

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK

Honoring the Heart of Our Community

In recognition of National Volunteer Week, Marine Corps Family Team Building proudly hosted the 2025 MCCS Volunteer Recognition Ceremony on April 18. The event honored 201 dedicated volunteers who contributed over 96,171 hours of service this past year, more than 15,000 of which directly supported our local Okinawan community.

From service members and military spouses to students and civilians, each volunteer embodies the spirit of selfless service that strengthens our overseas military family.

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much."

— Helen Keller

A heartfelt thank you to all who give their time and talents so generously. Your efforts continue to inspire and unite our community.

Special appreciation to those who helped make this event possible:

- 3rd Marine Expeditionary Force Band for their outstanding performance
- MCCS Butler Officers' Club for their hospitality
- MCCS Sponsorship and Marketing Teams for their vital support
- Our leadership for showing up and standing beside our volunteers

Thank you for your continued commitment to service, your impact is felt across every corner of our community.

- MCFTB Director, Bebe Husanini

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

**KINSER ELEMENTARY: 5TH
GRADE MOVING UP
CEREMONY
30 MAY (0800-1100)
POC: JENNIFER TIBBS AT
JENNIFER.TIBBS@DODEA.EDU**

**SCHOOL VISIT PROGRAM
8 MAY (1000-1145)
ASUNARO CHILD DAY
SCHOOL IN NAGO
POC: MR. IHA FUMIO AT
MIO.IHA@USMC.MIL**

SCAN FOR MORE VOLUNTEER
OPPORTUNITIES



Military Spouse Appreciation Month

May is Military Spouse Appreciation Month a time to recognize and celebrate the strength, resilience, and unwavering support of military spouses. Here in Okinawa, we take pride in honoring the incredible individuals who serve behind the scenes, often without recognition, yet with immeasurable impact. From navigating frequent PCS moves and deployments to managing the day-to-day challenges of military life, spouses are the steady foundation of our community.

As a military spouse myself, I understand the unique joys and sacrifices that come with this lifestyle. It's a journey marked by courage, adaptability, and deep commitment. That's why I'm especially proud to share that Marine Corps Family Team Building (MCFTB) will host its first-ever Military Spouse Appreciation Event on May 9th. (Details below)

We invite you to join us for an afternoon of connection, reflection, and celebration as we honor the unique experiences, resilience, and unwavering spirit that each spouse brings to our military community. Whether you're a working professional, stay-at-home parent, or active-duty partner, your contributions matter, and they are deeply appreciated.

This month and always, we see you, we value you, and we thank you.

- MCFTB Director, Bebe Husanini



A Month Full of Gratitude

While we shine a spotlight on our military spouses this month, May also brings a wave of appreciation for so many who serve in different ways. From Teacher Appreciation Week and National Nurse Day to Mother's Day, Armed Forces Day, and Memorial Day, we honor the educators, caretakers, service members, and those we remember. Each of these days reminds us of the powerful impact of service, love, and sacrifice in our lives and our community. Let's take the time to say thank you, to give back, and to pause in gratitude for all the roles that shape our world.



Workshops

FRPT

CTT, FRCTA, FRA
MAY 7, 0830-1130
CAMP FOSTER
BLDG. 439 CLASSROOM

UPFRP READINESS COORDINATOR
TRAINING
MAY 13-15 FROM 0830-1600
CAMP FOSTER
EDUCATION CENTER
BLDG. 5679 RM. 25

VOLUNTEER

PASSPORT TO
VOLUNTEERING
MAY 20, 1330-1500
CAMP FOSTER
BLDG 445 RM 201

RDS

PRE-DEPLOYMENT
MAY 8, 1300-1400
MCAS FUTENMA
BLDG. 407

MID-DEPLOYMENT
MAY 22, 0900-1030
CAMP HANSEN
BLDG. 2339

L.I.N.K.S.

L.I.N.K.S. MILITARY SPOUSE
APPRECIATION
MAY 9, 1830-2030
CAMP FOSTER BUTLER
OFFICERS' CLUB

CUPPA CONVERSATIONS
MAY 6, 0830-1030
CAMP COURTNEY BAYVIEW
GAME ROOM

L.I.N.K.S. FOUNDATIONS
MAY 13, 0930-1500
CAMP COURTNEY LEGENDS

L.I.N.K.S. STRIKE-A-POSE
MAY 17, 1000-1600
CAMP FOSTER OCEAN BREEZE

L.I.N.K.S. MENTOR TRAINING
MAY 28, 1000-1300
CAMP COURTNEY LEGENDS

LifeSkills

PREMARITAL
MAY 9, 0800-1500
CAMP FOSTER
OCEAN BREEZE, BLDG. 5906

STRESS MANAGEMENT
MAY 14, 0900-1100
WHITE BEACH CFAO

AUTO CARE WORKSHOP - ADULTS
MAY 17, 1000-1300
CAMP COURTNEY
TYPHOON MOTORS

Sign-Up

