

Army Information Update

Because information is power, we are informing you each personally and inspiring you to pass it along.

As 2025 ends and we look to 2026, we wanted to circle back on resources many Army families will benefit from during this time, offer a few “get ahead” tips and then share updates.

1. **December & January are the second peak moving season after summer. Here are resources:**
 - Revisit the [December 2024 Army Information Update](#) where we covered great resources!
 - Not sure where to begin planning? Start here: [Housing & Moving page on the Army Quality of Life site.](#)
 - When you move, spouses qualify for a year [free Premium Linked In](#) Need Help? Visit [YOUR Relocation Readiness Team](#) at ACS to help you set this up.
 - [Spouse Licensure Transfer Information](#) or visit [YOUR ACS](#) and ask for help.
 - [Spouse Licensure Reimbursement Information](#) (up to \$2000) or visit [YOUR ACS](#) and ask for help.
2. **2025 Taxes-** We know they aren't due until April 15, 2026, but preparation is one way to keep stress levels under control. Unless you have a complicated return, you can probably get free help preparing and filing your taxes.
 - [Free tax prep and filing through Military One Source.](#) It's designed for military life addressing special situations including deployments, combat pay and multiple moves.
 - [FREE-](#) software and filing.
 - Your local installation may offer free in-person filing. Ask at your Army Community Service (ACS) [FIND YOUR ACS](#)
3. **A Few Updates:**
 - [The Army Quality of Life Website](#) is being regularly updated again. See the “updated as of” date at the bottom of the menu. [HERE](#) is a link to a 75 second video about the Army Quality of Life site. Share it with Army families so they know about this navigation tool to help discover resources and benefits.
 - The Office of the Surgeon General continues to work with DHA and MHS Genesis to support parental access to medical information for their children ages 13-17. Right now, you can get it, but it is administratively and logistically difficult (the [September 2024 Army Information Update](#) explains those steps). We know this needs to be easier. This is a tough one because of Privacy Laws, but LTG Izaguirre and her team have it on their radar!
 - My Army Post App (MAPA) is now on Soldiers orders! The PCS orders now have a QR code with information to download the My Army Post App. We'd love feedback on whether families learn about the MAPA and go to their installation site before they move.
 - ***If your installation is not on the Community Selection drop down list, let us know!***
The MAPA Team is working to get all installations (even Joint Bases where the Senior Commander is not Army) on there. They can put a redirect link if a Joint Base uses a different app or communication platform.
4. **A Tip from our Travels:** Kimberly Weimer and I recently visited Fort Bragg and the 82nd Airborne Division's Command Family Readiness Rep (CFRR) LT Dial shared an [82nd Airborne Division Soldier & Family Readiness Dashboard](#) she created designed to inform and empower 82nd Airborne Families with links directly to resources and events.

Our Goal: Every Army Spouse & Family are Aware of Big Army Information, Efforts, and Initiatives.