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Fort George G. Meade Community Council

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Our mission is to enable critical national security missions by providing our customers and community the facilities and infrastructure they require, the quality of life they deserve, and a safe, secure environment in which to work and live.

We are the Army's Home



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Issues from last Community Council meeting

Issue	Response/Plan	Status
The crosswalk near Mapes and Zimbrowski near the DINFOS shoppette needs painted and better signage.	DPW approved painting on Tuesday. Painting should be complete by the end of next week (weather depending)	Open
The lines on the road near Mapes and Cooper need painted.	See above	Open
Kimbrough needs a priority ride shuttle option for patients who want to be picked up at Kimbrough instead of the PX parking lot for convenience and safety.		Open
There are conflicting policies (Picerne and Garrison) regarding the age children can be left unattended.	The Resident Responsibility Guide is currently being reviewed and updated. The updated version will reflect the post policy. In cases where there is conflict, state and local laws will supersede housing policies.	Open



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Issues from last Community Council meeting

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Building T4 has an issue when it rains, the building leaks; there may be a problem with mold under the carpet.	A temporary building with major repairs needed. DPW has received the request for repairs and will include it on their next PBAC for funding.	Open
There is a problem with the effectiveness of HVAC system at Cavalry Chapel.	DPW sent a team to evaluate the system. The problem appeared to be error messages on the controls were not corrected each time. HVAC technicians are following up on the needed corrections.	Open



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Upcoming events



- **10:** Veterans' Day observance
- **11:** LOL Comedy Tour
- **11-14:** Veterans Day weekend
- **12:** Turkey Trot Run
- **13:** German/Italian wreath laying ceremony
- **16:** Native American heritage observance
- **16:** Veterans' job fair
- **24:** Thanksgiving meals at Freedom Inn and Club Meade
- **24-27:** Thanksgiving weekend
- **30:** Community town hall



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Upcoming events



- **1:** Army-Navy blood drive
- **2:** Installation tree lighting
- **7:** Installation holiday concert by the U.S. Army Field Band
- **8:** Installation Army-Navy game
- **10:** Reindeer Run
- **Dec. 19 to Jan. 2:** Holiday season minimum manning
- **31:** New Year's Eve events at the Bowling Center and Club Meade



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Upcoming events



- **12:** Martin Luther King, Jr. observance
- **13-16:** Martin Luther King, Jr. weekend
- **26:** Community Council
- **26:** Right Arm Night
- **30:** Tax Center ribbon cutting



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Directorate of Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation

- **Turkey Trot (5K Run/Walk)**
 - Saturday, Nov. 12, 8 a.m. at Murphy Field House
 - The event is open to the public.
 - Pre-registration online fees: \$10 per person, \$25 per family/group (3-6) or \$50 per group (7-10)
 - Race day registration fees: \$15 per person or \$40 per family/group (3-6). Group registration will pay a per person fee.
 - Register online at www.ftmeademwr.com or the morning of event from 7 to 7:50 a.m.
 - For more information, call 301-677-7916.



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Directorate of Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation

- **Holiday concert: The U.S. Army Field Band**
 - Annual Sound the Bells! Concert Band and Soldiers Chorus
 - Wednesday, Dec. 7 at 7 p.m.
 - Fort Meade High School auditorium
 - The event is open to the public and free of charge.
 - For more information, call 301-677-7785 or 301-677-3981.



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Directorate of Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation

- **Army-Navy game**
 - Thursday, Dec. 8 (rain or shine) from 3 to 6 p.m. at Mullins Field
 - The tailgate party is sponsored by West County Chamber of Commerce, Military Affairs.
 - Tailgate party starts at 3 p.m.
 - Game starts at 4 p.m.
 - The event is open to the public and free of charge.



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Directorate of Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation

- **Reindeer Run (5K Run/Walk)**
 - Saturday, Dec. 10, 8 a.m. at Murphy Field House
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- **Laugh Out Loud Comedy Tour**
 - Nov. 11 from 8 to 10 p.m. at Club Meade
 - Featuring Danny Cho (Mad TV), “A Pair of Nuts” (Emmy Award winners seen on VH1, Carson Daly and BET) and Cerrome (BET’s “Hell Date”)
 - Tickets are \$5 and available at LTS, Club Meade or online at ftmeademwr.com.
 - Tickets are \$8 at the door.
 - Call 301-677-6969 for more information.
 - Latin Dance Night will follow until 1 a.m.



