

Community Information Exchange





Community Information Exchange

Purpose:

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).

Timing & Details:

Frequency: Monthly, except DEC & JUL

Time: 1 hour, 1200-1300, 3rd WED

Location: Centennial Conf Center

Medium: Facebook & In-Person

Attendees:

- 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

Agenda:

- 1. Opening Comments: Garrison CDR
- 2. Calendar Review: Garrison CDR
- 3. DFMWR Updates
- 4. WBAMC Update: CDR or Deputy
- 5. Two-Minute Drill
 - □ Fort Bliss Housing
 - DES
 - ☐ Other Garrison / Installation Agencies
 - □ City Update
 - □ County Update
- 6. Question & Answers (30 Minutes)
- 7. Closing Comments: Garrison CDR

Inputs:

- CG Decisions
- Bliss Synch Events Working Group
- Fort Bliss Ceremonies & Protocol Events
- Local Events & Community Relations

Primary POC:

USAG: Mr. Bill Ketcherside (DFMWR)

Outputs:

- Information for unit SFRGs
- Community Awareness & Advertising



Opening Comments





Bliss Is Back Overview (1 of 4) - Intent Statement

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<u>Purpose:</u> Return Fort Bliss to pre-COVID levels of operations and provide maximum services to the Soldiers, Civilians, Families, and surrounding community.

<u>ne</u>	<u>ey tasks:</u>
	Bring all facilities and services back to pre-COVID capacity/capability
	Scrub the garrison websites and directory to ensure service contact information is correct
	Review and update work policies to support maximizing Fort Bliss services
	Develop a garrison services common operating picture (COP)
	Develop a communications plan that works in parallel with Fort Bliss' physical return to full capacity
	Identify, coordinate, promote, and execute events from 9JAN23 to 17MAR23 that incorporate both Fort Bliss and the local community
	Develop a releasable BiB overview product for dissemination to the public

End State: Fort Bliss returns to full capacity, Service Members, Civilians, Families, and the surrounding community all well informed of the services offered, participation in events are higher than similar events in the past and the installation is positioned to share best practices with other installations.



Bliss Is Back Overview (2 of 4) – Important Services

Fitness and Aquatics Centers:

Stout (0500-2000 Mon-Fri; 0800-1600 Sat-Sun

0800-1800 Training Holiday)

Soto (0500-2100 Mon-Fri; 0800-1800 Sat; 1000-1800 Sun

0800-1800 Training Holiday)

Biggs (0500-2000 Monday-Friday; 0800-1800 Training Holidays)

Milam (0500-2000 Mon-Fri; 0800-1800 Training Holidays)

Logan Heights (0500-2000 Mon-Fri; 0800-1800 Training Holidays)

Iron Works East (0600-1800 Monday-Friday)

Iron Works West (0600-1800 Monday-Friday)

Aguatics Training Cent (0600-0800 for PT Reservation

0800-2000 Mon-Fri; 0900-1800 Sat Sun) Replica Pool (0600-0800 for PT Reservation

0800-2000 Mon-Fri; 0900-1800 Sat Sun)

Soldier Activity Center (1000-2000)

Community Pool (1100-1900 Mon-Fri; 1000-2000 Sat; 1200-1800 Sun Memorial Day Weekend to Labor Day Weekend)

Recreation and Entertainment:

Freedom Crossing (0900-1900 Mon-Sun)

Strike Zone Bowling Alley (Closed Mon; 1100-2200 Tues-Wed

1100-2230 Thurs; 1100-2300 Fri -Sat; 1200-1830 Sun

Rod and Gun Club (Closed Monday: 0800-1500 Tues-Thurs 0800-1800 Fri-Sun)

Centennial Club (0830-1730 Monday - Friday)

Soldier Activity Center (1000-2000)

Warrior Zone (1000-1730 Mon-Fri; 1200-1900 Sat; Closed Sun)

Arts and Crafts Center (1000-1600 Tues-Fri To Schedule Appointment)

Auto and Maintenance Shop (Closed Mon; 0800-1800 Tues-Sat Closed Sun; 0800-1700 Training Holiday)

Biggs Park (1000-2000)

Underwood Golf Course (0600-1830 Monday-Sunday)

Fort Bliss Museum (Closed Sun-Tues; 0830-1545 Wed-Sat)

Fort Bliss Replica Museum (0900-1545 Monday – Friday)

East USO (Monday - Friday 1000 - 1400; 1630-2000)

