



CIE NOTES FOR THE FORT DRUM COMMUNITY

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1. AMERICAN RED CROSS

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• Red Cross Office Services to Ft. Drum and the Military Family –

<https://www.redcross.org/about-us/our-work/military-families.html>

- The American Red Cross offers active duty and reserve component services to both service members and their families, home and abroad. All services are provided free of charge and cover the entire life cycle of service, from BCT to separation and beyond.
- Services provided at Red Cross Offices include:
 - Casework for - Emergency “Red Cross” Message creation and walk through, financial assistance, community resource referral, and much more.
 - Resiliency Workshop information.
 - Disaster and Preparedness information.
 - Volunteer and Professional Development Opportunities including Dental Assistant Program, MEDDAC Volunteer Program, and much more.
 - Information on Blood Drives and how to get started on your life-saving journey to save lives.

• American Red Cross-Ft Drum Office Hours and Location

- Location-11042 Mt. Belvedere Blvd. Rm 134/132, Ft. Drum, NY 13602
- Hours of Operation-Tuesday and Thursday, 0800-1600.

Emergency Communications Call Center (24/7): **1-877-272-7337 or visit <http://www.redcross.org/HeroCarenetwork> to start an Emergency Message or update your family contact information.**

2. ASSOCIATION OF THE UNITED STATES ARMY (AUSA) NNY FORT DRUM

[Michelle Capone](#), 315-486-1538

Veterans Day breakfast is scheduled for Tuesday, November 9 at the Hilton Garden Inn, Watertown. More details to come.

3. ATKINS FUNCTIONAL FITNESS FACILITY

[Michelle Winter](#), 315-772-3342

This state-of-the-art cross training facility focuses on training Soldiers for combat Functional fitness exercises are designed to train and develop your muscles to make it easier and safer to perform everyday activities. Functional fitness focuses on strength, agility, stamina, and speed. Functional fitness builds a body capable of doing real-life activities in real-life positions.

We are open 24/7 with an access card. Get your access card today! A small fee of \$5 for your access card will allow you access to Atkins Functional Fitness Facility at all times. To gain an access card stop at the facility during manned hours. All DoD ID cardholders 18 years and older can purchase a 24/7 access card.

Personal Training is available. Contact Atkins for more information.

Superhero Challenge: November 15 – 19, 2021. Patrons will have 5 days to complete a Superhero Challenge at all three fitness facilities. Each facility will have a Superhero theme workout for you to complete for a chance to win the 1st place prize. Workout will be monitored by fitness facility staff in order to receive the completion of the workout. The one with the most points will win. There are in-person and virtual challenges to complete to receive the one with the most points.

Pre-register at Magrath Sports Complex, Monti Physical Fitness Facility, or Atkins Functional Fitness Facility. Must register before November 12. Only \$15 each, open to all DoD ID cardholders 18 and older. Each patron will receive the Superhero Challenge t-shirt.

Don't Touch The Lava: Friday, December 10, 2021 / 7am. Individuals compete to navigate rooms flooded with lava by leaping from jump boxes, hanging from the Alpha Warrior Rig to swinging from ropes. If you fall into the lava you will be disqualified from the competition. The one who completes the course without falling into the lava with the best time wins. Prize for the first place winner. Open to all DoD ID card holders 18 years and older.

Manned hours of operation Monday – Friday, 6am – 5pm.

Info is available on the website.

4. AUTOMOTIVE SKILLS CENTER

[Michael Graveline](#), 315-772-5785

The Automotive Skills Center is open Tuesday – Friday, 11 a.m. – 7 p.m. and Saturday, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. Bay rentals are available by appointment only. Be sure to sign up for the required free Safety Orientation class offered Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at noon so you can use the bays, tools, equipment, and work on your vehicle.

Towing services on and off post are available by calling 315-772-7902 or 315-783-5783.

Visit both Car Wash locations, 10700 Enduring Freedom Dr. and 1185 First St., to wash or vacuum your vehicle! Both are open 24/7.

Propane tanks can be filled at the Auto Skills Center if tanks meet the applicable safety requirements.

Stage your car at the Vehicle Resale Lot next to the Automotive Skills Center where car shoppers can see your vehicle 24 hours a day. Reserve your space at the Auto Skills Center for just \$10 per month.

Auto Skills offers the classes listed below. All classes are \$5 each and open to ages 14+. Participants must have completed the Safety Orientation Class and pre-register.

- Preventative Maintenance: 1st Thursday of each month
- Brakes: 2nd Thursday of each month

Please contact: Automotive Skills Center staff at 315-772-7902 for additional information or visit our website <https://drum.armymwr.com/programs/automotive-skills-center>

5. AQUATICS

[Jon Burnard](#), 315-772-9670

Pool Hours: Monday-Friday; 6am-6pm

Capacity: The pool is operating on a first come, first serve basis. Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times.

Programs: CPR/AED/First Aid certification classes, Lifeguarding certification classes, a 100-mile swim club, and a Swim for Life tracking activity are all ongoing activities available for participation throughout the year. Swim lessons for Active Duty members are available. Please call and make an appointment with one of our instructors.

Face masks are required by all staff and patrons on the pool deck until they enter the water.

