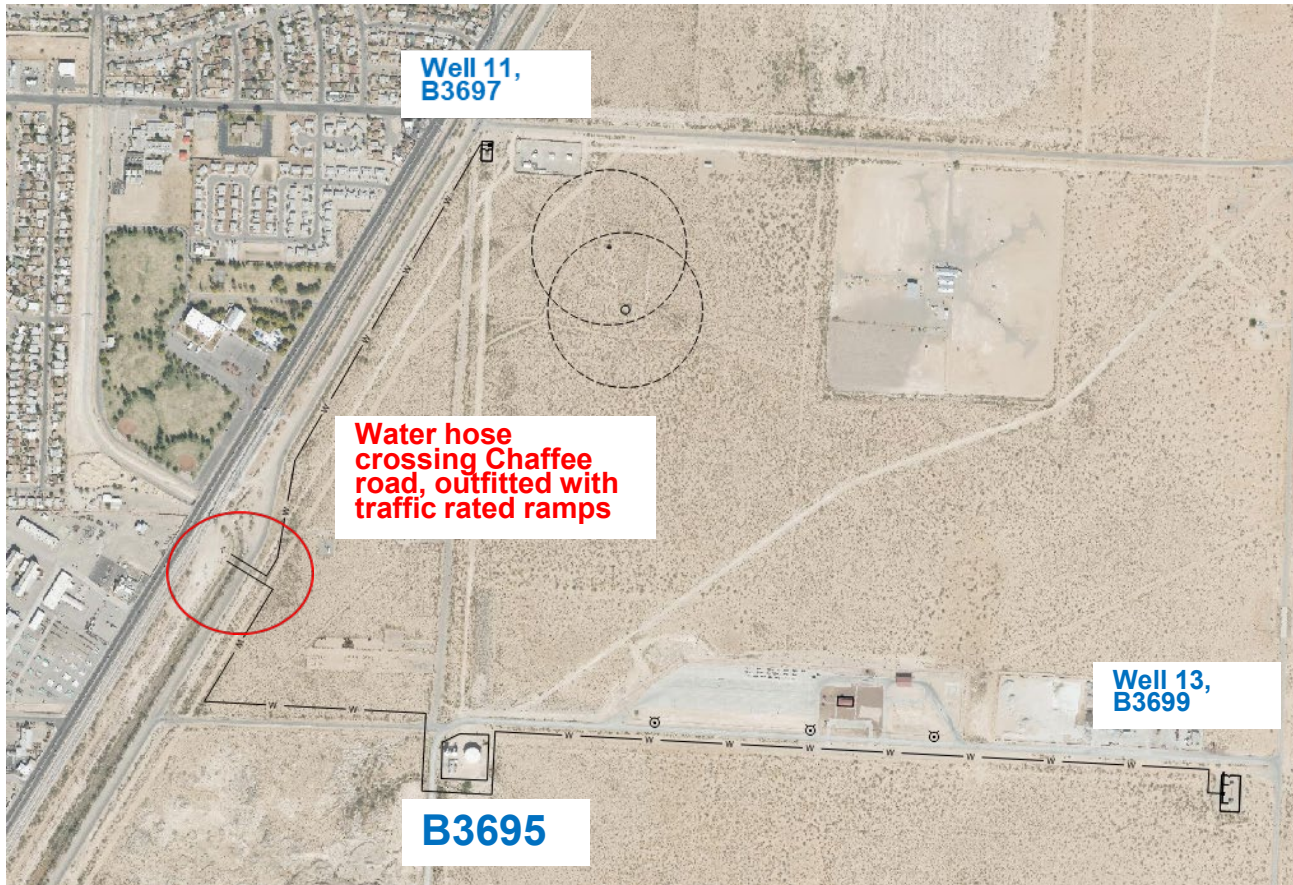
Well 11

Starting January 2025

Ending March 2025

Directorate of Public Works

FBWSC Wells 11 & 13



Two-Minute Drill per Speaker

FBSA

AAFES

ASYMCA

Visit El Paso

El Paso County

Questions & Answers

Closing Comments

MWR Sports Calendar

FORT BLISS 2024 SPORTS, FITNESS & AQUATICS CALENDAR

COMMANDER'S CUP SPORTS

SPORT	DATES
CC Basketball	JAN 22 - MAR 21
CC Soccer	APR 15 - JUN 06
CC Softball	APR 15 - JUN 13
CC 5K	APR 26
CC Ten-Miler	MAY 17
CC Volleyball	JUL 22 - AUG 22
CC 10K	AUG 16
CC Flag Football	SEP 03 - OCT 31

OPEN CAMERA & SCAN



**All Commander's Cup sports are
Active-Duty, unit level competitions.**

For more Information:

