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## Murray revisits Warriors Walk



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# Futures Command leaders visit Stewart



Photo by Pvt. Elsi Delgado

**Jeff Fornshell, Directorate of Plans, Training, Mobilization and Security operations officer (right) leads Gen. John Murray, commanding general of U.S. Army Futures Command (left), and Command Sgt. Maj. Michael Crosby, U.S. Army Futures Command senior enlisted leader (center), on a tour through Warriors Walk, Sept. 27 on Fort Stewart. Murray, a former commander of the 3rd Infantry Division, was instrumental in the exchange of the trees at Warriors Walk to its present White Crape Myrtles. Warriors Walk is a living memorial dedicated to the Soldiers of the 3rd ID who were killed in combat during operations Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom. Murray and Crosby visited the post to observe how the Division's modernization efforts are improving readiness on the installation.**

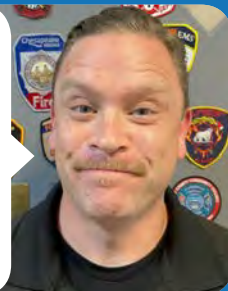
## Marne Voices Speak Out

### Fire Prevention Week is Oct. 3-9, why is it important?

Photos by Larry Hodges

"It's a chance to reintegrate our Department's message of safety to our most valued customers --You!"

**Matthew Bradshaw**  
Fire Inspector



"It is a time of togetherness for family and friends to unite against a great enemy—FIRE!"

**Michael Gaitten**  
Fire Inspector



"It's a chance to connect with the kids and educate them on their level."

**Larry Hodges**  
Fire Inspector



"It's great to interact and educate our community and go more in-depth on trends we've noticed that can impact the safety of our community."

**Nazario Fabela**  
Fire Inspector



"It's another opportunity to focus on our customers with teaching, assisting, and showing them how to be safe."

**Wayne Reinhardt**  
Fire Inspector



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**Cover: Gen. John M. Murray, commanding general of U.S. Army Futures Command, visits Warriors Walk during a trip to the installation, Sept. 27 on Fort Stewart. (Photo by Pvt. Elsi Delgado)**



# Spartans attend ABCT On-the-Move

**Capt. Sean Minton**  
2nd ABCT

Leaders from the Spartan Brigade, 2nd Armored Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division, and 3rd ID headquarters attended a distinguished visitors day for the Army's high-profile network communication pilot effort known as ABCT On-the-Move, or OTM, on Sept. 21 at the General Dynamics facility in Taunton, Massachusetts.

Supported by over 20 vendors, General Dynamics Mission Systems is the lead integrator for the upcoming ABCT OTM network pilot. During the demonstration, it displayed three different concepts of employment that the Spartan Brigade will assess during the Army's pilot this winter on Fort Stewart.

The Program Executive Office Command, Control, Communications-Tactical, PEO C3T, is one of the U.S. Army offices that supports and delivers the Army's network modernization strategy. The organization manages the ABCT OTM Network acquisition process through its Project Manager Tactical Network office.

"The communications assets used in the U.S. Army's armored platforms must evolve so our formation can maintain mobility, and increase both lethality and survivability," said Col. Terry R. Tillis, the commander of 2nd ABCT, 3rd ID. "In a contested environment, we must have robust and redundant communications to win in the multi-domain fight."

As part of the development process, the OTM pilot will inform Army design and fielding decisions to deliver a modernized mobile tactical

network to armored brigades as part of Capability Set 25, or CS25. The Army's efforts to modernize tactical networks has already manifested in Capability Set 21 for infantry brigades and is being developed in Capability Set 23 for Stryker brigades, with armored brigades to be equipped with modernized network capabilities as part of CS25.

"The OTM pilot is a great opportunity to influence the future of how armored brigades fight in a congested and contested environment," said Maj Todd M. Klinzing-Donaldson, head communications and network officer for the 2nd ABCT, 3rd ID. "The abundant redundancy and failover provided within the various network prototype configurations will inform Army decisions on what our armored formations need to enable the warfighter to fight and win."

Klinzing-Donaldson and 1st Lt. Thomas Allen, head communications and network officer for the 6th Squadron, 8th Cavalry Regiment, 2nd ABCT, 3rd ID, developed relationships with the Army and industry team and began giving instant feedback on the concepts.

"Actually putting hands on the equipment and being part of the planning process alongside the Army and industry engineers is the only way to fully grasp the nature and scope of modernizing an armored brigade's communications," said Allen. "Walking through the concepts on site reinforced the resolve that a successful modernization plan will require, and we are excited to be a part of the pilot to modernize the Army's tactical network in armored brigades, increasing lethality and survivability for Soldiers."

Courtesy photos

*1st Lt. Thomas Allen, 2nd Armored Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division, shows a fellow leader the new features of one concept of employment for the Army's high-profile network communication pilot effort known as ABCT On-the-Move during a distinguished visitors day, Sept. 21 at the General Dynamics facility in Taunton, Mass.*



*Leaders from 2nd ABCT, 3rd ID, attend a distinguished visitors day for the Army's high-profile network communication pilot effort known as ABCT On-the-Move, or OTM, at the General Dynamics facility, Sept. 21 in Taunton, Mass. During the demonstration, General Dynamics Mission Systems displayed three different concepts of employment that the Spartan Brigade will assess during the Army's pilot late winter in 2022 on Fort Stewart.*





# Spartan human resource officer excels at Chicago Triathlon

**Sgt. Justin McClarran**  
2nd ABCT

Physical fitness is key component to Soldier readiness. Maintaining good health and staying in shape is critical to ensuring Soldier's abilities to do their jobs and accomplish the Army's mission. For 1st Lt. Victoria Falk, a native from Chicago and the human resource officer assigned to the "Hound Battalion," 3rd Battalion, 67th Armor Regiment, 2nd Armored Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division, the drive to improve her own physical fitness helped her achieve what she wanted for years—to compete in her first Chicago Triathlon alongside her dad, Aug. 29.

Falk was always an avid competitor playing tennis and competing in half-marathons. In 2014, she attended the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, New York, where she played Division I Women's Tennis. Due to the physical fitness requirements of West Point and the Army, she realized it was only the beginning.

"I had zero experience in doing triathlons. I just started running more when I got in the Army and liked it," said Falk. "I was also good at swimming. So I was like 'Okay, I'll give this a try.'"

Falk's Army career kept her away from the Chicago Triathlon due to school, change in duty station and a deployment to Poland in 2020. Despite this, her ambition never ceased as she continued to push herself to reach her goals. Before deployment, she did a spur ride with 6th Squadron, 8th Cavalry Regiment, 2nd ABCT, 3rd ID, where she rolled her right ankle and then later tore ligaments due to overuse after walking on rocky terrain during deployment.

"I was so upset just because 2021 was the year I set to do the triathlon with my dad," said Falk. "My whole recovery mindset was that I just needed to get better so I can do it. It was on our bucket list."

Falk decided it was time to reach her goal after returning stateside, and her dad signed them both up for the Chicago Triathlon. The race consisted of a 1.5K swim in Monroe Harbor, a 40K bike down Lakeshore Drive and a 10K run on Columbus Drive, all in downtown Chicago. She said training was half the battle.

"Once I was cleared to run, I just kind of worked on it and progressed, but swimming was the hardest part to train for, especially for open water because I didn't want to get eaten by an alligator," Falk joked. Along with running, she would swim in installation pools, at Jekyll Island, and then in Lake Michigan while on leave. She would also get up early on the weekends to do thirty mile bike rides to train.

Despite six months of training for the triathlon, Falk pushed forward and treasured the time with her dad.

"It was really exciting, I was so happy to be back home to do the race this year. Despite the injury to my ankle, being able to do it with my dad was heartwarming, and I will always remember the moment that we got to do something like this together."

Falk said the hardest part of the race was going from one event to another, but she finished first in her division against first-responders, including policeman and firefighters. After finishing, she went back down the course to motivate her dad to finish the race himself.

When it comes to ambitions and goals, Falk says perseverance was key to maintaining her physical fitness to prepare for the race. "If you have a goal that you want, even though you are in the Army, you can still make time for and work towards it," she said. "I hope to inspire other people to want to go out and challenge themselves."

Falk says her next goal is to compete in a half iron-man competition in 2022.