Veteran's Day Swim- Come into Magrath on November 12th at 9:30am for the Veteran's Day Swim. Participants will have option to select a 1,000 meter or 1,600 meter swim. **Registration** starts October 25th. Each participant will receive an event dog tag with medals going out for 1st, 2nd and 3rd. DFMWR staff will monitor the Veteran's Day Swim and ensure all COVID measures are enforced. **Cost of the event is Free.**

Holiday Boat Race & Swim with Santa- Come into Magrath on December 28th at 9am for the holiday boat race. Families can come in and build a boat out of cardboard and race them. Families will be given 1 hour to complete and build a boat out of cardboard. Upon completion they will be given the opportunity to test out and race the boats. This will be great holiday fun for families during Christmas break. Cost of the event is \$40 per family. Registration: December 1-22

Additional information may be found online at <https://drum.armymwr.com/programs/magrath-sports-complex> or on our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/FtDrumFitness>

6. BETTER OPPORTUNITIES FOR SINGLE SOLDIERS (BOSS)

Pauline Beck, 315-772-7806

Facility Hours as of 07 September 2021: Monday – Sunday 11am – 7pm; DONSA & Federal Holiday's 1pm – 7pm

- BOSS Holiday Shopping Trip: BOSS will headed to Destiny USA on December 4th at 8am. All Single Soldiers are welcome to join us. Transportation provided.
 - BOSS Trees for the Troops Volunteer Opportunity: This year Trees for the Troops is starting on December 1st starting at 0900. Any Single Soldier who would like to help BOSS hand out trees can contact the BOSS Center for more information.
 - BOSS Monthly Meeting: BOSS will hold their monthly meeting on December 7th at 3pm. All BOSS Representatives are required to attend and any other Single Soldiers who would like to attend may do so.
 - Facing the Board: Starting in November BOSS will be holding Facing the Board on the second Thursday of each month from 5pm – 7pm. Single Soldiers are asked to bring their MOI with them and call to sign up!
 - BOSS Festive Hot Cocoa Party: All Single Soldiers are welcome to come and hang out at BOSS while we make hot cocoa and do karaoke on December 10th starting at noon.
 - BOSS Army vs. Navy Football Game Watch: BOSS will be watching the game on December 11th and will have pizza and snacks! Starts at kick off!
- For more information please visit <https://drum.armymwr.com/programs/boss>

7. CYS SCHOOL SUPPORT SERVICES (SSS)

Wendy O'Sullivan, 315-772-3214

Register for school: Whether in temporary or permanent housing, you can register with the school district you are zoned for. Districts support students with school materials while in quarantine. A transfer will be required if permanent housing is zoned for a different school district from temporary lodging. Items needed in order to register for school: Residency Documentation with a Physical Address, Copy of Child's Birth Certificate, Immunization and Physical Documentation, Information from Previous School, and if applicable, any Special Needs Documentation. Please contact the Fort Drum School Liaison Officer (SLO) about registering your child in a local area school

PCS, ETS, retiring and moving: Please ensure you withdraw your children from the school district your children are attending; districts are responsible for the whereabouts of all registered children.

Kindergarten starting age: A child may enter Kindergarten for the 2021-2022 school year at the age of 4 as long as the child is turning 5 by December 1. If your child meets the age guideline, you can register your child for school and schedule a kinder screening. Contact the Fort Drum SLO for registration information and zoned school district.

Homeschooling in New York State: Please contact your School Liaison Officer for state guidelines and school district POC for notification. Your school district may also have details and forms listed on their website.

VETERANS DAY OBSERVANCE: No local area schools are in session on Thursday, November 11.

THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY: No local area schools are in session Wednesday-Friday, November 24-26.

Impact aid survey: Districts will be sending survey forms during the month of October. If you have any questions regarding the Federal Impact Aid Program, please contact the Fort Drum School Liaison Office

College bound: Seniors should be narrowing down their perspective colleges and begin completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FASFA), Link: <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>. Seniors and juniors should visit college virtual open houses. Seniors should start applying to colleges by Thanksgiving as many colleges will make early

determinations by the end of the year. This year, check your high school for virtual financial aid nights for parents and students to help explain the financial aid processes. Many scholarships are available for military connected students. See your school guidance counselor or the Fort Drum School Liaison for a current list of available scholarships.

School delays and closures due to weather: School delays are announced on your child's school district website, as well as through local media outlets. When using local media as your source remember to look for the district name, not the individual school your child attends. Parochial schools fall under the public schools they are aligned with however some may differ with their closure protocol. Please confirm the protocol with your school. School districts are also utilizing Parent Square as a communication tool. Dress your children appropriately for the weather and have a plan in place should school close for the day or if children are sent home early. Please note that installation closure and school closures are separate and may not necessarily coincide.

Holiday extended leave: School Districts understand that most Fort Drum Families have extended Family that live out of the area. If your student will be missing school for multiple days, please let your school know. They may be able to provide course material while your student is away. Please try to schedule vacations around designated school breaks as much as possible to avoid your student from falling behind in their education.

Tutor.com: Tutor.com for U.S. Military Families, funded by the U.S. Department of Defense and Coast Guard Mutual Assistance, is a program that allows eligible students (grades K-12) and service members in U.S. military families to connect to a live tutor online, 24/7, for one-to-one help with homework, studying, test prep, proofreading and more, at no cost. As of April 2020, all DoD service members, civilian personnel, and all dependent family members (kindergarten-college/adult) are eligible to use Tutor.com/military at no cost. To learn more about eligibility, available tutored subjects or to register, please visit: <https://military.tutor.com/home>

School based child & youth behavioral program: The Child and Youth Behavioral (CYB) Program is a component of the Military and Family Life Counselor (MFLC) program with MFLC's assigned to local school buildings. CYB-MFLCs are available at no cost to assist children, parents, and staff at school buildings to provide short-term, non-medical problem solving support. To learn more about the program or to get in touch with the MFLC at your child's school, contact your school building or the Fort Drum School Support Services office at 315-772-3214.

