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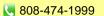


Aloha from the Military and Family Support Center (MFSC)!

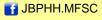
While you are getting ready to send the kids back to school and/or enjoying the end of summer, please continue to be safe and take care of yourselves and each other! As always, if you should have any concerns or questions prior to, during and/or after your deployment term, don't hesitate to contact us.

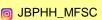
We are here to assist you!











WHAT IS THE MILITARY & FAMILY SUPPORT CENTER?



Military & Family Support Center (MFSC)

MFSC Programs and Services Include:

- Information and Referral
- Counseling Services and Crisis Response
- New Parent Support Program
- Sexual Assault Prevention and Response (Navy only)
- Family Employment Readiness and Volunteer Program
- Relocation Assistance Program
- Emergency Case Management/Disaster Preparedness
- Deployment Readiness Program
- Personal Financial Management Program
- Exceptional Family Member Program
- Personal and Family Life Education
- Ombudsman/Key Spouse Liaison
- Transition Assistance Program (TAP)
- Computer Resource Lab (currently closed due to COVID)
- Retired Activities Office

The MFSC "RED" Team is here to support you!

(Relocation, Emergency Case Management, Deployment)



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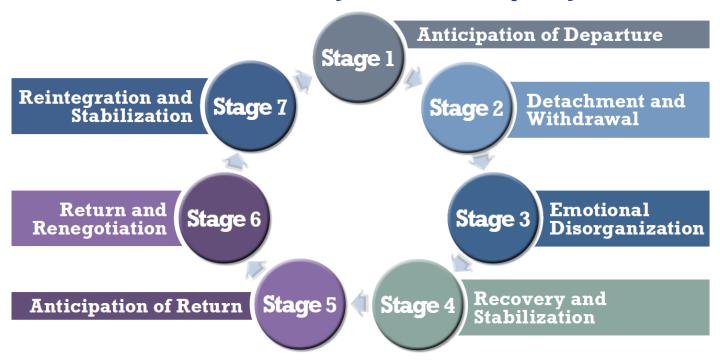


FAMILY ADVOCACY PROGRAM

The MFSC provides education programs to promote understanding and awareness of risk factors and dynamics of child and domestic abuse to commands, individuals, couples, families and community groups. When abuse or neglect occurs, the Family Advocacy Program provides immediate intervention, safety and support to victims, as well as behavioral education and counseling to offenders to reduce or eliminate the risk of future abuse. Under DoD policy, military victim advocates, clinicians and health care providers can provide confidential support and information regarding domestic abuse, without reporting to law enforcement or the service member's command. Confidential reporting of domestic abuse is available to both active duty and family member spouses. Contact MFSC for more information and/or to speak with a Victim Advocate!



The Emotional Cycle of Deployment

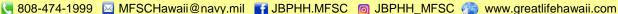


| Stage | Characteristics | Family | Service Member |
|-----------------------------------|--|---|--|
| Stage 1 Anticipation of Departure | Spouses may alternately feel denial and anticipation of loss. Arguments and bickering are common. This can be a useful way for a couple to distance themselves emotionally in preparation for the separation. | Physically drained Emotionally numb or tired Mentally separating Anger, resentment Denial | Physically drained Emotionally numb or tired Mentally separating Guilt |
| Stage 2 Detachment and Withdrawal | Sadness and anger occur as couples attempt to protect themselves from the hurt of separation. Although physically together, they may have separated emotionally. Often, the non-deploying spouses will think, "If you have to go, go." Their Sailors will think, "Let's get on with it!" | Overwhelmed or tired Hurt, rejected Sad or lonely Nervous about responsibilities Worried | Ready to get started Guilty about leaving Sad or lonely Excited to perform Worried |