Courtesy photo

*1st Lt. Victoria Falk, left, the human resource officer for the "Hound Battalion," 3rd Battalion, 67th Armor Regiment, 3rd Infantry Division, poses with her father, right, after competing together at the Chicago Triathlon, in Chicago Aug. 29. The Chicago Triathlon was her first competition of this nature, consisting of consisted of a 1.5K swim, a 40K bike, and a 10K run, and a lifelong memory as she competed alongside her father.*





# ACS, MWR, Coastal Happening Briefs

## New General Order 1 updates posted

To learn more about what is permitted during COVID-19 and what is not and what is not make sure to check out the latest guidance posted at: [home.army.mil/stewart/application/files/8816/0702/6315/3ID\\_Holiday\\_Guidance\\_2020.pdf](https://home.army.mil/stewart/application/files/8816/0702/6315/3ID_Holiday_Guidance_2020.pdf)

## Face masks required in on-post facilities

Effective immediately, 3rd Infantry Division, Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield GO1 requires ALL individuals to wear a mask inside ANY on-post facility at Fort Stewart or Hunter Army Airfield. Service members are also required to wear a mask inside off-post public buildings/ facilities (i.e. barber shops, religious services, grocery stores, etc.). See the 3rd ID and Fort Stewart Hunter Army Airfield Facebook pages for more information.

## Mask mandate exceptions

Exceptions to the mask mandate can be made if an individual is alone in a walled office; if an individual is eating and drinking and is socially distant from a co-worker; masks may be required to be lowered for identification or security purposes or as an annotated and approved reasonable accommodation. For details, visit [home.army.mil/stewart](https://home.army.mil/stewart).

## Download the Digital Garrison app

Download the Digital Garrison app for your guide to all on post services, local news and more. Available for free on your android or Apple device. Just search for Digital Garrison app and choose Fort Stewart Hunter Army Airfield to get started.

## Podcast now on iTunes, Spotify

The Marne Report podcast can now be found on iTunes and Spotify streaming platforms. Join us for our semi-regular podcast where we explore the ins and outs of Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield.

## Virtual newcomers orientation

Fort Stewart and Hunter Army Airfield have launched an interactive and streamlined newcomers orientation. It takes one quarter the time to complete and is accessible from any device, anywhere, anytime. Everyone can use the information on housing, finance, medical, child care, recreation and so much more. Check it out at [stewartandhunter.com](https://stewartandhunter.com).

## Manny on the Street web series

Curious about happenings on Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield? Check out the new video series “Manny on the Street” featuring the Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield Garrison Commander, Col. Manny Ramirez and installation partners. New videos posted as stories each Friday on our Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield social media platforms.

## Fort Stewart lost and found property

If you’ve lost something on Fort Stewart you may be in luck. The Fort Stewart Military Police lost and found property custodians may be holding your item. To see if your item has been turned in, or to report a missing item, email [usarmy.stewart.usag.list.des-crimb@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.stewart.usag.list.des-crimb@mail.mil) with a detailed description of the item you are looking for. The office is also open for visitors every Thursday from 1-4 p.m.

## COVID-19 vaccination schedule update

COVID-19 Vaccine services remain available on Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield to beneficiaries 12 years and up. Parents or legal guardians must accompany those under 18 years-old. Walk-ins are welcome, though priority goes to appointments. Fort Stewart offers the Pfizer vaccine in the Patriot Auditorium each Monday and Wednesday 1-4 p.m.; and Tuesdays between 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Winn ACH Pediatrics offers Pfizer, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. each Tuesday and Thursday. On Hunter Pfizer is offered at Tuttle Army Health Clinic, 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m., each Wednesday at the Drive-Up clinic. The Moderna vaccine is offered each Tuesday 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Winn ACH. On Hunter, Moderna is offered at Tuttle AHC, 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. The appointment line is 435-6633, Option 1.

## Fort Stewart PX parking lot renovation

The resurfacing the PX parking lot is moving into Phase 2, in front of Starbucks. Starbucks and the drive thru will remain open and fully operational during the closure. Expect limited parking during this time with weekends included. Please use caution while in this area and follow assigned walkways. Contact the POC for this work at 767-1222.

## Join the Hunter BOSS program

Hunter Army Airfield’s Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers program is on the lookout to fill a few vacancies within its program. Open positions include the BOSS President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Submissions will be accepted until Oct. 8.

## Winn ACH healthcare status

Due to the COVID-19 surge, Winn Army Community Hospital programs and services have been impacted. Beneficiaries may experience delays in appointment and access to some healthcare services. Individuals can access appointment services through the Call Center at 435-6633, [tricareonline.com](https://tricareonline.com), the TRICARE Nurse Advice Line at 1-800-TRICARE (874-2273), and the patient portal at [myaccess.dmdc.osd.mil/identitymanagement/authenticate.do?execution=e1s1](https://myaccess.dmdc.osd.mil/identitymanagement/authenticate.do?execution=e1s1).

## On and off-post COVID-19 testing

COVID-19 testing is available on and off-post to TRICARE beneficiaries. The Logistics Support Area Castle, 13313 East 14th Street, on Fort Stewart, is available to active-duty Soldiers 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday (no appointment required). Hawks and Marne North TMC testing available for Soldiers requiring testing for military schools and overseas travel, by appointment. Winn ACH is available to all beneficiaries by appointment. Tuttle AHC is available to all beneficiaries 8-10 a.m. Monday-Friday. Call To schedule an appointment at an on-post testing site, call 435-6633. In addition, TRICARE offers a COVID-19 test online search tool at [militaryrxpress-scripts.com/find-pharmacy](https://militaryrxpress-scripts.com/find-pharmacy). If you are exhibiting mild COVID-19 symptoms, self-isolate and follow the above guidelines to schedule a test. Do not go to the emergency room.

## Fridays at Club Stewart

Join us for Fridays at Club Stewart! Patrons 18 years of age and older are invited out to dinner at Club Stewart every Friday from 5-8 p.m. Relax and enjoy hanging out with your friends without having to drive an hour away. Enjoy good eats such as wings, burgers and a Low Country boil.

## Health Benefits Fair

The Fort Stewart Civilian Personnel Advisory center will be hosting our annual Health Benefits Fair on Nov. 3 & 4, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Paul R. Smith Education Center, 100 Knowledge Drive. Open season is Nov. 8 – Dec. 13. This event is for federal civilian employees to aid in making informed benefit election decisions during open season. Healthcare vendors will be available both in person and virtually. For virtual attendance via MS Teams call 767-1585 or 767-8358.

## TRICARE Health Matters newsletter

Catch up on the latest TRICARE news with this quarterly newsletter at [tricare.mil/publications](https://tricare.mil/publications). Articles include information about the TRICARE Open Season; How TRICARE works when you have other health insurance; prescription management using the Express Scripts Mobile App; how TRICARE Prime and TRICARE Select differ; and more. Learn more at [tricare.mil/publications](https://tricare.mil/publications).

## MWR to host golf scramble

Join the Hunter Golf Course team on Oct. 8 for an Ambrose scramble. This will be a net or handicapped event. Peoria or Callaway handicap system will be used to handicap the teams, based on how they play that day. \$30-\$40 per player. Fee covers golf cart, range balls, a light lunch and prizes. For more information and to sign up, call the pro shop at 315-9115.



## Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield Briefs

### Join the SAMC

Are you a Sergeant Audie Murphy Club member? Do you have aspirations of becoming a member? The Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield "Rock of the Marne" SAMC is reaching out to all members across the installation. We are actively updating our contact rosters and want to ensure we are capturing our members for updates with the Club. Please contact Sgt. 1st Class Kyle McKelvey at [kyle.l.mckelvey2.mil@mail.mil](mailto:kyle.l.mckelvey2.mil@mail.mil) for more information. We look forward to hearing from you. The meeting is the second Tuesday of each month at noon. Location will be listed on the Fort Stewart SAMC Facebook page.

### Info for seeking asylum for Family members

Service members who have Family members in Afghanistan who are in need or would like assistance on immigration or asylum should contact the Soldier and Family Legal Services Office at [usarmy.stewart.forscom.mbx.fsga-legal-assistance-office@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.stewart.forscom.mbx.fsga-legal-assistance-office@mail.mil) to schedule an appointment to speak with an attorney.

### Drug suppression team offers assistance

The Fort Stewart CID Drug Suppression Team (DST) is available to assist all commanders with Drug Awareness Briefings and support Health and Welfare Inspections. The DST has also updated their urinalysis hotline to request all positive urinalyses notification and supporting documents be submitted via email. For drug awareness briefings, health and welfare support, positive urinalyses, and questions, please contact the DST at [usarmy.stewart.3-mp-gp.mbx.stewart-cid-dst@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.stewart.3-mp-gp.mbx.stewart-cid-dst@mail.mil) or call 435-3315.

### Personal Property ends virtual applications

The Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield Personal Property Offices have stopped receiving virtual applications for Household Goods Moves. Soldiers, Family Members and Department of the Army civilians who require assistance with scheduling Household Goods must visit the following locations to schedule their Household Goods Shipments. Fort Stewart Soldier Service Center: 55 Pony Soldier Road, Bldg. 253, Room 2003A Phone: 767-7971/8154. Hunter Army Airfield Soldier Service Center: 171 Haley Avenue, Bldg. 1286, Room 229, Phone: 315-3828/2038.

