



# WELCOME TO DAVIS-MONTHAN AFB



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## **FIGHT**

Ready to execute today and WIN.

## **FIT**

Ready to take on life and combat.



## **FAMILY**

Supported in the best and worst conditions.



## **RESPECTED**

Every role. Every person. Every time.



## **PROTECTED**

Fearless. Empowered. Professional.

## **CONNECTED**

To your mission. To your team.  
To your community.

# **355TH WING**

A lethal,  
agile, resilient,  
warfighting team  
ready to FIGHT...  
Anywhere. Always.

# NEW BASE

## *New Beginnings*

### DAVIS-MONTHAN AFB PRE-ARRIVAL BRIEF



#### *On Base Services*

Making your new base feel like your own. Hear about Housing, Travel Management, Personal Financial Counseling, Davis-Monthan Vet Clinic, and Tri-Care.



#### *Local Tucson Community*

Guide to settling in and tips for adjusting to Tucson, AZ. Learn from Tucson Community Cares Foundation about weather, critters, and things to do in your new community.



#### *Spouse & Family Services*

Make the most of your fresh start. We will talk about resources like Employment Assistance, Exceptional Family Member Program, School Liaison Officer, and Military Family Life Counselors.



**2nd Wednesday of every month. 10AM and 4PM MT**  
**Register to receive the link to join us in Teams!**

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Davis-Monthan AFB AZ. 85707 355FSS.FSH.AFRCEus.af.mil



# MILITARY ON<sup>ESOURCE</sup>SOURCE

Newcomers can create a customized moving checklist using the Plan My Move tool at Military OneSource.

To get started....

Go to: <https://www.militaryonesource.mil/moving-housing>

Scroll down and click on “Master your PCS. The Plan My Move tool can help.”

MILITARY  
ON<sup>ESOURCE</sup>SOURCE

800-342-9647 | OCONUS Calling Options



Moving is part of the adventure that comes with military life and service to the country. Military OneSource provides you with information, online tools and personalized support to help you master your move and find the best housing available so you can begin making a new home and set off on your next adventure.

Find military services at your local installation.

FIND SUPPORT

Master your PCS. The Plan My Move tool can help.

TAKE A LOOK

On the road as you PCS? Make it an adventure.

HAVE SOME FUN

## WEBSITES & FACEBOOK PAGES

**Military Installations Website (Website designed specifically for newcomers)**

<https://installations.militaryonesource.mil/>

**DMAFB Base Website**

<http://www.dm.af.mil/Newcomers/>

**355<sup>th</sup> Force Support Squadron**

<https://dmforcesupport.com/>

**Tucson Relocation Guide**

<https://tucsonrelocationguide.com/>



### FACEBOOK PAGES

**"Davis-Monthan Air Force Base"**

[https://www.facebook.com/DMAFB/?fref=pb&hc\\_location=profile\\_browser](https://www.facebook.com/DMAFB/?fref=pb&hc_location=profile_browser)

**"355<sup>th</sup> Force Support Squadron"**

<https://www.facebook.com/355FSS/>

**"Soaring Heights at Davis-Monthan AFB"**

<https://www.facebook.com/soaringheights.davismonthan/>

**"Davis-Monthan Military and Family Readiness"**

<https://www.facebook.com/share/T6F3Brp1FjX9JHi9/?mibextid=WC7FNe>

**"DMAFB School Liaison Program Manager"**

<https://www.facebook.com/DMSchoolLiaison/>

**"Davis-Monthan AFB Resale Lot"**

<https://www.facebook.com/DavisMonthanAirForceBaseResaleLot/>

**"Davis-Monthan Information, Tickets & Tours"**

<https://www.facebook.com/DMTICKETS/>

**"DMAFB Integrated Resilience Office"**

<https://www.facebook.com/DavisMonthanAFBIntegratedResilienceOffice>

**"Davis-Monthan Health Promotion & Operational Support Team"**

<https://www.facebook.com/healthpromotion.dmafb>

**"Davis-Monthan AFB Online Yard Sales"**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/DMOnlineYardSales/>

**"Davis-Monthan AFB: Base & Community Events"**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/DavisMonthanEvents/>

**"Davis-Monthan FREE Stuff"**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/I.Love.Free.Stuff.D.M/>

**"Davis-Monthan Military Families"**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/303717366312267/>

**"Davis-Monthan Spouses' Club"**

<https://www.facebook.com/davismonthansc>

**"Hiring Our Heroes Military Spouse Professional Network"**

<https://www.facebook.com/HOHMilSpouse/>

**"Davis Monthan Thrift Shop"**

<https://www.facebook.com/DavisMonthanThriftShop/>

**"Tucson Community Cares Foundation, Inc."**

<https://www.facebook.com/tucsoncommunitycares/>

**"Military Affairs Committee of the Tucson Metro Chamber"**

<https://www.facebook.com/TucsonMilitaryAffairsCommittee/>

**"Team RWB Tucson"**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/TeamRWBtucson/>

\*\*\* Team RWB post workout groups, upcoming events and ideas on how to better connect with Veterans in the Southern Arizona area.

**"Davis-Monthan Force Development Flight"**

<https://www.facebook.com/DavisMonthan.Education>

**"Davis-Monthan AFB TOP 3"**

[https://www.facebook.com/TOP3DavisMonthan/?ref=br\\_rs](https://www.facebook.com/TOP3DavisMonthan/?ref=br_rs)

**"Davis-Monthan AFB Family Advocacy & New Parent Support Program"**

<https://www.facebook.com/Davis-Monthan-AFB-Family-Advocacy-New-Parent-Support-Program-177591812266028/>

**"Davis-Monthan Outdoor Recreation"**

<https://www.facebook.com/DMODR>

**"Davis-Monthan AFB Exchange"**

<https://www.facebook.com/DavisMonthanExchange>

2025  
HEARTLINK  
**SPOUSE**  
*Orientation*

Military & Family Readiness Center



21 February 15 August  
9 May 17 October

Family Benefits  
Education/Career  
On/Off Base Services  
Childcare Resources  
Network

To register please contact us:

Call: 520-228-5690 Or

Email: 355FSS.FSH.AFRC@US.AF.MIL

*Refreshments and Lunch Provided*



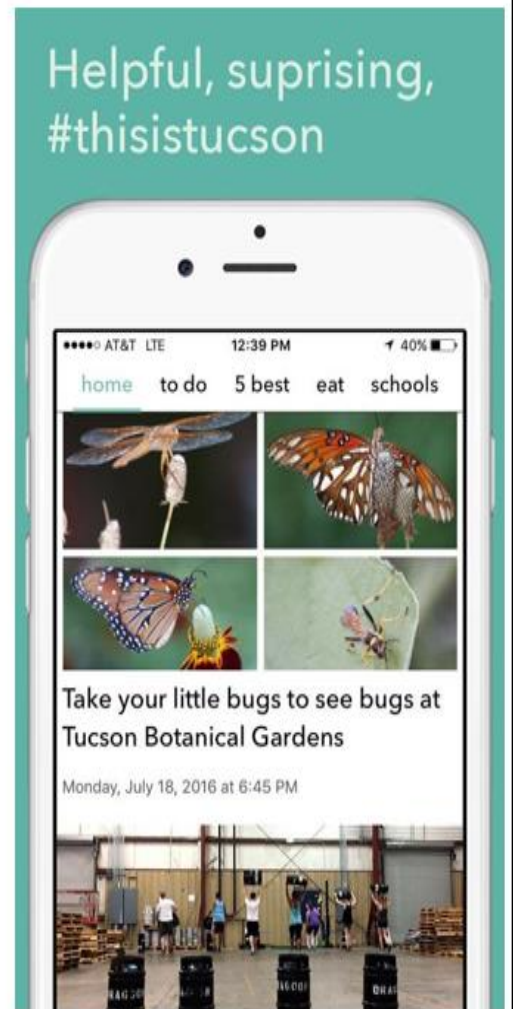
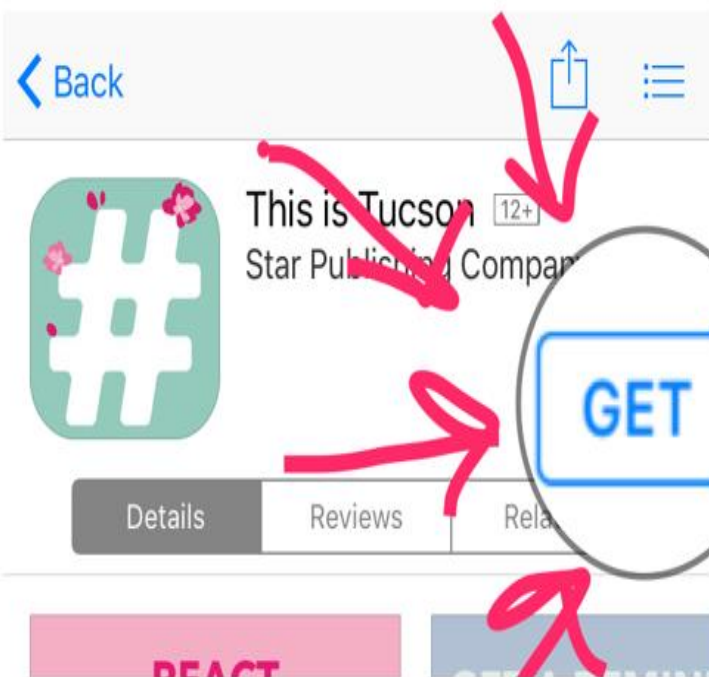


## "THIS IS TUCSON" ~ FREE APP

*Find everything you need to know about ....*



- Things to do around Tucson for adults & kids
- Upcoming local events
- Where to get the best food to eat
- New restaurants
- Information on local schools
- ect...