Further details on School Support Services may be found online <https://drum.armymwr.com/programs/school-support-services>

8. CYS SERVICES/OUTREACH

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Army Fee Assistance Program: Child Care Aware offers the Army Fee Assistance Program for Families who are unable to find child care on the installation. As long as you find child care with a New York State certified child care provider, you should be able to apply for this program. Please contact the Jefferson Lewis Child Care Project at the Community Action Planning Council in Watertown for a list of NYS certified providers in the area by visiting <https://www.capcjc.org/programs/jlcp/about-jefferson-lewis-childcare-project/> And find more information on the Army Fee Assistance by visiting <https://www.childcareaware.org/fee-assistancerespite/military-families/army>

Join The CYS Team: CYS is looking for people to join our Team. CYS is a wonderful place to work and offers great benefits. CYS is a career that you can carry with you across the military, just as your military sponsor carries their military career. Check out CYS job opportunities at <https://www.usajobs.gov/>

CYS Babysitter's Course: The Babysitting course is starting back up again. The course set for November 4/5/6 is already full, but another class is set to be held at the beginning of December. This is a partnership between CYS and the Family Readiness Center. Youth must be between the ages of 12 and 18, and be registered with Fort Drum CYS. The Youth must attend all 3 days to get credit for the class. This class does include Red Cross CPR certification. To be placed on the list for an upcoming class, please contact Parent Central Services at 315-772-8675. As long as there is interest and enough Youth to enroll, the class will be offered monthly going forward.

Register for Child and Youth Services: In order to use any programs with Fort Drum CYS, including Sports, your child's registration must be renewed yearly. Registration is FREE and appointments are available at Parent Central Services at

Clark Hall. Please call (315)772-8675 for information on how to set up a registration appointment. Children can be put on the placement list for the full time centers and the School Age Center at <https://public.militarychildcare.csd.disa.mil>

For more information, please visit <https://drum.armymwr.com/programs/childand-youth-services>

9. CYS SPORTS

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WINTER SEASON SPORTS:

DANCE: Creative Movement, Tap & Ballet, HIP HOP, Lyrical, Tap & Jazz, Beginner Ballet, beginning November 15 – 29 March, 2022 – Monday – Thursday Ages: 18mos – 16yrs available. Times based upon class & ages.

BASKETBALL: Registration: Sept 7 – November 15

Mini Basketball Ages: 4-5yrs \$25/Child
Season: Nov 15 – Dec 20 1730-1830 Monday

Co-ed Intramural Basketball Grades 1-10 \$25/Child
Season: Nov 15 – Dec 20
Tues: Grade 1-2
Weds: Grade 3-4
Thurs: Grade 5-6
Fridays: Grade 7-10
1730-1900 Practice times

FREE FITNESS CLASSES:

Tues/Thurs- Functional Fitness
Mon/Wed - Speed & Agility
Ages 6-8 1700-1745, ages 9-12 1800-1845, ages 13-16 1900-1945

FRIDAY FAMILY FITNESS (Free), (17:30 – 18:15) Ages 6 and up Parents involved (On going monthly)

START SMART: Speed & Agility, Ages (3-5yrs) 0900-0945, 1000-1045, 1130-1215 & 1230-1315 (Saturdays): \$25
(Parent oriented program led by instructor)

For more information, please visit <https://drum.armymwr.com/programs/youth-sports-and-fitness-program>

10. CYS YOUTH CENTER

[Steve Ferguson](#), 315-772-6717

The Youth Center is open as a resource for middle-schoolers and teens. Programming is limited to ensure social distancing and COVID-19 requirements are maintained.

We are now open 5 days a week Monday- Friday 2:30 p.m.–6:00 p.m.

The Youth Center building is closed for renovation. Programs will be provided in the Sports building next door (bldg. 10790) until work in the building is complete.

The Youth Center offer homework assistance, learning opportunities and free rec.
Closed November 11th, 25th and the 26th.

For more information, please visit <https://drum.armymwr.com/programs/youth-center-and-youth-programs>
<https://drum.armymwr.com/programs/youth-center-and-youth-programs>

Access Control: For questions concerning Access Control, contact CPT David Mabry at 772-9959 or Mr. Gary Short at 772-3105.

The Visitor Control Center (VCC) is now open 7 days a week from 5:30 a.m.-10 p.m. All visitors are required to obtain their passes there prior to going to the gates. Personnel arriving when VCC is closed require a sponsor present at Cerjan ACP to be processed unless sponsorship application has been submitted in advance and the passes are present at the gate. As a reminder please continue to follow installation policies regarding COVID 19 procedures for requesting access to the installation.

Sponsorship applications are available at the following web site: <https://home.army.mil/drum/index.php/about/visitor-information>. Those wishing access to the installations must follow all guidelines as specified based on Operation Corona Control updates. Those eligible can fill out the IMDR-ES Form 2 for sponsored passes. Once completed submit applications in advance to: usarmy.drum.imcom.mbx.des-acp@mail.mil.

REAL ID Update:

The final enforcement deadline was September 30. By this date, not only must all states be issuing Real ID-compliant licenses or IDs, but individuals must also have visited their state's driver's licensing agency and obtained a REAL ID compliant card, or acceptable alternative such as a U.S. passport, if they wish to fly on commercial aircrafts or access federal facilities.

Fire Prevention: For questions concerning Fire and Emergency Services contact Assistant Chief Steven LaRue, 315-772-4702, steven.c.larue.civ@mail.mil.