### Visit the virtual Leisure Travel office

The Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield Leisure Travel office is going virtual until further notice. To receive information on attraction tickets call 767-2841 or fill out a 'contact us' form online at [Stewarthunter.armymwr.com](http://Stewarthunter.armymwr.com). Hours of operation will continue to be 10:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday-Friday.

### 3rd ID Equal Opportunity hotline

The 3rd Infantry Division Equal Opportunity Office has a 24 hours a day, seven days a week hotline that Soldiers and Family members can call and speak to an Equal Opportunity Advisor in the event they have any questions pertaining to Military Equal Opportunity. Additionally, you now have the ability to do an anonymous complaint through this number as well, 432-0421.

### Commissaries offer Click2Go option

The Defense Commissary Agency's new online ordering/curbside delivery service, is here. Operating hours: 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Online payment only. Visa, Discover, American Express & MasterCard accepted. The \$4.95 service fee has been waived for all patrons. No minimum order size or dollar amount required and customers can order 24/7 up to six days in advance. Visit [commissaries.com](http://commissaries.com) for more information. First time customers will need to create an account.

### CIF appointment procedure update

AKO has been discontinued. This means the access to AKO to make CIF appointments has been discontinued. To make an appointment for Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield CIF, call 435-0302/0193. All services are by appointment only.

### Vehicle parking safety reminder

When parking a vehicle into a space, do not block the pedestrian walkway with your bumper or trailer hitch. If there is a sidewalk, or marked pedestrian pathway, ensure that it is not blocked by any portion of your vehicle when you park by it. A pedestrian walking past the vehicle may not notice a trailer hitch, and be severely injured by walking into it. Removing the hitch, and storing it inside the vehicle is the best way to ensure the safety of those walking close to your vehicle. For more information, please contact the Safety Office at 767-8442.

### Changes to speeding violations issued

The commanding general recently authorized the Fort Stewart Military Police to issue DD Form 1408 for traffic violations when a Soldier is pulled over for speeding 10mph or over above the speed limit. The DD 1408 is effectively a military speeding ticket that allows a Soldier's brigade commander to issue administrative reprimands, non-judicial punishment, suspension of on post driving privileges, corrective training, and/or other appropriate remedial measures. Master Sergeants and above caught driving 10 mph or over the posted speed limit will have their misconduct addressed by the commanding general in accordance Policy Letter #3.

### TARP training offered

The Fort Stewart Garrison Threat Awareness and Reporting Program training briefings are given on the first Wednesday of every month at 1 p.m. at Woodruff Theater. The Hunter Army Airfield TARP briefings are given on the second Wednesday of every month at 1 p.m. at the Hunter Army Airfield theater. Upon request, Savannah Resident Agency can provide TARP training via Microsoft Teams separate from the Garrison TARP briefs. MS Teams facilitates a maximum login capacity of 250 personnel. Unit staff or leadership requesting special TARP briefs must have a minimum of 100 or more personnel per briefing. If you have any questions, please contact us by phone at 315-2006 or 315-2008.

### New bicycle law now in effect

As of July 1, the operator of a motor vehicle approaching a bicycle shall approach the bicycle with due caution and shall proceed as follows. The new 3-Footer Law is outlined in § 40-6-56.

- Make a lane change into a lane not adjacent to the bicycle if possible in the existing road and traffic conditions

If a lane change under paragraph (1) of this subsection would be impossible, prohibited by law, or unsafe, reduce the speed of the motor vehicle to a reasonable and proper speed for the existing road and traffic conditions, which speed shall be at least ten miles per hour less than the posted speed limit or 25 miles per hour, whichever is more, and proceed around the bicycle with at least three feet between such vehicle and the bicycle at all times.

### Marne Reception Company PT

The Marne Reception Company is extending the opportunity to conduct physical training with in-processing Soldiers. Any gaining unit personnel at the company, battalion, or brigade level interested in conducting PT with their newly arrived Soldiers please contact the MRC front desk, at 767-0015, no later than the day prior to ensure proper coordination. BPT provide the name of gaining unit, unit representative attending, and a by-name list of Soldiers requested to conduct PT with. Please contact the MRC commander with questions at 767-1743 or 912-767-5975.

### AMEDD to host recruiting briefings

Personnel from AMEDD Recruiting will conduct information briefings concerning AMEDD commissioning program qualifications and application procedures. Briefings will be held at the Fort Stewart Education Center in room 248 at 9 a.m., Noon, and 2 p.m. Dec. 7 and at Winn ACH, Classroom C at 9 a.m., Noon, and 2 p.m. Dec. 8. All Soldiers who are interested in becoming an officer and continuing to serve in Army Medicine are encouraged to attend.

# Military ID card renewal extension set to expire

**Molly Cooke**  
Fort Stewart Public Affairs

If it's time for you to renew your military ID card, you should consider renewing it now.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, several military ID cardholders with expiring ID cards ran into challenges when it came time to renew. In response, the Department of Defense offered an extension to individuals whose cards expired between Jan. 1, 2020 and July 31, 2021.

The extension ends soon.

"In the beginning of the pandemic, all ID cards, regardless of rank or status were extended to Sept. 30," said Diane Greenwell, contracting lead for the Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield ID card sections. "When the Department of Defense renewed the extension it opted to break it down into a couple different categories with different expiration dates."

Dependents of active-duty service members, Reserve, National Guard, and their dependents, can use their expired IDs until Oct. 31. Retirees and their dependents can use their expired IDs until Jan. 31, 2022.

Greenwell noted that individuals with ID cards that expire after July 31 will not be granted an additional extension after the deadline.

Cards can be renewed both in person, with an appoint-

ment, or remotely via the Fort Stewart-Hunter website at [home.army.mil/stewart](http://home.army.mil/stewart).

"Everyone thinks that they have to come and renew their ID card remotely. There is an opportunity for them to do it online which has been awesome for us," said David Southerland, Military Personnel Division chief for the Directorate of Human Resources. "The good news is that a lot of our local community has done that."

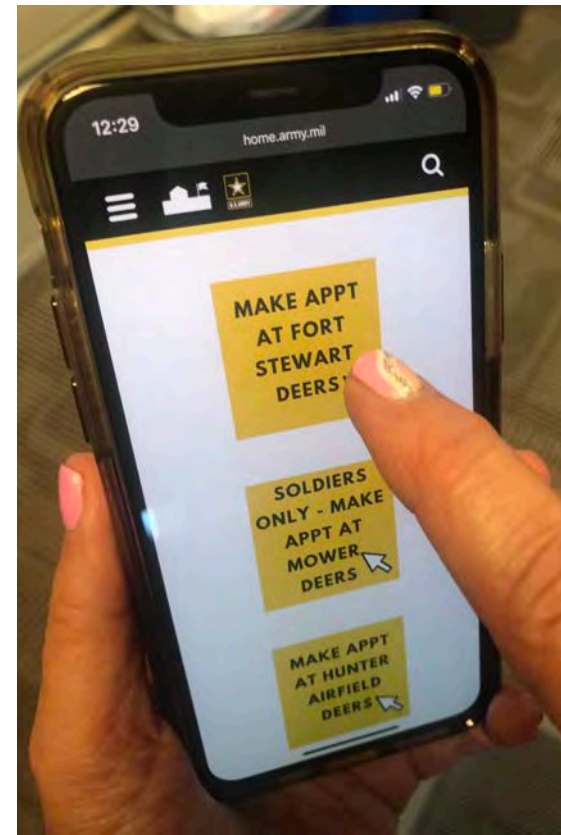
Those who prefer to renew their cards in person are urged to schedule their renewals immediately as appointments will fill up quickly in response to the approaching deadlines.

The demobilization of National Guard Soldiers from October to November on Fort Stewart should not affect the ID card renewal process.

For more information visit [home.army.mil/stewart/index.php/about/Garrison/DHR/MPD/id-cards-deers](http://home.army.mil/stewart/index.php/about/Garrison/DHR/MPD/id-cards-deers).

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**Right: ID cards can be renewed both in person, with an appointment, or remotely via the Fort Stewart-Hunter website. Those who prefer to renew their cards in person are urged to schedule their renewals immediately as appointments will fill up quickly in response to the approaching deadlines.**



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# Army plans to increase housing pay for Soldiers strained by pandemic

**Thomas Brading**  
Army News Service

**WASHINGTON**—Soldiers and Families paying unusually high living costs may qualify for a short-term increase in their housing allowance from October through December 2021, finance officials said last week.

To receive the payout, Soldiers in designated areas will need to apply through their unit S-1s and show they have incurred higher housing costs, said Larry Lock, chief of compensation and entitlements for the Army's G-1 office.

Once approved, payouts should kick in within weeks, Lock added.