## LODGING

### Reservations

Priority 1 customers will not "bump" nor will Priority 2 with confirmed reservations & once assigned quarters. EXCEPT, in times of contingency, emergency or when the installation commander determines high priorities exist.

### Need a Reservation Extension?

If you are PCSing & require more than the 30 days authorized in lodging please submit a hardship letter to the reception staff.  
Approval of any extension will be based on availability.

### Air Force Pet Friendly Policies AFI 34-246 para 1.19:

TLF's designated as pet friendly will be filled on a first come, first served basis and will be used to accommodate guests with pets. Pet owners must provide proof of current rabies shot at time of check in. Pet owners will be charged a standard \$10 fee per room per night. The standard is two pets (dogs & cats) per unit. No other pets are authorized.

### Reservations Main:

#### What We Offer!

- ❖ 312 Rooms Available
- ❖ 262 Visiting Quarters
- ❖ 50 Temporary Lodging Facilities (TLF- 15) are pet friendly
- ❖ High Speed Wireless Internet Services in all our rooms
- ❖ Concierge computer with local attractions and restaurants
- ❖ Business Center with High Speed Internet Access
- ❖ Fitness Room / Laundry Room / Breakfast Bar

#### Main:

520-228-3309

#### DSN:

228-3309/4410

#### Fax:

520-228-3312

#### Close By:

- ❖ Shoppette – 10 min walk
- ❖ 2 Fitness Centers
- ❖ Outdoor Pool – 15 min walk
- ❖ Large Commissary – 5 min walk
- ❖ Base Exchange distance- 5 min walk
- ❖ The Landing Community Center – 10 min walk

**Address:** 3230 W. Davenport St. Bldg 2542 Davis-Monthan AFB, Arizona, 85707

**Email Reservations:** [DMAFBL@us.af.mil](mailto:DMAFBL@us.af.mil)

## HOUSING

### Privatized Housing

At Davis-Monthan, military family housing is privatized. Actus Lend Lease/Soaring Heights Communities owns the family housing and is responsible for maintaining, repairing, constructing and managing the community. In addition to your option to purchase and rent housing in the local community, you now may choose to live in privatized housing by signing a tenant lease agreement with Soaring Heights Communities.

For comprehensive information about the privatized housing community at Davis-Monthan, visit the Soaring Heights Communities website at: <https://dm.soaringheights.net/>

### Unaccompanied Housing

UH is provided for unaccompanied Airmen in the ranks of E-1 to E-3 and E-4 with less than 3 years of service. Each Airman is provided a private sleeping room, furnishings, bed linens and supplies required for comfortable living. (Room arrangements may vary depending on location)

Unaccompanied Airmen in the rank of E-4 with greater than 3 years of service and above will move into housing in the local community.

### Housing in the Local Community

The Military Housing Office (MHO) provides all DoD personnel with personalized services to assist in locating suitable housing in the local community. Although moving is sometimes stressful, it can also be an exciting opportunity to live off base and experience a new location. The MHO will assist you every step of the way to help you find your new home in the local community.

Contact the MHO as soon as you know you are moving. The government housing team will provide you the latest information on the local housing situation, and offer complete referral services and relocation assistance to make sure you find a quality place to live.

Support services range from helping members understand their lease agreements, providing information concerning the use of the military clause, and assisting in resident and landlord dispute resolution are among many of the MHO services provided.

The MHO partners with landlords, realtors, and property managers to make sure you receive the most current information about the local housing market. The MHO also monitors housing units offered for rent to the military community.

Tucson, located in Pima County, has a rental market that draws in new people on a regular basis since it is a low-cost area that has a wide variety of houses, condominiums, and apartments available for rent. The median home price in Tucson is approximately **\$280,000-\$375,000**. The average monthly rent for a **two bedroom** is **\$900-\$1300**, a **three bedroom** is **\$1400-\$2000**, and a **four bedroom** is **\$1700-\$2400**. Blessed with the natural beauty of the Sonoran Desert, and an unsurpassed climate of 350 sunny days a year. Residents here enjoy a high quality of life, and maintain the friendly, caring, atmosphere of a small town.

### **1. Where can I find an application for housing?**

If you desire to reside in government-owned or privatized housing, please log into the Housing Early Assistance Tool (HEAT) website. This website can be accessed by logging on to the AF Housing Website at <https://www.housing.af.mil> or on the HOMES.mil website at <https://www.homes.mil> and click on the "HEAT" Logo after you select the installation of your choice on these sites. HEAT creates an easy on-line experience that will connect you with the Military Housing Office (MHO) prior to your PCS transfer. HEAT also allows you to agree to release your personal information, to include contact information, to the Privatization Project Owner (Privatized Partner) at bases with privatized family housing, so they can provide you with information directly. Once you agree, the MHO will send the Privatized Housing Management Office (PMO) your information.

### **2. What housing allowances am I eligible for?**

Military members are entitled to various allowances to ensure the transition to a new location is as smooth and stress free as possible.

For information about your allowances, visit the Defense Travel Management Office website at <https://www.defensetravel.dod.mil/site/allowances.cfm>

If you have any questions, contact the local Housing Management Office.

### **3. How do I pay rent in privatized housing?**

Similar to living in the local community, you will sign a tenant lease agreement, typically for a one-year term. Your lease includes a military clause and a lease termination clause. You pay your monthly rent by authorizing an allotment of your BAH that is paid directly to the Property Manager. If your move occurs prior to the allotment start date, then you will need to pay the pro-rated rent directly to the Property Manager. The Tenant Lease Agreement spells out all relevant rent payment terms and conditions. For more information about privatized housing, contact the local Military Housing Office.

### **4. Does rent in privatized housing include utilities?**

As of February 2023, on-base housing/Soaring Heights Communities has suspended the DOD mandated Utility Allowance (UA) program. As all standard utilities (water, sewer, trash, and electric) are currently included in the rental rate/lease agreement.

Once the UA program has been reinstated, Soaring Heights Communities will then take the necessary steps to inform all current, and future tenants regarding the revisions and standards pertaining to the policies and procedures of the program.

The intent of the UA Program is to heighten awareness and promote energy conservation. Through it Soaring Heights residents can become good stewards of our environment. If you have any questions, please call the Soaring Heights Welcome Home Center at: 520-745-5024.



### Privatized Housing

Soaring Heights Communities	
Phone	(520) 745-5024
Fax	(520) 745-5054
Email: <a href="mailto:DMAFBInfo@soaringheights.net">DMAFBInfo@soaringheights.net</a>	
Address	8090 Ironwood Street DMAFB, AZ 85708
Hours of Operation	8:00am-5:00pm (MST)

### Military Housing Office

Phone	(520) 228-3687 / 3467
Email: <a href="mailto:355CES.HMO@us.af.mil">355CES.HMO@us.af.mil</a>	
Address	8090 Ironwood Street DMAFB, AZ 85708
Hours of Operation	7:00am-5:00pm (MST)

### Unaccompanied Housing

Phone	(520) 228-3576
Email: <a href="mailto:355cesdormmanagement@us.af.mil">355cesdormmanagement@us.af.mil</a>	
Address	3605 S. Seventh Street Davis-Monthan AFB, AZ 85707-4239
Hours of Operation	7:00am-4:00pm (MST)



## DAVIS-MONTHAN AFB SCHOOL LIAISON PROGRAM

The School Liaison works for the base to resolve education issues and develop programs impacting military children. Parents and community members with questions on school-age (PreK – 12 grade) dependent education programs can contact the School Liaison.

**Elizabeth A. Fleming (AKA "Betsy")**

School Liaison Program Manager

3515 S Fifth Street

Bldg 3200, Room 116

Davis-Monthan AFB, AZ 85707

DSN: 228-6040

Comm: 520-228-6040

[elizabeth.fleming.1@us.af.mil](mailto:elizabeth.fleming.1@us.af.mil)

[355fss.fsy.dmafbschool liaison@us.af.mil](mailto:355fss.fsy.dmafbschool liaison@us.af.mil)

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/DMSchoolLiaison/>

**PUBLIC SCHOOLS** Students attend the school within their residential boundary. Open Enrollment—allows parents to select a school in a different school district or school that is not within their residential district boundary. It is the responsibility of the parent or legal guardian to transport the student to and from school if registered through open enrollment.

