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Celebrating 50 Years: ACS Employment Readiness helps equip Army Families for jobs

FORT LEONARD WOOD, Mo. – Job searching can be frustrating and exhausting, but the Employment Readiness Program counselors at Army Community Service are ready to help.

Daniel Danzo, ACS employment counselor, said the Employment Readiness Program serves approximately 1,300 people each year in several different ways.

“With my Employment Readiness Program partner, Karen Hall, we have a combined 43 years of experience as employment and career counselors,” Danzo said. “Our services consist of career counseling, resume preparation, cover letters, interview techniques, job development, the federal resume system, usajobs.gov, understanding how to use veteran’s preference and military spouse preference and understanding Federal hiring eligibilities.”

The program is available for active -duty members, Department of the Army civilian employees, spouses, retirees, surviving spouses and Family members.

Danzo said the best part about his job is having the ability to help people and influence their lives in a positive way.

On Jan. 21, Danzo talked about the Employment Readiness Program to Soldiers getting ready to graduate from Advanced Individual Training.

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Pvt. Seth Odom, Company D, 795th Military Police Battalion, 14th Military Police Brigade, is in the National Guard. He said he learned a lot from Danzo's presentation.

"This program is new to me. I had no idea there are jobs reserved specifically for National Guard Soldiers. I plan on checking out usajobs.gov as soon as possible," Odom said.

To make an appointment call 573.596.0131, ext. 60212 or visit the ACS office in Building 486.

For more information visit www.fortleonardwoodmwr.com/employment_readiness.php.

(Editor's note: This year marks 50 years that Army Community Service has been supporting service members, civilian employees and their Families. In honor of the organization's golden anniversary, the GUIDON is highlighting different ACS programs until their birthday in July.)

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Photo Cutline: Daniel Danzo, ACS employment counselor, discusses services with Family members at a recent Family Day on Fort Leonard Wood.

About Fort Leonard Wood

Fort Leonard Wood is a thriving and prosperous installation that has evolved from a small basic training post 70 years ago to a premier Army Center of Excellence that trains more than 80,000 military and civilians each year.

Home to the Maneuver Support Center of Excellence, Fort Leonard Wood now trains and educates service members and develops doctrine and capabilities for the Training and Doctrine Command's U.S. Army Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear School, U.S. Army Engineer School, and U.S. Army Military Police School, three gender integrated Initial Military Training brigades, and the Army's largest Noncommissioned Officers Academy.

Over the past several years, Fort Leonard Wood has received numerous additional responsibilities to include supporting the 4th Maneuver Enhancement Brigade, a large Forces Command unit that is responsible for all deployable capabilities at Fort Leonard Wood. A colonel-commanded Marine Corps Detachment and an Air Force Detachment, which are both the largest on any Army installation, are located on Fort Leonard Wood; a large Navy Seabee Detachment and elements of the Coast Guard train here as well.