The temporary increase in Basic Allowance for Housing, or BAH, will apply to 56 of the over 300 Military Housing Areas, or MHAs, with five areas receiving a 20% increase, 11 receiving a 15% increase, and the rest slated for a 10% increase over current rates, said Vincent Gallman, a BAH compensation analyst for G-1.

Because of COVID-19, the rental market has faced scarce housing shortages and ballooned rental costs, especially in metropolitan areas, Lock said.

The announcement follows concerns across the military from service members who have experienced financial strains, he said.

"They were complaining about the housing shortage due to the COVID-19 pandemic," Lock said. "As we continued to receive inquiries the question obviously became: What is the Department [of Defense] doing about it?"

In response, DOD senior leaders assembled a working group across the military branches, including Lock and his team who represented the Army.

Although qualifying factors vary, in short, Soldiers who moved on or after March 13, 2020, in designated areas and have paid living expenses that surpass their current BAH rate may be entitled, Lock said.

Another scenario may be if a Soldier has renewed their lease in the allocated MHAs, and is now paying abnormal out-of-pocket living expenses. Regardless of that Soldier's rank, all qualified individuals will receive the same percent increase based on their MHA.

The rates expire on Dec. 31 and do not provide members rate protection, as BAH rates are typically adjusted at the first of every year. However, Soldiers receiving BAH in 2021 will not see a decrease in their rates below those implemented on Jan. 1, unless there are unusual circum-

stances, such as a demotion.

Only Soldiers taking on abnormal costs in designated areas are eligible for the increased BAH rates. The DOD-wide push could assist up to roughly 200,000 service members, including a significant amount of Soldiers, Lock said.

The increase is not just for rental and mortgage costs, but also utility expenses, he said. For example, with so many people teleworking during the pandemic, utility bills may have gone up.

With situations varying from Family to Family, Lock said there are multiple factors to determine who qualifies.

Couples with two military members may be eligible for temporary increases to their BAH. However, housing expenses used to certify one Soldier's request for a temporary BAH rate increase cannot also be used to certify another Soldier's request.

Eligibility for retroactive payments for the first month when qualified costs are established is possible, but not earlier than October 2021, as the ability to establish housing costs for a month occurs after the fact, he said.

For instance, if a Soldier submits documentation of qualifying costs to an approving official in November for expenses from October they should be paid the higher rate for October because of how the payments are made, he said.

Soldiers will not need to resubmit documentation monthly, unless their status changes, like if they are promoted, demoted, or experience a change in dependent status, Lock said.

The Army team is still sorting through data to pinpoint individuals who are likely impacted based on their location, Lock said. Once that is determined, he expects that officials will soon notify Soldiers via a SmartDoc email to begin the certification process.

"We'll tell them what we're going to do in terms of moving forward, and the documentation they will have to provide to their supporting resource management office," Lock said.

This way, Soldiers will not go to different sources for information.

"We are requesting for [Soldiers] to submit a packet with the supporting documentation," said Maj. Criseida Almanza, a program analyst for the Army's G-1.

Documentation includes monthly expenses, lease and mortgage agreements and other related details.

"Once the S-1 receives that packet and [ensures] the Soldiers make the criteria, [like] an increase in their utilities and on the actual agreement, then it will be sent to



File photo

**Sgt. 1st Class John Lam, a maintenance supervisor assigned to the 1st Armored Brigade Combat Team, 3rd Infantry Division, reunites with a Family member, June 27 on Fort Stewart.**

their battalion commander for a signature and the accommodation," she added.

Before that happens, the Soldiers must understand the criteria they need.

"Our intent is [for Soldiers] to go to their personnel office and get the information," Gallman said, adding the offices will soon have more details on the Army guidelines, application process, and eligibility criteria.

Even if a Soldier lives in a designated zip code that does not immediately qualify them for an increased BAH, especially if they've had no out-of-pocket expenses since March 13, 2020. For instance, Soldiers in a long-term lease or have a mortgage rate that was already established prior to March 13.

Also regarding homeowners, Soldiers who have had higher housing expenses since March 13, 2020, because of refinanced mortgages, adjustable-rate mortgages, or home equity loans are unrelated to the pandemic and do not qualify.

Homeowners paying more for a house that is not occupied as a primary residence of the Soldier and/or their military dependent during an approved period also do not qualify.

Another example may be Soldiers who have experienced increased housing expenses since March 13, 2020, but cannot show that their housing expenses exceeded the current BAH rate. Soldiers in privatized housing are also ineligible.

"Helping Soldiers and their Families in a pinch is more than just addressing complaints, it's the right thing to do," Lock said, which "is consistent with the Army's intent of putting people first."

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**Larry Lock**  
Chief of compensation and entitlements, Army G-1





Courtesy photo

**A 1st Battalion, 28th Infantry Regiment “Black Lions” Soldier commits to 3 more years in the Army during a re-enlistment ceremony, Sept. 25 on Fort Benning.**

# Changes to Army’s retention program slated to begin soon

**Devon Suits**  
Army News Service

**WASHINGTON** — Three changes to the Army’s retention program are scheduled to take effect Oct. 1, as the Army looks to simplify aspects of the reenlistment process and give Soldiers more flexibility before their expiration term of service date.

A modification to the Career Status Program, formerly known as the Indefinite Reenlistment Program, an adjustment to the Reenlistment Opportunity Window, or ROW, and to one of the extensions will all take effect starting fiscal year 2022, said Sgt. Maj. Tobey J. Whitney, the Army’s senior career counselor.

“These changes are being made with the intent of increasing predictability for Soldiers and their families while also reducing turbulence within Army organizations,” Whitney said.

## Career Status Program

Soldiers ranked E-6 and above and with 10 years or more of active service will now be eligible for the Career Status Program, reducing the time in service threshold from 12 years, Whitney said.

“We found through collected data that staff sergeant and above with more than 10 years of

service were required to reenlist at least twice to make it to retirement,” Whitney said. “That doesn’t seem like a logical solution to keep Soldiers in the Army.”

The update to the CSP will not change any of the Army’s voluntary separation policies, which allow Soldiers to request a discharge or enter into the Career Intermission Program, he added.

Under CIP, Soldiers can take a break in service while receiving their benefits and a portion of their pay for up to three years, Army G-1 officials said earlier this year.

“We want to ensure that [qualified] Soldiers understand their eligibility for the Career Status Program,” Whitney said. “If Soldiers can just reenlist for an indefinite term of service, they can go and continue with their careers.”

## ROW changes

The change to the ROW policy will give Soldiers 12 months before their ETS to review their reenlistment options and make a final decision, Whitney said.

“The ROW is currently set at 15 months, but we are changing it to 12 for two main reasons,” he said. “First, it is simple for Soldiers, leaders and families to understand when they are 365 days from their ETS.

Second, “the analytics over the past several years [show] that the vast majority of Soldiers wait until they are between eight to 11 months before they reenlist.”

The adjustment to the ROW extension would increase the minimum term length from 12 to 18 months, Whitney said.

The transition process can create a lot of turbulence in a Soldier’s life, he said, as well as impact their organization as they navigate the Soldier for Life program and finish their out-processing tasks.

As the Army continues to operate during the COVID-19 pandemic, he said the ROW extension change would remain a short-term retention option for Soldiers. Further, changes to the program will not impact those who need to reenlist for promotion, reassignment, selection, or other requirements.

“We found that it is pretty common for Soldiers to extend,” Whitney said. “We are adding six additional months to provide a little more predictability for Army units, the Soldier, and their family.”

Many other short-term extension options remain available for Soldiers who need additional time and meet the requisite qualifications, he added.



# Pre-accident training helps community plan ahead

**Sgt. Andrew McNeil**  
3rd CAB

The Soldiers of the 3rd Combat Aviation Brigade conducted aircraft familiarization during pre-accident plan training with Fort Stewart/Hunter Army Airfield Fire Emergency Services and Savannah Fire Rescue personnel Sept. 20-22 on Hunter Army Airfield.

Fort Stewart/Hunter Army Airfield Fire Emergency Services coordinated the joint pre-accident plan training with 3rd CAB and Savannah Fire Rescue. The intent of the training was to provide first responders with knowledge on how to effectively mitigate an aircraft emergency and extricate crews should an incident occur off of the Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield footprint.

This training is important because if one of our aircraft would go down the first responders need to know how to react, said

Chief Warrant Officer 3 Joel Woosley, the safety officer for the 2nd Battalion, 3rd General Support Aviation Battalion.

"This helps Savannah's first responders better protect the local community," Woosley continued.

Aviators from 3rd CAB showed the emergency personnel around an HH-60M Black Hawk helicopter. The flight crew briefed them on where key controls for shutting down the aircraft in emergency situations are located.

The crew also allowed the first responders to sit inside of the aircraft where they learned how to unbuckle crew members and passengers from the aircraft.