**Sports: 915-744-5785 • Fitness: 915-744-5790
• Aquatics: 915-741-5902**



January	100 Mile Swim Club	JAN 01 - DEC 31
	Basketball Officials Clinic	JAN 08 - 11
	CC Basketball	JAN 22 - MAR 21
	Half Marathon	JAN 27
February	Dance Glow Party	FEB 09
	Run for Fallen 5K	FEB 24
March	St. Paddy's 8K & 0.5K Run	MAR 16
	Easter Egg Float	MAR 30
April	Soccer Officials Clinic	APR 01 - 04
	Softball Officials Clinic	APR 08 - 11
	CC Soccer	APR 15 - JUN 06
	CC Softball	APR 15 - JUN 13
May	CC 5K	APR 26
	Barbellas & Beasts	MAY 11
June	CC Ten-Miler	MAY 17
	Fort Bliss CRIT	JUN 08
July	Volleyball Officials Clinic	JUL 15 - 18
	Boxing Officials Clinic	JUL 20
	CC Volleyball	JUL 22 - AUG 22
	Border Rumble Boxing Smoker	JUL 26
August	Cardboard Regatta	AUG 10
	CC 10K	AUG 16
	Flag Football Officials Clinic	AUG 26-29
September	CC Flag Football	SEP 03 - OCT 31
	Doggy Swim Day	SEP 07
	9/11 Memorial Stair Climb	SEP 11
	Norwegian Ruck March	SEP 14
October	Muscles Feast	OCT 05
	Spook-a-thon	OCT 19
	Halloween Classic Basketball Tournament	OCT 25-27
	Floating Pumpkin Patch Swim	OCT 26
November	Turkey Trot 5K	NOV 23
	Cranksgiving	NOV 27
December	Dancing Under the Stars	DEC 07

Youth Sports Calendar

2024-2025 YOUTH SPORTS CALENDAR



YOUTH SPORTS	AGES	COST: 1ST CHILD / ADD'L CHILD	REGISTRATION MONTH	SEASON (2024-2025)
Boys/Girls Indoor/Outdoor 3 on 3 Basketball	7-18	\$55/\$47	January	February-March
Boys/Girls Spring Soccer	3-15	\$55/\$47	January	February-March
Boys/Girls Spring Volleyball Jamboree/Tournament	8-16	\$15	January	February
Boys/Girls Spring Tennis	5-14	\$75/\$64	February	March-April
Girls Spring Volleyball	8-16	\$55/\$47	February	March-April
Boys/Girls Soccer Jamboree/Tournament	5-15	\$15	March	April
Boys/Girls Pickleball	7-18	\$55/\$47	March	April-May
Boys/Girls Spring Flag Football	5-18	\$55/\$47	March	April-May
Boys/Girls Spring Tee Ball /Baseball/Softball	3-15	\$55/\$47	March	April-May
USA Track & Field (\$32 Membership Fee/\$18 for 4 meets)	5-18	\$100/\$85	March	April-July
Boys/Girls 4 on 4 Volleyball	12-18	\$55/\$47	May	June
Boys/Girls Kickball	5-15	\$55/\$47	May	June
Boys/Girls Powerlifting	10-18	\$55/\$47	May	June-July
Boys/Girls Summer Basketball	5-18	\$55/\$47	May	June-July
Boys/Girls Indoor/Outdoor 3 on 3 Basketball	7-18	\$55/\$47	July	August
Boys/Girls Fall Soccer	3-15	\$55/\$47	July	August-September
Boys/Girls Fall Pickleball	7-18	\$55/\$47	July	August-September
USATF Cross Country	5-18	\$75/\$64	July-August	August-November
Boys/Girls Fall Tennis	5-14	\$75/\$64	August	September-October
Boys/Girls Fall Flag Football	5-18	\$55/\$47	August	September-October
Boys/Girls Winter Powerlifting	10-18	\$55/\$47	August	September-October
Boys/Girls Winter Basketball	5-15	\$55/\$47	September	October - December
Boys/Girls Winter Volleyball	8-16	\$55/\$47	November	December-January
Boys/Girls Winter Basketball Jamboree/Tournament	5-15	\$15	December	January

Registration can be done at the Youth Sports Plex or any CYS Facility with current physical on file.
CYS registration is required with an updated sports physical. To contact Youth Sports, please call 915-568-2617

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INFORMATION



BOD Events/Programs



DESERT NIGHTZ
GLOW BOWLING

**HIGH VOLTAGE FUN
SATURDAY
NIGHTZ**

\$16/person (includes shoe rental) for 3 hours of bowling,
\$11/person (includes shoe rental) for 2 hours of bowling OR
\$5/person per game (no shoe rental included)

**BOWL WITH THE LIGHTS
OUT FROM 8-11PM**

DESERT STRIKE LANES
2949 CARTER RD. 915-568-6272



3730 Roy Johnson Lane
915-568-5026



**ZOMBIE
FUN SHOOT**

October 26 & 27 • 9am-4pm
Rod & Gun Club • Registration Fee (per person): \$20
Age Categories: Youth ages 6-17 & Adults 18+. • Info: 915-568-5026.

Show off your survival skills in the zombie fun match. Shooters will be guided down the range while shooting zombies and missing humans. Shooter will need 50 rounds of ammo. This is a fun shoot, no prizes will be awarded.

**THIS
EVENT IS
OPEN TO THE
PUBLIC.**



SPOOKY FLOATING PUMPKIN PATCH

October 25 • 5-8pm
Aquatics Training Center
Info: 915-741-5901

Dive into Halloween fun!
**Swimwear highly encouraged*

- Bob for apples
- Pick a floating pumpkin to take home, one per child. (Limited supply)
- Zombie patio
- Challenge friends at corn hole
- Picture station available
- Goodie bags available while supplies last.

\$8 per person



Little's Army @ Fort Bliss



100 MILE SWIM CLUB

REPLICA AQUATIC CENTER
5035 Dickman Rd.

AQUATIC TRAINING CENTER
20733 Constitution Ave.