Infant Car Seat Safety Check

- Infant car seats can be checked by the New York State Police at their location on Route 37 in Pamela.

Law Enforcement: For questions concerning Law Enforcement, please contact us either 772-5156/5157/7771, or Chief Julian at 772-4483 email todd.m.julian.civ@mail.mil

- **EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBERS:** dial 911 from any land-line. That call will go directly to the DES Dispatch Center. If you dial 911 from your cell phone, that call will go directly to the Jefferson County Dispatch Center; advise the dispatcher you are calling from Fort Drum and they will redirect your call to the DES dispatch center. Current technology does not allow for the separation of cell phone calls on or off the installation. For non-emergency calls for service: Dial (315) 772-5156.

In processing:

Fort Drum provides in processing briefings and services (Mountain Reception and Integration Program) each business day of the year excluding DONSA's and Federal Holidays. You or your family does not need to be within your first few days at the Installation to attend a briefing. A schedule of briefings is attached, with the day of the week they occur, and the room number in Clark Hall where they occur. Updates can be obtained by calling 772-3043, the Fort Drum Welcome Center Desk. Further venues to provide opportunity to provide Families Welcome and Integration information will be forthcoming and announced in these notes. Welcome to the Climb!

Family Advocacy Program (FAP) (315) 772-5914, ASAP building, 10250 4th Armored Division Drive

Wellness Cooking Class: cook with a culinary professional. Call to inquire!

13. EMPLOYMENT READINESS PROGRAM (ERP)

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Federal Employment Workshop educates jobseekers on the federal employment system: USAjobs.gov account set up, benefits of working for the federal government, searching and applying for federal jobs, and how to write an effective federal resume. The Federal workshop is provided primarily every 1st and 3rd Friday mornings of the month.

Resume Start to Finish covers the development of civilian resumes for private sector careers. The class consists of 45 to 60 minutes of instruction on resume types, formatting, and content as well as cover letter writing and reference sheet tips. This class is provided primarily every 1st and 3rd Friday afternoons of the month.

Interview & Career Fair Preparation teaches jobseekers how to best prepare for interviews, career fairs, and other networking events. Topics include career fair strategy, professional introductions, and how to dress for success. Classes are provided on a monthly basis: some sessions will be prior to a previously scheduled career fairs in order to enhance the individual potential of attaining employment.

LinkedIn Seminar is a monthly course instruction explaining in detail the basics of LinkedIn, the world's largest professional networking platform. This class includes tips and tricks for building and maintaining a LinkedIn profile to expand your professional network and enhance job search efforts.

(For class times and locations, please see ERP Program Schedule)

ERP also offers additional resources and services such as:

Weekly Job Bank

One-on-One Career Counseling

Job Search Assistance

Interview Preparation & Mock Interviews

Resume & Cover Letter Writing Assistance

Please follow us on Facebook, LinkedIn, & Instagram! We post hot jobs and employment relevant resources daily!

www.facebook.com/fortdrumemployment

Please call or send an email for an appointment or to sign up for any of our scheduled classes:

Leon Donelson- Program Specialist (Manager) 315-772-1090, leon.n.donelson.civ@mail.mil

14. EXCHANGE

[Pat Hastings](#), 315-773-5631

Current Facility Hours of Operation: Visit Digital Garrison App for Updates.

Vendors wanted for our fall craft/vendor fair! The event will take place on November 20 at the Main Post Exchange. Contact Services and Vending at 315-773-5633 or email stubbingsc@aafes.com.

The Exchange is hiring!

All retail and food positions, entry level on up.

HOW TO APPLY:

1. Visit applymyexchange.com
2. Click "Apply Now"
3. Click "Search Openings"
4. Select "Fort Drum" for location
5. Select interested positions and click on Apply to Job(s)

15. FISH & WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

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Fort Drum Recreational Passes: Recreational activities including hunting, fishing, wildlife viewing, hiking, canoeing, etc. are allowed on Fort Drum with a Fort Drum Recreational Access Pass. Fort Drum access passes are available on-line for

free. New York State licenses are also required for hunting, fishing and trapping. See the Fish & Wildlife Management Program's website for more information and passes: www.FortDrum.iSportsman.net.

TICKS! – Until winter arrives, beware of ticks any time you, your children, and pets are outdoors including the Cantonment Area. To learn more about ticks and preventing tick bites, see <https://www.neregionalvectorcenter.com/ticks>.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection: – PCSing and have household hazardous waste that can't be moved or in need of disposal? Household hazardous waste can be turned in to Fort Drum's Environmental Division at Bldg. P-11144 Bedlam Rd. (behind the Auto Craft Center) 0800-1600 Monday - Friday. For more information and a list of items accepted, check out the Fort Drum Recycles Facebook page.

LeRay Mansion Open for Tours – Come to LeRay Mansion for a free tour of the mansion and learn about the history of northern New York. Open during normal business hours. The Mansion is also available for events and social gatherings. Contact bookleraymansion@gmail.com for more information.

16. FORT DRUM CHAPTER NATIONAL ASSOC. 10th MOUNTAIN DIVISION

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Information on scholarships may be found online at <https://www.10thmtndivassoc.org>

17. FORT DRUM MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY HOMES

[Allyssa Romeo](#), 315-955-6814

Convenient on-post Housing: Enjoy the convenience of living close to work and all of Fort Drum's amenities! Apply today to secure your next home with Fort Drum Mountain Community Homes! All homes feature garages with automatic openers, 24-hour maintenance service, utilities included, access to fitness centers, nature trails, sledding hill, splash parks, dog parks all with the convenience of living on post. Interested? Contact the leasing team at the Welcome Home Center by calling 315-955-6644 or via email at welcomhome@fdmch.com.

