



## KIRSTAN CARPENTER

SPECIAL EVENTS COORDINATOR

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Assists with planning and execution of community special events that respond to the needs and interests of the military and civilian population.



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### Why did you want to work for the Army?

I saw the needs of my family, and the needs of my husband as a Soldier and myself as a spouse as far as leisure activities. After speaking to other families, Soldiers and other members of the community, I was inspired and started getting ideas. I wanted to start a career, and it just happened organically because I knew what my family needed and was able to apply that.

### What do you enjoy most about working for the Army?

I have been so lucky to be able to evolve my career and have leadership who challenge me and push me to

think outside the box. It's given me the ability to provide the best programming and services that I didn't think I was capable of at times. They've even given me the opportunity to develop and obtain more education so that I could continue to thrive and make my family proud.

### What advice do you have for those considering a career with the Army?

Any place can be a job, but taking the opportunity to invest your time, effort and knowledge and sharing what you have to offer, could inspire or educate someone without you realizing it. We have a great team and the ability to educate you.

### What brought you to Fort Leonard Wood?

This was my husband's last duty station. After he retired, we decided to make this our forever home. We love it here.