JAN. - DEC. 2024

100 mile swim club!
Patrons have one fiscal year to swim 100 miles. Pool staff will keep a record of the distance for each participant.

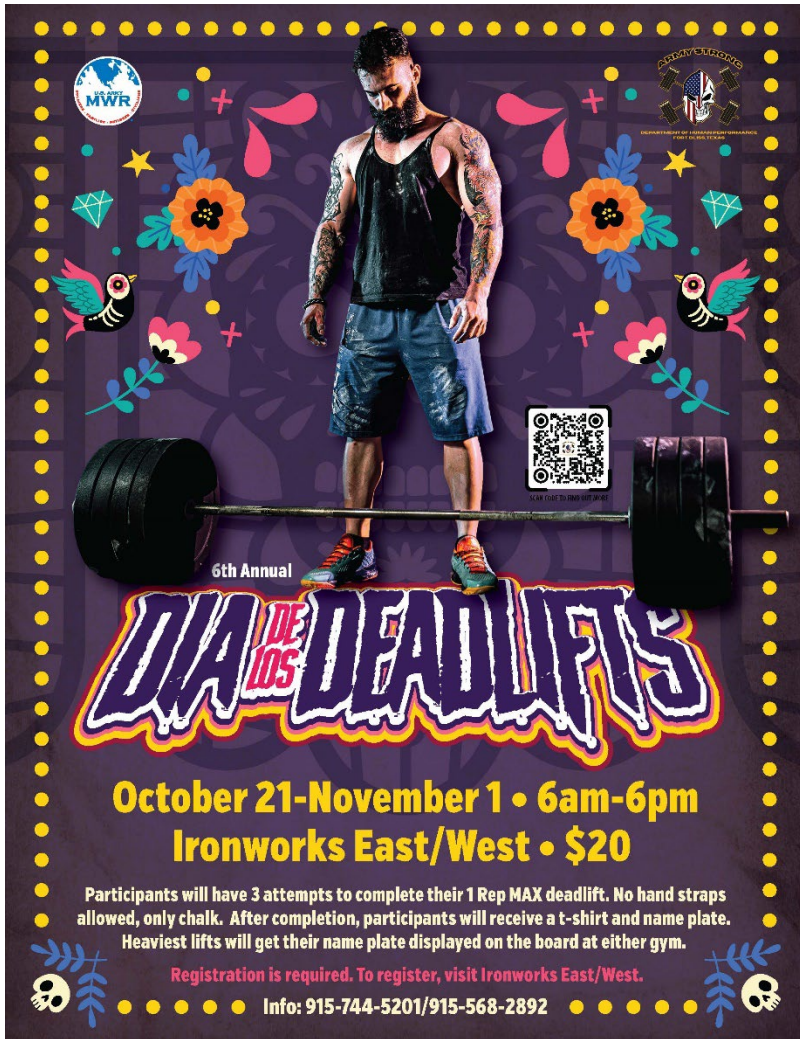
All participants will be awarded a t-shirt at the end of the year.
Top male and female who swims the furthest will be awarded additional prizes.

Registrations are required and can be done at either facility.

Open to DoD ID cardholders.
REGULAR POOL FEES APPLY.

INFO: 915-568-7431/915-741-5901





6th Annual
DIA DE LOS DEADLIFTS

October 21-November 1 • 6am-6pm
Ironworks East/West • \$20

Participants will have 3 attempts to complete their 1 Rep MAX deadlift. No hand straps allowed, only chalk. After completion, participants will receive a t-shirt and name plate. Heaviest lifts will get their name plate displayed on the board at either gym.

Registration is required. To register, visit Ironworks East/West.

Info: 915-744-5201/915-568-2892



10TH ANNUAL NATHANIEL A. LACOUR
HALLOWEEN
HOOPS CLASSIC

October 25-27 • 6pm • Logan PFC
\$20: Active-Duty/Retirees • \$25: Family Members/DOD • \$30: All Others

Open to the public, ages 18+. Registration fees are per player - 10 player minimum per roster.

Registration is required. Register online at IMLeagues.com or visit the Sports Office at Soto PFC. Info: 915-744-5792

