

# March



April is a time to honor the invaluable contributions of volunteers, and we're excited to celebrate the dedication of our volunteers from 2024 at the Volunteer Recognition Ceremony 2025 on April 18th. This event will recognize the dedicated volunteers across Okinawa who have made an incredible impact. So far, we have accumulated over 87,000 volunteer hours and counting!

The ceremony will feature prestigious awards, including the President's Volunteer Service Award and the Volunteer Service Award, honoring exceptional individuals nominated for their outstanding service to the community. The President's Volunteer Service Award is earned based on the number of volunteer hours completed, while the Volunteer Service Award is selected by the individual's Unit.

We invite you to join us on April 18th from 1000-1400 at the Plaza Housing Butler Officer Clubs as we celebrate the remarkable dedication of our volunteers. During the ceremony, we will recognize:

- 31 Volunteer Service Award recipients for their exceptional contributions.
- 10 Single Marine Program Award recipients, each representing one of the different camps across Okinawa, who will be honored for their outstanding service.
- 130 Presidential Volunteer Service Award recipients, acknowledging the dedicated individuals who have completed significant volunteer hours.

Let's come together to celebrate these extraordinary individuals who embody the spirit of selfless service and community.

A heartfelt congratulations to all the awardees! Personal invitations will be sent to all qualified PVSA nominees. Stay tuned for more details!



# Volunteer Opportunities

Zukeran Elementary School Literacy Night

6 March, 1430-1830 Volunteers will set up tables and run literacy stations for student activities.

POC: Oona Delaney at Oona.delaney@dodea.edu

#### Kids' Warrior Day 2025

#### 21-22 March 2025, 0630-1430

Set-up and tear-down of event activities, facilitating at different stations, and working the bounce house obstacle course.

POC: Allan Obace and Allan Chua at volunteernow@okinawa.usmc-mccs.org

Scan for more Volunteer Opportunities

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Workshops

Passport to Volunteering

Camp Courtney Bldg. 445 Rm 201

3 March 1330-1530

### Kids' Warrior Day 2025



Mark your calendars for March 22, 2025, as Kids' Warrior Day returns, organized by Marine Corps Family Team Building's (MCFTB Program. This highly anticipated annual event celebrates the strength, resilience, and bravery of military children, while fostering camaraderie within our military community and providing an opportunity for families to connect.

The 2024 Kids' Warrior Day was filled with inspiring moments, from a motivational speech by a Marine recruiter to a Color Guard presentation by JROTC. The day also featured a series of fun and challenging activities coordinated with MCCS Semper Fit, including obstacle courses simulating a mini-boot camp, a swearing-in pledge, a platoon run, and a cake-cutting ceremony to celebrate the children's accomplishments. This event highlighted MCCS's commitment to supporting the well-being of military families.

Building on the success of last year's event, we're excited to announce the 2025 Kids' Warrior Day, and we need your support to make it even bigger and better!

Event Details:

Date: March 22, 2025 Open to: 100 military children, ages 5-10

#### Activities include:

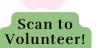
- Marine Corps Martial Arts Program (MCMAP)
- Nerf Rifle Range
- Modified Combat Fitness Test (CFT)

- Obstacle Course
- Dodgeball
- Drill

Snacks and water will be provided throughout the day, with the event concluding in a cake-cutting ceremony to celebrate the children's hard work.

#### To register your child, simply scan the QR code!





#### Volunteers Needed for Kids' Warrior Day!

In order for the 2025 Kids' Warrior Day to be a success, we are actively recruiting volunteers! The event will be held on March 22, 2025, and we need your help to make it memorable for our military children.

We are looking for 60 dedicated volunteers to assist with event day activities, and we need 10 volunteers on March 21 for event setup.

**Event Details:** 

- Fun activities include an obstacle course, dodgeball, drill, and more!
- Volunteers will be provided light refreshments and receive LOAs post-event.

We can't wait to see you there and continue celebrating the incredible children who support our military families. Thank you for your continued support!

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### Kids' Warrior Day 2025



### **Narch 22, 202** 0730-0820 Sign-in 0830-1200 Events

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Right across Zukeran Elementary

Registration opens from Mar 2-8th.

For questions, contact mcftbokinawa@okinawa.usmc-mccs.org

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### Family Marine Corps Family Family Team Building Workshops



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# LifeSkills

Premarital Seminar 18 March 14 March 0800-1500 Camp For Camp Foster Bldg, 5906 Room 28

Attitudes and Actions 18 March 1100-1300 Camp Foster Education Center Room 28

Auto Care Workshop: Spouses 19 March 1000-1300 Camp Hansen Typhoon Motors

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Cuppa Conversations 27 March 0830-1030 Starbucks American Village Japanese L.I.N.K.S. 11 March 0930-1445 Camp Foster Bldg. 445 Rm 201

L.I.N.K.S. Mentor Training 24 March 1000-1300 Camp Foster Bldg. 5906

UPFRP Readiness Coordinator Training 11-13 March 0830-1600 \*Camp Kinser Education Center Bldg. 1220 Rm 107

FRPT

CTT, FRCTA, FRA 5 March 0830-1130 Camp Kinser Bldg. 1220 Rm 152

## RDST

Pre-Deployment 6 March 1300-1400 Camp Schwab Bldg 3000 Rm PS06

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