West USO (Monday -Friday 1000 – 2100; Saturday 1200- 2100)

Restaurants and Retail Services:

Freedom Crossing (0900-1900 Mon-Sun)

Fort Bliss Commissary (Mon-Sun 0830-2000)

East Bliss Shoppette (24/7)

Biggs Field Shoppette (0600-2000 Mon-Fri; 1000-1730 Sat-Sun)

Bradley Shopette (0600-1900 Mon-Fri; 1000-1800 Sat-Sun)

Cassidy Street Shopette (0530-2200 Mon-Thurs; 0530-2300 Fri 0800-2300 Sat; 0900-2100 Sun)

Purple Heart Shoppette (0600-2200 Mon-Fri; 1000-1930 Sat-Sun) **Dunkin Donuts** (0600-1500 Mon-Fri; 0800-1400 Sat-Sun)

Canes (1000-2100 Mon-Sun)

Burger King/Popeyes (1030-1600 Mon-Fri; 1030-2100 Sat & Sun)

Soldier and Family Services:

ASAP (0730-1630 Mon-Fri; Closed Sat-Sun)

Red Cross (Available by phone 24/7)

ACS (0730-1630 Monday - Friday)

TDS (0900-1700 Mon-Thurs; 1300-1700 Fri; Closed Sat-Sun)

SOS (0730-1630 Mon-Fri; Closed Sat-Sun)

Health Services:

WBAMC (24/7)

SFMC (0700-1600 Mon-Fri; Closed Sat-Sun)

East Bliss Clinic (0730-1630 Mon-Fri; Closed Sat-Sun)

Mendoza Clinic (0700-1700 Mon-Fri; Closed Sat-Sun)

Biggs Dental Clinic (0700-1600 Mon-Fri; Closed Sat-Sun)

Chambers Dental Clinic (0730-1630 Mon-Fri; Closed Sat-Sun)

Dental Clinic 3 (0800-1600 Mon-Fri; Closed Sat-Sun)

Religious Facilities: (Hours Vary by Service)

1AD Chapel

Bliss Community Chapel

Center Chapel

Catholic Community Chapel

Hope Chapel

Sage Hall

Banks:

Armed Forces Bank (0730-1630 Mon-Fri; Closed Sat &Sun) First Light Credit Union (0730-1630 Mon-Fri; Closed Sat &Sun)

Access Control Points:

Buffalo Soldier (24/7)

Cassidy (24/7)

Chaffee (0500-2100 Mon-Sun)

Constitution (24/7)

MSG Pena (24/7)

Old Ironsides (0500-2100 Mon-Fri; Closed Sat & Sun)

Sheridan (0500-2100 Mon-Fri; Closed Sat & Sun)

For a full list of all services, see link below:

https://home.army.mil/bliss/index.php/contact/phonebook



Child and Youth Services

East Bliss CDC (0530-1800 Monday-Friday)

Logan Elementary (0530-1800 Monday-Friday)

Milam Elementary (0530-1800 Monday-Friday)

Logan CDC (0530-1800 Monday-Friday)

Main CDC (0530-1800 Monday-Friday)

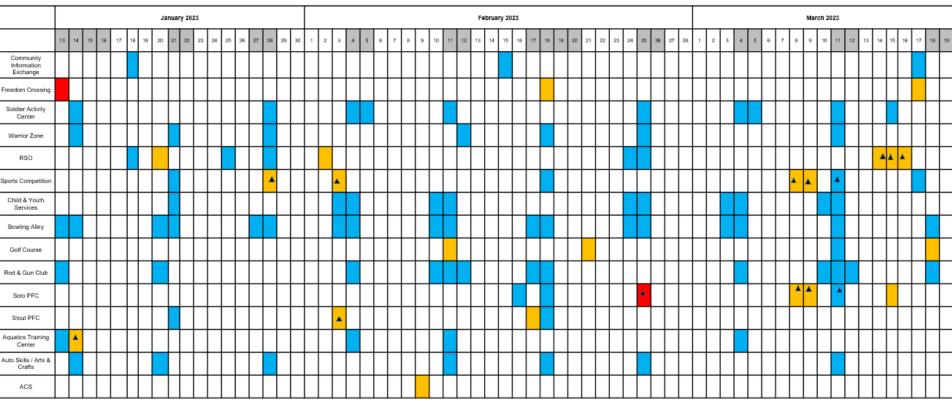
Milam CDC (1100-1900 Monday-Friday)

Replica CDC (0530-1800 Monday-Friday)

