

National Military Family Association

The National Military Family Association was founded by Volunteers, is governed by Volunteers, and continues to rely on the enormous contributions of its Volunteers.

The Volunteer Corps provides organizational strength and expands the Association's resources. Members of the Volunteer Corps provide valuable input to Association leadership and staff by reporting on local issues and concerns. The Volunteer Corps is composed of Volunteers and Representatives who support the mission of the Association and help to expand and maintain the credibility of the organization.

The Volunteer Corps serves the Association, the families of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, Coast Guard, and the Commissioned Corps of the Public Health Service and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

There are many different ways you can volunteer with the Association!

Information Resource Tables and Outreach

Volunteers attend events on behalf of the Association to provide information, and to introduce and promote the Association to attendees. Educational, informational and resource materials - such as Association newsletters, Fact Sheets, Military Spouse Education Guides, Operation Purple brochures, current Award program information, giveaways, etc. - are provided to distribute freely.

Representative

These specialized Volunteers serve as liaisons between the Association and their communities, and work with organization and community leaders. Representatives report findings and outcomes to the Association. They build their area teams by recruiting, training, and supporting new volunteers, working closely with Regional Field Coordinators.

Writing and Editing

Volunteers with a background in writing, journalism or degrees in English may write and edit for Association publications - such as The Voice newsletter, Staying Connected, and the Association website. Guidelines are given to ensure the style and tone of the Association remains consistent.

Visual Arts

Volunteers with a background in photography or video may be asked to assist in taking photos or videos of various subjects or locations, on an individual basis or at an event. These Volunteers are required to have their own equipment.

Special Projects

Volunteers may be asked to participate in special projects requested by a particular department at Headquarters. This may be in cooperation with another non-profit, military or research organization, or

may be conducted within the Association itself - such as grant writing, Web site support, surveys, research, and so on.

Award Judging

Volunteers may assist in the review and judging of applications and essays for the various Association sponsored Awards and Fellowships. Volunteers will be given specific directions and criteria to use during the judging process. Experience with reviewing personnel reports, MS Word and Excel, and email are recommended.

Standing, Special, or Advisory Committees

Volunteers may be requested to serve on specialized committees within the Association. The input, contributions, experience, and expertise of the Volunteers, as well as their personal contacts within various communities, help strengthen and build supportive networks for the Association.

Virtual Volunteer

Volunteers with Internet access may monitor, review, test, and so on various Web sites, blogs and forums. This may be performed under the guidance of other Departments and assigned to specific projects such as the Association Web site development or to monitor and review military community blogs and forums for GR and YI. As instructed, they may report their findings back to the Association and redirect others to accurate information and resources, if requested.

If you are interested in serving as a Volunteer for the National Military Family Association please join at www.MilitaryFamily.org/Volunteer.