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| Stage 3 Emotional Disorganization | The non-deploying partner may feel an initial sense of relief followed by guilt. Many feel disorganized, depressed or restless. Some are stuck in this stage, which can cause problems throughout the remainder of the deployment. | Disorganized and unfocused Overwhelmed Emptiness, loss Worried Can get stuck in this stage | Relief followed by guilt Mission-focused Sad or lonely Worried |
| Stage 4 Recovery and Stabilization | Those at home have begun to feel more comfortable with their new roles and responsibilities. They also may develop increased confidence and a positive outlook. | Increased confidence Independent More positive outlook Lonely but coping | Settled into routine Accomplishing tasks Focused on mission |
| Stage 5 Anticipation of Return | Spouses or partners who remained at home realize that they have not finished everything they wanted to during the separation. There is a feeling of joy and excitement in anticipation of being together again. Feelings of apprehension surface that the service member may not like some of the decisions made during their absence. Service members are excited and anxious, wondering whether they will be accepted or needed by their families and whether their children will remember them. | Excited Happy Increased energy Anxious Relieved | Excited Happy Worried Anxious |
| Stage 6 Return and Renegotiation | During this stage, couples must make major adjustments in their roles and responsibilities; relationships may not be the same as before the deployment. Each partner has had new experiences and has grown in different ways, and these changes must be accommodated. Being aware of each other's needs is crucial at this point. | Increased tension Loss of independence Happiness Anxiety Excitement | Increased tension Stranger at home Adjusting to changes Happiness Frustration |
| Stage 7 Reintegration and Stabilization | There is a renewed sense of being a couple and a family. They are back on the same track emotionally and can enjoy the warmth and closeness of being a couple again. | Relaxed Comfortable Renewed sense of family Enjoy being a couple again | Relaxed Comfortable Renewed sense of family Enjoy being a couple again |







Let's Go Fly a Kite!

July 22nd, 10:00-11:30 am (In-Person at MFSC)

When was the last time you flew a kite? Join us at MFSC (with or without children) to fly kites while we discuss resources and activities for resiliency. You can bring your own kite, or one will be provided for you.

(In the event of inclement weather, we will do an alternate craft activity)

*Register at www.greatlifehawaii.com





4th Thursday of each month 10:00 - 11:30 am

Be sure to connect with your command Ombudsman (Navy) or Key Spouse (Air Force)





*Contact MFSC if you need their contact information

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Come Prepared to Paint!

August 26 / 10:00am - 11:30am



Spouse deployed? Come connect with other spouses of deployed service members as we have fun painting and discussing resources and activities for resiliency.

Don't wear your Sunday best. We might get messy!







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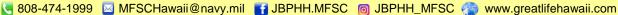
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MFSC AUGUST CLASSES

| DEPLOYMENT SUPPORT | DATE | TIME | LOCATION |
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| A HUI HOU: DEPLOYED SPOUSE RESILIENCY GROUP | AUG 26 | 10:00 - 11:30 A.M. | PEARL HARBOR |
| FAMILY CARE PLAN OVERVIEW | AUG 19 | 1:00 - 2:00 P.M. | VIRTUAL |
| EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE | DATE | TIME | LOCATION |
| ACING THE INTERVIEW | AUG 3 | 2:00 - 4:00 P.M. | VIRTUAL |
| CAREER EXPLORATION: FINDING YOUR PASSION | AUG 30 | 1:00 - 3:00 P.M. | PEARL HARBOR |
| CIVILIAN RESUME WRITING | AUG 24 | 1:00 - 3:00 P.M. | VIRTUAL |
| FEDERAL EMPLOYMENT 101 – NAVIGATING USAJOBS | AUG 17 | 2:00 - 4:00 P.M. | VIRTUAL |
| FEDERAL EMPLOYMENT 102 – FEDERAL RESUME | AUG 17 | 4:30 - 6:30 P.M. | VIRTUAL |
| LINKEDIN | AUG 26 | 4:00 - 6:00 P.M. | PEARL HARBOR |
| SALARY NEGOTIATION | AUG 3 | 9:00 - 11:00 A.M. | VIRTUAL |
| VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES | AUG 19 | 1:30 - 2:30 P.M. | VIRTUAL |
| FAMILY LIFE | DATE | TIME | LOCATION |
| BRINGING HOME BABY | AUG 18 | 4:00 - 7:00 P.M. | HICKAM |
| BUILDING SELF-ESTEEM IN CHILDREN | AUG 3 | 1:00 - 3:00 P.M. | VIRTUAL |
| INFANT MASSAGE | AUG 18 | 10:00 A.M 12:00 P.M. | HICKAM |
| KEIKI STORY TIME | AUG 11 | 10:00 A.M 12:00 P.M. | HICKAM |
| PARENT CHILD COMMUNICATION | AUG 10 | 1:00 - 3:00 P.M. | VIRTUAL |
| PARENTING GROUP | AUG 5, 12, 19, 26 | 8:30 - 11:00 A.M. | PEARL HARBOR |
| POSITIVE PARENTING | AUG 4 | 1:00 - 3:00 P.M. | VIRTUAL |
| FAMILY READINESS | DATE | TIME | LOCATION |
| KEY SPOUSE INITIAL TRAINING WITH SAPR | AUG 25 | 8:00 A.M 2:30 P.M. | HICKAM |
| OMBUDSMAN / KEY SPOUSE ADVANCED TRAINING | AUG 17 | 6:00 - 8:00 P.M. | PEARL HARBOR |
| INFORMATION AND REFERRAL | DATE | TIME | LOCATION |
| EFMP COFFEE TALK | AUG 12 | 9:00 - 10:00 A.M. | VIRTUAL |