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Directorate of Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation

- **Thanksgiving Day buffet**
 - Nov. 24 at Club Meade
 - Seating times: Noon to 2 p.m. or 3 to 5 p.m.
 - Prices
 - Children 3 and under: Free
 - Children 4 to 10 years old: ½ price
 - Members: \$21.95
 - Non-members: \$23.95
 - Reservations are recommended; the event sells out.
 - Call 301-677-6969 for more information.



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Directorate of Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation

- **The 11th Frame Lounge, The Lanes**
 - Karaoke
 - Every third Thursday from 7 to 10 p.m. starting Nov. 17
 - NFL Sunday Ticket
 - Watch your favorite team.
 - All games are available.
 - WiFi
 - Follow your fantasy league teams while you watch.



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Directorate of Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation

- **Military Family Appreciation Day**
 - Thursday, Nov. 17 from 3 to 6 p.m. at the Bowling Center
 - Free food and bowling
 - Baltimore Zoo is participating with small animals.
 - Lots of fun, activities, giveaways and prizes



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Directorate of Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation

- **Holiday assistance program**
 - Nominations must be submitted by Nov. 19.
 - Commissary food drive will be held Nov. 19.
 - Food will be distributed to families on Nov. 22.
 - Call 301-677-5590 for more information.
- **Adopt an Angel**
 - Tags are available from trees at the Post Exchange, Fort Meade Credit Union and Main Chapel from Nov. 19 to Dec. 15.
 - Drop-off unwrapped gifts at the Main PX customer service or the Community Readiness Center.
 - Families will start receiving gifts.



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Directorate of Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation

- **Hearts Apart for awaiting families**
 - Nov. 16 from 3:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Community Readiness Center
 - Gobblefest Potluck
 - Bring a dish and enjoy dinner with other families.
 - Learn smart money saving tips for the holidays.
 - Crafts for the kids
 - Call 301-677-5590 or 301-677-9017 to register.



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Directorate of Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation

- **DoD fee policy for CYS Services programs**
 - Standardization of fees for all Army installations
 - Second year of three year phase of fee changes
 - Fees are based on total family income
 - Increases most fees \$4 to \$8 per week (Childcare)
 - Multiple children: 15% discount for the second child
 - Wounded Warriors, Warriors in Transition and families of fallen Soldiers pay the lowest fee category available.
 - 20% fee reduction for families while a parent is deployed
 - Sports fees remain the same as last year (decrease).
 - Coaches' discounts or free registration are available.
 - Effective Dec. 1



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Directorate of Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation

- **Children holiday party**
 - Saturday, Dec. 3 from 1 to 5 p.m. at the Youth Center
 - Co-sponsored by the Enlisted Spouses' Club
 - The event is free and open to all ages and services.
 - Children and parents are welcome.
 - Holiday festive activities will include Santa and refreshments.
- **Breakfast with Santa Claus**
 - Saturday, Dec. 10 at the Courses golf clubhouse
 - Two seatings: 8 and 10:30 a.m.
 - Tickets will go on sale Nov. 14 on a first-come, first-serve basis.
 - 11 years and older, \$11.50; 5 to 10 years old, \$7; all others are free



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- **CYS Services winter basketball**
 - Registration is open until Dec. 23.
 - Ages 3 to 15 years old
 - Call Parent Central Services at 301-677-1149 or 301-677-1156.
 - Download registration and physical forms at www.ftmeademwr.com.
- **U.S. Army Festival of the Arts**
 - Five Fort Meade contestants placed (1st, 2nd and 3rd)
 - BOSS and youth Army-wide award winners



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Religious Support Office

- **Fort Meade holiday religious services and activities**
 - Nov. 1, 2011 to Jan. 1, 2012
 - Refer to handout or visit <http://www.ftmeade.army.mil/pages/chapel/chapel.html>
- **Annual tree lighting ceremony**
 - Dec. 2 at 5 p.m. on McGlachlin Parade Field near the gazebo
 - Inclement weather location: Main Post Chapel, Building 4419



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Directorate of Human Resources

- **Army vs. Navy blood drive**
 - Thursday, Dec. 1 from noon to 6 p.m. at McGill Training Center, classroom 6
 - The blood drive is open to all eligible donors.
- **New hours for CAC/ID cards**
 - 1st Saturday of each month from 8 a.m. to noon beginning Jan. 7 at Building 2234 Huber Road