MWR Group Fitness



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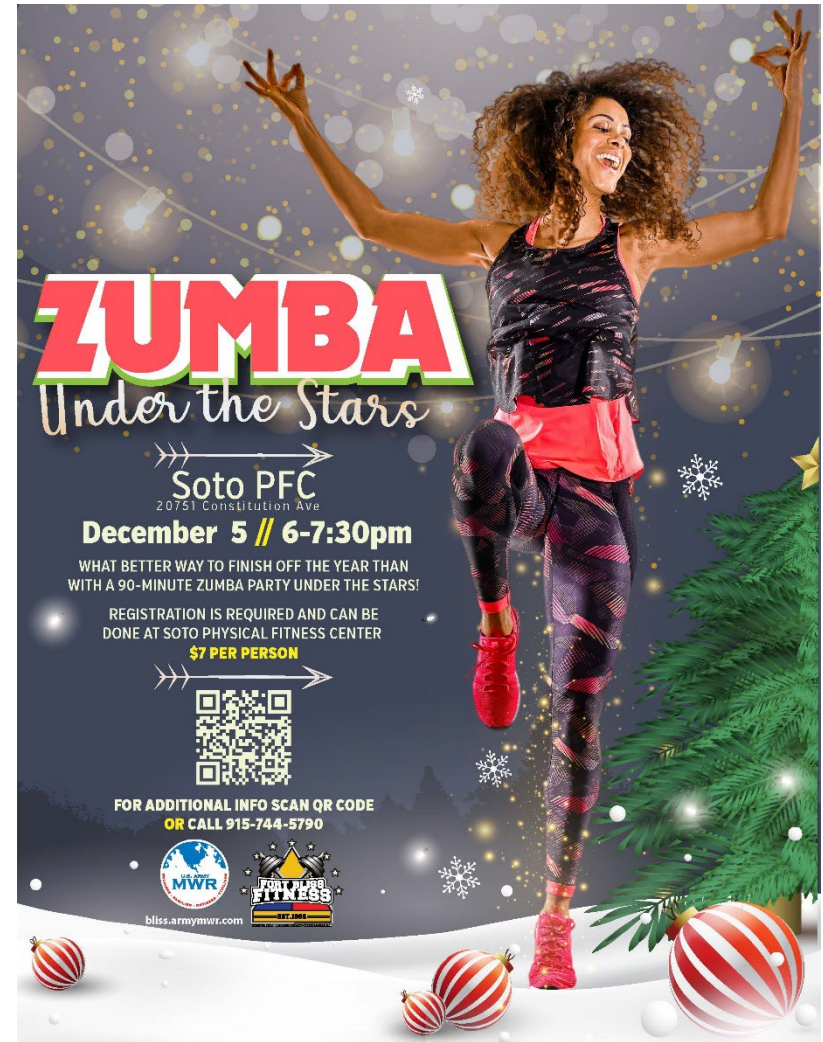
**NOVEMBER 27
6-7:30PM • SOTO PFC**

Work it before you Gobble it! Join Fort Bliss Fitness for a 90-minute instructor-led indoor cycling endurance ride! Come dressed in your best Thanksgiving outfit. There will be door prizes and refreshments after the event.

Open to the public. \$7 per person.
Registration is required and can be done at Soto PFC. Info: 915-744-5790



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ZUMBA

Under the Stars


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Soto PFC
20751 Constitution Ave

December 5 // 6-7:30pm



WHAT BETTER WAY TO FINISH OFF THE YEAR THAN WITH A 90-MINUTE ZUMBA PARTY UNDER THE STARS!

REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED AND CAN BE DONE AT SOTO PHYSICAL FITNESS CENTER

\$7 PER PERSON



FOR ADDITIONAL INFO SCAN QR CODE
OR CALL 915-744-5790



bliss.armymwr.com

MWR Outdoor Recreation



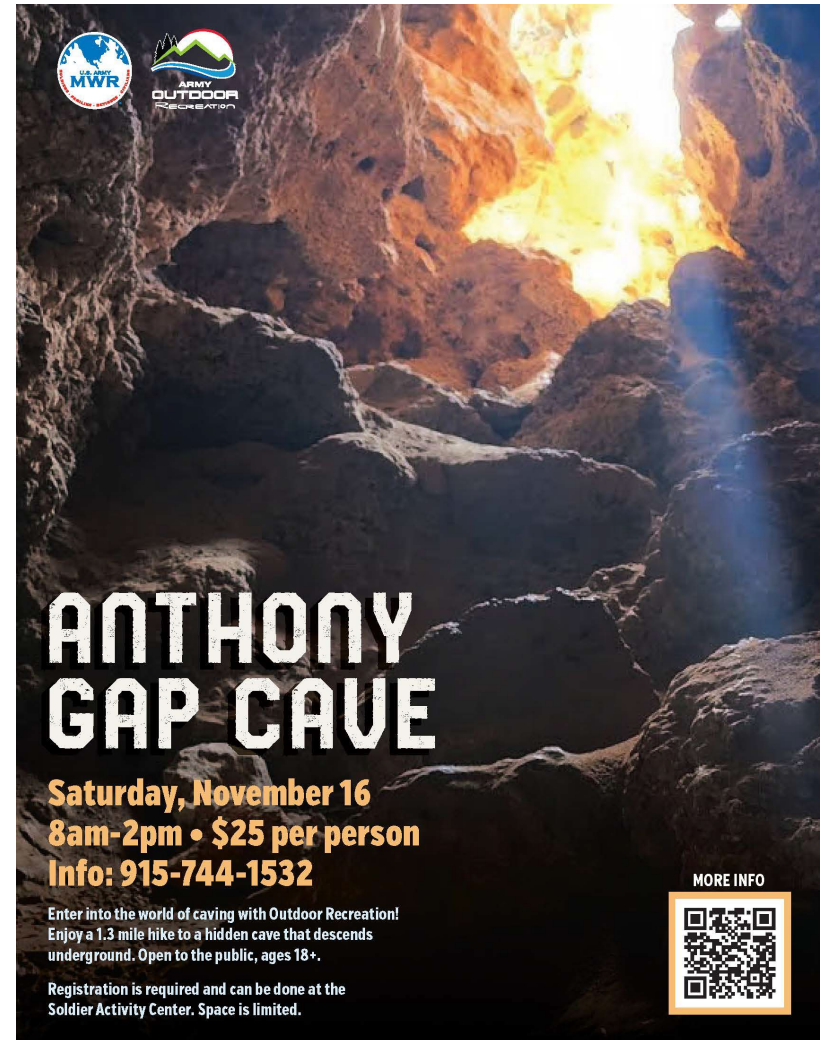
Kids Outdoor Scavenger Hunt

October 1 - December 14
10am - 7pm • FREE
Soldier Activity Center
Info: 915-744-1532

Pick up a Scavenger Hunt list and start exploring! Children will be given a checklist of activities and item to discover around Fort Bliss and El Paso. After completion turn it in at Soldier Activity Center to receive a certificate and choose a prize from the treasure chest.