Bliss Elementary (0530-0800; 1500-1800 Monday-Friday)



Bliss Is Back Overview (3 of 4) - Event Schedule



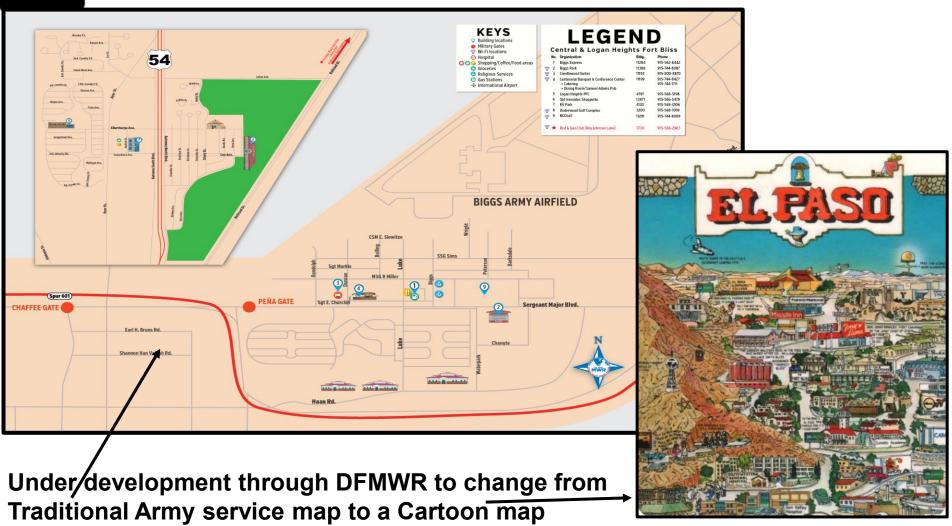
Legend: Routine Activity; Significant Event; Special Event/Expected High Participation; A Requesting taskings to support event

Subject to final approval by Fort Bliss Senior CDR to ensure BiB events do not create impacts to Readiness events





Bliss Is Back Overview (4 of 4) - Appealing Map







Upcoming Events





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Next 30 Days:

- 08 & 12 DEC: Watercolor Painting (DFMWR)
- 12 DEC: Walking Housing Townhall-Logan Heights (Army Housing)
- 13DEC: Santa's Workshop (USO)
- 14DEC: Holiday Movie Night (USO)
- 16DEC: Friday at the Fire (Freedom Crossing)
- 16DEC: Jingle and Mingle Holiday Party (USO)
- 17DEC: Wreaths Across America (GPAO)
- 17DEC: Pictures with Santa (DECA)
- <u>08DEC: Centennial Holiday Brunch (DFMWR)</u>
- 19-23DEC: Hodge Podge Youth Camp (DFMWR)
- 27-30DEC: Milam Christmas Youth Camp (DFMWR)
- 30DEC: Tony the Tiger Sun Bowl (GPAO)

Next 60 Days

- 10JAN: Story Time at Mickelson Library (DFMWR)
- 12-15JAN: Sidewalk Sale (DECA)
- 13JAN: Freedom Fest 2 at Freedom Crossing (AAFES)
- 14JAN: Massing of Colors Ceremony (PAO)
- 14JAN: Soldier Activity Center (SAC) Rock Climbing Trip (DFMWR)
- 14JAN: Aquatics Center Grand Reopening (DFMWR)
- 18JAN: Community Information Exchange (DFMWR)
- 20JAN: Famous Artists Crafts at Mickelson Library (DFMWR)
- 20JAN: Vision Quest Norwegian Road March (RSO)
- 28JAN: Fitness Resolution (DFMWR)
- 28JAN: Half Marathon (DFMWR)
- 28JAN: SAC Hueco Tanks Hiking Trip (DFWMR)
- 28JAN: Mother Daughter Tea Party (RSO)

Next 90 Days:

- 02FEB: National Prayer Breakfast (RSO)
- 03FEB: Commanders Cup 5K Run (DFMWR)
- 04-5FEB: SAC Kids Day on the Wall (DFMWR)
- 07FEB: Story Time at Mickelson Library (DFMWR)
- 10FEB: Disney Vigilantes at Mickelson Library (DFMWR)
- 11FEB: Spin Under the Sea (DFMWR)
- 13-16FEB: Softball Officials Clinic (DFMWR)
- 15FEB: Community Information Exchange (DFMWR)
- 18FEB: Truck Town (AAFES)
- 24FEB: Adult Coloring at Mickelson Library (DFMWR)
- 24FEB: Boxing Smoker (DFMWR)
- 25FEB: Run for the Fallen (DFWMR)
- 25FEB: SAC North Franklin Summit Hike (DFMWR)
- 25FEB Father and Son Nerf Wars (RSO)
- 28FEB-02MAR Indoor Soccer Officials Clinic (DFMWR)

