

CARE Team



Who does a CARE Team serve?

- Active Duty Military and their Families living on Fort Belvoir
- Active Duty Soldiers, their Families, and Families of deployed DoD Civilians assigned or attached to Fort Belvoir
- Fort Belvoir's Garrison Commander can approve a request for Fort Belvoir's CARE Team on a case-by-case basis



Would you like to become a CARE Team member, learn more about the program or start a CARE Team on your own installation?

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What it means to be a CARE Team member.

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The Fort Belvoir Installation has established a CARE (casualty response) Team

In the event of a casualty, severe injury or disaster, a family may be offered the assistance of a selected team of trained volunteers—a CARE Team—who can offer emotional support and practical assistance in the first few days. In the event a casualty occurs within our community, the Garrison Commander may activate a CARE Team based on the affected Family's needs and request for support.

Fort Belvoir CARE Teams consist of three to four responsible, knowledgeable volunteers who have been screened, trained, and have signed a confidentiality agreement. The CARE Team will provide up to four consecutive days of service to a family until other support arrives. By creating this team, the Installation and volunteer CARE Team members show they care.

What does a CARE Team do?

- Answer, screen and log phone calls and visitors
- Coordinate help with household matters
- Organize and provide meal support
- Make arrangements and provide care, transportation, support for the children
- Keep a log of questions for the Casualty Assistance Officer (CAO)
- Coordinate transportation and accommodations for incoming support/Family
- Provide transportation to appointments, medical facilities, etc. as needed
- Be available, supportive, unobtrusive, patient, kind, understanding, and a good listener

If selected to be a CARE Team member, the following will be required:

- Attendance of AVC Volunteer Orientation and 1-day CARE Team training at ACS*
- Attendance at monthly workshops*
- Planned backup childcare for own children during CARE Team activation*
- Permission to participate signed-off by supervisor if working in paid position

*Childcare has been paid for CARE Team members courtesy of Belvoir Community Committee/Belvoir Thrift Shop.

CARE Team members help and support those in need during a difficult time.