Registration is required. To register, visit the Soldier Activity Center.


MORE INFO



ANTHONY GAP CAVE

Saturday, November 16
8am-2pm • \$25 per person
Info: 915-744-1532

MORE INFO



Enter into the world of caving with Outdoor Recreation! Enjoy a 1.3 mile hike to a hidden cave that descends underground. Open to the public, ages 18+.

Registration is required and can be done at the Soldier Activity Center. Space is limited.

MWR BOSS



Open to Active Duty Single Soldiers 18+.

BOSS REP MEETING

BETTER OPPORTUNITIES FOR SINGLE SOLDIERS



Linktree*/blissboss

1ST TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH

1-2 PM SOLDIER ACTIVITY CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM
20732 CONSTITUTION AVE.



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BETTER OPPORTUNITIES FOR SINGLE SOLDIERS

CALENDAR
OCT. - DEC.

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RECREATION AND LEISURE

BOSS Kickback	OCT 3 • NOV 7 • DEC 5	Monti Warrior Zone • 1700-1900
BOSS Lake Day	OCT 6	Ascarate Park • 1100-1500
Line Dance	OCT 9	Soto PFC • 1800-2000
Paintball	NOV 9	El Paso Paintball • 1000-1300 • \$25
Snow Tubing	DEC 29	Cloudcroft, NM • 0800-1600 • \$30
Top Golf Tuesday	Every Tuesday	Top Golf El Paso • 1900-2100 • \$10-15

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Amigo Airsho	OCT 12 • OCT 13	Biggs Army Airfield • 0800-1500
Zombie Run	OCT 19	Biggs Park • 1600-1900
Trees for Troops	DEC 6	Biggs Park • 0900-1200

QUALITY OF LIFE

BOSS Meeting	OCT 1 • NOV 5 • DEC 3	Soldier Activity Center • 1300-1400
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LIFE SKILLS

Woodshop	NOV 16	White Sands Missile Range • 0800-1600
SCUBA	DEC 7	Aquatics Training Center • 1000-1700
Western Hat	DEC 14	Art and Hobby • 1100-1400
Stained Glass	DEC 21	Art and Hobby • 1000-1400

Army Community Service



ACS Employment Readiness Program

Military Spouse
Morning Social

SCAN HERE TO REGISTER ONLINE



**March 14 • May 9 • July 17
September 12 • November 6**
9-10:30am • Free
Info: 915-569-5838
Army Community Service (ACS)
2494 Ricker Road - ERP

Join us for coffee and pastries and connect with other spouses. Learn about the ACS Employment Program services, Military Spouse federal employment preference, professional training opportunities, and much more!

Religious Support Office (Chaplain)

Upcoming Events and Activities

The Main Highlights:

- **Ongoing:** Operation Helping Hand has started to allow the RSO to provide crisis support to Soldiers throughout the year, as emergencies arise in their lives. This is an opportunity for Soldiers to help Soldiers, no matter their rank or position.
- **Ongoing:** AWANA Tuesday @ 1730
- **18OCT:** Sukkot Shabbat @ CC3 (Jewish)
- **25OCT:** Simchat Torah @ CC3 (Jewish)
- **28NOV:** CC2 Thanksgiving Mass (Catholic)
- **22NOV:** Fort Bliss Homeschool Association Friendsgiving
- **06DEC:** Fort Bliss Homeschool Association Christmas Party



**For Virtual Religious Services and most Updated
worship service schedule, please visit**

<https://facebook.com/ftblisschaplain/> or call 915-568-1519

Religious Support Office (Chaplain)



The graphic features four hands of different skin tones (light, medium, dark, and light) holding red hearts. The background is white with colorful starburst patterns in blue, yellow, and orange. In the top left corner, there is a logo for 'TeamBliss' with the tagline 'Serving the Nation' and an American flag. In the top right corner, there is a circular emblem with a book and the Latin phrase 'PRO DEO ET PATRIA'. The text 'OPERATION HELPING HANDS' is written in large, bold, blue capital letters. Below this, it says 'DONATIONS TO PROVIDE IMMEDIATE SUPPORT TO ASSIST SOLDIERS FOR BOTH ANNUAL HOLIDAY AND ONE TIME SUPPORT PROGRAMS'. A QR code is centered, with the text 'QR CODE' above it and 'BLISS-OPERATION HELPING HAND- CAJY' below it. At the bottom, contact information is provided.

TeamBliss
"Serving the Nation"

**OPERATION
HELPING HANDS**

DONATIONS TO PROVIDE IMMEDIATE SUPPORT TO ASSIST SOLDIERS
FOR BOTH ANNUAL HOLIDAY AND ONE TIME SUPPORT PROGRAMS

QR CODE
BLISS-OPERATION HELPING HAND- CAJY

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
RELIGIOUS SUPPORT OFFICE
448 PERSHING RD. FORT BLISS TX.
(915) 568-1519

**Annual RSO Thanksgiving
Turkey and Food Basket**

Friday 22NOV2024

More details coming soon....