**PRIVATE SCHOOL** are a choice for parents and there are school tuition organizations (STO's) that can assist with scholarships. Visit: <http://www.schools.pima.gov/schools/private-schools> for more information. Empowerment Scholarship Account (ESA) is funded by state tax dollars to provide educational options for qualified Arizona students. Visit: <http://www.azed.gov/esa/>

**HOME SCHOOL** is an option to parents within the state and Pima County. Contact the Pima County School Superintendent's Office, 130 W Congress, 4th Floor, Tucson, AZ 85707-1332 for details or <http://www.schools.pima.gov/schools/home-school-information> for more information.

**CHARTER SCHOOLS** are public, state-funded schools and cannot charge tuition. They receive state funding like those of the other Public School Districts. Charter schools contract with the state, or a district, to provide an education service. Charter schools were created to provide additional academic choices for parents and students.

### On-Base Schools

Borman K—8 (520) 584-4600

TUSD Open Enrollment: (520) 225-6400

### Off Base Neighborhood Schools

Palo Verde High School (520) 584-7400

Naylor Middle School (520) 584-6800

### TUSD Special Education

Age 3—5: Child Find (520) 232-8314

# AREA PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS

## **Tucson Unified School District**

(520) 225-6000 / *Special Education*: (520) 879-2082 (age 3-5); 879-2052 (K-12)

<http://tusd1.org/>

## **Vail School District**

(520) 879-2000

<http://www.vailschooldistrict.org/>

## **Sahuarita Unified School District**

(520) 625-3502 / *Special Education*: (520) 625-3502, Ext 1011

<https://susd30.us/>

## **Marana Unified School District**

(520) 682-3243 / *Special Education*: (520) 682-4782

[www.maranausd.org](http://www.maranausd.org)

## **Sunnyside Unified School District**

(520) 545-2000 / *Special Education*: (520) 545-3670 (age 3-5); 545-2094 (K-12)

<https://www.susd12.org/>

## **Catalina Foothills School District**

(520) 209-7500 / *Special Education*: (520) 209-7714

[www.cfsd16.org](http://www.cfsd16.org)

## **Amphitheater Unified School District**

(520) 696-5000 / *Special Education*: (520) 696-6420 (age 3-5); 696-5230 (K-12)

[www.amphi.com](http://www.amphi.com)

## **Flowing Wells School District**

(520) 696-8801 / *Special Education*: (520) 696-8836

<http://www.floatingwellsschools.org/>

## **Tanque Verde School District**

(520) 749-5751 / *Special Education*: (520) 749-5751, Ext 202

<http://www.tanqueverdeschools.org/>

## **Continental Elementary**

(520) 625-4581 / *Special Education*: (520) 625-4581

<https://www.continentalesd.org/>

## **Joint Technological Education District (JTED)**

(520) 352-5833

<https://pimajted.org/>

## CHILDCARE

### Child Development Center

The D-M Child Development Program includes the Finley CDC and the D-M CDC. Both centers are accredited by the National Association for the education of Young Children for demonstrating standards of excellence for high quality early childhood programs.

Registration for childcare at: <https://www.militarychildcare.com>

Finley CDC  
(520) 228-6463

Address  
5305 E. Comanche St.  
Bldg. 2612  
DMAFB, AZ 85707

D-M Center  
(520) 228-3336

Address  
5355 E. Comanche St  
Bldg. 2614  
DMAFB, AZ 85707

Hours  
Monday - Friday  
0630 – 1730

### Family Child Care Office

Family Child Care (FCC) is provided by trained and qualified military spouses. Care is provided for children from the ages of 6 weeks to 12 years in their affiliated on and off bases homes. **\*\* Also taking applications to become a certified FCC provider**

FCC also provides FREE childcare for:

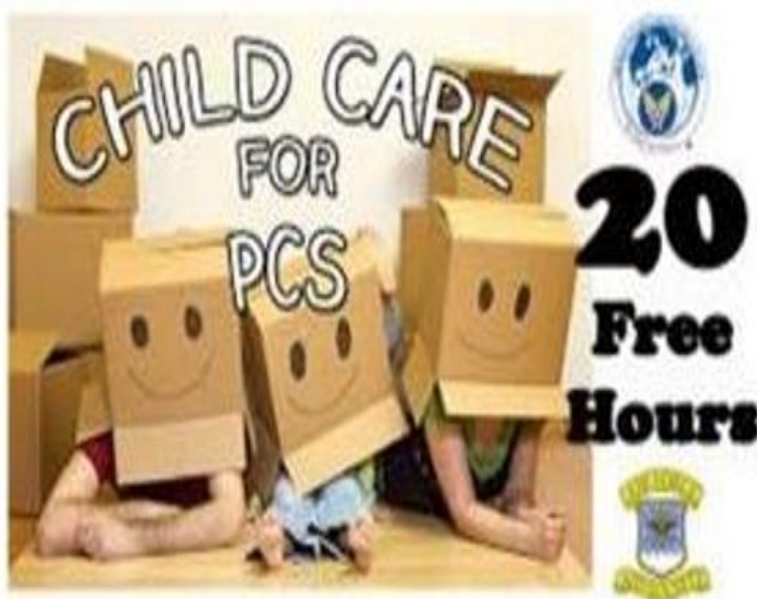
- Expanded Childcare
- Deployment Childcare
- Home Community Care for USAF reservists and Air National Guard members
- PCS Care *(families within 60 days of PCSing in or out of DMAFB)* **\*\* must take PCS order to the Airman & Family Readiness Center to receive voucher for FREE care**

**FCC Office**  
(520) 228-2201  
3885 S. Craycroft Rd Bldg 4455  
DMAFB, AZ 85707

**HOURS:**  
Mon- Thurs 0800-1100 & Tues 1100-1300 or by appointment



# Childcare for PCS



20 HOURS of child care per child within  
60 days of your PCS departure or arrival  
provided by the Air Force Aid Society



- ❑ Childcare is provided by a licensed Family Childcare provider (FCC provider)
- ❑ 20 free hours per child
- ❑ Bring PCS orders to M&FRC to receive a Childcare for PCS voucher
- ❑ Take voucher to FCC office (228-2201) for a list of FCC providers
- ❑ You get 20 more free hours of childcare to use w/in 60 days of arrival at new base. See your new M&FRC as soon as you arrive



# Military & Family Readiness Center Davis-Monthan AFB, AZ

Hours: M-Th, 0800-1600 & Fri, 0800-1500  
Closed: Federal Holidays, ACC & Training Days

5355 E. Granite Street, Bldg 2441  
Phone: 520-228-5690

Fax: 520-228-5622  
Email: [355FSS.FSH.AFRC@us.af.mil](mailto:355FSS.FSH.AFRC@us.af.mil)

The professionals at the Military & Family Readiness Center (M&FRC) are ready to assist single and married active duty military members, Guard, Reserve, retirees, DoD civilians, sister-service, and their families with a wide range of services & information. The M&FRC designs, develops and conducts quality of life programs according to base and community needs and capabilities. The M&FRC functions to ensure resources required to support the entire base are available and accessible.

## Readiness Program

Readiness is being able to meet the demands of today's Air Force. The Readiness Program offers information, education, and personal readiness counseling to assist in preparing for deployment and remote PCS's. The Readiness Program can help you and your family by providing and assisting in programs such as:

- \* Deployed Family Events
- \* Deployed Family Dining
- \* Deployed Spouses Newsletter
- \* Give Parents a Break
- \* Family Contact Cards
- \* Pre-Deployment/Reintegration Materials
- \* Training & development for Key Spouses & Mentors
- \* Community Resources

## Personal Financial Readiness (PFR)

PFR provides financial assistance and solutions to eligible parties through various methods including: individual counseling, seminars and informational material. We can also assist with financial issues that may occur due to deployment, TDY, or remote assignments. Specifically, this includes:

### Counseling, Information & Referral

- \* Off-base budget (mandatory for first time)
- \* Individual budget and spending plan
- \* Debt reduction
- \* TSP and Investing
- \* Debt Management
- \* Spending habits
- \* Couples financial communication
- \* Home buying
- \* Credit reports and scores
- \* Credit report evaluation
- \* Car buying

### Education & Workshops

- \* Basic budgeting
- \* Car buying
- \* Thrift Savings Plan
- \* Savings and investing
- \* Stocks and bonds
- \* Home and mortgage classes

## Air Force Aid Society

The Air Force Aid Society is a non-profit organization that helps Air Force members in emergency situations through interest-free loans or grants for basic needs (Falcon loans/traditional loans). The following are examples of some financial needs that could qualify to receive assistance:

- Rent or mortgage payment to prevent eviction or foreclosure when circumstances warrant
- Money to purchase food
- Money for travel to a family member's funeral and in some cases, funeral expenses
- Help paying utility bills to avoid utilities being cut off
- Car repair for an essential vehicle
- Apply for emergency assistance at: <https://afas.org/>

## Military & Spouse Employment

The Spouse Employment Program has the resources to help you with an effective job search. This program includes ways for you to:

- Identify your skills and interests
- Prepare an effective resume
- Learn to interview well
- Improve job search skills
- Map a personalized plan for career development
- Connect to local employers and professional networking groups
- Understand Federal employment

The Military & Family Readiness Center offers you:

- Computers with internet & a printer
- Local labor market information
- Job search skills development workshops
- Library of employment related publications
- Referral lists
- Individual resume reviews

## Transition Assistance (TAP Program)

If you are separating or retiring from the Air Force, TAP can help you and your family by providing:

- Development of job search skills
- Access to employment opportunities & information
- Transition Assistance Program Workshop
- Resume/Interview & Federal Employment Workshops
- Small business, education and tech school seminars
- Referrals to VA Benefits Advisor

Workshops, seminars, and individual counseling sessions can show you how to convert your Air Force skills to their civilian counterparts and market them effectively.

