

NETWORK NEWS

UPCOMING EVENTS:

DEC. 05 | A Holistic Approach to Supporting Military Families with Special Needs
11:00 am - 12:00 pm ET

DEC. 06 | Sesame Street Overview on Military Resources
11:00 am - 12:00 pm ET

DEC. 18 | 2018 Personal Finances Year in Review
11:00 am - 12:30 pm ET

JAN. 15 | Tax Cuts & Jobs Act of 2017
11:00 am - 12:30 pm ET

JAN. 16 | How to Better Connect With and Influence Others
11:00 am - 12:30 pm ET

New Webinar Series - Kids Serve Too!

♪“Sunny days, sweeping the clouds away...”♪

For many, seeing the words to the popular Sesame Street theme song elicits memories of childhood. Sesame Workshop has been a large part of early childhood education for decades, with their Sesame Street television show first airing in 1969. Sesame Workshop’s mission is

“to help kids everywhere grow smarter, stronger, and kinder—and are at work in more than 150 countries, using the power of media and our beloved Muppets to meet children’s development needs with critical early education, social impact programs, and a large dose of fun!”

For almost five decades, Sesame Workshop has been instrumental at creating awareness of family issues and advocacy opportunities for families and professionals alike. In addition to the well-known children’s television programming, Sesame Workshop has a large online presence. They have various initiatives covering multiple topics that families with young children may face including healthy routines, grief, talking about finances, community violence, self-expression, diversity, and inclusion. This also includes an initiative known as [Sesame Street for Military Families](#), which focuses on topics specific to military families.

Military Families Learning Network (MFLN) is happy to announce a new collaborative effort with Sesame Street for Military Families entitled Kids Serve Too! , a webinar series designed to support service providers and education professionals who work with military children and families. We’ve planned a five-part webinar series that invites you to explore resources and strategies related to community violence, military relocation, military caregiving, and young children with special needs. We are so excited for this upcoming series and hope you all can join us for a stroll down Sesame Street!

[Sesame Street Overview on Military Resources](#)
December 6, 2018 from 11:00 am – 12:00 pm Eastern

[Safe & Sound: Caring in our Community](#)
January 17, 2019 from 11:00 am – 12:30 pm Eastern

[Home is Where Your Heart Is](#)
April 19, 2019 from 11:00 am – 12:30 pm Eastern

[At Our Best: Caregiving Today](#)
July 10, 2019 from 11:00 am – 12:30 pm Eastern

[Engaged & Extraordinary: Supporting Young Children with Special Needs](#)
November 14, 2019 from 11:00 am – 12:30 pm Eastern



[Series Homepage!](#)

Military Resources!

[Plan My Move](#) creates a custom checklist for your move, filled with information about the tasks you need to complete and how to complete them. Your checklist is tailored to the unique needs that you or your family have.

[Plan My Deployment](#) has tips, resources and articles to help you prepare for all phases of the deployment cycle. Articles are organized by phase, so you’ll see information you need to know about pre-deployment, deployment and reunion and reintegration.

[Military Installations](#) has tools to find special and critical installation information and local community information for your new location.

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Top 10 Military Money Mistakes

It's no surprise that there are certain common mistakes that service members tend to make over and over again. Do you recognize any of the top 10 military money mistakes?...[Find out in this blog post.](#)

Planning for Your Child's Special Needs Transition Through Retirement

The journey of creating a lifetime of continuous care for your son or daughter with a disability is daunting. But it would be less overwhelming if you start early, plan smart and are well-organized. Use the resources and the checklist provided in this post to get started...[read more.](#)

Daily Family Routines are Daily Learning Opportunities for Young Children

When providers discuss routines as contexts for early intervention, parents may wonder, "That sounds strange. Bath times are for bathing! How does that help my child learn?" Infants and toddlers learn by doing everyday things and gradually taking bigger roles in those activities...[read more.](#)

A Strategy to Help Military Caregivers Use Resources/Supports

As a professional, you spend time searching for resources, supports and services to assist military caregivers with hopes what you discover will be helpful to them. You are ecstatic when a caregiver uses a suggested resource and comment on how helpful it was to them. So why is it that some caregivers use suggested resources while other don't?...[read more.](#)

Anchored | Episode 9

Silent Strength: Impacts of Chronic Illness

This podcast will explore common stressors associated with chronic illness, address harmful myths and stigmas associated with individuals and families struggling with chronic illness, and discuss helpful ways to support those affected.

[Listen to this podcast.](#)

Show Up Inspired!



How are You Really Doing? Strategies for Assessing & Reducing Professional Burnout

This episode provides a baseline for helping professionals to assess their own wellness, and provides research-based strategies for preventing and reducing burnout.

[Listen to this podcast.](#)

Money Talk with MFLN Personal Finance

This is a NEW monthly podcast produced by the Personal Finance team of the Military Families Learning Network. In each episode, Dr. Barbara O'Neill and Molly Herndon discuss their project's most recent professional development, personal finance webinar topics.

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