"We have a wonderful working relationship," said William Davis, a lead firefighter on Hunter Army Airfield, about the local Savannah and Chatham County emergency services. "This training makes sure we are on the same page when it comes to emergency response."



Photos by Sgt. Andrew McNeil

**Warrant Officer Matthew Mills, a pilot assigned to C Company, 2nd Battalion, 3rd General Support Aviation Battalion, 3rd Combat Aviation Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division, conducts aircraft familiarization training with Savannah Fire Rescue personnel, Sept. 21 on Hunter Army Airfield. The training allowed local Savannah emergency personnel to learn how to respond to any potential aircraft related emergencies in Savannah.**



**Soldiers assigned to C Co., 2nd Bn., 3rd GSAB, 3rd CAB, 3rd ID, perform aircraft familiarization training with Savannah Fire Rescue personnel, Sept. 21 on Hunter Army Airfield.**





Photos by Sgt. Andrew McNeil

**Staff Sgt. Bruce Black, a Soldier assigned to C Company, 2nd Battalion, 3rd General Support Aviation Battalion, 3rd Combat Aviation Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division, conducts aircraft familiarization training with Savannah Fire Rescue personnel, Sept. 21 on Hunter Army Airfield.**



**Soldiers assigned to C Co., 2nd Bn., 3rd GSAB, 3rd CAB, 3rd ID, conduct aircraft familiarization training with Savannah Fire Rescue personnel, Sept. 21, on Hunter Army Airfield.**



**Warrant Officer Jared Carl, a pilot assigned to C Co., 2nd Bn., 3rd GSAB, 3rd CAB, 3rd ID, conducts aircraft familiarization training with Savannah Fire Rescue personnel, Sept. 21, on Hunter Army Airfield.**



# Demobilizing Guard Soldiers to affect installation services

**Kevin Larson**

*Fort Stewart Public Affairs*

Several hundred National Guard Soldiers will be seen across Fort Stewart October through November as they demobilize from supporting the southwest border mission.

The demobilization will affect services on the installation. Soldiers and families may see delays in or increased wait times for ID card appointments and medical appointments.

"We'll see an increase of Soldiers on the Fort Stewart foot print," said John Cubbedge, garrison mobilization support specialist.

Wait times for medical appointments, urgent care and emergency room care will increase because of this mission, said Sean McLaughlin, Winn Army Community Hospital plans chief. Eight providers from Winn Army Community Hospital will support the demobilization.

"That's a loss of 168 appointments for Fort Stewart Soldiers and families," said McLaughlin. "On a normal day, wait times are three days for a same-day appointment and 16 days for a routine appointment. Shifting eight providers to support the demobilization doubles wait times to six days and 32 days, respectively."

Additional medical personnel have been brought in to help with the demobilization, Cubbedge said.

"We want to make sure we provide adequate health care for the Fort Stewart community and their families," he said.

Urgent care can also absorb the impact on Fort Stewart Soldiers and families, McLaughlin said.

"Wait times will be longer, though, so network providers can establish care with new patients," he said. "Increased use of the Emergency Room is also expected, and wait times will increase there. We appreciate your patience. Please address concerns to the patient care advocate."

The demobilizing National Guard Soldiers will use other on-post facilities, too, Cubbedge said.

"You'll see increased foot traffic in the PX, commissary, MWR facilities and I guarantee you'll see them at the food court," he said.

The demobilization will run from October through November. The highest number of demobilizing National Guard Soldiers will be in mid-October. Fort Stewart is a mobilization force generation installation. Demobilizing National Guard units after completing deployments is one mission of an MFGI.



Photo by Kevin Larson

**Maj. Clint Brooks, 188th Infantry Brigade chief of operations, briefs installation leadership and staff during a tabletop exercise to rehearse cohort movement for the National Guard southwest border demobilization taking place on Fort Stewart October through November; local Soldiers and families can expect to see impacts with services, especially medical, on post during the demobilization.**





# Special Deliveries

Provided by Winn Army Community Hospital

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**Theodore Joseph Long**, a boy, 6 pounds, 11 ounces, born to 1st Lt. Jadon Long and Josephine Long.

**Loraya Alina Hinton-Mongem**, a girl, 6 pounds, 10 ounces, born to Spc. Matthew Hinton and Zachariel Morales.

Sept. 20

**Aziel Matthew Sanchez Reina**, a boy, 6 pounds, 1 ounce, born to Sgt. Dustin Sanchez and Spc. Dulcemaria Sanchez.

Sept. 21

**Nora Ruth Courtney**, a girl, 8 pounds, 7 ounces, born to Sgt. Dusty Courtney and Sarah Courtney.

**Braxton Laine Ritchie**, a boy, 9 pounds, 5 ounces, born to Christopher Ritchie Jr. and Summer Ritchie.

Sept. 22

Twins: **Theodore Charles Cobb**, a boy, 7 pounds, 2 ounces, and **Caroline Marie Cobb**, a girl, 6 pounds, 1 ounce, born to Master Sgt. Joseph Cobb and Carrie Cobb.

Sept. 23

**Chloe-Marie Joy Goodbeau**, a girl, 8 pounds, 2 ounces, born to Erick Goodbeau and Sgt. Camille Goodbeau.

Sept. 24

**Owen Theodore Johnson**, a boy, 6 pounds, 15 ounces, born to Pfc. Adam Johnson and Morgan Barton.

**Avery Grace Gamban**, a girl, 7 pounds, 1.6 ounces, born to Anthony Gamban and Jasmine Gamban.

**Estrella Alexandra Nieves-Carvajal**, a girl, 4 pounds, 3.4 ounces, born to Spc. Edith Carvajal.

Sept. 25

**Corneil Anthony-Sha'Quan Bain Jr.**, a boy, 6 pounds, 9 ounces, born to Sgt. Corneil Bain and Pyresha Singleton.

Sept. 26

**Zara Rose Hines**, a girl, 7 pounds, 2 ounces, born to 2nd Lt. Joel Hines and Alexia Hines.



## Mental health, not one-size-fits-all

**Jacob Moore**  
MHS Communications

If you or someone you know is struggling with a mental health problem or suicidal thoughts, it's important to know that there is not a one-size-fits-all solution, and finding the best option is key to a successful recovery.

Talking to chaplains, primary care doctors or visiting a behavioral health clinic may be the best option for someone in crisis. There is also immediate help available for the most acute and urgent problems that may involve suicidal ideations.

"It depends on the severity. If you're concerned about the immediate welfare of someone, I think the best thing to do in that case is to contact 911 or emergency services," said U.S. Public Health Service Capt. Meghan Corso, chief of Behavioral Health Clinical Operations within Defense Health Agency's Medical Affairs/Clinical Support Division at DHA headquarters in Falls Church, Virginia.

"We recognize that one size might not fit all, and we want to be able to meet folks where they are in the gateway in to care," said Corso. "There's also a wide range of ideations, from mild to more severe, so again it really depends on that level of acuity and severity. We then match the level of care and intervention to that particular individual."

A good option for many people is the integrated behavioral health consultants, typically psychologists or a social workers, who are assigned across the Military Health System at any primary care clinic with an adult enrollment of more than 3,000 beneficiaries.

They are there for same-day appointments – professionals to talk to right then, right there – in the event a beneficiary needs them.

"This means that they have immediate access, and this applies to anybody who is enrolled at that military medical treatment facility," added Corso.

"We have really worked hard to de-stigmatize help-seeking and what that does, is normalizes

the experience and helps the desire to go in and get help, which is what we need people to do," Corso said. "We need them to raise their hand or intervene with a colleague or friend that they're concerned about."

An additional barrier to getting help for some, she said seeking help rarely results in an adverse impact on a person's job or potential revocation or denial of a security clearance.

Currently, the Department of Defense routinely screens active-duty service members at military treatment facilities for depression, including annual person-to-person mental health assessments as part of their periodic health assessments.

"We do a lot of mental health screening around the deployment cycle, too," Corso said. "They're frequently scanning and screening folks, especially those who have deployed, for mental health treatment."

One of the most effective ways to support a friend or family in crisis is by simply staying connected. It's important to know that asking a friend about suicide won't cause that friend to attempt suicide, he said.

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## Finding joy through service

**Capt. Andrew Anderson**  
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I once knew a man that everyone gravitated toward. He was like the sun in our solar system. Everyone gravitated toward him and wanted the warmth of his presence. I often found myself serving in ministries that I wasn't too familiar with, just because I knew this man would be present.

As someone who wanted to have this kind of impact on people, I asked him, "Why do people gravitate toward you?" He replied, "I'm a giver."

