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**MARINE & Family**  
Marine Corps  
Family Team  
Building

**January 2023**

# **Marine Corps Family Team Building Monthly Newsletter**



May each day of this year be illuminated with happiness and good fortune, and success for our community. Thank you for all that you do, and we look forward with building new and stronger relationship with you all. Wish you a Happy New Year!

**-MCFTB Director Bebe Husanini**

## **Family Readiness Program**

Several changes have been made to the UPFRP in the last month. The FRPT request has gone completely virtual and can now be completed via an online survey. A new SharePoint site has also been created for Okinawa DRC/URCs which includes all the resources that were available in the DRC/URC Training Binder. February 2023 will be the start of the new 5 day DRC/URC Training schedule. January also launches the return of the P&PD Learning Series for DRC/URCS.

## **Readiness and Deployment Support**

MCFTB will be hosting open deployment support events this January. The newest workshop is called "It is all About You." This workshop focuses on self-care during deployment and assisting spouses to connect to the resources available for support.

Upcoming Open Pre-Deployment Briefs

Jan 11 & 25 at 1030

"It's All About You" Workshop

Jan 18 at 0900

## **LifeSkills**

We're kicking 2023 off with the Premarital Seminar! This monthly seminar is held to inform service members and their future spouses on the nuptial process, whether it is a dual service marriage, service member and U.S. civilian, or a service member marrying a foreign or local national. Participants are encouraged to attend with their future spouse to get the most out of the seminar. The afternoon portion includes a SME from the U.S Consulate in Naha who gives a presentation on the process of obtaining a visa for local or foreign national spouses.

## **L.I.N.K.S.**

The L.I.N.K.S. Foundations workshop is designed for spouses of any age and experience level. Come meet other spouses, network and share your insights and knowledge in this monthly workshop! Upcoming L.I.N.K.S. Foundations Workshop Jan 11 at 0800 on Camp Courtney

"Hello families and service members. I have recently joined the wonderful MCFTB team as a Trainer. I have served in the Marine Corps and my wife is an active-duty Marine. We have a large family and have lived on Okinawa for a total of 10 years. I look forward to serving this wonderful community here on island. I've been fortunate in many ways during my time in service and afterwards. I believe the opportunity to work with MCFTB will allow me to give back to the community in ways that I was unable to as a civilian. "

**-Allan Chua, Newest MCFTB Trainer**



## Important Dates

### Upcoming Workshop:

05 January - Passport to Volunteering. 0900 Virtual



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Register for the 2022 President's Volunteer Service Award

### All PVSA Hours due 15 January, 2023

For registration and location details, visit Volunteer Opportunities ([usmc-mccs.org](http://usmc-mccs.org))

# MCCS VOLUNTEER

## Monthly Newsletter

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While others work their way towards being different, you strive towards making a difference. Your passion and energy are unparalleled, and I respect your spirit of volunteerism immensely. We are so very grateful to have your help. Thank you for being so selfless with us and for so many in whose lives you make a tangible difference. Thank you for continuing to show your heart through the gifting of your most valuable asset— your time!

As a reminder we are getting closer to the deadline to submit hours for the President's Volunteer Service Award. All LOAs or proof of hours need to be turned in no later than 15 January, 2023. Now is the time to earn those final hours and submit all hours to be certified by our office. If you have any questions about this award or the process, please reach out to our office. Email [volunteernow@okinawa.usmc-mccs.org](mailto:volunteernow@okinawa.usmc-mccs.org) with any questions you have, or give our office a call at 645-3749 /645-3689.

Saluting your efforts as a volunteer for this auspicious event. The impact you've made in 2022 through your dedication to both the local and global community will resound throughout Okinawa for years to come.

## Upcoming Volunteer Events

Saturday, 31 December- Futenma SMP-Air Station Clean up  
Sunday, 1 January-Hansen SMP-Camp Hansen Clean Up  
Saturday, 7 January-Futenma- Air Station Clean up  
Saturday, 7 January-Courtney SMP-Courtney Garden Beautification  
Saturday, 7 January - Kinser SMP- Camp Beautification

**View these and all other available volunteer opportunities HERE!**

*click here!*

*Volunteering is at the very core of being a human. No one has made it through life without someone else's help."*

**-Heather French Henry**