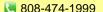


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| ANGER MANAGEMENT | AUG 24 | 10:00 A.M 12:30 P.M. | PEARL HARBOR |
| CONFLICT RESOLUTION | AUG 17 | 10:00 A.M 12:00 P.M. | PEARL HARBOR |
| DEALING WITH DIFFICULT BEHAVIORS | AUG 23 | 1:00 - 3:00 P.M. | VIRTUAL |
| HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS | AUG 23 | 5:30 - 7:30 P.M. | VIRTUAL |
| HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS FOR TEENS | AUG 24 | 1:00 - 3:00 P.M. | VIRTUAL |
| INTERPERSONAL SKILLS | AUG 26 | 1:00 - 3:00 P.M. | PEARL HARBOR |
| SKILLS DEVELOPMENT GROUP | AUG 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 | 9:00 - 11:00 A.M. | PEARL HARBOR |
| SLEEP ROCKS! | AUG 17 | 1:00 - 3:00 P.M. | PEARL HARBOR |
| STRATEGIZING WITH STRESS | AUG 10 | 10:00 A.M 12:00 P.M. | VIRTUAL |
| TIME MANAGEMENT | AUG 3 | 10:00 A.M 12:00 P.M. | VIRTUAL |
| TRANQUIL SEAS: MINDFULNESS AND SELF CARE | AUG 13 | 1:00 - 3:00 P.M. | PEARL HARBOR |
| WOMEN EMPOWERED GROUP | AUG 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 | 10:00 A.M 12:00 P.M. | PEARL HARBOR |
| WORK AND PERSONAL LIFE BALANCE | AUG 13 | 10:00 A.M 12:00 P.M. | PEARL HARBOR |
| PERSONAL FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT | DATE | TIME | LOCATION |
| DITCHING THE DORMS | AUG 10 | 2:30 - 4:00 P.M. | HICKAM |
| HOME BUYING | AUG 25 | 5:00 - 6:30 P.M. | VIRTUAL |
| TOUCHPOINT TUESDAY | AUG 3 | 8:00 A.M 3:30 P.M. | VIRTUAL |
| RELOCATION ASSISTANCE | DATE | TIME | LOCATION |
| COMMAND SPONSOR COORDINATOR (CSC) AND INDIVIDUALIZED NEWCOMER TREATMENT AND ORIENTATION (INTRO) MANAGER TRAINING | AUG 25 | 8:00 - 11:00 A.M. | PEARL HARBOR |
| PCSING WITH PETS | AUG 10 | 10:15 - 11:45 A.M. | VIRTUAL |
| RELOCATION AND CHILDREN | AUG 19 | 1:00 - 2:30 P.M. | VIRTUAL |
| SMOOTH MOVE | AUG 12 | 8:00 - 11:30 A.M. | PEARL HARBOR |
| SPONSOR TRAINING | AUG 18 | 1:00 - 3:00 P.M. | PEARL HARBOR |
| WELCOME TO JBPHH | AUG 25 | 1:00 - 2:45 P.M. | PEARL HARBOR |