Friends make the best Neighbors: Refer one of your friends to live on post and you'll get \$500!* All homes feature garages with automatic openers, 24-hour maintenance service, utilities included, and access to fitness centers, nature trails, sledding hill, splash parks, and dog parks all with the convenience of living on post. Contact the Welcome Home Center at 315-955-6644 or welcomhome@fdmch.com to refer your friends today! *Some restrictions apply.

The Timbers: One-and two-bedroom apartments on post at lower-than-BAH rates! Single or unaccompanied Soldiers (E5p and above) can enjoy conveniently located modern apartments with spacious floor plans and ample storage. Timbers residents also have exclusive access to the Timbers Lodge, equipped with a theater room, full kitchen, outdoor wood-burning fireplace, gas grills, Wi-Fi, state-of-the-art sound system and more! Interested? Contact the Timbers Leasing office at 315.777.8000 or email thetimbers@fdmch.com.

For more information about our events, email programs@fdmch.com or visit www.facebook.com/fortdrummch.com

18. FORT DRUM THRIFT SHOP

315-772-7189

Store Location: P- 1454 Fourth St M, Fort Drum (behind the Express on Ontario Ave)

Visit us on the web! <http://fortdrumthriftshop.com>

19. GIVING TUESDAY MILITARY

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Several volunteer and community outreach opportunities for individuals and units/organizations.

ARMY HOUSING SERVICES OFFICE (HSO): Army Housing Services Office at Clark Hall (Rm A2-54) is always available to assist Soldiers with any off-post housing issue, from finding the right housing and rental inspections to resolving landlord-tenant disputes. Never enter into a lease without checking first with Army Housing Services Office to see if the rental you are contemplating has been inspected by us for basic safety and habitability criteria. Always get your lease reviewed by Legal Assistance or the Housing Services Office prior to signing to be sure all your rights are safeguarded and you're not entering into a situation that could turn bad for you after you move in.

BEWARE OF INTERNET AND SOCIAL MEDIA HOUSING SCAMS!!!

Approved Adequate Rental Housing: Army Housing Online Users Services (AHOUS) at www.housing.army.mil is the Army's one-stop site for all housing information, on and off-post, at any Army installation. Click on "Drum" on the "Select your Installation" drop down menu on the upper right side of webpage. This website contains information and links for information on barracks, on-post family housing and off-post housing. Current listings, updated weekly, of available off-post rentals at approved apartment complexes are available at Housing Services Office in Clark Hall.

Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH): Current BAH rates can be found with the following link:
<https://www.defensetravel.dod.mil/site/bah.cfm>

Stop in, call (315) 772-9397/8751 to speak to a counselor or email raymond.g.ganem.civ@mail.mil or trinidad.t.cruz.civ@mail.mil

ON-POST HOUSING AND THE TIMBERS: Please check with Fort Drum's Welcome Home Center, Mountain Community Homes for availability. Coordinating early for on-post housing can help ensure you get the right home for your family. Contact Fort Drum's Welcome Home Center at Clark Hall (2nd floor of Clark Hall) for the latest information (315-955-6644).

HOUSING CONCERNS HOTLINE: (315) 772-6666, option 1

DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCESS: For questions, please contact your respective community center, see your community specific addendum in your lease or contact the RCI Housing office at (315) 772-8038.

HOME BASED BUSINESS (HBB): Increasing spouse employment opportunities is a priority for Fort Drum and Army senior leadership. Fort Drum TAP, through Employment Readiness Program (ERP), supervises application processes and serves as an informational conduit to applicants. For anyone wanting to apply for a HBB or for any questions, please reach out to Leon Donelson at (315) 523-5427 / leon.n.donelson.civ@mail.mil or Craig McNamara at (315) 772-3284 / craig.a.mcnamara.civ@mail.mil

****Food Based Business are not allowed on Fort Drum as they represent an increased level of risk and inspection with specific commercial food production requirements that residential installation housing is not equipped to meet. (IAW -TB Med 530 Tri-Service Food Code)****

Facility Hours: Monday – Friday; 6 a.m.–9 p.m., Saturday; 8 a.m.–4 p.m.

COVID-19 Procedures: 6-9 a.m. are vaccinated patrons only in the facility. Many COVID-19 precautions are in place to mitigate risk. Measures include, but are not limited to: cleaning between equipment uses by all customers, deep cleaning by staff, requirement of face coverings for all patrons and staff. Hand sanitization and cleaning wipe stations are readily available in the facility.

Reservations: Field reservations are available for ACFT training ORG days and other Sports, Fitness and Events. Outdoor venues will be available weather permitting.

Equipment and Amenities: Limited equipment for patron sign out and usage available. The newly remodeled saunas are open for use.

Join us on <https://www.facebook.com/FtDrumFitness> or on <https://drum.armymwr.com/programs/magrath-sports-complex> for additional information.

22. McEWEN LIBRARY

[Allen Goudie](#), 315-772-9099

In-person Story Time: Join us on Tuesdays or Fridays at 10 a.m. in the children's area in the library. Current COVID protocols will be observed – unvaccinated individuals should wear masks and practice social distancing.

Virtual Story Time. See our Facebook page at 11:30 a.m. each Tuesday and Friday.
[www.facebook.com/pages/Robert-C-McEwen Library/269047099442](https://www.facebook.com/pages/Robert-C-McEwen-Library/269047099442)
Additionally you will be able to pick up a craft for that day's Story Time while supplies last.