Thanksgiving Baskets

Religious Support Office (Chaplain)

Join us for Fort Bliss AWANA

Fun and Learning Await at AWANA!

Registration for
volunteers & children
OPEN!



Starts September 3, 2024
Tuesdays from 1730-1930



Fellowship Meals, Bible Lessons, Games, Awards, and
MORE!

For more information call or text Jovana at 915-262-6198

Religious Support Office (Chaplain)

Jewish High Holiday Services

Soldiers, Civilians, Families, and Community Members Welcome!
All services and meals will be at Center Chapel 3 unless otherwise noted



Service Times – 5785/2024

Sukkot Shabbat* – 18 OCT, 1800 service
1930 dinner

*Supported by Jewish Federation of El Paso and PJ Library!

Simchat Torah – 25 OCT, 1800 service
1930 dinner

POC: CH (MAJ) David Frommer, Jewish Chaplain
david.p.frommer.mil@army.mil, (646) 648-2778



Religious Support Office (Chaplain)

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

CENTER CHAPEL 2

1542 Sheridan Rd. Fort Bliss, Tex 79916

THANKSGIVING DAY

MASS CELEBRATION

28 NOVEMBER 2024

AT 9:00AM

CENTER CHAPEL 2

*Come to give
thanks to God for
the many gifts
that he provides
for us in our lives.*

Religious Support Office (Chaplain)

Please join us for a
potluck

FRIENDS GIVING DINNER



22 NOVEMBER 6PM-8PM
TO BE HELD IN THE 1AD CHAPEL

LET'S BE THANKFUL TOGETHER!

PLEASE RSVP BY NOVEMBER 15



FORT BLISS HOMESCHOOLERS

CHRISTMAS PARTY

WEAR YOUR UGLY CHRISTMAS SWEATERS! **Music / Appetizers/ Hot chocolate/ Gingerbread House Decorating/ Games** **BRING AN APPETIZER TO SHARE!**

DECEMBER 6 2024
6PM-8PM
IAD CHAPEL

RSVP BY
DEC 2



1st AD Fort Bliss and NCO Museums

- **Tank Fest 2024**

- Saturday, **November 2nd** from **10am -2pm** in museum's backlot
- Sneak peak of our new indoor tank park
- “Tank Park Talk” @ 11am with our Curator
- Outdoor static displays of 1AD vehicle with their crews
- Family Friendly Activities
- Food for purchase on site

AND.....

- **“Make a Tank” Cardboard Tank Making Competition**

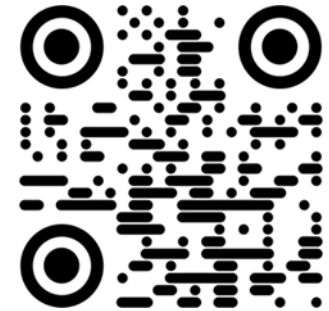
- Create your own cardboard tank at home out of recycled materials and bring it to the museum during Tank Fest for judging.
- See the 1AD and Ft Bliss Museum's Facebook for contest rules.
- Family friendly contest, open to ALL ages.

Fort Bliss Spouses' Association



UPCOMING EVENTS:

- October's Murder Mystery Luncheon – 10/24/24; location & time TBD
- Thrift Shop Events:
 - 10/15 - 10/19: Friendsgiving Event. Shoppers wearing themed clothing will receive a discount.
- Operation Deploy Your Dress Hours: Wed 1100-1330 & 2nd/4th Sat 1000-1300



Learn More
thefbsa.org

Defense Commissary Agency (DeCA)

Overview

- ✓ At Fort Bliss Commissary, we're committed to making a positive impact in our community. As part of our ongoing efforts, we're participating in the Bliss Feed Families campaign through the end of 2024 into 2025. This initiative focuses on combating hunger by creating and distributing food bags to families in need.
- ✓ Join us for an Employee Pumpkin Carving Contest at the commissary from October 14th-31st. Customers will be able to vote for their favorite carving done by employee's, and the winner will be drawn on the 31st.
- ✓ DeCA will be conducting a train the trainer and barracks cooking class for our community on October 22nd . Also, on October 23rd a senior leader brief/tour will be conducted at the Commissary to help improving quality of life for our troops by explaining better and healthier options available to shop at the Fort Bliss commissary.
- ✓ The commissary remains committed to our military communities by increasing store operating hours to better meet your needs. Commissary will now remain open during all federal holidays EXCEPT New Year's Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas.
- ✓ The commissary will be open from 0800-1600 in observance of Columbus Day/Indigenous People's Day on October 14th, 2024.
- ✓ The Defense Commissary Agency (DeCA) is always looking for new members to join our team. To search open positions in your area, please go to USAJOBS – Search, input “commissary” into the Keywords box and input your location into the search box. Interested military spouses can send inquiries directly to: Militaryspouse.employment@deca.mil.

- **Exchange**

- Organizations can now begin signing up for Gift Wrapping dates

- **Main Store**

- Trick or Treat Event – 25 Oct 1600-1700
- Toyland Grand Opening – 26 Oct – events all day
- Pet Fashion Show – 26 Oct 1300
 - Best Pet Costumes – \$25.00 AAFES Gift Card
- Veteran Day Event – 11 Nov 2024 at 1000
 - Cake
 - Coin Presentation

The Exchange

Events!

