

# ASC IN ACTION



## *ACS Readiness Materials*

- **Operation READY**
  - Pre-deployment
  - Post-deployment
  - Family Readiness Groups
  - Family Assistance Centers
  - Children's Workbooks
  - Corresponding Videos
- **Financial Readiness**
  - First Term Financial Counseling w/CD-ROM and Video
  - Financial Planning for Transition
  - Financial Planning for Relocation w/video



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# Army Community Service



# Partners in Readiness

If you think Army Community Service (ACS) helps service members and their families only through the rough spots in military life,

**THINK AGAIN!**

☞ **Think Again** about *who* ACS helps. ACS helps...

☞ **YOU** (Active Duty, Retired, National Guard, Reserve, Civilian Employee, Married or Single)

☞ **YOUR FAMILY**

**ACS equips people with the skills and support they need to face the challenges of military life today and tomorrow.**

**Think of ACS when...**

☞ You're facing deployment or relocation

☞ You need information or referrals

☞ You need personal assistance



## DEPLOYMENT

We provide support throughout:

- before deployment
- while the soldier is away
- with reunion
- by assisting Family Readiness Groups

## INFORMATION OR REFERRALS

We provide:

- consumer information
- outreach on and off post
- resources for special needs
- liaison with PERSCOM/medical and educational needs
- employment information

## PERSONAL ASSISTANCE

We offer a variety of programs to meet the needs of you and your family.

### **Financial Readiness**

- financial counseling and planning
- consumer information/advocacy
- debt and checkbook management classes
- money management
- credit education
- First Term financial management

### **Family Advocacy Program (FAP)**

- family violence prevention briefings
- stress/anger management classes
- parenting skills classes
- parent support programs
- emergency placement information
- Transitional Compensation

### **Exceptional Family member Program (EFMP)**

- assistance for family members with special needs
- respite care
- support groups

### **Emergency Assistance**

- Army Emergency Relief-limited emergency financial assistance
- emergency food locker/vouchers

### **Employment Readiness**

- job preparation workshops
- job development and contact with employers
- job skill development and assessment

### **Relocation Readiness**

- group training for pre/post moves
- cross-cultural training for bi-cultural families
- worldwide library
- Standard Installation Topic Exchange Service (SITES) worldwide
- guidance/counseling/advocacy before, during and after the move
- outreach for waiting families
- lending closet
- sponsorship training

## VOLUNTEERS

We offer:

- the opportunity to volunteer in all of the readiness programs describe above
- job skills/training
- job references
- networking
- educational opportunities

## ACS IS ON YOUR INSTALLATION

ACS Centers are located throughout the Army on 100 installations both CONUS and OCONUS

**ACS and You – Partners in Readiness**