TAP initial counseling is mandated for all separating & retiring personnel NLT one-year of anticipated sep/ret, IAW John S. McCain NDAA of 2019. Call 228-1022 or email [355FSS.FSH.TAPTeam@us.af.mil](mailto:355FSS.FSH.TAPTeam@us.af.mil) to start the process.

## Relocation Assistance

The Military & Family Readiness Center helps Active Duty members, DoD civilian employees, and their families prepare for relocation to a new base. Using the Relocation Assistance Program, you can:

- Get information about your new base & community
- Receive 20 hours of free child care for PCS move
- Attend the Plan My Move Seminar
- Obtain useful web site listings & handouts
- Attend Right Start Orientation (\*mandatory for Newcomers)
- Sponsorship Resources
- Learn how to be a successful sponsor via CBT at <http://apps.militaryonesource.mil/esaf>
- Visit the M&FRC Relocation & Sponsorship SharePoint page at: <https://usaf.dps.mil/sites/Davis-Monthan/355MSG/355FSS/AFRC/Relo/default.aspx>



### Family Life Education (FLE)

The demands of the military family are enormous! Even the best families are finding it increasingly difficult to keep in step with the demands. FLE provides:

- Individual/couple/family life assessments
- Personality Testing
- Couples Communication
- Referrals to counseling resources
- Parenting and marriage referrals
- Divorce and child support referrals

### Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP)

The Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) provides support to military family members with special needs. The D-M EFMP Coordinator can assist by providing information on:

- \*Community Resources
- \*Support Groups
- \*Parent Training
- \*Respite Care Programs
- \*IEP Development
- \*Monthly Family Events
- \*Other Special Needs

There is also a reference library with books available on loan. Call 228-5690 to find out more.

### Military Family Life Consultant (MFLC)

The Military Family Life Consultant program provides short-term, situational, problem-solving counseling services to service members & their families. Appointments are confidential and no records are kept, with an exception of duty-to-warn issues. Call 402-7749 for more information or to schedule an appointment.

Some common areas they can assist with include:

- Anger Management
- Communication
- Relationship Issues
- Deployment Stress
- Decision Making and Conflict Resolution

### Casualty Assistance/SBP

**Casualty Assistance:** Provides prompt reporting, dignified and humane notification, and efficient, thorough, and compassionate assistance to family members.

**Survivor Benefit Program:** The SBP is a Gov't program which makes it possible for eligible survivors of active duty & retirees to continue to receive a portion of the military retired pay in the form of a monthly annuity after the member's death. Surviving family members of active duty and members preparing to retire are provided a one-on-one briefing and assistance in making their SBP election.

### Installation Voting Assistance Office

Provides information on voter registration and absentee voting for active duty, spouses and dependents.

Online information: [www.fvap.gov/military-voter](http://www.fvap.gov/military-voter)  
Need additional assistance, contact us at 228-6842 or [vote.davismonthan@us.af.mil](mailto:vote.davismonthan@us.af.mil)

### Air Force Wounded Warrior (AFW2)

Provides concentrated non-medical care and support for combat wounded, ill and injured Airmen and their families; as they recover and transition back to duty or civilian life.

- Information/referrals
- Workshops
- Support groups
- Financial assistance

### Volunteer Resources

Looking for an interesting and rewarding experience? Become a volunteer! Volunteers get a sense of contributing to the community while acquiring skills that enhance their personal and professional development. To find the latest opportunities, call 228-5690.

### Information & Referral Services

Each family's needs are different and there are many agencies on and off base, staffed by specialists who can assist with specific needs. The M&FRC's core function is linking individuals and families with the right resource to meet their specific needs.

- An Information & Referral Specialist is available to help you determine your needs, and refer you to the right resource.

The I & R Specialist may refer you to one of the specific Military & Family Readiness Center Programs listed, or you may be referred to another organization either on or off base. For more information, call 228-5690.

### Resource Center

The Resource Center contains a comprehensive collection of materials and resources to complement the various programs and services offered by the M&FRC:

- Family life
- Employment assistance
- Personal financial assistance
- Readiness and deployment support
- Transition planning
- Relocation...and much more...

Resources:

- \*Computers w/printers
- \*FAX machine, scanner
- \*Resource books
- \*Off-base community resources

### Military One Source

[www.militaryonesource.com](http://www.militaryonesource.com)  
1-800-342-9647  
24 hours day/7 days week

- Provides telephonic or online resources:

- Financial guidance
- Spouse careers
- Relocation assistance
- Counseling online or local referrals
- Child care
- Deployment support
- Free online materials and tools

Access Employment/Volunteer Opportunities on LinkedIn  
Scan QR code to join our group!



Updated: July 2023

# Spouse Employment



## ★ On Base Employment

USAJobs (and NAF jobs): [www.usajobs.gov](http://www.usajobs.gov) \*Must upload Military Spouse Preference PPP Checklist, Marriage Certificate & PCS orders to USAJOBS application to claim "Spouse Preference." Checklist can be found on job announcement/Required Documents/Additional Information. Contact M&FRC for questions!

AAFES: <https://publicaffairs-sme.com/applymyexchange/>

DeCA: <https://www.commissaries.com/our-agency/careers-with-deca>

Contractor Jobs on base: <https://www.indeed.com/> (Location Filter: Davis-Monthan AFB)

## ★ Spouse Employment Resources

Military Spouse Professional Network @ Davis-Monthan AFB

Email: [davismonthan@hiringourheroes.org](mailto:davismonthan@hiringourheroes.org)

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/MSPNDavisMonthan/>

Military Spouse Employment Partnership (MSEP)

<https://myseco.militaryonesource.mil/portal/msep/jobsearch>

Spouse Education and Career Opportunities Program – SECO

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/DoDMilSpouse/>

Local job opportunities are posted on our [LinkedIn group](#)...Scan the QR code and join now!



*For assistance with private sector & federal resumes, interview preparation, and navigating job websites, contact the  
Military & Family Readiness Center @ 520-228-5690*



# **DM 50 Presents the Military Spouse Employment Initiative**



Over 40 employers are offering employment and mentorship opportunities to spouses and families of military members

## **Tucson employment sectors participating include:**

- City of Tucson
- Pima County
- Medical
- Education
- Legal
- Financial Services
- Marketing/Media
- Human Resources
- Manufacturing & Mining
- Construction/Development

**To get started on your employment journey visit:**

**[www.dm50.org/military-spouse/](http://www.dm50.org/military-spouse/)**

\*The DM50 is a non-profit, volunteer service organization comprised of over 100 local civic and business leaders that works to educate the community on the vital role that Davis-Monthan Air Force Base plays within the region.

# LICENSE RECOGNITION FOR MILITARY SPOUSES

## A RESOURCE GUIDE



***As a professional, you know how challenging it can be to have an occupational license recognized in another state.***

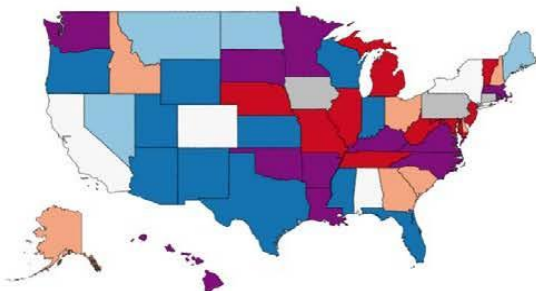
But did you know that states and licensing bodies have been working to make the process easier for military spouses? Many states have recognized that the highly-mobile military lifestyle can create barriers to consistent and meaningful employment; many states now have laws in place that require or encourage licensing boards to grant military spouses expedited applications, temporary licenses, or license recognition. Here are some steps you can take to take advantage of these efforts.

### 1 LEARN ABOUT MILITARY SPOUSE INTERSTATE LICENSE RECOGNITION OPTIONS.

Visit

<http://www.veterans.gov/milspouses>

to learn about specific laws and resources your new state offers to military spouses who work in licensed occupations.