Bilingual Virtual Story Time: Wednesdays (Spanish) at 10 a.m. Logon through our Facebook page:
[www.facebook.com/pages/Robert-C-McEwen Library/269047099442](https://www.facebook.com/pages/Robert-C-McEwen-Library/269047099442)

Holiday Craft Day: Saturday, 11 December 2021 between 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 am. Join us for some holiday fun! Bring the whole family. Multiple craft options available or you can choose to make them all. Pre-register for this event by calling the library's circulation desk at 315-772-9099.

E-Resources: check out the Army Library Program & McEwen Library's free e-resources at (<http://mylibraryus.armybiznet.com/screens~S24/resources2.html>). Access e-magazines, e-books, audio-books and streaming video via Overdrive & RB Digital, databases such as Ancestry.com, Mango Languages, Academic Research Premier, or educational assistance through Tutor.com, etc. Use your library patron information to access.

23. MEDDAC

[Rosalinda White](#), 315-772-4655

YOUR VOICE YOUR HEALTH! We are looking for TRICARE beneficiaries (active duty, active duty family members, and retirees, retiree family members) to volunteer to join the Patient and Family Partnership Council (PFPC). The PFPC partners patients and families with members of the healthcare team to explore opportunities to improve the overall healthcare experience. Participation is a Red Cross Volunteer opportunity. All volunteers will be required to complete Fort Drum volunteer training, Annual Privacy Training (HIPAA), and sign a confidentiality agreement. If you would like more information about joining the PFPC, please contact the Fort Drum MEDDAC Patient Advocate, Rosalinda White, 315-772-4655 or Rosalinda.white.6.civ@mail.mil.

24. MONTI PHYSICAL FITNESS CENTER

[Brittany Garnsey](#), 315-772-4806

Facility Hours: Monday – Friday; 6 a.m.–7 p.m., closed Saturday, Sunday; 8 a.m.–4 p.m.

Reservations: Reservations for ACFT is available on the turf with limited capacities. Call our front desk for more information, 315-772-4936.

Reservations for recreational use of Recreation Park and Pavilions are available with limited capacities. Call our front desk for more information, 315-772-4936.

Equipment Check-Out: Limited fitness equipment check out is available for use inside the facility.

Face masks are required by all patrons regardless of vaccination status.

Please visit us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/ftdrumfitness>

25. NORTH COUNTRY SPOUSES' CLUB

[Susan Rollie](#), 702-613-3363

Additional information may be found online at www.facebook.com/northcountryspousesclub or www.northcountryspousesclub.com

26. OFF THE BEATIN' PATH

[Kerry Bennet](#), 315-608-6221

Off the Beatin' Path has many Welcome and Farewell gifts ready for PCS season! Our store is located at 10502 S. Riva Ridge Rd, in the same building as the USO and 10th Mountain Division and Fort Drum Museum.

Store Hours vary, check Facebook for updates. We are closed for all Federal Holidays and Division DONSA's. Shipping and Pick up available through our website.

For more information <https://www.facebook.com/offthebeatinpathgiftshop/about/>
OR – offthebeatinpathgiftshop.square.site

27. OUTDOOR RECREATION

[Jessica Penny](#), 315-772-8222

Outdoor Recreation's Shooting Range: Our outdoor range will be open Saturdays from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. For additional information please contact the staff of Outdoor Recreation at 315-772-8222/5169.

Corning Museum of Glass: November 27th. Outdoor Recreation is hosting a trip to the Corning Museum of Glass in Corning, NY. Transportation leaves at 0800. Fee is \$30 per person, includes transportation and admission. Open to all DOD ID card holders 13 and up. For additional information please contact the Outdoor Recreation staff at 315-772-8222/5169.

Del Lago Casino: November 20th. Outdoor Recreation is hosting a trip to Del Lago Casino in Waterloo, NY. Transportation leaves at 1000. Fee is \$25 per person, ages 21 plus, open to all DOD ID card holders. Cost includes transportation. For additional information please contact the Outdoor Recreation staff at 315-772-8222/5169

Santa's Workshop: December 11th. Outdoor Recreation is hosting a trip to Santa's Workshop in North Pole, NY. Transportation leaves at 0800. Fee is \$45 per person ages and is open to all DOD ID card holders. Cost includes transportation and admission. For additional information please contact the Outdoor Recreation staff at 315-772-8222/5169.

Lights on the Lake: December 10th. Outdoor Recreation is hosting a trip to Lights on the Lake at Onondaga Lake Park. Transportation leaves at 1600- UTC. Fee is \$15 per person, all ages, and is open to all DoD ID card holders. Cost includes transportation and admission to event. Event is open to DOD ID card holders. For additional information please contact the Outdoor Recreation staff at 315-772-8222/5169.

Details on our exciting trips and services may be found online at <https://drum.armymwr.com/programs/outdoor-recreation>

28. PINE PLAINS BOWLING CENTER

[Moir Trevisan](#), 315-772-6601

Facility Hours: Day of Play on Friday, November 5 from 4 – 10 p.m. Updates to hours of operation will be available on drum.armymwr.com.

Come on over in your SPARE time and have some fun! For an experience that is guaranteed to be loads of fun, go HyperBowling with the whole family!

During operational hours, the kitchen is open for takeout, or lane-dining while bowling. Call ahead at 315-772-6601 for takeout.

Bowling pricing is available at drum.armymwr.com.

