

# Q&A

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### What made you decide to have a civilian career with the Army?

I served 20 years in the Air Force and was blessed to earn a **valuable education** through the military. I felt the need to repay my debt through additional **service to my country** as a civilian.

### What do you like most about your civilian career with the Army?

We help people. The Army doesn't get much attention for their **humanitarian relief efforts** during disasters across the globe, but they should. The look on a child's face who gets a warm blanket or a meal provided to a person who has lost everything helps to **restore hope**. From humanitarian efforts in Kosovo and the Middle East to bringing

aid supplies into Japan after the 2011 tsunami, I have been fortunate to have **made a difference** in people's lives. **Helping people** is what I like most about my job.

### What are the benefits of working for the Army?

Soldiers form a **close bond** that feels like a family. When you are tired and feel you can't go on, it is that **support from your teammates** that helps you push through. I've made a lot of friends in my time with the Army and I will value those relationships forever.

### What advice would you give to others who might be looking at becoming an Army civilian?

It isn't easy work and you can

pull many long hours, but working as an Army civilian gives you a chance to **give back to your country**. The military always needs qualified people who are willing to work hard to support our troops. Our Soldiers, Sailors, Marines and Airmen risk everything so we can sleep peacefully at night. The **sense of pride** you feel from supporting them will make your job never feel like work.