### 2 EXPLORE OCCUPATION-SPECIFIC GUIDANCE.

Many states have joined interstate licensing agreements for certain occupations. These agreements establish common standards for competency and allow licensees to practice in other states more easily.

Visit

MilitaryOneSource offers occupation-specific information for a wide range of occupations here:  
<https://www.militaryonesource.mil/family-relationships/spouse/spouse-education-and-employment/transferring-your-professional-license-what-s-involved>

# AF Spouse Reimbursement for Re-licensure/Re-certification and/or Small Business Costs FAQ's

## Who is eligible for this program?

The 2018 NDAA allows the AF to reimburse service members up to \$1K for spouse's re-licensure, recertification & business costs resulting from PCS moves that cross U.S. state lines, including OCONUS to stateside moves.

## What is the eligibility criteria for a qualifying PCS or PCA?

The following criteria must be met to be considered a qualifying PCS/PCA:

- The Sponsor's PCS/PCA authenticated orders must authorize movement of the Sponsor's dependents at the government's expense.
- The Sponsor is reassigned from a previous duty station to a location where the spouse must:
  - \*Secure a license or certification for the same occupation in a different location with different licensing authority and requirements
  - \*Dismantle and re-establish a small business at the new location
- Qualifying relicensing costs must be incurred and paid after the date the member's PCS/PCA orders are authenticated and within 24 months of the date the member's PCS/PCA orders are authenticated.

## Which licenses/certifications qualify for this program?

License/certification requirements vary by state; however, some examples include but are not limited to teaching, cosmetology, real estate, or nursing. Learn more about transferring a professional license or certification at <https://www.militaryonesource.mil/benefits/transferring-your-professional-license/>

## What is a "qualified" cost?

**Licensure/Certification:** Exams and registration fees imposed by the new duty station to secure a license or certification to engage in the same profession in which the spouse engaged while in the previous duty station.

**Small business:** Registration fees, permit fees, moving services for equipment, equipment removal, new equipment purchases, information technology expenses, and inspection fees. *\*PCS/PCA orders must be authenticated on/or after 23 Dec 22 to qualify for the reimbursement of a Small Business relocation.*

## How do I apply for reimbursement?

The military sponsor must submit to their Unit Resource Advisor (RA) or Budget Analyst:

- Copy of PCS orders
- Copy of spouse's previous state license or certification
- Proof of fee payment showing the new state's re-licensure fees
- Optional Form 1164, Claim for Reimbursement for Expenditures *\*M&FRC can provide template*

The unit RA/Budget Analyst will review package for accuracy then submit to their Group Budget Analyst for submission to CPTS. CPTS will then submit to DFAS for reimbursement.

**\*\*** The payment requires the military sponsor's signature for the request of reimbursement; the military member must be the one to submit the claim. Contact your unit Resource Advisor/Budget Analyst or submit an inquiry to the 355 CPTS via CPS Portal for questions regarding reimbursement. **Reimbursement is up to \$1K.**



# DLT Right Start Orientation

Welcome to DMAFB!

Right Start is a mandatory newcomers orientation for active duty.



You will learn about:

- ⇒ DM's mission and policies
- ⇒ On and off base services
- ⇒ Community relations
- ⇒ Family services & more!

**Briefings are held the 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month**

**Slots are scheduled by the Welcome Center**

**Time: Registration 7:30-8:00**

**Start 8:00am-12:30pm**

**\*\* Spouse relevant briefings & Info Fair are from 8am-1100am \*\***

**Place: The Landing - Community Center ~ Catalina Ballroom  
5555 E. Ironwood St, Building 2050**

Spouses are encouraged to attend!  
Need childcare?  
Stop by the M&FRC for an FCC voucher  
*\*\* must have arrived in the last 60 days to receive voucher*

Briefers and Info Fair Participants include but are not limited to:  
Medical, TriCare, M&FRC, FSS Activities, Youth Programs/CDC,  
Legal, Tucson Chamber of Commerce, VA, OSI, Security Forces,  
School Liaison, EFMP, Equal Opportunity, AAFES and more!

**\*Members will initiate base in-processing actions at their CSS or Welcome Center, if no unit CSS**



# TRICARE

Tricare West Customer Support  
1-844-866-9378

MTF Tricare Liaison  
520-228-2634  
520-228-1525

Active Duty sponsors or spouse **MUST** call Tricare to transfer dependent(s) enrollment to the West region.

This does **NOT** happen automatically for dependents when you PCS!

## EFMP RESOURCES

### Overview of the Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP)

Exceptional Family Member Program supports military families with special medical and / or educational needs and consists of three components.

#### **EFMP- Medical**

520-228-6684/2621/2663/1580

Identification and Enrollment of family members with special medical and/or educational needs.

#### **Assignments Section (incl. EFMP)**

520-228-5590

Ensures special needs are considered during the assignment process.

#### **EFMP- Family Support Section**

[355FSS.FSH.AFRC@us.af.mil](mailto:355FSS.FSH.AFRC@us.af.mil)

520-228-5690

Assist families in identifying and accessing community resources and services once member has official orders.

The EFMP guidance is outlined in DoD Instructions (DoDIs) 1315.19 and 1342.22 and Service-level policy.



## ID CARDS / DEERS OFFICE

3515 S FIFTH ST BLDG 3200, SUITE 102 DMAFB, AZ 85707

Hours: 0730-1600 Mon-Fri (Thurs 0830-1600)

CLOSED ALL FEDERAL HOLIDAYS

Appointments may be scheduled ONLINE

<https://idco.dmdc.osd.mil/idco/>

### General Information

This office handles all DEERS updates, and issues Common Access Cards (CACs) and dependent and retiree ID cards. We are open for appointments and walk-ins. Customers with confirmed appointments are seen before all walk-in customers, who are then seen in order of sign in. The DEERS Support Office @ 1-800-538-9552 can also verify statuses and change/update DEERS information.

**For a new spouse** – the marriage certificate, current driver's license or other current photo ID (i.e. CAC /USID /State ID /Current Passport). Secondary forms of ID may be Social Security card, Birth Certificate, Voter Registration Card, VA Membership ID Card, or any ID card issued by a federal, state, or local government entity. The sponsor will have a grace period of 90 days to provide the new married name social security card to any DEERS office for scanning into documentation records. If the other forms of ID have not been updated to reflect the new name when the USID is due for renewal, SSM's and VO's must reissue the dependent spouse USID Card to match the two forms of ID that are provided at the time of USID renewal.

**NOTE:** *If the sponsor is not present for initial enrollment, the spouse MUST HAVE a current Power of Attorney in order to enroll themselves into DEERS. 2. If a sponsor needs to enroll a spouse who is not present for initial processing, the sponsor must have either (all) original documents OR certified copies of original (aforementioned) documents.*

**For a newborn child** – the birth certificate or hospital proof/confirmation of birth letter, and social security card is needed. If no social security card has been issued at the time of enrollment, a temporary ID number will be generated for the child in RAPIDS. The sponsor will have 90 days to provide the actual social security card to any DEERS office. Failure to do so will result in a Direct Care suspension through TRICARE.

**For a Step-Child** - sponsor must bring the marriage certificate, step-child's birth certificate, and step-child's social security card.

**Adopted Child** – sponsor must bring adoption decree, revised birth certificate and revised social security card to reflect change in surname of adopted child.

**Secondary Dependency** – sponsor must make application for secondary dependency through the DFAS website; RE. Adding a parent, Parent in Law, Legal Ward or incapacitated (adult) Child to DEERS. Ask your DEERS/RAPIDS technician for more information.

**Divorce** – the divorce decree is needed to remove a former spouse from the sponsors DEERS family profile.

NOTE: Step-child(ren) relationship to the sponsor will also be terminated with this transaction.

## DAVIS MONTHAN AFB VETERINARY SERVICES

- 1) We provide services for all Active Duty Military, Retired Military and 100% Disabled Veterans.
- 2) All personnel residing in Post Housing MUST register their pets with the clinic(they do not have to use our services but are required to still be registered)
  - Pet(s) must be registered into our system within 5 calendar dates of arrival into housing.
  - You have up to 30 calendar days to have your pet(s) up to date with base requirements (info from housing)
- 3) To register your pet(s), you will need:
  - United States Military Identification Card (retired, dependent, CAC)
  - Pets Medical records if applicable.
  - Attached Sponsor/Patient Information sheet
  - Signed Clinic Policy letter.
- 4) You DO NOT need an appointment to register. We prefer you DO NOT BRING YOUR PET(S) to register, there may be additional paperwork to fill out and/or a wait for us to register your pet(s) into our system.
- 5) **POST REQUIREMENTS FOR YOUR PET(S) ARE:**

-DOGS-	-Cats-
1. Permitted Breed 2. Registered with Veterinary Clinic 3. Microchipped 4. Rabies Vaccinations 5. Distemper/Parvo Vaccinations	1. Registered with Veterinary Clinic 2. Microchipped 3. Rabies Vaccinations 4. FVRCP/ Upper Respiratory Vaccinations

**\*\*\*See base housing requirements regarding which breeds are permitted\*\*\***

The DMAFB Veterinary Clinic will provide services for all authorized personnel. You ARE NOT required to live on base to qualify for our services.