At the time I wasn't quite sure what he meant. Was he talking about money or things? I wasn't really sure. But over time I began to catch his meaning. He tried to share something with everyone he came across. Whether it was a smile or a handshake, a few dollars, a meal, help in the yard, help moving, or a ride to church, he did his best to obey the Lord and "not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God." (Hebrews 13:6)

In spite of the joy that I've witnessed in others through giving, and in spite of the joy that I've personally experienced when I've given of my time, talent, or resources, the struggle remains; giving can be difficult when your heart isn't focused on God's love.

Over the years I haven't always been a giver. There were times when I coveted my possessions and held firmly to the things God has given me to use for His glory. There were times when I said no when I should have said yes.

In each of these occurrences, I usually

experience a sense of loss. It's hard to describe the feeling, but it's there. I'm sure you may have experienced it at some point in life. You had the opportunity to help someone, to give to someone, to make their life just a little bit better, even if for a few moments, and you said no. And then you had that feeling within your spirit that says, "Why did you refuse? Why were you greedy when you have so much to share with others? Why didn't you help when God has given you a healthy body to do so?"

I think we experience this feeling because God has designed and equipped us to care for one another. When we go against His design and withhold something, in love He disciplines and encourages us to give the next time we have the opportunity.

My encouragement to you is the same as the writer of Hebrews encouraged his readers, "Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God."

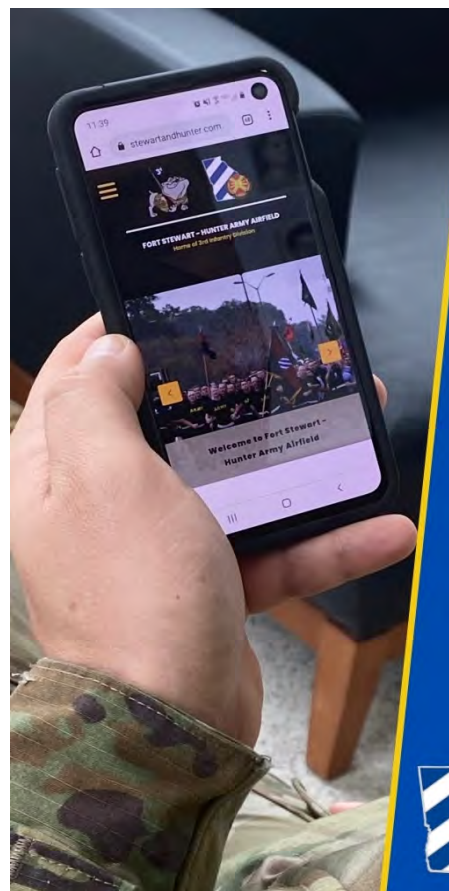
When we give, we experience a different feeling. Again, it's hard to describe but it's there. The feeling that overwhelms our heart and soul and affirms, "You've done well!" I think this is the result of obedience to the above command. It is God speaking to our soul and encouraging us, "Well done my good and faithful servant!"

The next time you have the opportunity to give, my encouragement to you is to listen to the voice of God and give as He has equipped you. In doing so, I know from experience that God will give you true joy in return and speak into your soul, "Well done."

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Fantastic Business Opportunity

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ern Grille & Cantina Franchise,  
\$150,000 for fixtures & equip-  
ment. Buyer must assume ex-  
isting lease on 2200 SQFT, Rent  
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in the TJ Max, Hobby Lobby  
Anchored Shopping Center.  
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**135 Martin Luther King,  
Jr Drive, Hinesville**

The Brantley Building has been  
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heart of Downtown Hinesville.  
Available for lease, Suite 201 A,  
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**430 Industrial Blvd. Midway -  
\$2,048 per Month**

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Midway Industrial Park. Conve-  
nient to I 95 north and south  
off of US Highway 84. 4 private  
offices, conference room re-  
strooms and ample parking.  
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**621 West Oglethorpe High-  
way, Hinesville - \$899,900**

2 Acre Pad Site! All utilities in  
place. Seller to provide access  
road with cross access ease-  
ments with Chili's Grill & Bar,  
curb cuts in place, designed with  
a drive thru in mind. Excellent  
visibility from Hwy 84, Oglethor-  
pe Highway. Tenants in the  
area include Chili's Grill & Bar,  
Cook Out, Sonic Drive-In, Krispy  
Kreme, Lowe's, and Walmart.  
This is 2 Acre parcel taken from  
parcel #057C257. Jimmy Shan-  
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**131 North Macon Street,  
Ludowici - \$399,900  
SALE PENDING**

Exciting opportunity in cen-  
tral Ludowici! 4,000 SQ FT Steel  
Building plus 2,452 SQ FT office.  
Excellent opportunity for day-  
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**16 E Cypress Street, Ludowici-  
For Lease \$3,000 per month**

Excellent Lease Opportuni-  
ty! ONLY Signalized corner in  
Ludowici, located in one of the  
fastest growing communities  
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building has a showroom, ware-  
house with 2 oversized rooms.  
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**20.81 East Oglethorpe High-  
way, Hinesville - \$1,100,000**

Excellent location on US High-  
way 84 in a rapidly growing  
community in Flemington,  
Georgia. This property is centrally  
located between Ft. Stewart  
Gate 3 and Midway, Georgia. It is  
located in a military opportunity  
zone. This property is great for  
many commercial users. 25,940  
vehicles per day. Two Parcels  
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**759 Veterans Parkway,  
Hinesville - \$899,900**

Room to grow, possibilities  
are endless!! 3,600 SQFT Steel  
Building currently operating as  
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cess from Veterans Parkway and  
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included! Call Jimmy Shanken  
912-977-4733 to make an ap-  
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**3.34 AC West 15th Street,  
Hinesville - \$130,000**

Excellent retail development  
opportunity located less than



1 mile to Fort Stewart gate 7. Fort Stewart's only commercial entrance. Great location for Day Care, Convenience store, or self storage units. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

## 719 E. G. Miles Parkway, Hinesville - \$399,900

Incredible commercial opportunity on E.G. Miles Pkwy in Hinesville, Georgia! This property features 245 linear feet of road frontage, and is strategically located between Ft. Stewart gates 1 and 8. This property is suitable for multi-family, self storage, or retail opportunities! Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

## 12.78 Acres Veterans Parkway, Hinesville - \$2,364,300

Excellent retail development site! Centrally located along the Veterans Parkway corridor. Just minutes to Ft. Stewart's gate 8 and directly behind the Walmart Supercenter, as well as the Lowe's retail trade area. There is approximately 1200 linear feet +/- of road frontage on Veterans Parkway. This property is located in the tax credit program zone. Additional parcels are available! Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

## 3.47 Acres Cherrie Murrell St, Hinesville - \$520,500

Excellent retail development site! 3.47 acres of developmental land centrally located along the Veterans Parkway corridor. Just minutes to Ft. Stewart Gate 8 and directly behind the Walmart Supercenter and Lowe's retail trade area. Additional parcels are available! Don't miss this excellent opportunity! Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

## 3.34 Acres West 15th Street, Hinesville - \$130,000

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## 8.67 Acres West 15th Street,

## Hinesville - \$300,000

2 parcels of land that would be an excellent retail development opportunity located less than 1 mile from Fort Stewart gate 7. Fort Stewart's only commercial entrance. Great location for Day Care, Convenience store, or self storage units. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

## HOMES FOR SALE



## 506 Idlewood Circle, Hinesville - \$127,500 SALE PENDING

This adorable 3 bedroom, 1 bath home on a cul-de-sac won't last long!! New Metal Roof! Windows & HVAC replaced within the last two years! Wood laminate and tile floors throughout. Convenient to Fort Stewart, shopping & schools! Please contact Jimmy Shanken at 912-977-4733 or jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com



## 52 Pulaski Street, Hinesville - \$195,000 SALE PENDING

IMMACULATE MOVE IN READY BRICK HOME!!! Located in the Parish Crossing Subdivision close to Ft. Stewart Gates. Great 3 bedroom, bonus room that could be a 4th bedroom, 2 full bath home. Beautifully landscaped, private fenced-in backyard with a covered back patio perfect to create great memories with family and friends. This home has a wonderful formal dining room, as well as a breakfast area. New luxury laminate wood planks throughout the house to include bedrooms. Tile flooring in the kitchen. Stainless steel appliances. The master suite features double vanity sinks, separate shower and bath-

tub with plenty of natural lighting. Walking closet and plenty of storage space. Two car garage. Take a look at this home before it is too late!! Jimmy Shanken at 912-977-4733 cell or jimmy.shanken@theshankenteam.com



## 954 Oak Crest Drive, Hinesville - \$218,000 SALE PENDING

Looking for a beautiful home in the heart of Hinesville? Look no further. This 3 bedroom, 2 bathroom brick home features a formal dining room and eat-in kitchen with stainless steel appliances, spacious laundry room, 2 car garage, and large, fenced-in backyard make this home a must-see! Jimmy Shanken at 912-977-4733 cell or jimmy.shanken@theshankenteam.com



