SDMFC Presents: "Connect & Cultivate: Celebrating Military Spouses"



May 26th, 2023

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Today's Information & Materials

Please utilize this link below to access resources for today's convening: https://sdmilitaryfamily.org/may-2023-convening/

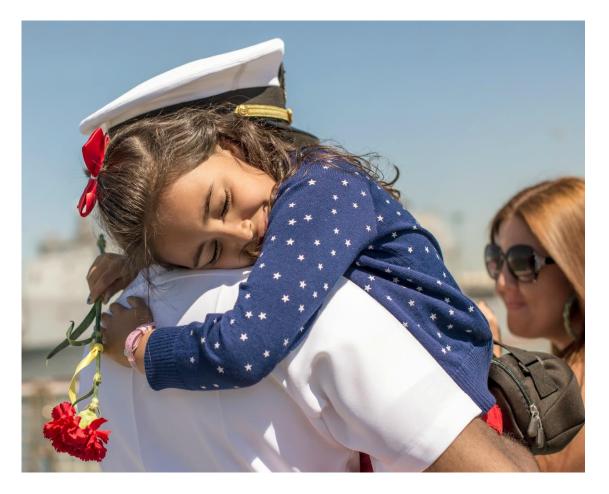
Today's Sign In: <u>https://forms.office.com/r/tsrTAXAtjw</u> or use QR



- For past convenings, visit: <u>https://sdmilitaryfamily.org/about/in-the-news/</u> OR check out FB for our convening videos: <u>https://www.facebook.com/sdmilfam/videos/</u>
- As always, please provide your feedback via Post-Convening Survey FOR CONVENING LINKS INFO: <u>https://sdmilitaryfamily.org/may-2023-convening/</u>



SDMFC's Annual Theme: Connect And Cultivate



#ConnectAndCultivate

- Power of Relationships
- ✓ Action Orientated
- Continuity
- ✓ Collective Impact
- ✓ What's YourContribution?

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SDMFC 2023 Membership



Interested in Becoming a Member? Visit: https://sdmilitaryfamily.org/join/ **Application** Renewals or New Applications **Ongoing through 2023** Save the Date: June 14th @ 10:00am **Mind-Body Workshop**

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SDMFC Action Teams- What I Wish My Parents Knew

Parents & Teens are Invited to Attend: Tuesday, February 28th, 2023 5:30pm-7:00pm Via Zoom: Meeting ID: 891 6556 6387 Passcode: WIWMPK23 **Registration Encouraged**

OUESTIONS? SHANNON STRACENER sstracener@saysandiego.org STACY CHILES schiles@savsandiego.org

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Next Action Team Meeting: Thursday June 22nd, 2023: Time- 12:00pm-1:00pm

MilTeen Partners Requested

Gearing Up for 2023-24 School Year

- Seeking new partners; topics of discussion; Inviting all Mil Youth **Groups/Community Members**
- **Please Review Our Past Virtual Forums:**
- https://www.youtube.com/channe l/UCdkrAxhBNjQB-qUmqsmapuA

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SDMFC Action Teams- Military Transition: the Spouse Edition



Open to All Military & Veteran Families

- 2023 Hybrid Format, but must register 1 week prior for in-person
- **MTSE Action Team (virtual)** JUNE 8th, 10:00am-11:00am
- **Next MTSE Workshop:** July 20th, 10:00am-12:00pm (Registration Required)

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SDMFC ANNUAL SUMMIT PLANNING



SDMFC'S CROWN JEWEL EVENT

- **Projected Date: October 2023**
- Help us plan our program to rally the entire community!
- All are welcome to attend & lend your voice to create a memorable event!
- Next Planning Date: June 6th @ 11am
- **See CC Members or Danny for details**



YOUR CHARGE FOR THE DAY

- Today's convening will feature various segments. Please follow along in order to get the most out of today's experience:
- 1. In-Person- Contribute ideas, be present, ask questions
- 2. Virtual Audience
 - **1. Show Video-** Please show your face today!
 - 2. Interact- Participate in the breakouts and use the Chat Box for questions...and try out new online activities (jamboard, polling, and more)



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VIDEO: MARRIED TO THE MILITARY- MIL SPOUSE APPRECIATION



FOR CONVENING LINKS INFO: https://sdmilitaryfamily.org/may-2023-convening/



ICE BREAKER: MILITARY SPOUSE APPRECIATION MONTH

Let's kick off a quick QUIZ to see how much you know about MILITARY SPOUSES!!!



Supported by CC Member Kristin Fernandez

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ICE BREAKER: MILITARY SPOUSE APPRECIATION MONTH

- We encourage you all to participate in our DISCUSSION (in-person/virtual) Today, we ask you to...
- 1. Greet One Another: Share video & unmute self
- 2. Introductions- Share name, agency (if any), and/or military connection
- 3. Answer the following question(s):
 - Small group discussions continuing Two Truths & A Lie to get better acquainted



TWO TRUTHS & A LIE

Military Spouse Edition

ROUND I

- United States president, Ronald Reagan, was the first to recognize Military Spouse Appreciation Day.
- 2. In 1999, the U.S. Congress designated May as the month to recognize Military Spouse Appreciation Day.
- 3. Military spouses cannot obtain a job while their spouse is active duty.