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Directorate of Public Works

- New construction projects
- Thermal roofing

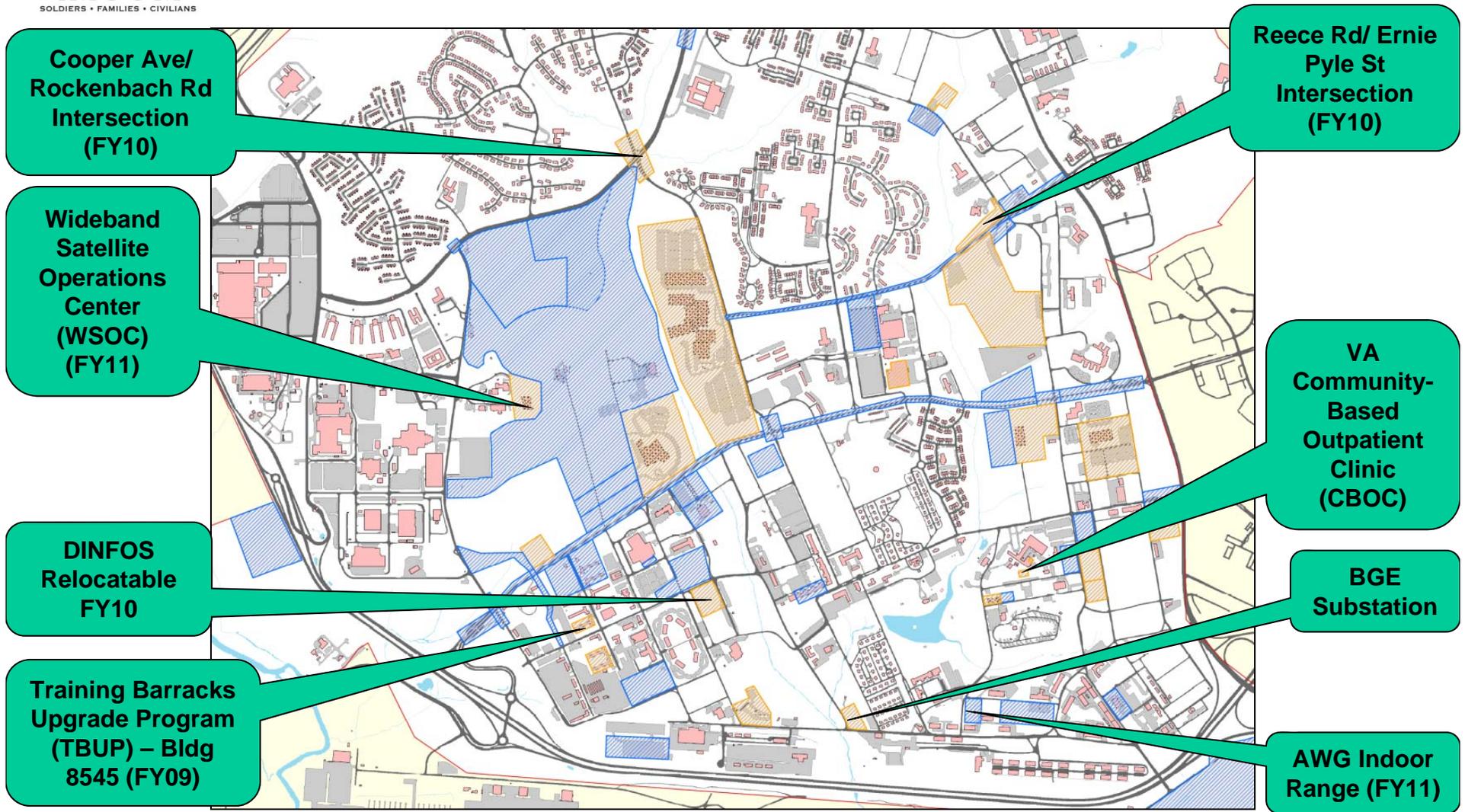


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Ongoing construction projects