## 134 Paradise Lane, Midway - \$275,000 SALE PENDING

STUNNING TWO-STORY HOME!! LOTS OF SPACE! A must-see 4 bedroom and 2.5 bathroom home outside of Midway, GA. Quiet Country Living with all of the comforts a luxury home has to offer. Lots of natural light! Grandiose two-story entrance. Brick front home features a fully equipped stainless steel kitchen with a breakfast area, a large family room with a cozy fireplace, a spacious formal living room, and a formal dining room. Large main bedroom!!! Luxury laminate wood flooring downstairs. A two-car garage and a spacious fenced-in yard, wooden deck with plenty of privacy. Home sits in a cul-de-sac. Located near shopping, businesses, and restaurants. Conveniently

located about 20 minutes from Ft Stewart and 40 minutes from Savannah. Don't miss out! Jimmy Shanken at 912-977-4733 cell or jimmy.shanken@theshankenteam.com



## 1513 Bayberry Drive, Hinesville - \$229,500 SALE PENDING

MOVE-IN READY! This beautiful two-story home is located in Pine Ridge Subdivision. This two-story open floor plan home features 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, 2 car garage, privacy fence in the backyard and shed. Luxury laminate floors run throughout the foyer, dining room, great room, kitchen, backsplash, and breakfast room. All stainless steel appliances convey. Large main bedroom with plenty of closet space. Tons of upgrades including a formal dining room with a spacious family room! Beautiful home with room to grow! No community HOA. Close to Ft. Stewart Gates, shopping, schools, and more. Jimmy Shanken at 912-977-4733 cell or jimmy.shanken@theshankenteam.com



## 856 Ruben Wells Rd, Hinesville - \$124,900 SALE PENDING

Under Contract in 2 days! SEE FOR YOURSELF!! This newly refreshed mobile home is a must see. It features 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths, a porch & newly renovated workshop. The master bath offers a huge tile shower and beautiful double vanity sinks. This house also features a large laundry room. Each bedroom has beautiful hardwood floors, and the master features carpet flooring. The backyard is also a great size, with plenty of room! Come take a look!! Jimmy

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## 316 Bobwhite Trail NE Ludowici - \$285,000 SALE PENDING

BETTER THAN NEW! MOVE-IN READY 2020 BEAUTIFUL TWO-STORY HOME LOCATED IN THE HUNTINGTON SUBDIVISION. This 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath, home has a spacious, open floor plan, formal dining room, family room, breakfast area, flex room, this home features top-of-the-line laminated wood plank flooring throughout, with carpet in the bedrooms and lots of natural light. Absolutely beautiful kitchen features stainless steel appliances, granite countertops, and an island for extra seating space! Large and level backyard with patio area, two-car garage with a paved driveway, and appealing front yard! You do not want to pass this amazing home up! Just 15 mins to Hinesville and Fort Stewart. Jimmy Shanken at 912-977-4733 cell or jimmy.shanken@theshankenteam.com

## LAND/LOTS FOR SALE

**0 Shyam Road - Hinesville - \$475,000.** Five (5) acres of commercial potential. Located just off of US Hwy 84 in Hinesville. Centrally located between Fort Stewart Gates one (1), two (2) and three (3). There are thirty thousand six hundred and fifty (30,650) V.P.D. May also access from Sandy Run Drive. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

## 0 Willowbrook Drive, Hinesville - \$499,900.

Incredible opportunity to own a parcel inside the city limits of Hinesville that is correctly zoned and engineered for a multi-family development. Located off Veteran's Parkway and EG Miles parkway centrally located between Fort Stewart Gate 8 and Walmart, Lowes, and the TJ Maxx Shopping Center. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

## 0 West 15th Street Hinesville - \$375,000

Great mixed-use opportunity adjacent to Fort Stewart Gate 7. Approximately 56.156 acres of land. This property is ready to go and visible from the entrance of Fort Stewart Gate 7. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

## 5.93 Old Ludowici Road, Ludowici - \$37,900 REDUCED

Homesite with a small pond and No City Taxes!! Unrestricted lot, mobile homes are ok. 5.93 Acres adjacent to Aaron's Mobile Home Park in Walthourville. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

## Lot 21 Fair Hope Drive Townsend - \$239,000 PRICE REDUCED!

BELVEDERE ISLAND PLANTATION LOT! This beautiful wooded lot shares a private dock. Enjoy the many amenities that Belvedere Plantation has to offer! Community club and guest house, swimming pool, tennis court, dock, horse stable and the gorgeous view of the river. If you look on the water it is not unusual to see the dolphins enjoying the clear waters. Have you always wanted to own a piece of land close to the river? Well this is your chance. 0.86 acres of land ready to be yours! Contact us for more information today! Take a look of all that this beautiful community has to offer. All it's missing is your house! <https://belvedereislandplantation.com/communitysite.com/> Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733, Co-Listed with Brigitte Cabeza-Shanken 912-222-8279 [brigitte.shanken@coldwellbanker.com](mailto:brigitte.shanken@coldwellbanker.com)

## 19 Acres - 0 East Oglethorpe Highway Flemington - \$900,000

Excellent location on US HWY 84 in rapidly growing community of Flemington, Georgia. Centrally located between Ft. Stewart Gate 3 and Midway. It is located in a military opportunity zone. Great property for many commercial users. 24,430 vehicles per day. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

## 1.4 Acres - 00 East Oglethorpe Highway Flemington - \$600,000

Excellent location on US Highway



way 84 in a rapidly growing community in Flemington, Georgia. This property is centrally located between Ft. Stewart Gate 3 and Midway, Georgia. It is located in a military opportunity zone. This property is great for many commercial users. 25,940 vehicles per day. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

**260 Interchange Drive Richmond Hill - \$199,900**  
Remarkable pad site just off of US 17 and I95 Interchange. Several parcels available. All utilities in place. Multiple uses include office or hotel. Easy access to streets and all access in place. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker

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**0 Coldwell Road NE Ludowici - \$59,900**  
This tract of land is perfect for a family wanting to build a house with some seclusion! This +/- 10 acres is only 15 minutes away from Hinesville! Come build your dream home! Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

**4.5819 West Oglethorpe Highway Walthourville - \$299,900**  
This is 4.5819 acres of Commercial land. It is centrally located on the East West freight corridor

between Valdosta and the Port of Savannah. It is also located in the Military and SBA opportunity zone. This is a corner lot. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

**.24 Acre Veterans Parkway, Hinesville - \$225,000**  
Last available frontage road on drive home side of Veterans Parkway zoned C-2. Off site water retention included. Property can be combined with 777 Veterans Parkway for a total asking price of \$495,000 Owners are licensed Real Estate Brokers in the state of Georgia. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

**Belvedere Island Plantation Lot 216 Riverpoint Lane, Townsend - \$69,900**  
Excellent opportunity for gated community living!! Great lot to build your dream home in this tranquil community with deep water access club house and horse stables. Enjoy remarkable sunrises from The Club House and Community Deep Water Dock. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

**Lot 41 Salt Marsh Drive, Midway - \$49,900**  
Coastal Living at its finest!! Gorgeous building lot inside the tranquil Yellow Bluff Subdivi-

sion ready to build your "Dream Home"!!! Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

**1.98 AC Fiddlers Cove Townsend - \$30,000**  
Build your dream home on this private & secluded 1.98 Acres lot in Spring Cove, a gated community, less than one hour to Savannah! Perfect home site with access to a beautiful pond! Located near fishing, crabbing & boat ramps. Short drive to Harris Neck Wildlife Refuge. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

**0.24 Acre Veterans Memorial Parkway, Hinesville - \$225,000**  
Last available frontage road on drive home side of Veterans Parkway zoned C-2. Off site water retention included. Owners are licensed Real Estate Brokers in the state of Georgia. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-977-4733. jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

**0 E. Oglethorpe Highway, Hinesville - \$2,500,000 PRICE REDUCED!**  
Excellent hotel/restaurant site located next to La Quinta in Flemington. Parcel has offsite water retention. Owners will subdivide. Owners are licensed Real Estate Brokers in the state of Georgia. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-977-4733. jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

**777 Veterans Memorial Parkway, Hinesville - \$395,000.**  
Last available frontage on drive home side of veterans parkway zoned C-2. Off site water retention included. Owners are licensed Real Estate Brokers in the state of Georgia. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-977-4733. jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com  
**Lot 3 Lakeview Drive**



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#### Lot 4 Lakeview Drive Glennville - \$19,900

Great .58 acre lot in Lakeview Estates. Don't miss out on an opportunity to build your dream home. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

#### Lot 5 Lakeview Drive Glennville - \$19,900

Great 0.56 acres lot in Lakeview Estates. Take advantage of an opportunity to build your dream home! Additional lots available for purchase. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