The DMAFB Veterinary Clinic will see ALL dog breeds AS LONG AS they do not pose a safety risk to our staff, clients or themselves.

**DO NOT** TRY TO PICK UP A STRAY ANIMALS; CALL ANIMAL CONTROL TO COME PICK THEM UP

**DO NOT** SEPARATE DOG FIGHTS WITH YOUR BODY- UTILIZE WATER OR SOMEOTHER DISTRACTION

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CALL THE DMAFB VETERINARY CLINIC 520-228-3529  
or VISIT US AT 5350 E. ARIZOLA ST. (BLDG 2712)



## **Davis-Monthan Vet Clinic Price List**

**Service Fee - \$2.00** (required by Department of Treasury)

**Wellness Examination - \$35.00**

**Health Certificates Examination - \$35.00**

### **Vaccination Prices**

**🐾 Dog Vaccines 🐾**

**Rabies\* - \$10.00**

**DAPP or DAP (1yr or 3yr vaccine) - \$15.00**

**Bordetella (kennel cough preventive, 1yr vaccine) - \$18.00**

**Lepto-4 (1yr vaccine) - \$15.00**

**🐾 Cat Vaccines 🐾**

**Feline Rabies\* - \$10.00**

**FVRCP (1yr or 3 yr vaccine) - \$15.00**

**Leukemia (yearly vaccine) - \$18.00**

\* Based on age and previous vaccines, rabies will be valid for 1 or 3 years

### **Additional Services**

**Microchip (required overseas and suggested for all pet owners) - \$25.00**

**Heartworm Snap4DX Test (required yearly for Heartgard) - \$25.00**

**Fecal Flotation Test - \$15.00**

**Basic Deworming - \$10.00**

**Toe Nail Trim- \$8.00**

### **Preventive medications carried**

**Frontline- Topical flea and tick prevention for cats**

**Bravecto- Oral flea & tick prevention that last 12 weeks**

**Heartgard plus – Oral Heartworm prevention 6 month supply for dogs**

**\*\*Pricing varies based on weight\*\***

**🐾 All printed prices are subject to change without prior notice 🐾**

**Davis-Monthan Vet Clinic 520-228-3529**

**Visits are by appointment only.**

Please call during office hours to schedule your next appointment.

**🐾 Hours of operation 🐾**

**Monday – Friday ~ 8am-4pm**

Closed all ACC down days, holidays & the last business day of every month, please call ahead. *Hours are subject to change due to manning or mission requirements.*

**\*\*Due to mission requirements, hours are subject to change without prior notice\*\***

# Desert Dangers

**Whether you are New to the area or have live here for years it is always recommended to be educated and aware of the dangers that our unique desert environment brings.**

**VALLEY FEVER**- Coccidiomycosis, or Valley Fever, is a disease caused by a fungus which exists as a mold found in the soil of the Sonoran Desert. The disease can affect most species of domestic animals, exotic animals and even people. It is not considered contagious from one animal to another or from animals to human. The disease occurs as a result of the inhalation of fungal spores directly from soil or from dust in the air. Valley Fever can affect nearly every system in the body and can have symptoms ranging from a mild cough, to limping and neurological signs. Early stages of the disease usually start out with listlessness, anorexia or loss of appetite and fever. A blood test sent for analysis at a laboratory can determine if your pet has been exposed to Valley Fever. Treatment of the disease consists of anti-fungal medications and other supportive care. Some dogs cannot be "cured" of Valley Fever, but often the disease can be controlled with medications.

**SNAKES**- Many species of snakes call the Sonoran Desert their home, and while not all snakes are dangerous and poisonous, they should all be avoided whenever possible. Rattlesnakes are notably the most dangerous snake in the Southwest. Rattlesnake bites are a serious and life threatening emergency for any pet or person who is unlucky enough to get bit. Pets should be rushed to the nearest emergency clinic for treatment. Treatment often involves anti-venom injections, intravenous fluids, high doses of antibiotics, and generalized supportive care with pain control. Recovery from snake bites is a long and drawn out process and unfortunately some pets do not recover. Prevention of snake bites is the best policy. Avoid all snakes whenever possible and keep yards free of debris. Also consider enrolling your pet in a snake avoidance class to train your pet to stay far away from these poisonous creatures.



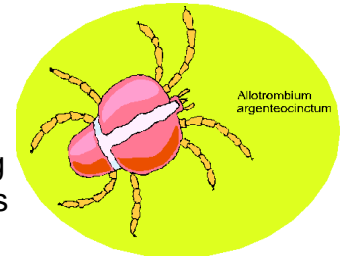
**COLORADO RIVER TOADS**- Colorado River Toads are small toads that appear during the monsoon season in the Southwest. These toads secrete their toxin through pores in the skin when they feel threatened. Pets that pick up a toad and get the toxin in their mouth suffer from neurological problems that if not treated can cause death. If your pet disturbs a Colorado River Toad, call an emergency veterinarian immediately for instructions. Again, prevention is the best policy. Remove all toads from your yard before letting pets out, do not leave water bowls or standing water unattended for your pet to drink from, try to keep water bowls indoors, and keep places where your pets reside free of debris.

# Desert Dangers cont...



**COYOTES**- Coyotes have become so used to people that they are often seen in suburban neighborhoods. They will prey on small domestic animals such as cats and small to medium sized dogs. Coyotes also carry mange, which is a mite infection in the skin that can be transmitted to other animals and in some cases even to people. **Do not** leave small pets outside unsupervised especially in the early morning and late evenings. Discourage coyotes from roaming your neighborhood by not leaving food out for them or other animals and by keeping garbage securely contained. Should your pet come in contact with a coyote and become injured, immediately call an emergency veterinarian for instructions and care.

**TICK FEVER**- Tick Fever, or Ehrlichia Canis, is a tick transmitted disease affecting dogs. The brown dog tick carries the organism causing Ehrlichiosis and transmits the disease while feeding on the dog's blood. The best prevention of the disease is to prevent ticks. This should include checking your dog's skin daily for ticks, and using tick treatments such as Advantix. Tick Fever can be initially diagnosed with a simple blood test that is run in conjunction with our Heartworm & Lyme test. Symptoms of tick fever can range from mild lethargy and fever, to not wanting to eat and nose bleeds. Treatment is normally involves a course of antibiotics and possibly other supportive care.



**JAVELINA**- Javelina are wild pigs that roam the Southwest. They do not see well and are easily startled. Javelina mothers are very protective of their young and will often defend them aggressively. Even though Javelinas are "just pigs" they can cause quite a bit of damage when they attack. Dogs should not be allowed to torment or chase javelina, regardless of their size. If you should come across javelina at any point, leave them alone and go as far away from them as possible.



**Valley Fever**- Valley Fever is caused by a fungus that grows in our soil about 12-18 inches down. Coccidioides (cocci, for short) likes warm dry climates such as those found in southern and central Arizona, Southern California and SW New Mexico. When it rains, spores multiply. Spores from the fungus can be thrown into the air by construction, farming, digging, yard work and travel by wind, which then are inhaled by you or your pet. In animals symptoms are coughing, lethargy, lameness, fever, weightless, back or neck pain, etc.

**Rabies**- Rabies is a preventable viral disease most often transmitted through the bite of a rabid animal. Rabies is fatal once symptoms, the virus attacks the central nervous system causing, encephalitis. Common symptoms are anxiety, drooling, personality changes, delirium. Bats, skunks and foxes are the primary culprits that transmit the disease in Arizona.

## AZ Vehicle Emissions & the Employee Certification and Reporting System (ECARS)

**All personnel who drive on DMAFB 60 days a year or greater MUST comply with local vehicle emission testing regardless of where vehicles are registered/licensed.**

### **Federal Law -The Clean Air Act as amended in 1990 Title 1 Part A Section 118(d)**

(d) VEHICLES OPERATED ON FEDERAL INSTALLATIONS.—Each department, agency, and instrumentality of executive, legislative, and judicial branches of the Federal Government having jurisdiction over any property or facility shall require all employees which operate motor vehicles on the property or facility to furnish proof of compliance with the applicable requirements of any vehicle inspection and maintenance program established under the provisions of subpart 2 of part D or subpart 3 of part D for the State in which such property or facility is located (without regard to whether such vehicles are registered in the State). The installation shall use one of the following methods to establish proof of compliance—

- (1) presentation by the vehicle owner of a valid certificate of compliance from the vehicle inspection & maintenance program;
- (2) presentation by the vehicle owner of proof of vehicle registration within the geographic area covered by the vehicle inspection and maintenance program (except for any program whose enforcement mechanism is not through the denial of vehicle registration);
- (3) another method approved by the vehicle inspection and maintenance program administrator.

