



# **Army Family Action Plan**

**2011 Fort Belvoir Symposium**

# Six Most Critical Active DA Issues

- 1. 457 - Modification of Weight Allowance Table
- 2. 596 - Convicted Sex Offender Registry
- 3. 620 - Medical Entitlements for College Age Family Members
- 4. 524 - Military Source Unemployment Compensation
- 5. 572 - Family Member Eyeglass Coverage
- 6. 488 - Tricare Prime Remote for Family Members Not Residing with Military Sponsor



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# **Housing, Force Support, BOSS, Family Support**

- **Spokesperson:** Shelia Cuffee
- **Facilitator:** Michelle Lake
- **Recorder:** Patricia Butterfield
- **Issue Support:** Pam Eller



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# Four Most Valuable Services

- 1 Housing
- 2 Medical
- 3 Commissary
- 4 CDC



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# 24 HR Fort Belvoir Child Development Center

- **Scope:** The 24hr in home Family Child Care is not sufficient for mission essential personnel, shift workers and medical emergencies. Due to a heightened awareness in potential maltreatment, after hours in-home care does not yield a reasonable expectation of child safety. Yet this remains the only option. Family safety requirements and peace of mind dictate that a CDC needs to be available to provide monitored 24 hr care.

- **Recommendation:** Provide a 24 hr child care at the Fort Belvoir CDC.



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# Fort Belvoir Library Enhancement

- **Scope:** The library is in need of major improvements. The access to the second floor is not American Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant. Fort Belvoir is expecting a working population increase of about 45,000 not to include Families. Internet technology improvements are needed to provide wi-fi access for patrons especially on weekends and evenings. Space and resources do not meet the current and growing demand for Soldiers, Wounded Warriors and Families.
- **Recommendation:** Increase funding to establish a new facility or upgrade the current facility to include AC, ADA compliant equipment, additional electrical outlets and rewiring the current electrical system.  
Increase wi-fi connectivity available to library patrons.



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# Fort Belvoir ACS Water Fountain

- **Scope:** There is no public source of drinking water at ACS. The only source is the expensive vending machine. Customers should not have to be required to purchase H<sub>2</sub>O. Water is vital to hydration.
- **Recommendation:** Install water fountains in ACS Building 200



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# AAFES Military Spouse Authors

- **Scope:** AAFES does not have a defined military spouse book section showcasing military spouse authors. AAFES has only one book supplier (PMG) that distributes only from NY Top 10. Local veterans are the only outside suppliers. The absence of military spouse resources denies mil spouse empowerment and support from experienced military spouse authors.

- **Recommendation:** Solicit Military Spouse Authors.



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# Entitlements, Benefits, Medical, Dental, and Employment

- **Spokesperson:** Andrew Falk
- **Facilitator:** Carol Janer
- **Recorder:** Valentina Klawansky
- **Issue Support:** Pam Eller



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# Four Most Valuable Services

- 1 Medical/Dental
- 2 Housing
- 3 Commissary
- 4 Legal Services



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# Standard Mileage Rate Reimbursement

- **Scope:** Current mileage rates differ depending upon traveler's status such as routine TDY, medical TDY, or Permanent Change of Station (PCS). For example, present travel rates per mile are \$.55 for routine TDY, \$.40 for medical TDY and \$.16 for PCS. Actual costs do not vary based on travel status.
- **Recommendation:** Amend Monetary Allowance in Lieu of Transportation Table to reflect current Federal reimbursement rate regardless of traveler's status.



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