WHICH ONE IS THE LIE?

Military spouses cannot obtain a job while their spouse is active duty.

ROUND 2

- 1. Not all military spouses want to have children.
- 2. If a military spouse has a teaching credential in one state and moves to another state and wants to teach, they cannot transfer their credential.
- 3. The Family Member Employment Assistance Program helps military dependents & spouses look for jobs and receive assistance writing a resume.

WHICH ONE IS THE LIE?

If a military spouse has a teaching credential in one state and moves to another state and wants to teach, they cannot transfer their credential.

ROUND 3

- There are no programs or organizations to assist military spouses. It is up to them to navigate challenges on their own.
- 2. Military Spouse- Simplify Your Crazy, Wonderful Military Life is a magazine that provides a wide variety of articles covering different topics such as Moving, Entrepreneurship, Employment, Education, Parenting, Finances, Health, and Transition to Civilian Life.
- 3. The USO provides localized spouse meet ups called Coffee Connections to give spouses the opportunity to make friends and connect.

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THANK YOU!

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SAY San Diego Social Advocates for Youth

3 Objectives for Participants TODAY!

- Objectives for Participants for Military Spouse Appreciation
 - Recognize the unique challenges of military spouses
 - Awareness of employment/educational opportunities
 - Highlight of those working for and w/ military spouses
 - How has the needs of military spouses changed since COVID-19
 - How to build a network of support for military spouses/spouse support networks
- Panel Discussions
- Resource Roundtable
- Community Scan (should time permit)







TODAY'S EXPERTS: YOUR LOCAL MIL SPOUSES

SDMFC WELCOMES:

Sara Davis, Navy Spouse Lacey Schrader, Marine Corps Spouse Christine Winicki, Veteran Spouse



MILITARY SPOUSE APPRECIATION MONTH

Photo Credit: Kaiserslautern Army MWR





Bio/Stretch Break





INSTRUCTIONS:

Each provider will have 3-4 minutes to present on their organizational services directed SPECIFICALLY to military spouses

We have selected a few organizations you may be unfamiliar with, but invite others to present following these niche groups





RECREATION: Military Spouse Kickball Association



https://www.facebook.com/MSKAMiramar/ Email: MSKAmiramar@gmail.com



RECREATION: Morale, Wellness, & Recreation



https://sandiego.navylifesw.com/

https://www.facebook.com/comrecsd/ FOR CONVENING LINKS INFO: https://sdmilitaryfamily.org/may-2023-convening/



MFT Therapist (ABI) LOGO WEBSITE CONTACT PERSON/NUMBER



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#MilSpouse **RESOURCE ROUNDTABLE: MILSPOUSE EDITION**

MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT: STEVEN A COHEN MILITARY FAMILY CLINIC



The Steven A. Cohen Military Family Clinic

Women in Uniform

FREE psychoeducation group for women in the

A place for women in the military community to talk about the unique challenges they faced during and after their service. Topics participants may want to discuss could include military sexual trauma, discrimination, parenting, loss of identity, transition to civilian life, and financial planning, and more. Sessions will consist of a variety of activities, including art therapy mindful exercises and goal setting. Child watch and light snacks will be provided.

> 8885 Rio San Diego Drive, San Diego, CA 92108-1610

May 22-June 12, 2023 Mondays, 12:30-1:30 p.m. Thursdays, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

https://vvsd.net/cohenclinicsandiego/ FOR CONVENING LINKS INFO: https://sdmilitaryfamily.org/may-2023-convening/



Peer Navigation: Zero8hundred



https://www.zero8hundred.org/

858-309-4412



PEER NAVIGATION: Courage to Call/Turn BHS





https://www.courage2call.org/

Call our 24/7 Helpline at 877-698-7838 Or dial 2-1-1 option 4

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RESOURCE ROUNDTABLE: MILSPOUSE EDITION

CHILDCARE: Foundation for Women Warriors



Our Women Veteran Emergency and Transition Services program is dedicated to the prevention of homelessness and enhances the personal and economic wellbeing of women veterans and their families. We do this through our pipeline of services:

REGIONAL PROGRAMS

Childcare Assistance provides slipends to daycare, after-care, and comps for student or working veterans, placing their children in a trusted and licensed childcare of their choosing.

Financial Assistance programs provides women veterans facing financial hardship with financial management education and emergency stipends to cover rent, utilities, and emergency car repairs.

Warehouse Distributions provide women veteran families with hyglene supplies, diapers, wipes, children's clothing, household clearing supplies, and children's toys around the holidays.

NATIONAL PROGRAMS

Warder Connect provides necessary information and referrate regarating additional services and a warm initiaduction to our partner agencies. Referrate can be for a variety of assistance types including legatesrices, job skills training and mental health in a geographically desirable location.

Women Veterans Lead provides personal, professional, and leadership development solucation both in-person and oritine for our notional community of women veterans. W/L provides access to online self-paced curriculum in addition to interactive sessions on budgeting, networking, navigating career change, leadership, relifence, and more.