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| SEXUAL ASSAULT PREVENTION AND RESPONSE | DATE | TIME | LOCATION |
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| SAPR UNIT VICTIM ADVOCATE (UVA) REFRESHER TRAINING | AUG 10 | 1:30 - 3:30 P.M. | PEARL HARBOR |
| SAPR VICTIM ADVOCATE INITIAL TRAINING (VAIT) | AUG 16-20 | 8:00 A.M 4:00 P.M. | PEARL HARBOR |
| TRANSITION ASSISTANCE | DATE | TIME | LOCATION |
| CAPSTONE EVENT | AUG 4, 5, 18, 19 | 8:00 A.M 10:00 A.M. 10:00 A.M 12:00 P.M. | PEARL HARBOR |
| PRE-SEPARATION COUNSELING | AUG 12, 24 | 1:00 - 3:00 P.M. | VIRTUAL |
| SPOUSE TRANSITION SEMINAR OVERVIEW | AUG 27 | 8:00 A.M - 12:00 P.M. | VIRTUAL |
| TAP: BOOTS TO BUSINESS | AUG 19-20 | 9:00 A.M 4:00 P.M. | VIRTUAL |
| TAP: DEPT OF LABOR EMPLOYMENT WORKSHOP | AUG 12-13 | 8:00 A.M 4:00 P.M. | VIRTUAL |
| TAP: VOCATIONAL TRAINING TRACK | AUG 5-6 | 8:00 A.M 4:00 P.M. | VIRTUAL |
| TRANSITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (TAP) FOR RETIREES | AUG 9-11 AUG 23-25 | 7:30 A.M 4:00 P.M. | PEARL HARBOR |
| TRANSITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM) (TAP) FOR SEPARATEES | AUG 9-11 AUG 23-25 | 7:30 A.M 4:00 P.M | PEARL HARBOR |
| TRANSITION HOT TOPICS | AUG 20 | 8:00 A.M 2:00 P.M. | PEARL HARBOR |

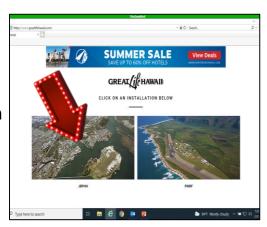
To register or view additional MFSC classes, visit the MFSC class schedule at https://jbphh.greatlifehawaii.com/support/

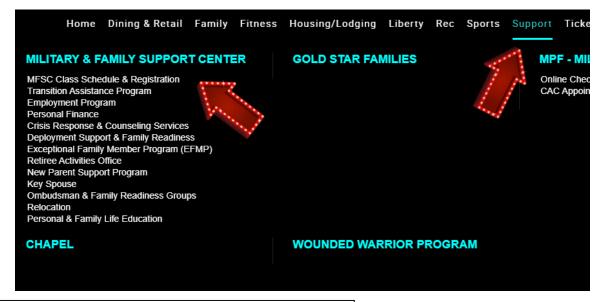
You can also register for CNIC live and self-paced webinars by creating a Learning Management System (LMS) Account: https://ffsp.zeiders.refineddata.com/login/index.php



Step-by-Step: How to Register for MFSC Classes!