January/February Ongoing Classes and Events:

- FAP CDR and 1SG Training (FAP): JAN 6, FEB 3,14-16
- Stress Management Seminar (ACS): JAN 8,9,11,18,23,25, FEB 1.6.8
- Scream Free Marriage Seminar (ACS): JAN 10,13, 19,24,26, FEB 2,3,7,9,14,16,22,23,24,27,28
- Thrive Training (RSO): JAN 11,18,25, FEB 1,8,15,22
 - Commanders Cup Basketball (DFMWR): 16 JAN-09 MAR

Click here for a list of Upcoming Events





Directorate of Family Morale Welfare Recreation





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Key Updates:

- EFMP is moving toward more self-service for the ease of the SM and their families with e-EFMP
- El Paso Schools Christmas Break Schedule
- Fort Bliss CYS Camps at Milam and Replica Youth Center





Directorate of Family Morale Welfare Recreation

Christmas Break



Anthony ISD Dec. 21 – Jan. 4 Canutillo Dec. 19 – Jan. 3 **Clint ISD** Dec. 22 - Jan. 4 Dec. 19 - Jan. 3 **EPISD** Fabens ISD Dec. 22 - Jan. 3 San Elizario Dec. 22 – Jan. 5 **SISD** Dec. 19 - Jan. 4 **Tornillo ISD** Dec. 19 - Jan. 9 **YISD** Dec. 19 - Jan. 3





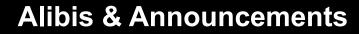


William Beaumont Army Medical Center

- Available at Freedom Crossing for all ID holders and Tricare beneficiaries:
 - 1613 Pleasonton Road, Suite D-102
 - 07 DEC 1200-1700
 - 09 DEC 1400-1800
 - 13 DEC 1000- 1400
 - 17 DEC 1000-1600
- Flu shots- Ages 6 and up
- COVID Bivalent Booster- Ages 12 and up (Initial COVID vaccination series not currently available)



Influenza Vaccinations and COVID Boosters





Two-Minute Drill per Speaker

- □Fort Bliss Housing
- **DES**
- □Other Garrison / Installation Agencies
- **□City Update**
- **□**County Update





Questions & Answers





Closing Comments





Back Up Slides





2023 Sports Calendar

FORT BLISS 2023 SPORTS, FITNESS & AQUATICS CALENDAR



For more information on the sports program, call Sports Office:

Paul Fernandez 744-5792, Matthew Orlowski 744-5793 or Chris Nazario 744-6551

All Commander's Cup Events are Active Duty only. Sports M.O.I.s located at bliss.armymwr.com

www.facebook.com/teamblisssports

WINTER/SPRING SEASON: 1 January - 30 April

100 MILE SWIM CLUB	1 JAN - 31 DEC
COMMANDER'S CUP BASKETBALL	16 JAN - 9 MAR
HALF MARATHON	28 JAN
HEALTH FAIR	28 JAN
COMMANDER'S CUP 5K CHAMPIONSHIP	3 FEB
SPIN UNDER THE SEA	11 FEB
SOFTBALL OFFICIALS CLINIC	13-16 FEB
RUN FOR THE FALLEN	25 FEB
INDOOR SOCCER OFFICIALS CLINIC	28 FEB - 2 MAR
BOXING SMOKER	24 MAR
EASTER EGG FLOAT	8 APR
COMMANDER'S CUP SOFTBALL	10 APR - 1 JUN
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SUMMER SEASON: 1 may - 31 august

COMMANDER'S CUP INDOOR SOCCER	1 MAY - 22 JUN
COMMANDER'S CUP ARMY TEN MILER QUALIFIER	19 MAY
VOLLEYBALL OFFICIALS CLINIC	5 - 8 JUN
IRON SOLDIER 5K HERITAGE RUN	10 JUN
OPEN DODGEBALL	16 - 17 JUN
SPIN INTO SUMMER	24 JUN
SOCCER OFFICIALS CLINIC	26 - 29 JUN
DANCE GLOW PARTY	8 JUL
FLAG FOOTBALL OFFICIALS CLINIC	10 - 13 JUL
ARMY TEN MILER QUALIFIER	22 JUL
COMMANDER'S CUP 10K CHAMPIONSHIP	4 AUG
COMMANDER'S CUP VOLLEYBALL	7 AUG - 28 SEPT
CARDBOARD REGATTA	12 AUG
COMMANDER'S CUP SOCCER	21 AUG - 12 OCT
COMMANDER'S CUP FLAG FOOTBALL	28 AUG - 19 OCT