- **Life Style Center Food Court**

- Trick or Treat Events – Craft Table – 25 Oct 1400-1700
- Spooky Edition Chalk the Block – 26 Oct 1300-1600
- Halloween Coloring Contest – 31 Oct

- **Freedom Crossing**

- Freedom Fright – 25 Oct 1700-2100
- Freedom Fest – 2 Nov 1200-1800
- Tree Lighting Ceremony – 15 Nov 1700-2000

- **Services**

- Breast Cancer Awareness Fridays – 18 & 25 Oct 1100-1230
- Halloween Event – 25 Oct 1500-1700
- Veterans' Day Celebration – 8 Nov 1100-1230

The Exchange Events!

Exchange Holiday Gift Wrapping at Freedom Crossing

Julie Garcia Email-Garciajulie@aafes.com

915-562-9551 Ext 1131202

or

Becky Henry Email-Henryb@aafes.com

915-562-9551 Ext 1131203

Gift wrapping will be available from
23 November thru 24 December

Units / FRGs can enter for a drawing for prime dates:
Saturday, Sunday, Black Friday and week before
Christmas

Nov 23, 24, 29 & 30

Dec 1, 7, 8, 14, 15, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23 & 24

Drawing will be held Monday, 11 November



The Exchange will provide wrapping and tape

Armed Services YMCA

Summary



We have a reoccurring volunteer opportunity at our JEFC:

Tuesdays from 12:00 -4:00pm

Wednesday From 10:30 -4:00pm Thursday from 1:00-

4:00pm Friday from 10:30-4:00pm

Operation Ride Home

Travel Window 1 Nov 24-31 Jan 25

Thanksgiving Food giveaway-JEFC

Set up 11/21

Event 11/22 (1500-1800)

Cookies with Santa-JEFC

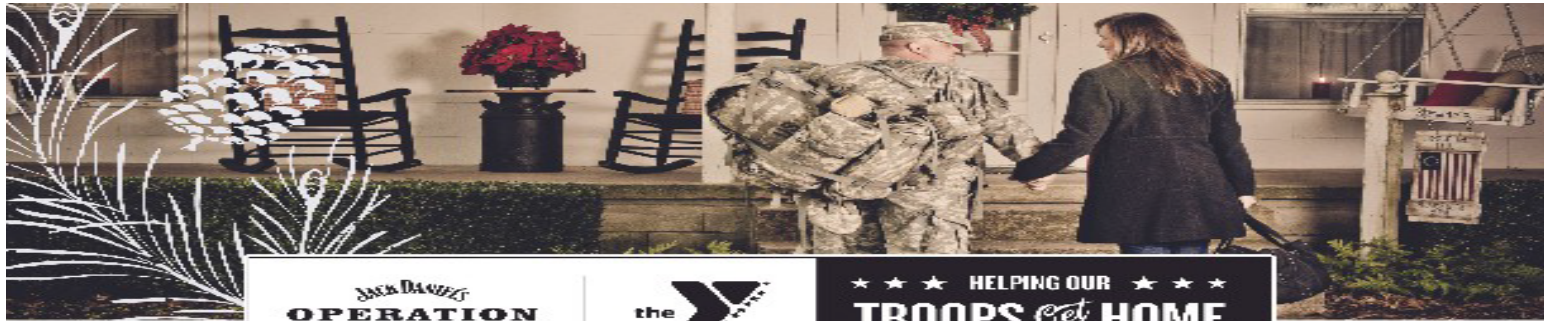
Set up 12/12 Event 12/13

Make up 12/16-20



Armed Services YMCA

Summary



JACK DANIEL'S
OPERATION
RIDE HOME
Since 2011

the **Y** MCA
ARMED SERVICES YMCA

★ ★ ★ HELPING OUR ★ ★ ★
TROOPS get HOME
= FOR THE HOLIDAYS SINCE 2011 =

HOLIDAY TRAVEL ASSISTANCE FOR MILITARY FAMILIES STATIONED AT FORT BLISS, HOLLOMAN AFB, AND WHITE SANDS MISSILE RANGE

Reconnecting military families with their loved ones during this special time of year is one way Operation Ride Home is strengthening military families.

Operation Ride Home is open to active duty E1-E5, single and married service members and their dependent children ages 0-18, from all six Service branches, who might not otherwise have the full financial means to travel home for the holidays.

Visit, Apply or Donate at oprighthouse.asymca.org



2024 Application Period: August 19 - October 4

PROGRAM IMPACT

Since the inception of Jack Daniel's Operation Ride Home in 2011, the Armed Services YMCA and Jack Daniel's have:



reconnected 11,260 junior-enlisted service members, spouses and their children with loved ones.



served families from the Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force, Space Force and Coast Guard.



provided travel assistance to send military families home to all 50 states and around the world.

Armed Services YMCA

Summary



CHILDREN'S WAITING ROOM

FREE HOURLY CHILD CARE
for Military Families with a medical appointments

**William Beaumont
Army Medical Center**

18511 Highlander Medics St.
East Clinic, 1st Floor
Room E1206
Fort Bliss, TX 79918
915-742-0975

**Spc. Hugo V. Mendoza
Soldier Family Care
Center**

11355 SSG Sims St.
Room A160
Fort Bliss, TX 79918
915-742-9926



**OPEN TO
ALL
RANKS!**

CALL NOW TO RESERVE YOUR CHILD'S SPOT!

El Paso County Volunteer Opportunity

- El Paso County Volunteer Services in partnership with Commissioner Sergio Coronado, Pct. 4
- This is an amazing opportunity to help your community and earn community service hours!

