



## Summer Fun and Fitness

### Data

- Blue Star Museums offer military families no-cost admission to museums across the United States between Armed Forces Day and Labor Day.
- The America the Beautiful military pass program gives military personnel and their families no-cost access to more than 2,000 federal recreation sites.

### Additional information

#### American Forces Travel<sup>SM</sup>

<https://www.americanforcetravel.com/>

#### America the Beautiful military pass program

<https://www.nps.gov/playourvisit/passes.htm>

#### Best Kept Secrets: Joint Services Campgrounds and Facilities

<https://www.militaryonesource.mil/recreation-travel-shopping/recreation/best-kept-secrets/>

#### Blue Star Museums

<https://www.arts.gov/initiatives/blue-star-museums>

#### MWR

<http://www.militaryonesource.mil/on-and-off-base-living/recreation-and-travel>

#### DOD MWR Libraries

<https://dodmwrlibraries.org>

### Background

The summer months are traditionally a time for families to enjoy outdoor activities and create lasting memories. And the Defense Department provides unique opportunities for service members and their families to have fun at little or no expense. The Morale, Welfare and Recreation program, supporting installation and DOD programs and partnering with community organizations are committed to connecting service members and military families to activities that suit their interests, locations and schedules.

### Highlights

Military families' opportunities to be active, learn and have fun together in the summer include:

- MWR programs and equipment rental services, including activities for wounded service members and families with special needs
- Joint services campgrounds and facilities
- Installation youth centers
- Local 4-H programs
- Boys & Girls Clubs
- Health and wellness coaching connections through Military OneSource
- Blue Star Museums
- America the Beautiful military pass
- DOD MWR Libraries and the DOD MWR Libraries Summer Reading Program
- Military OneSource and installation personal financial counselors