FALL SEASON: 1 September - 31 December

COMMUNITY RACQUETBALL TOURNAMENT	8 - 10 SEPT
DOGGIE SWIM DAY	9 SEPT
VOLKSMARCH	9 SEPT
9/11 MEMORIAL STAIR CLIMB	11 SEPT
COMMANDER'S CUP SWIM MEET	12 - 14 SEPT
SPRINT TRIATHLON	30 SEPT
SUGAR, SQUATS, DEADLIFTS & DRAFTS	7 OCT
FLOATING PUMPKIN PATCH SWIM	14 OCT
ZOMBIE RUN	21 OCT
HALLOWEEN CLASSIC	27 - 29 OCT
OPEN KICKBALL	3 - 5 NOV
BASKETBALL OFFICIALS CLINIC	6 - 9 NOV
COMMANDER'S CUP COLF	17 - 19 NOV
CLAUS & PAWS	2 DEC
POLAR BEAR PLUNGE	9 DEC
ZUMBA UNDER THE STARS	9 DEC





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Army Community Service



- EFMP is moving toward more self-service for the ease of the SM and their families
- Web application tracks progress in real time for more visibility of the process of EFM's
- The EFMP processes are moving toward a digital platform:
 - Initial enrollments, updates, disenrollment's and screenings will all be initiated by the SM via the web application
 - Documents will be scanned and uploaded to the web application; will still need to be completed by specialty care providers or PCM's
 - Enrollments will be considered living documents and will be easier to keep data up-todate
 - Overseas Screenings will be initiated via web application

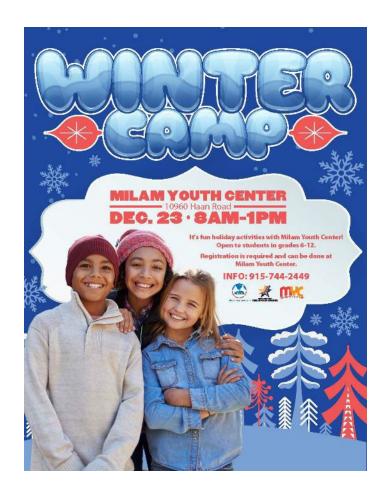








Christmas Youth Camp









William Beaumont Army Medical Center

Events

- TRICARE open season 14 Nov 13 Dec 22
- Tree lighting ceremony 8 Dec 22 at 6:00 p.m.
- Patient and Family Partnership Council 19 Jan 23 at 12:00 p.m. in person in A1500B or Facebook Live

https://william-beaumont.tricare.mil/





2022 Fort Bliss Chapel Holiday Schedule

St. Michael's Catholic Chapel

(BLDG. 1542 Sheridan Rd)

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary:

08 Dec 2022 | 1135 and 1800

La Posada:

16 Dec 2022| 1700 (CC1 & RSO)

Christmas Eve Midnight Mass:

24 Dec 2022 | 2300

Christmas Day Mass:

25 Dec 2022 | 0800 & 1100

Solemnity of Mary:The Holy Mother of God

31 December 2022 | 1700 (Mass) 01 January 2023 | 1100 (Mass)

WBAMC Catholic Chapel

(BLDG 1851H, Room H1100)

Christmas Eve:

24 Dec 2022 | 1700

Christmas Day:

25 Dec 2022 | 0830 & 1130

Solemnity of Mary: The Holy Mother of God

31 Dec 2022 | 1600

01 Jan 2023 | 1205 & 1600 Mass

1AD Chapel

(BLDG. 11272 Biggs St)

Gospel Service

Christmas Day Worship Service:

25 Dec 2022 | 0850

New Year's Eve Watch Night Service:

31 Dec 2022 | 1800-1930

Bliss Community Chapel

"Chem Light" Christmas Eve:

24 Dec 2022 | 1800

Christmas Day Service:

25 Dec 2022 | 1100

USASMA Chapel

(BLDG. 11275 Biggs St)

