



Military Saves Campaign

Peterson AFB, CO

Calendar of Events

<https://www.21fss.com/about/airman-family-readiness/personal-financial-readiness/>

Military Saves Week (#MSW2017) is Feb. 27-Mar. 4! Join Peterson AFB Airman & Family Readiness Center (A&FRC) for the Military Saves Week Kick-Off event and classes (listed below). All events are **FREE** and open to those with base access. For more information about these Financial Readiness Classes or to schedule an appointment with a Financial Counselor contact Peterson AFB A&FRC at (719) 556-6141. To learn more about Military Saves Week visit militarysaves.org.

Military Youth Saves Day

Not sure how to talk to your kids about money? To help you get started, we are bringing financial literacy to your children. This program is designed to encourage kids and teens to develop good savings habits at a young age, and get the financial conversations started. You have the power to turn your kids into savers! **Monday, 27 Feb 0900-1100 (CDC) and 1600-1700 (Youth Center).**

FUNancial Fair

Finances, Food & Fun! And it's all FREE! That's what this "kickoff" event for Military Saves Week (#MSW2017) is all about. It is an opportunity for all those affiliated with the military: servicemembers, civilians, contractors and their families to learn more about resources, visit with financial vendors, get more information on upcoming workshops, and learn about financial readiness in a fun way. Join us as our Wing Commander reads the #MSW2017 proclamation and shares a few words of wisdom. **Tue, 28 Feb, 1100-1400, at The Club Ballroom.**

Preparing for Aging Parents

Caring for aging parents is more complicated than in past generations. Medicine is helping us to live longer but in greater states of debility as we age. So, how do you help mom and dad who want to stay in their own home but it's obvious they are not taking good care of themselves, what are your options? Who will pay for the help when Mom and Dad have limited assets and they want to pass those assets on to their children and grandchildren? What can be done legally to help mom and dad with their finances? How do you deal with the guilt of balancing your work demands with time commitments of getting mom and dad to appointments and other errands for them? This presentation will answer all those questions and more. We will talk about Medical, legal, housing and financial questions most common to caring for older parents. **Wed, 1 Mar, 0900-1030, at A&FRC. RSVP Required.**

Commissary Savings/Healthy Foods Tour

When it comes to saving money, the Commissary can play a crucial role in helping you stretch every dollar you spend on groceries, and stick to a budget. Come check us out for a tour that is sure to enlighten you. From Produce to Meat, and then onto semi-perishable groceries you'll gain a healthy understanding of Commissary goods and the savings you have earned; Your Commissary - It's Worth the Trip! **Wed, 1 Mar, 1000-1100, at Commissary.**
RSVP Required.

Do's & Don't of Car Buying

Buying a car is the second largest purchase most people will make in their lifetime. It can be frustrating and complex, and can waste time, cause unnecessary stress, and cost more than it needs to. We want to educate consumers, whether it is their first car or tenth, on what to do and what not to do. Take the guesswork out of car buying. Whether it's finding the right car for you, estimating what you can afford, cost of insurance, or finding the best deal, we've got you covered with practical advice and tips. Join us to brush up on these car buying dos and don'ts so you don't end up with buyer's remorse.

Wed, 1 Mar, 1730-1800, at Cyber Café.

Investing 101

“Saving” and “investing” might sound like the same thing, but they’re not. It’s important to know the difference between these two terms so you can plan for them correctly. In this course, we will cover key terms and then talk about the difference between saving and investing money, different types of savings accounts, the basics of investing, and various investment options such as 401(k), IRA, and Thrift Savings Plan. This class highlights why you use different products to meet life goals, and gives you a list of helpful resources.

Thu, 2 Mar 0900-1000, at A&FRC. RSVP Required.

Blended Retirement System (BRS)

Got questions about the new Blended Retirement System? We've got the info you need! On Jan. 1, 2018 the Department of Defense is moving to a new retirement system. Now is the time to take a closer look at what retirement option is best for you. Learn what you need to know by attending the Blended Retirement System (BRS) class during Military Saves Week and get the facts you need to make an educated decision. Retirement may seem so far away that it's not even on your radar. But if you're eligible for the new Blended Retirement System launching next year, now is the time to zero in on your retirement planning. Smart decisions today make for bright financial futures.

Fri, 3 Mar 0900-1000, at A&FRC. RSVP Required.

Military Youth \$aves Poster Contest

We will be hosting a poster contest for ALL school age children of families with base access for Military Saves Week 27 Feb-Mar 4. For more information, call 556-8854 or go to our [website](#). **Posters due NLT 6 Mar, 1600 to A&FRC.**

“Wall of \$avers”

Ever wanted to be on Wall of Fame. Well, we have one at the A&FRC. Join us on the “Wall of Savers” which shows your commitment and participation to save, pay down debt, and build wealth. Get your families involved too. We will display ALL the “*I'm saving for*” mini-posters of those who have made their pledges and are participating in the #MSW2017 Campaign. Help us show that everyone at #PAFBsaves2017! **27 Feb-Mar 4, at A&FRC**

Social Media Contest

Win \$200! We're taking financial literacy to a whole new level! Join us for a social media contest where you can interact, engage and share what you're learning at #PAFBsaves2017 during #MSW2017. **27 Feb-Mar 4, 21FSS Social Media**

Unit Competition

Are you committed to financial readiness? Earn bragging rights! During Military Saves Week (#MSW2017), this base-wide unit competition is a great opportunity for organizations to show their teamwork and lead by example to help spread the *Military Saves* message. Make a commitment to yourself to save money, reduce debt, and build wealth over time; and earn bragging rights as the unit with the most commitment to “financial readiness”. All you have to do is submit the most *Saver Pledges*. Unit representatives are actively involved to ensure 100% unit contact will be accomplished during the week. They will collect pledges and encourage participation in #MSW2017 events. If your unit does not have a representative, it's not too late. Please call Patricia Maxwell at 556-8854. **Competition goes through 7 Mar.**