[42 U.S.C. 7418]

**Military members are not granted relief from emissions testing through the soldiers and sailors relief act and the government is not allowed to use funds to pay for testing or repairs of vehicles due to this law.**

### **State Law-Air Quality Division of Arizona Department of Environmental Quality**

<https://www.azdeq.gov/envIRON/air/vei/tested.html>

<https://www.myazcar.com>

### **Exempted Vehicles**

- Most model year 2010 or newer, except reconstructed, vehicles (only for first 5 years of vehicle life)
- Most model year 2012 or newer original equipment alternative fuel vehicles
- Model year 1966 and older vehicles
- Vehicles designated as "collectible" (requires collectible vehicle insurance, reported to Arizona Motor Vehicle Division by insurer)
- Electric powered, golf carts or vehicles with engine displacement of less than 90cc
- Motorcycles
- Apportioned vehicles (licensed in more than one state) **This does not apply to military with vehicles licensed out of state. This is for commercial vehicles that pay registration to more than one state**
- Vehicles leased to a person residing outside the emission control areas
- Vehicles transferred between dealers (wholesale)

### **Good to Know Definitions**

**Parking on the facility** - parking an employee vehicle on a parking area owned, leased or under the control of the Federal facility to which the employee is primarily assigned.

**Primarily assigned** - Primarily assigned - the Federal facility at which an employee is principally employed. The term "primarily assigned" does not include personnel on temporary assignment or duty for 180 days or less; nor students temporarily assigned to the facility solely for training.

**Primarily operated** - the area in which the vehicle is garaged or driven in excess of 50% of its annual mileage. **Contact Ms. Leah Proffitt at 228-4885 or [leah.proffitt@us.af.mil](mailto:leah.proffitt@us.af.mil) for more information**



## THINGS TO DO IN TUCSON



### **The Historic Fox Theatre**

17 W. Congress Street

One of the best acoustical theatres in the western US! If your favorite artist is coming to the Fox, don't miss the chance!

<https://www.foxtheatre.org/events/calendar>

### **Saturday Night Jazz - Every Saturday evening 1900 hrs. – 2200 hrs.**

Cushing Street Bar - 198 W. Cushing St.

This 1860's adobe building is intimate with a nice patio.

<http://www.cushingstreet.com/>

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Saturdays Downtown, 1700 hrs – 2230 hrs**

Downtown Tucson

Tucson's monthly street festival. Lots of food, vendors and live music.

<http://www.2ndsaturdaysdowntown.com/schedule>

### **Tucson Botanical Gardens – 2150 N. Alvernon Way**

"a must experience" for kids and adult, <http://www.tucsonbotanical.org/events/>

### **U of A Sports – Wildcats always have outstanding student athletes.**

<http://arizonawildcats.com/>. **NCAA Women's Golf National Champions.**

### **Biosphere 2 - University of Arizona**

Address: 32540 S. Biosphere Rd., Oracle, AZ 85623

Phone: 520-838-6200

<http://biosphere2.org/>

### **Pima Air & Space Museum**

Address: 6000 E. Valencia Rd., Tucson, AZ 85756

Phone: (520) 574-0462

<http://www.pimaair.org/>

### **Titan Missile Museum**

Address: 1580 W. Duval Mine Rd., (I-19, exit 69 west), Green Valley, AZ 85614

Phone: (520) 625-7736

<http://www.titanmissilemuseum.org/>

### **Tohono O'odham Nation Cultural Center & Museum**

Address: Fresnal Canyon Rd., P.O. Box 837, Topowa, AZ 85639

Phone: (520) 383-0200

<http://www.tonation-nsn.gov/cultural-center-museum/>

### **The University of Arizona Museum of Art**

Address: University of Arizona Campus, 1031 N. Olive Rd. (Pedestrian-only Street),

Phone: 520-621-7567

<https://artmuseum.arizona.edu/>

### **Center for Creative Photography**

Address: University of Arizona, 1030 N. Olive Rd., Tucson, AZ 85721

Phone: 520-621-7968

<https://ccp.arizona.edu/>

### **Children's Museum Tucson**

Address: 200 S. 6th Ave., Tucson, AZ 85701

Phone: 520-792-9985

<https://www.visittucson.org/business/childrens-museum-tucson-0?clientid=6188>

Best place to see a PUMA (Mountain Lion) Up Close:

**The Sonoran Desert Museum** - <http://desertmuseum.org/>

### **Outdoor Activities**

#### **Kitt Peak National Observatory**

Address: S.R. 86 (Ajo Way)/Junction 386, Tucson, AZ 85726

Phone: 520-318-8726

<https://www.noao.edu/kpno/>

#### **Colossal Cave Mountain Park**

Address: 16721 E. Old Spanish Trail, Vail, AZ 85641

Phone: 520-647-7275

<https://colossalcave.com/>

#### **Kartchner Caverns State Park**

Phone: 520-586-4100

<https://azstateparks.com/kartchner>

#### **Patagonia Lake State Park**

Address: 400 Patagonia Lake Rd., Patagonia, AZ 85624

Phone: (520) 287-6965

#### **Catalina State Park**

Address: P.O. Box 36986, Oro Valley, AZ 85740

Phone: 520-628-5798

#### **Mt. Lemmon Ski Valley**

Address: 10300 Ski Run Rd., Mt. Lemmon, AZ 85619

#### **Organ Pipe National Monument**

Address: Route 1, Box 100, Ajo, AZ 85321

Phone: (520) 387-7742

### Sabino Canyon

Address: 5900 N. Sabino Canyon Rd., Tucson, AZ 85750

Phone: 520-749-2327

### Saguaro National Park East

Address: 3693 South Old Spanish Trail, Tucson, AZ 85730-5601

Phone: 520-733-5158

### Saguaro National Park West

Address: 2700 North Kinney Road, (10 miles west of Tucson) Tucson, AZ 85743

Phone: (520) 733-5158

**Cochise Stronghold** – 90 miles SE of Tucson. Great rock climbing, ghost towns

[www.cochisesstronghold.com](http://www.cochisesstronghold.com)

**Tombstone** – Approx. 1.5 hrs SE of Tucson. Visit the Bird Cage Theatre to get a real feel for what it was like

**Bicycling** – The Greater Arizona Bicycling Association of Tucson is Arizona's largest bicyclists club.

[www.bikegaga.org](http://www.bikegaga.org) Organized programs and rides for everyone from beginners to professionals.

**Hunting/Fishing** – Arizona Game and Fish Department [www.azgfd.gov](http://www.azgfd.gov)

**Bass Fishing** – Tucson Bass Club [www.atwellfishing.com](http://www.atwellfishing.com)

**Golf** - [www.azgolfguides.com](http://www.azgolfguides.com)

**Horseback Riding** – Pantano Stables. (Military Discount) [www.horsingaroundarizona.com](http://www.horsingaroundarizona.com)

**Off-roading** (four wheel drive) - [www.tucsonroughriders.com](http://www.tucsonroughriders.com)

**ATV Information** - <http://azstateparks.com/OHV/index.html>

**Hike** – Pima Canyon Trail [www.pima.gov/nrpr/trails/index.htm](http://www.pima.gov/nrpr/trails/index.htm)

**Snow Skiing** – Sunrise Park. 4 hours northeast of Tucson. <http://sunriseskipark.com/>

**Best Place to enjoy a desert sunset** – Gates Pass, Saguaro National Park West

**Best Place to enjoy a desert sunset...with a Margarita** – Flying V Bar at Lowes Ventana Canyon Resort

**Best Place for eggnog by a roaring fireplace** – Library at the Arizona Inn [www.arizonainn.com](http://www.arizonainn.com)

**Cigars** – Best Priced; Cigar Warehouse 6064 N. Oracle Road

**Meet Me at Maynards: Social Run & Walk every Monday night**

Southern Arizona Roadrunners presents a non-competitive 3-mile run/walk and social event beginning and ending downtown in the patio courtyard at Hotel Congress,

Event Location: 311 E. Congress St., Tucson, AZ 85701 Phone: 520-991-0733

Local Event Listings – <http://www.visittucson.org/events/>

Meetup Tucson- Find groups of people with the same interests as you.  
<http://www.meetup.com/cities/us/az/tucson/>

### Special Tips

Arizona “Lemon Law” – Car buying info: <https://www.azag.gov/consumer/cars>

Free Event Tickets for Veterans – Veteran Tickets Foundation [www.vettix.com](http://www.vettix.com)

### Food

Mexican – El Sur Mexican Restaurant. 5602 E. 22<sup>nd</sup> St. Affordable & close to base!