General Protestant Service

Christmas Pageant

17 Dec 2022 | 1400

Christmas Day Service

25 Dec 2022 | 0945

New Year's Celebration

31 Dec 2022 | 1800

New Year's Day Worship Service

01 Jan 2023 | 1000

Center Chapel 1

(BLDG. 315 Pershing Rd)

Liturgical Protestant Service

Wednesday Morning Advent Prayers:

30 Nov; 7, 14, & 21 Dec | 0900

Cookie & Craft Party after Service:

11 Dec 2022 | 1100 (Bldg. 440)

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service:

24 Dec 2022 | 1700

Christmas Day Service:

25 Dec 2022 | 1000

Center Chapel 3

(BLDG.1441 Pershing Rd)

Jewish Service

Hanukkah

28 Nov 2022 | 1730

Menorah Lighting & Celebration

20 Dec 2022 | 1730 (Freedom Crossing)





Fort Bliss & 1st Armored Division Museum

1AD Museum Holiday Schedule

- Iron Summit (closed to public) December 13 & 14
- LPD w/ LTG (R) Tucker (closed to public) December 15
- Christmas Holiday December 23-26
- New Year Holiday December 30-January 2



Information (915) 568-5771 Front Counter (915) 568-4434





The Exchange

Exchange Holiday Gift Wrapping at Freedom Crossing

- Julie Garcia email: <u>Garciajuilie@aafes.com</u> and Becky Henry email: Henryb@aafes.com 915-568-8851 Ext 107
- Gift wrapping will be available from 12 November thru 24 December
- Units / FRGs can enter for a drawing for prime dates: Saturday, Sunday, Black
 Friday and week before Christmas
 - Nov 12, 13, 19, 20, 25, 26 & 27
 - Dec 03, 04, 10, 11, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23 and 24
- The Exchange will supply tape, scissors and wrapping paper







The Exchange

Exchange Retail Inventory Early Closures

Date 25 Jan	Time 1700	Facility Main Exchange
13 Jan	1800	McGregor
17 Jan	1800	Class VI
18 Jan	2000	Cassidy Express
20 Jan	2000	Purple Heart Express
23 Jan	2100	Global Reach





The Fort Bliss Spouses' Association

About Us

Fort Bliss Spouses' Association

Connecting people, improving lives.

Who we are

We help our members settle into life here at Fort Bliss by offering monthly socials, September through May, as well as several interest based sub-clubs such as crafting, entertainment, lunch bunch, wine and book clubs. Beyond facilitating lasting friendships, we also provide our membership with opportunities to get involved within FBSA and our military community.

Who can join?

All DoD ID card holders of Fort Bliss and the greater El Paso community are invited to become members of FBSA.

What we operate

- Fort Bliss Thrift Shop
- Fort Bliss Property Rentals
- Operation Deploy Your Dress
- · What the Flock?!
- · Fort Bliss Gift Shop
- Community Grants and Scholarship Fundraising

Connect with us

- minfo@thefbsa.org
- (o) @the_fbsa
- facebook.com/FortBlissSpousesAssociation



Mailing Address:

PO Box 6365 Fort Bliss, TX 79906



FBSA Facebook









Armed Services YMCA

Strengthening Military Families

Mission: Enhances the lives of military members and their families in spirit, mind and body through programs relevant to the unique challenges of military life, in El Paso, since 1921.

FACILITIES AND PROGRAMS



JEFC: Emergency assistance with household goods, clothing, and an emergency food pantry including diapers and wipes.



CDC: Child development with STEAM curriculum, Operation Hero, Operation Little Learners, Back to School Bash, and Summer Camp



LODGE: Is a 2-star accommodation comprising 51 airconditioned rooms with internet, gym and more for the Sergeants Major Academy students.



Children's Waiting Room: offers 2hours of free child watch for all active-duty military and their families. Serves ages 6 months to 12 years old.

www.asymca.org/elp







Armed Services YMCA

Strengthening Military Families

EVENTS



Operation Ride Home

Providing financial assistance for military members and their families to get home for the holiday's. Registration is complete and we provided assistance to over 40 families this year.



Thanksgiving Food Drive November 17th, 2022

We provided support to 250 military families with turkey and food bags. We also helped 15 families of EPISD JROTC Cadets.



CDC Holiday Joy December 15th, 2022

Bring the joy of Christmas scene, holiday music and give the opportunity for parents to take a picture of their child with Santa! Open to 400 children from infant to 12 years old.

www.asymcaep.org/elp