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EMAILE INFO EFAUWLORG PHONE (310) 733-2450 SOCIAL MEDIA: REFWOMENWARRIORS (f) (D) (in) (y)







CHILDCARE ASSISTANCE

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Foundation for Women Warriors' Childicat Assistance program provides stipends for daycare (children ages 0-5), camp assista (summer, winter, and spring), as well as COVID-19 distance learning, learning pod and hybrid learning. This program allows working or student vetram nothers to maintain employment and pursue their educational goals while offsetting the cos of childcare. Stipends are paid directly to licensed care providers.

APPLY TODAY

Phone: (310) 733-2450 ext 1

Foundation for Women Warriors has made it possible for me to continue working. I have been looking for affordable day care or a Summer day camp. I cannot afford to take time off work to take care of my son. I was healtant to apply but figured as I loo an a female wateran in need I would apply. I remember reading the email stating I would be receiving a one time assistance I we beyond happe and releved

TO LEARN MORE ABOUT FOUNDATION FOR WOMEN WARFORS & OUR WOMEN VETERANTRANSTICN SERVICES VIET BY HONOR HER SERVICE I EM POWER HER FUTURE

https://foundationforwomenwarriors.org/

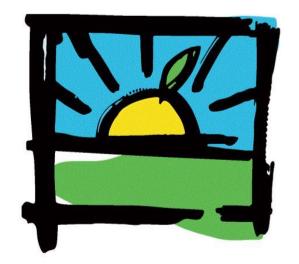
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SOCIAL CONNECTIONS: SAY San Diego's HSMFRC



Healthy Start Military Family Resource Center

https://www.saysandiego.org/who-we-serve/military-families/



EMPLOYMENT: CAREERWORKS



https://www.able2work.org/careerworks/



EMPLOYMENT: FAMILY MEMBER EMPLOYMENT



Family Member Employment Assistance Program

https://sandiego.usmc-mccs.org/ Connie Vasquez/619-524-8640



EMERGENCY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE: Support the Enlisted Project



https://www.teamstepusa.org/

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COMMUNITY SCAN: MILSPOUSE GROUPS/PRIORITY ISSUES

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Break up into groups of 5 to discuss military spouse groups that new spouses to the region should consider connecting to.
- Please provide the name of group, contact information (if known), and when they meet (if known)!
- Also list key organizations you are aware of that are addressing gaps in service for military spouses (priority areas- childcare, licensure or credentialing, mental health/wellness, etc.)



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COMMUNITY SCAN: MILSPOUSE GROUPS/PRIORITY ISSUES

VIRTUAL INSTRUCTIONS:

- Depending on size you may work wholistically or in break out rooms utilizing a jamboard (link will be dropped in chat)
- Please identify any spouse groups including when/where they meet up and what they offer via jamboard
- Also list key organizations you are aware of that are addressing gaps in service for military spouses (priority areas- childcare, licensure or credentialing, mental health/wellness, etc.)







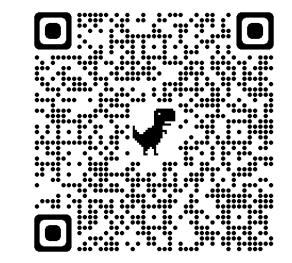
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VIRTUAL INSTRUCTIONS:

Connect via link:

https://jamboard.google.com/d/1PBfXfRspCMgkaRr2JgLC9XiLMo_4c Cj1k7SHDzivUcc/edit?usp=sharing

• Or Use QR Code:









SDMFC Announcements

SDMFC will continue to post updates and information through our Facebook page & newsletters. Follow us at <u>facebook.com/sdmilfam</u> for the latest information or sign up for newsletter at:

- Annual Summit Planning: June 6^{th:} 11:00AM 12:00PM (VIRTUALLY)
- MTSE Action Team: June 8th: 10:00AM-11:00AM (VIRTUALLY)
- SDMFC Members Only Event: June 14th, 10:00AM-11:30AM (VIRTUALLY)
- WIWMPK Action Team: June 22nd: 12:00AM-1:00PM (VIRTUALLY)
- **SDMFC Monthly Convening:** June 23rd: 10:00am-12:00pm (Mission Valley Library)
- MTSE Workshop: July 21st: 10:00AM-12:00PM (hybrid- SAY San Diego)
- STILL SEEKING COORDINATING COUNCIL MEMBERS SO IF INTERESTED SPEAK WITH DANNY!



Community Announcements

- Please hold up a hand give your 1-minute announcement
- If you go over your time limit, you will be cut off!
- If you didn't get a chance to finish your announcement, please put it on the flip chart paper or send Danny an email
- Danny will call on folks in person; Mady will relay anything in the chat
- While waiting, please fill out convening survey:

https://forms.office.com/r/0eLtDbbJLZ





THANK YOU!

Thanks for attending our Monthly Convening! Please fill out our survey at this link:

https://forms.office.com/r/0eLtDbbJLZ

Our Next Monthly Convening:

Mission Valley Library

Friday, June 23rd, 2022

10:00am-11:30am (program) 11:30am-12:00pm (networking)



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