**PLANT TREES,
GROW COMMUNITY**

**COME HELP US PLANT TREES
AND LANDSCAPE!**

**OCT. 26
8AM -12PM**

**GALLEGOS PARK
7361 BOSQUE RD.**

- We will have educational booths and a reading of the Lorax!
- Volunteers under the age of 14 must have a parent/guardian volunteer with them.
- Volunteers ages 14-17 need parental permission and must participate with a group leader.

**SCAN HERE
TO SIGN UP**

In Partnership with
Sergio Coronado
County Commissioner
Precinct 4

Questions? Contact us at
volunteer@epcounty.com or
call 915-335-4313

El Paso County Sheriff's Office Zombie Run & Trunk or Treat Fall Festival



SHERIFF'S OFFICE Presents:

SHERIFF'S

Zombie Run

Saturday October 26, 2024

ASCARATE PARK 6pm

FREE T-SHIRTS: First 500 Registrations

EARLY REGISTRATION: \$25 PER PERSON - THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30TH

LATE REGISTRATION: \$35 PER PERSON. OCT 1ST TO OCT 25TH

RACE DAY REGISTRATION: \$45 PER PERSON. OCT 26TH



TRUNK OR TREAT

FALL FESTIVAL

ASCARATE PARK

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26th AT 5PM

Immediately following **Zombie Run**

🎃	FOOD	COSTUME CONTEST	🎃
🎃	GAMES	TRUNK DECORATING	🎃
🎃	LIVE MUSIC	FACE PAINTING	🎃

<https://runsignup.com/Race/TX/EIPaso/SheriffSZombieRun>

El Paso County 2024 Victims Walk



The poster features a circular logo at the top center with the text "Bill D. Hicks, District Attorney" and "Victim Assistance Program" around a central emblem. Below the logo, the text "EL PASO DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE HOSTS" is displayed. The main title "2024 VICTIMS WALK" is prominently featured, with the numbers "2024" in a large, blue, stylized font and "VICTIMS WALK" in white block letters. The background of the numbers contains images of people walking and a rainbow flag. Below the title, the date and time "SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2024 7AM-10AM" are listed. The start and end locations are provided in two columns: "START: ASCARATE PARK, 6900 DELTA DR, EL PASO, TX 79905" and "END: RALPH T. CLOUD PARK, 7901 WILLIAMETTE AVE, EL PASO, TX 79907". At the bottom, there is a registration link: "REGISTER AT: [HTTPS://BOOKWHEN.COM/EPDISTRICTATTORNEY/E/EV-S0P0-20241027070000](https://bookwhen.com/epdistrictattorney/e/ev-s0p0-20241027070000)". The bottom section also includes the official seal of the District Attorney of El Paso County and social media icons for Facebook and Instagram, both labeled "34TH.JUDICIAL.DISTRICT.ATTORNEYS.OFFICE" and "@EPDISTRICTATTORNEYSOFFICE" respectively.

Bill D. Hicks, District Attorney
Victim Assistance Program
(915) 546-2091

EL PASO DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE HOSTS


2024 VICTIMS WALK


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TX 79905

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Feel free to share this link with friends, family, and anyone else who would like to stand against crime! <https://bookwhen.com/epdistrictattorney/e/ev-s0p0-20241027070000>

El Paso County Illumina Public Library Calendar of Events

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
30 Fall Intersession @ 2 P.M.	1 Fall Intersession @ 2 P.M.	2 Fall Intersession @ 2 P.M. Conversational English @ 6 P.M.	3 Fall Intersession @ 2 P.M. Computer Class @ 6 P.M.	4 Fall Intersession @ 2 P.M. Library ID Card @ 12 P.M. - 4 P.M.
7 Fall Intersession @ 2 P.M.	8 Fall Intersession @ 2 P.M.	9 Fall Intersession @ 2 P.M. Conversational English @ 6 P.M.	10 Fall Intersession @ 2 P.M. Computer Class @ 6 P.M.	11 Fall Intersession @ 2 P.M. Library ID Card @ 12 P.M. - 4 P.M.
14 <u>Library</u> CLOSED	15 Toddler Time Tuesday @ 10 A.M.	16 Conversational English @ 6 P.M.	17 Computer Class @ 6 P.M.	18 Library ID Card @ 12 P.M. - 4 P.M.
21 STREAMERS @ 4 P.M.	22 Toddler Time Tuesday @ 10 A.M.	23 Conversational English @ 6 P.M.	24 Computer Class @ 6 P.M.	25
28 STREAMERS @ 4 P.M.	29 Toddler Time Tuesday @ 10 A.M.	30 Conversational English @ 6 P.M.	31 Computer Class @ 6 P.M.	
OCTOBER 2024 CALENDAR OF EVENTS MONDAY-FRIDAY 9AM-6PM				 ILUMINA PUBLIC LIBRARY iluminalibrary.com
Illumina Public Library 15371 Kentwood Ave. El Paso, TX 79928 915-273-3409				

El Paso County

Coming Soon to Freedom Crossing!

- The County will be installing a Kiosk (where technology integrates services and interfaces with internal departments into the platform).
- The kiosks are geared to expand services for residents who reside further from the Courthouse and other County facilities.
- Services include:
 - Payments
 - Accessing the courts and justice case management system, Enterprise Justice
 - Case Portal Access
 - Information about County Departments