- 1. Go to: www.greatlifehawaii.com
- Click on: JBPHH 2.
- Click on "Support" 3.
- Click on: Military & Family Support Center 4.
- 5. Click on: MFSC Class Schedule & Registration
- 6. Click on: "Here"
- 7. Click on: OK
- 8. Choose your class of choice and register ©
- Note: To see the full list of classes for each 9. day, click on "more" on the calendar











Crafts Ideas



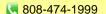
Caterpillar Pencil Holders







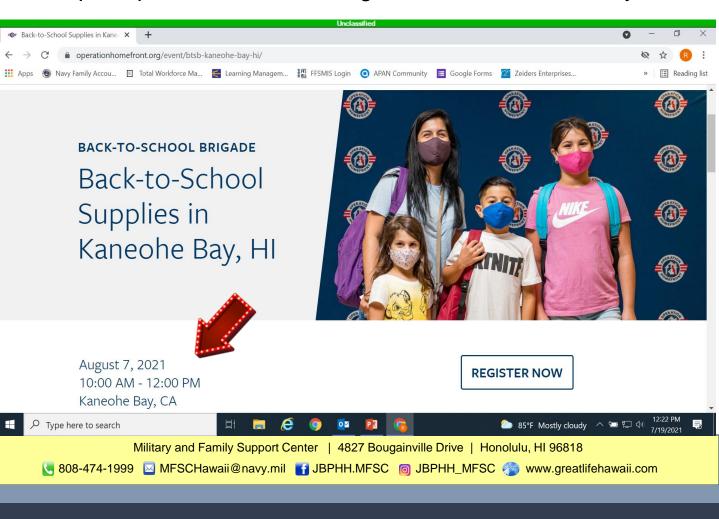
Popsicle Stick Photo Frames



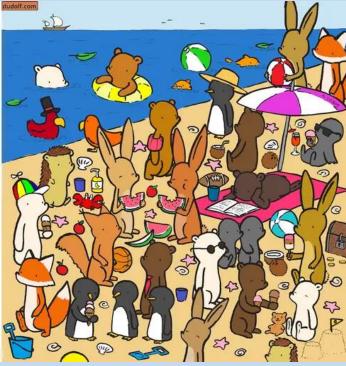


Operation Homefront is honored to be able to provide school supplies to military families. Supplies are limited and it is a first come, first served registration process. Once your registration is complete, a confirmation email is sent. This event is for DEERS enrolled military dependent children who will be in Kindergarten through 12th grade for the 2021/22 school year.

https://operationhomefront.org/event/btsb-kaneohe-bay-hi/







Can you spot all 7 differences in these pictures?



7. The yellow flag in the bottom right corner has only one dot.

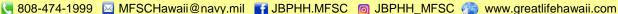
6.The rabbit's ice pop changes flavors.

5.The watermelon loses its seeds. 4.The orange becomes an apple.

3. The penguin's hat has no pink ribbon.

2. The coiled shell is facing the other way. 1. The sunscreen bottle has a moon on it instead of a sun.











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F*0*C*U*S (Families OverComing Under Stress) provides resilience training to military

children, families, and couples. It teaches practical skills to help families and couples overcome common challenges related to a military life: https://focusproject.org/



Operation Homefront is a national 501(c)(3) nonprofit whose mission is to build strong, stable, and secure military families so they can thrive — not simply struggle to get by — in the communities they have worked so hard to protect: https://operationhomefront.org/



Set goals! Successful military personnel and their families have long-term goals and set goals to accomplish during deployment:

increase job proficiency, go back to school, save money, lose weight, read more, get in shape.

Cinnamon's Restaurant in Kailua

This restaurant comes highly recommended by MFSC staff! From their website: "Cinnamon's Restaurant has neri one single purpose: Your satisfaction! We believe the way to achieve this purpose is not only by sticking to the basics of "good food at reasonable prices, courteously served in a clean friendly, smoke-free atmosphere" - but also by providing nutritious

wholesome foods. We will strive to serve fresh, natural foods free from chemicals, preservatives and additives and well-balanced meals that are tastefully and professionally done. We have your good health and well being in mind. Come and visit us in the heart of Kailua town for breakfast or lunch."

Suggestions for future newsletter topics? Submit to MFSCHawaii@navy.mil

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