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Offers information and referrals to guide families to appropriate services and resources available at Fort Leonard Wood and worldwide for relocation.



Why did you choose a career as a DA Civilian?

I have always wanted to be a part of the military in some form. **I wanted to give back to those who protect our freedom and country**, and my job allows me to accomplish that by making a difference in their lives.

What do you like most about your job/career as a DA Civilian?

We work with each branch of the military, so **I have had the opportunity to learn how each branch is different, and develop working relationships across the world.** I like that I get to be a

part of the solution for their families, and make sure the outcomes are favorable for them. This job can be a challenge, but I enjoy that.

What is your most memorable experience as a DA Civilian?

I recently worked with a family that required assistance for an Emergency Compassionate Reassignment. We could not support the family’s medical or educational needs, so **we assisted the family with finding a new duty installation, where the resources were accessible.** We were able to get the family reassigned in a timely manner. It was compelling to see how much of a relief this was for the

family, and how grateful they were for everyone who was involved.

What are the benefits of working as a DA Civilian?

As a DA Civilian, **there are so many areas my career can lead**, whether it is learning a new job skill, or being able to see the world – which I would like to do eventually.