#### Lot 6 Lakeview Drive Glennville - \$19,900

Great 0.67 acre lot in Lakeview Estates. Don't miss out on an opportunity to build your dream home. Additional lots also available for purchase. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

#### Lot 7 Lakeview Drive Glennville - \$19,900

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#### Lots 1-10 West Court Street Hinesville - \$499,000

Located in the Downtown Overlay district. Redevelopment in the heart of downtown Hinesville. Entire city block with access to four paved roads! City water, city sewer and NO FLOOD ZONE! Walking distance to Municipal Buildings, Main Street

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#### 5163 Leroy Coffey Highway Fleming - \$75,000

This land has it all! Electricity, telephone, cable television and trash collection available in the area. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

#### 5163 Leroy Coffey Highway Fleming - \$299,000

Commercial land available! Stop by today and see the endless possibilities! Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

#### 0 Patriots Trail Hinesville - \$1,613,250

Dynamic multifamily potential along Patriots Trail! This property is situated at the center of regional growth, walking distance to the Liberty County Recreational Department and YMCA. Convenient to Fort Stewart gates 1,2, and 3. Tract 3 is partially located in the city limits of Flemington. Approximately 1700 linear feet of road frontage on Patriots Trail. Plat attached in documents. Great opportunity! Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

#### 1 Terrell Drive Hinesville - \$2,250,000 PRICE REDUCED!

Shovel ready apartment pad sites. 132 total units, 3 buildings with 8 units, 9 buildings with 12 units. Roads and utilities are in place. Conveniently located near Ft. Stewart Gate 7. Ft. Stewart's the largest Department of Defense Installation East of the Mississippi River. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

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#### 1135 West Oglethorpe Highway Hinesville - \$499,900

This is 4.18 acres of commercial land. This property is cleared, level, and ready to build on. It is accessible from Highway 84 and Main Street. It is centrally located in between Hinesville retail areas, Walmart Supercenter and the Walmart Neighborhood Market. It is conveniently located near Ft. Stewart. Ft. Stewart's the largest Department of Defense Installation East of the Mississippi River. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

#### B25-B28 David Road Gumbranch - \$19,900 PRICE REDUCED!

This is a fantastic lot! It is located in a private, secluded setting. It is cleared and has the corners marked. This lot is ready for your mobile home! Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

#### 1.61 Acres Barry McCaffrey Boulevard - \$65,000

Centrally located Town home site, minutes to Fort Stewart gates and shopping. 1.61 Acres, zoned RTH near the intersection of Barry McCaffrey Blvd. and Shaw Rd. Contact us today for more information! Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

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#### 1 AC Peter King Road, Riceboro \$24,900

Great piece of property located on 1 acre in Riceboro, GA. This property would be a perfect place to build a new home! It is conveniently located just a short distance to S Coastal HWY. Not far from Brunswick or Savannah. Mobile homes are ok. Don't miss out, it won't last long! Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

#### 16.84 AC Hwy 84 East, Midway \$795,000

Development Opportunity!! 960 LF of Frontage on one of the last undeveloped exits in GA, Exit 76 on I-95!! Excellent Retail or Hospitality development opportunity adjoins land owned by The Development Authority of Liberty County. Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

#### 2.17 Acres Highway 84, Ludowici - \$299,900

Great piece of property located in the heart of Ludowici, one of Georgia's fastest growing communities. Minutes to Fort Stewart Gates and Hinesville. Just over 2 acres, this property holds a great deal of opportunities. It is located off US Hwy 84 with high traffic, featuring 336 Linear feet of US 84 frontage. This property is also located near a proposed 600 unit residential development area. Check out this property before it's too late! Water and sewer available! Jimmy Shanken, Coldwell Banker Southern Coast, 912-368-4300 or 912-977-4733 or email jimmy.shanken@coldwellbanker.com

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## New SHARP policy grants additional services to Army Civilians

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**WASHINGTON** — The safety and well-being of all Department of the Army Civilians, or DACs, is at the forefront of a policy unveiled Friday, which now allows them to receive Army Sexual Harassment/Assault Response and Prevention services.

“Our Army Civilians deserve our support if they are victims of a sexual assault,” said James A. Helis, director of the Army Resilience Directorate, which oversees the SHARP program. “We ask our Army Civilians to support the prevention of sexual assault, to take sexual assault training, and to intervene when they can; the very least we can do is to be by their side if they themselves are the victim of sexual assault.”

The new policy is another example of the Army’s commitment to eliminate harmful behaviors, like sexual assault, from its workforce, which impact all aspects of readiness including unit cohesion, trust, and good order and discipline, Helis said.

“The Army has worked tirelessly to ensure parity for Army Civilians when it comes to SHARP services,” said Jill Londagin, SHARP program director.

In the past, only DACs working overseas or in a deployed environment qualified for limited SHARP services. The only exception was if DACs were also dependents.

“When this program first started, it was believed that [non-deployed] civilians would already have access to victim services in their communities,” she said.

The latest policy opens the door for DACs to receive SHARP services, whether appropriated or non-appropriated civilians, regardless of where they are in the world. However, despite not including contractors or interns,

those individuals can still see a sexual assault response coordinator, or SARC, to ask questions about finding resources without making a report.

The policy also lets DACs choose unrestricted reporting using multiple routes, including SARCs; victim advocates, or VAs; or victim representatives, or VRs. Unrestricted reporting allows victims of sexual assault who desire to receive medical treatment, counseling, SARC and VA assistance, and an official investigation of the crime.

“Victims who make an unrestricted report of sexual assault can receive advocacy services from a SARC and a victim advocate for as long as they want instead of just while receiving emergency medical treatment while overseas,” Londagin said.

DACs can make an unrestricted report of sexual assault by using a Department of Defense Form 2910 and SARCs are available to help assign a VA to assist them if they request one, she added.

The policy does not include restricted reporting, expedited transfers, or any additional medical entitlements or legal services DACs are not already allowed by law or policy to use, like emergency medical services, including a sexual assault forensic exam and post-exposure prophylaxis.

In regards to non-emergency services like follow-up care, DACs will not use military medical treatment facilities, if they are not eligible. Instead, SARCs, VAs and VRs will assist DACs in finding off-post resources, like rape crisis centers and counseling services.

A special victims counsel may also be provided on a case-by-case basis for independent legal representation, dependent on the circumstances at the time of the request.

“There is no change to processes or procedures for holding individuals accountable for their actions,” Helis

said. “Subjects can be investigated and prosecuted by civilian authorities if [the U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Command] doesn’t have jurisdiction under the [Uniform Code of Military Justice].”

“DACs who are victims of sexual assault, who chose to not receive SHARP advocacy or other support services, are highly encouraged to utilize the Employee Assistance Program,” Londagin said.

EAP services include assessments, counseling, and referrals for additional services to employees with personal and/or work-related concerns, ensuring that DACs receiving support after a traumatic event is the upmost priority, she added.

SHARP services are not available to DACs for cases of sexual assault committed by an intimate partner, which is defined as a current or former spouse, a person with whom the victim shares a child in common or a current or former intimate partner whom the victim has shared a common domicile for more than 30 days.

Relating to sexual harassment, Equal Employment Opportunity offices will manage those complaints. SARCs, VAs and VRs can still help direct DACs to an EEO point of contact.

Although the new policy is intended to assist civilians, they will not be required to use the services and the policy will not change the terms and conditions of their employment, as SHARP services are strictly voluntary.

Reporting also remains voluntary. However, victims are encouraged to report so they can receive services, offenders can be held accountable and Army leaders can see an accurate view of the depth and breadth of sexual violence within its ranks.

Sexual assault, sexual harassment, and associated retaliatory behavior have no place in the Army, Londagin said.



# Society of 3rd ID dedicates new monument to the past

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*Top right: The Society of the 3rd Infantry Division Outpost in Italy dedicated a new monument, Sept. 19 in the city of Montecorvino Rovella, Italy honoring the Soldiers of the 3rd ID who fought and died liberating the city in WWII.*

*Center right: A priest blesses a the bronze plaque permanently affixed to a large rock says "In honor of the American Soldiers of the Third Infantry division who, with indomitable courage, liberated Montecorvino Rovella on September 21, 1943."*

*Below: Italian outpost president, Luigi Settimi (center), and other outpost members pose for a photo, Sept. 19 following the monument dedication. A letter from Maj. Gen. Charles Costanza was read during the ceremony that said "As we reflect on their sacrifices we must remember them. It is the duty of those of us left behind, to remember their hard fought accomplishments. Soldiers don't ask for much. They just want to be remembered. We have a duty to do so. So on this auspicious day and during this auspicious event, we remember all those who fought for freedom here. We honor their sacrifices and vow to never forget them. These Italian brothers and Sisters are true comrades and we salute them."*