29. RELIGIOUS SUPPORT OFFICE

[Carol Burke](#), 315-772-5591

No updates for November.

30. SAFETY

[Jim Farney](#), 315-772-3022

Outdoor Play: It is always better to play in a yard, broad grass area or on a playground than in the street. Remind children to never chase a ball into the street until they check the roadway is clear and never run out into the street between parked cars. Supervise children while they are playing on or near a street to assist and help them along in their decision making process. The speed limit in Fort Drum housing areas is 20 mph and is further reduced to 10 mph where children are at play.

31. SOLDIER AND FAMILY READINESS DIVISION

[Lorilyn Starr](#), 315-772-5447

Submit AFAP Issues year round – usarmy.drum.imcom-fmwrc.mbx-aftb@mail.mil AFAP provides Active and Reserve Component Soldiers, Army Civilians, Family members, Survivors, and Retirees a voice in shaping their standards of living by identifying issues and concerns for Army Senior Leadership resolution.

Army Volunteer Corps. (AVC) (315 772-2899/0470) Please call for upcoming calendar dates and locations for all classes.

- Volunteer Management Information System (VMIS 101, Introduction to VMIS and Volunteering on Fort Drum.
- Volunteer Administrative OPOC Training, open to all who manage volunteer records.
- Volunteer Orientation, for anyone volunteering at ACS.

Mobilization & Deployment, (315 772-0470/2848/0509/4-4019) Classes/trainings are designed to support on-going Family readiness. Please call for upcoming calendar dates and locations for all classes.

- Key Contact Training
- SFRG Leader Training
- Informal Funds
- CARE Team Training
- SFRG Basics for Commanders/1SG's
- Soldier & Family Readiness Liaison SFRL Training

Relocation Readiness Program (315 772-6553/6566/6902/3241). Please call for upcoming calendar dates and locations for all classes.

Lending Closet, Monday – Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Immigration and Naturalization Assistance

- Sewing Class
- English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) class
- Hearts Apart Support Group
- In-processing Brief, Mon – Fri, 10 – 10:30 a.m., Clark Hall
- Overseas PCS Brief
- Stateside PCS Brief, every Tuesday and Thursday, 3:15 – 4 p.m., Clark Hall Rm A2-86

- International Spousal Support Group

Financial Readiness Program (315-772-2919/5059/00505196)

Classes available upon request:

- Budgeting for Your Goals
- Power Pay: Improve Your Credit and Eliminate Debt
- Manage Your Checking Account
- Car Buying 101
- Insurance Basics, Consumer Rights and Obligations
- Prevent Identity Theft and Avoid Scams
- TSP: Investing in Your Future

Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) (315-5476/5488/0664). Please call for upcoming calendar dates and locations for all classes.

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME TO ALL SFRD CLASSES WITH PARENTAL SUPERVISION

For additional information on our programming and services, please visit [our website](#).

32. SOLDIER FOR LIFE – TRANSITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

[Craig McNamara](#), 315-772-3284

TAP Seminars: TAP is open to family members and Veterans requesting services. We encourage family members to accompany their Soldier or attend sessions for their own needs. Career Fairs are returning to in-person, but are still being offered online through Recruit Military and individual companies. Please check <https://www.facebook.com/DrumSFLTAP> for more information.

CAREER FAIR: November 4, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., The Commons

This career fair will be held in-person at The Commons (4350 Euphrates River Valley Rd) and is open to all DOD ID card holders, including active duty, spouses, and veterans. Spouses are highly encouraged to attend. Participants can register by using the QR code on the flyer, or by calling the Fort Drum TAP Center at 315-772-3434/3286.

Career and Credential Exploration November 15-16, December 6-7, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Two-day workshop to provide you with the tools and resources to evaluate your career options and gain the necessary training or credentials needed to pursue your vocational career goals.

Career Skills Program Monthly Brief December 7, 9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

For transitioning Soldiers interested in the CSP program.

Boots to Business November 22-23, December 13-14, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Two-day workshop to provide assistance to those interested in exploring business ownership or other self-employment opportunities. Walks you through the key steps for evaluating business concepts and provides the foundation for developing a business plan.

Advanced Seminars November 22-23, December 7-8, multiple workshops for participants to choose from

Workshops on November 22 include Civilian Resume (9 a.m. - 11 a.m.), Dress for Success (11 a.m. - noon), Interview Techniques (1 p.m. - 2 p.m.), and Salary Negotiations (2 p.m. – 3 p.m.). Workshops on November 23 include Federal Employment (9 a.m. - noon) and a LinkedIn Seminar (1 p.m. – 3 p.m.).

33. SPECIAL EVENTS

[Al Janssen](#), 315-772-3284

Home for the Holidays will take place on Thanksgiving at the Magrath Sports Complex from noon – 4 p.m. Free meal for DoD ID Cardholders.

Visit drum.armymwr.com for up-to-date information.

500 & 1000lb Club: DFMWR is hosting an ongoing 500lb and 1000lb club. Active duty members, as well as all other DoD ID cardholders 18+ will be eligible to compete. All patrons must pre-register at Magrath Sports Complex. Cost: \$10 for two different (day) attempts. Patrons will have one full hour to max out on Bench, Dead-lift, and Squat. For more information please contact the Sports and Fitness office.

Group Fitness Classes: DFMWR hosts group fitness classes throughout the month at all three fitness facilities. Active duty members, as well as all other DoD ID cardholders 18+ will be eligible to compete. Participants are encouraged to pre-register at the Magrath Sports Complex or the Monti Physical Fitness Center. For more information please contact the Sports and Fitness office.