“Sonoran” Hot Dog – El Guero Canelo @ 5802 E 22<sup>nd</sup> St

Fresh Tortillas – La Estrella Bakery. 5266 S. 12<sup>th</sup> Ave

Steak – Li'l Abner's Steakhouse, 8501 N. Silverbell Rd & Nevada Smith's Saloon 1175 W. Miracle Mile

Reilly Craft Pizza and Drink – 101 E. Pennington St. Native

Native Grill & Wings, 10255 E Old Vail Rd., Tucson, 85747 – 15% Mil Discount

Fish & Chips – Trident Grill. Great Beer selection. [www.tridentgrill.com](http://www.tridentgrill.com)

Shrimp – Mexican style. “Mariscos Chihuahua.” Several locations around town

Chili Dog – Pat's Chili Dogs. 1202 W. Niagara St “A Tucson tradition”

Greek – Athens on 4<sup>th</sup>. 500 N. 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue [www.athenson4th.com](http://www.athenson4th.com)

Pastrami Sandwich – Eli's Deli on 5<sup>th</sup>, 5071 E 5<sup>th</sup>, <https://kosherdelitucson.com/>

Oysters – Kingfisher Bar & Grill. 15 varieties. 2564 E. Grant Road

Artery Clogging Breakfast – Biscuits Country Café, 7026 E Broadway Blvd.,  
<http://biscuitscountrycafe.com/>

Pancakes– Baja Café 7002 E. Broadway Blvd & 2970 N. Campbell Ave (mil discount!)

BBQ – Holy Smokin Butts BBQ 6940 E. Broadway Blvd

Indian – Sher-e-Punjab ~ Homestyle cuisine of India & Lounge. 853 E. Grant Rd

Ramen – Raijin Ramen 2955 E. Speedway Blvd

Sushi– Sushi To-Go, 7755 E. Golf Links Rd. & Sachiko Sushi, 1101 N. Wilmot Rd.



**Korean** – Taegukgi Korean BBQ 6118 E. Speedway

**Poke** – LemonShark Poke 2501 E. Grant Rd #3 & Pure Poke & Prep 6501 E. Grant Rd

**Hawaiian BBQ** Solid Grindz 6255 E. Golf Links

**Italian** – Nate's Italian Kitchen, 7074 E. Golf Links Rd

**Burgers** – Divine Bovine Burgers, 1021 N. Wilmot Rd & Lindy's on 4<sup>th</sup>, 500 N 4<sup>th</sup> Ave

**Coffee** – If you appreciate REAL Coffee visit Savaya Coffee. Beans roasted on site. 5350 E. Broadway Blvd

**Local Brew Pub** – Barrio Brewing Company, 800 E. 16<sup>th</sup> St. Discounts whenever train passes!  
[www.barriobrewing.com](http://www.barriobrewing.com)

**Farmer's Markets** – See listing at <http://www.visittucson.org/things-to-do/restaurants/farmers-markets/>

Best “easy” meal – Roma Imports 627 S. Vine Hard to find but well worth it. Great selection of oven or microwave ready homemade Italian dishes. [www.romaimports.com](http://www.romaimports.com)

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## ARIZONA HISTORY FACTS

1. Arizona has 3,928 mountain peaks and summits, more mountains than any one of the other Mountain States (Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming).
2. All New England, plus the state of Pennsylvania would fit inside Arizona.
3. Arizona became the 48th state and last of the contiguous states on February 14, 1912.
4. Arizona's disparate climate can yield both the highest temperature across the nation and the lowest temperature across the nation in the same day.
5. There are more wilderness areas in Arizona than in the entire Midwest. Arizona alone has 90 wilderness areas, while the Midwest has 50.
6. Arizona has 26 peaks that are more than 10,000 feet in elevation.
7. Out of all the states in the U.S., Arizona has the largest percentage of its land designated as Indian lands.
8. The Five C's of Arizona's economy are: Cattle, Copper, Citrus, Cotton, and Climate.
9. More copper is mined in Arizona than all the other states combined, and the Morenci Mine is the largest copper producer in all of North America.
10. Clark Gable and Carole Lombard, two of the most prominent movie stars of Hollywood's Golden Age, were married on March 18, 1939, in Kingman, Arizona.
11. The world's largest solar telescope is located at Kitt Peak National Observatory in Sells, Arizona.
12. Bisbee, Arizona is known as the Queen of the Copper Mines because during its mining heyday it produced nearly 25 percent of the world's copper and was the largest city in the Southwest between Saint Louis and San Francisco.
13. Billy the Kid killed his first man, Windy Cahill, in Bonita, Arizona.
14. Arizona grows enough cotton each year to make more than one pair of jeans for every person in the United States.
15. Famous labor leader and activist Cesar Chavez was born in Yuma.
16. Mount Lemmon, Tucson, in the Santa Catalina Mountains, is the southernmost ski resort in the United States.
17. If you cut down a protected species of cactus in Arizona, you could spend more than a year in prison.
18. The only place in the country where mail is delivered by mule is the village of Supai, located at the bottom of the Grand Canyon.
19. Located on Arizona's western border, Parker Dam is the deepest dam in the world at 320 feet.
20. Oraibi, a Hopi village located in Navajo County, Arizona, dates back to before A.D. 1200 and is reputed to be the oldest continuously inhabited community in America.
21. Rainfall averages for Arizona range from less than three inches in the deserts to more than 30 inches per year in the mountains.

22. Roadrunners are not just in cartoons! In Arizona, you'll see them running up to 17-mph away from their enemies.
23. The Saguaro cactus is the largest cactus found in the U.S. It can grow as high as a five-story building and is native to the Sonoran Desert, which stretches across southern Arizona.
24. Sandra Day O'Connor, the first woman appointed to the U.S. Supreme Court, grew up on a large family ranch near Duncan, Arizona.
25. The best-preserved meteor crater in the world is located near Winslow, Arizona.
26. The average state elevation is 4,000 feet.
27. You could pile four 1,300-foot skyscrapers on top of each other and they still would not reach the rim of the Grand Canyon.
28. The hottest temperature recorded in Arizona was 128 degrees at Lake Havasu City on June 29, 1994
29. The coldest temperature recorded in Arizona was 40 degrees below zero at Hawley Lake on January 7, 1971.
30. A saguaro cactus can store up to nine tons of water.
31. The state of Massachusetts could fit inside Maricopa County (9,922 sq. miles).
32. Wyatt Earp was neither the town marshal nor the sheriff in Tombstone at the time of the shoot-out at the O.K. Corral. His brother Virgil was the town marshal.
33. On June 6, 1936, the first barrel of tequila produced in the United States rolled off the production line in Nogales, Arizona.
34. The Sonoran Desert is the most biologically diverse desert in North America.
35. The two largest man-made lakes in the U.S. are Lake Mead and Lake Powell, both located in Arizona.
36. The longest remaining intact section of Route 66 can be found in Arizona and runs from Seligman to Topock, a total of 157 unbroken miles.
37. Prescott, Arizona is home to the world's oldest rodeo, and Payson, Arizona is home to the world's oldest continuous rodeo, both of which date back to the 1880's.
38. Kartchner Caverns, near Benson, Arizona, is a massive limestone cave with 13,000 feet of passages, two rooms as long as football fields, and one of the world's longest soda straw stalactites: measuring 21 feet 3 inches.
39. You can carry a loaded firearm on your person, no permit required (concealed carry permit still *recommended* though....

## TUCSON FACTS

1. The Tucson Rodeo Parade is the largest non-motorized parade in the world.
2. With 350 days of sunshine a year, Tucson is literally the sunniest city in the United States.
3. American Quarter Horse Racing as we know it in the United States began at Rillito Downs in the 1940s.
4. The University of Arizona allowed female students to study medicine in the 1890s, long before it was common practice to do so.
5. The Arizona State Museum on the University of Arizona Campus is home to the world's largest and most well-documented collection of Southwest Indian pottery.
6. Tucson is the northernmost point on the globe where you can find a jaguar.
7. One of Tucson's favorite day hikes, Tumamoc Hill, is actually home to one of the earliest examples of native agricultural known to man and still functions as an active archaeological dig site today.
8. The name "Tucson" comes from the name given to Sentinel Peak ("A" Mountain) by the O'odham Tribe, Ts-iuk-shan, which basically meant that it had a base darker than its top.
9. "A" Mountain was said by Spanish settlers and O'odham people to be used as a lookout point by Apache raiders, hence the modern name "Sentinel Peak."
10. The Arizona-Sonora Museum was rated one of **America's top zoos** in the country by Parade Magazine.
11. Pima Air & Space Museum is the largest privately funded air museum in the world.
12. The city ranks #2 on a list of the Top 10 Most Misspelled City Names.
13. The city is known as a mecca for the arts. Ansel Adams founded the UA's Center for Creative Photography and has original prints hanging there.
14. Arizona is known as the Valentine State. We entered the union on February 14, 1912.
15. University of Arizona was founded in 1885 before Arizona was a state
16. Before U of A student body president and revered football quarterback John "Button" Salmon died in 1926, his last words to his teammates were "Tell them ... tell the team to bear down." This is where U of A's "Bear Down" motto stems from.
17. Colossal Cave is one of the largest dry caverns in the world. Explorers have yet to find its end.
18. **Bicycle friendly:** 630 miles of striped bike paths



# Davis-Monthan Base Map