Personal Training: DFMWR hosts personal training sessions with our certified personal trainers. Active duty members, as well as all other DoD ID cardholders 18+ will be eligible to participate. Any interested parties should stop by one of our fitness facilities to register. For more information please contact the Sports and Fitness office.

Indoor Soccer Tournament: DFMWR will host an indoor soccer tournament on 19 November at Monti Physical Fitness Center. Active duty members, as well as all other DoD ID cardholders 17+ will be eligible to compete. Participants should pre-register at Magrath Sports Complex by 12 November. For more information please contact the Sports and Fitness office.

Turkey Bowl: DFMWR will host a Turkey Bowl flag football tournament on 23-24 November at Magrath Sports Complex. This event is only open to active duty members. Soldiers should compete as part of their unit and may not compete with any other unit. Participants should pre-register at Magrath Sports Complex by 15 November. For more information please contact the Sports and Fitness office.

Turkey Trot: DFMWR will host the Turkey Trot on 25 November at Magrath Sports Complex. This event is part of the Holiday Triple Crown. All DoD ID holders will be eligible to compete. Participants should pre-register at Magrath Sports Complex. For more information please contact the Sports and Fitness office.

Basketball Tournament: DFMWR will host basketball tournament on 4 December at Magrath Sports Complex. Active duty members, as well as all other DoD ID cardholders 17+ will be eligible to compete. Participants should pre-register at Magrath Sports Complex by 29 November. For more information please contact the Sports and Fitness office.

Cornhole Tournament: DFMWR will host a cornhole tournament on 9 December at Magrath Sports Complex. Active duty members, as well as all other DoD ID cardholders 17+ will be eligible to compete. Participants should pre-register at Magrath Sports Complex by 7 December. For more information please contact the Sports and Fitness office.

Email jonathan.m.burnard.naf@mail.mil or Alyson.t.thibodeaux.naf@mail.mil for additional information.

Future events and fitness/health tips are available at <https://www.facebook.com/FtDrumFitness> or online at <https://drum.armymwr.com/programs/magrath-sports-complex>

No updated information for the November 2021 CIE.

Reservations: The Commons offers a variety of facility spaces to accommodate every type of event. Facilities include small and large ballroom spaces, and conference rooms.

Meetings and Event packages include:

- Audio and visual equipment is available including overhead projectors and laptop computers.
- Professional event staff to set up and tear down tables and chairs.

Contact the Commons for more information.

37. USOSydney Schlosser, 315-778-0850

USO

Upcoming events:

- Tuesday Tournaments: Held each Tuesday night in the USO. Each week we will be a different tournament. Entry is Free. Minimum age requirement differs per event.
 - o November 2nd Loteria
 - o November 9th Spades
 - o November 16th Chess and Cheekers
 - o November 23rd Dominoes
 - o November 30th Uno
- Story Time: Monday November 8th Event consists of a snack, book reading, and craft. Registration is Free but required due to limited spacing.
- Dungeons and Dragons: November 5th and 19th
- Turkey Hunt: Wednesday November 24th. Great Activity for those here for the Holiday weekend. USO Staff will hide Turkey cut outs all around post. Participants search around till they find one, grab it, and bring it to the USO to exchange it for a pie and a prize.

Full event details can be found on our Facebook and Instagram @usofortdrum.

Special Events Room Reservations: We have a multipurpose room that can be used for different trainings and unit events. To request a reservation, call 315-777-8006 or visit

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1M1VCi58myaTpnyIPZ6ILDl0vRvkLlpmnNAtrN72Ektc/viewform?edit_requested=true.

38. VETERINARY SERVICESCPT Breanna Johnson, 315-772-4262

Upcoming Events: The Fort Drum Vet will host another drive up vaccine clinic event on October 27 from 7 a.m. – 2 p.m. There is no appointment needed and exams will be \$10 off the regular price. We are offering vaccinations, heartworm tests, microchips, and other preventative services! Please ensure your pets are already registered at the clinic prior to the event day. Please see our Facebook Page for more information!

Mission: We deliver high quality animal medical care and veterinary public health services to eligible Service Members and their families, DoD entities, and federal agencies. The availability of services is based on mission requirements, time constraints, and personnel.

Registration: Pets must be registered prior to booking an appointment. Registration must occur in person at the veterinary clinic anytime during facility hours. Please bring CAC card/other authorized ID and your pet's previous vaccine records. We also require the sponsor/service member's supervisor name and phone number. It is not necessary to bring the pet for registration.

Appointments: Booking by appointment for Wellness/Vaccine Examinations, Limited Sick Call Appointments available. Appointments are available one week at a time. Appointments open the last business day of the week for the next

upcoming week. Pet owners should be prepared to seek off post civilian veterinary care services for sick pets and emergencies. An informational handout regarding local off post civilian veterinary clinics is available by request. FYSA the nearest 24/7 emergency veterinary facility is located in Syracuse.

COVID Procedures: At this time we are allowing one adult per appointment to enter the building. Adults must wear a mask and be pre-screened via questionnaire. Should the client be unable to accommodate this, then all services are curbside only (ex: if the client has children with them). In this case clients will remain in the vehicle while the pets enter the building for the appointment. Instructions for clients are posted on the front doors.

Facility Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. (closed for lunch noon-1:00 p.m.); Closed the last business day of the month.

Call Front Desk to schedule appointment 315-772-4262 or 315-772-0642

Please visit <https://www.facebook.com/FortDrumVetClinic> for the most up to date information! See prices for services under the 'Services' tab!