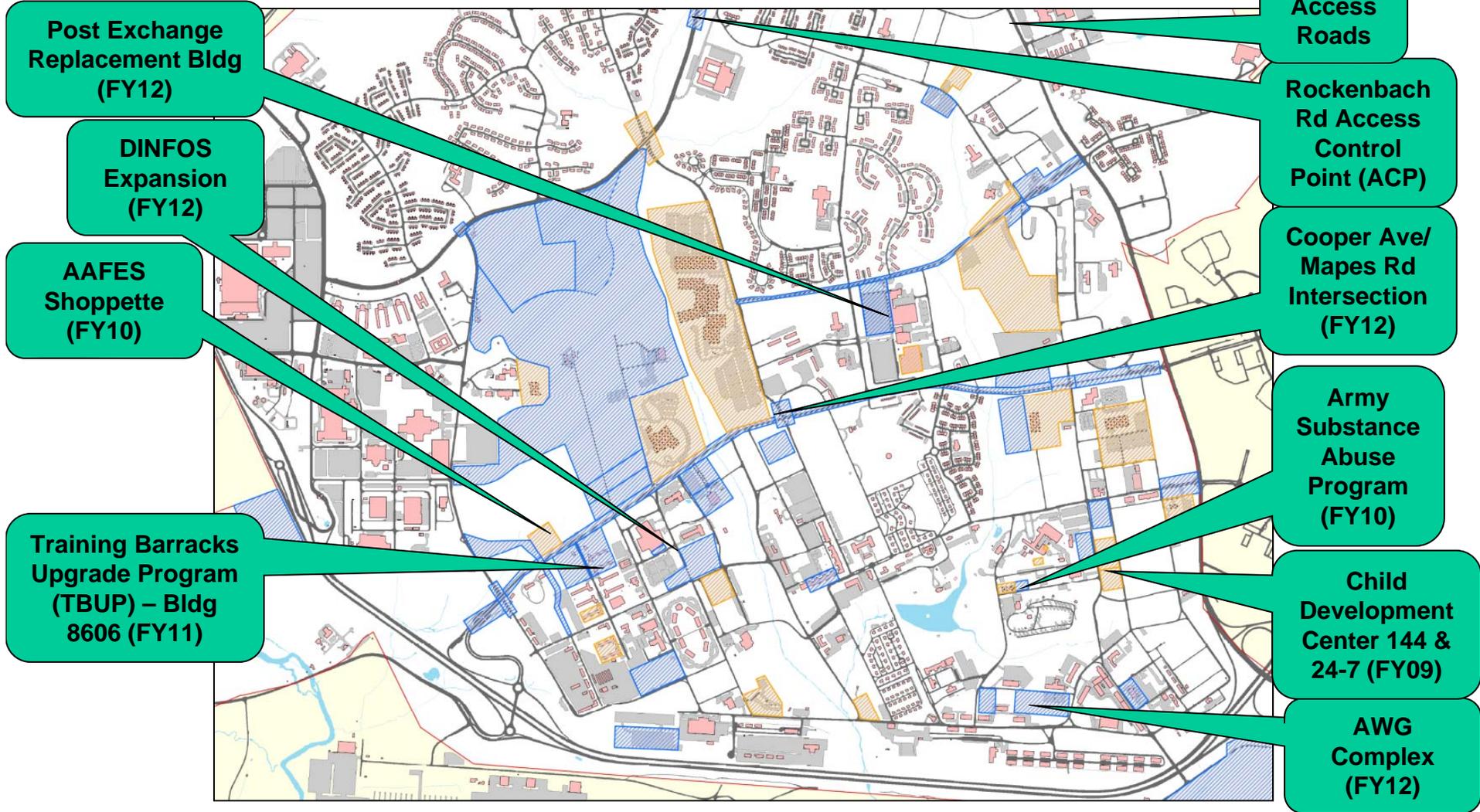


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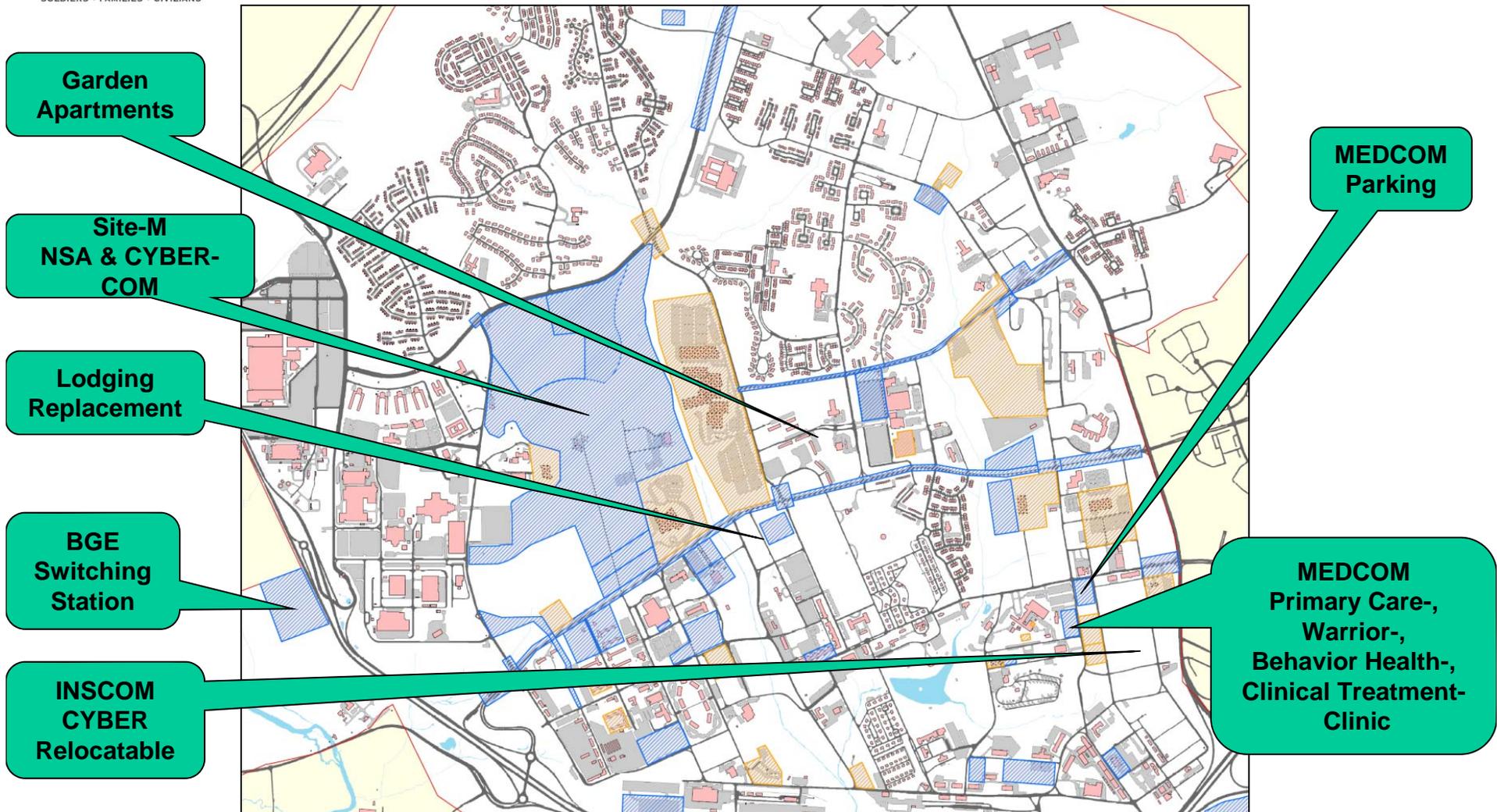
Construction projects under design



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Construction projects (Site selection)





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Directorate of Public Works

- DINFOS site work: On-going
- Heritage Walk: On-going
- ASAP modular office space: On-going
- Rockenbach Rd. and Cooper Ave.
intersection improvements: On-going



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Directorate of Public Works Cooper Avenue project

Issue

- Sidewalk on Cooper Avenue ends with no crosswalk to DISA and no entrance to housing



The way ahead

- Currently evaluating sidewalk addition to Potomac Place entrance





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Directorate of Public Works

- Solar thermal roof at gym
 - Completion date: February 2012
 - Supplement hot water and HVAC systems
 - Completion date: November 2011
 - Reduces:
 - Monthly energy costs by \$7,000
 - Peak electrical load demand
 - Green house gases



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Housing

- Events
 - December in the City
- Roadway improvements
- Meuse Forest Neighborhood Center upgrade



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Installation Safety Office

- Holiday safety (Publicity and support)
 - Thanksgiving
 - Christmas
- Hazard reporting
- Increased fines to combat speeding



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Directorate of Emergency Services

- **Police Services Division**
 - Reporting crimes
 - Crime prevention
 - Holiday safety tips



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Directorate of Emergency Services

- **Fire and Emergency Services Division**
 - Portable heaters
 - Fireplaces
 - Holiday safety tips



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Kimbrough Ambulatory Care Center

- Patient / Family Centered Care
 - Improving the delivery of healthcare, customer service and patient satisfaction
 - Patient / Family Advisory Council meets the third Thursday of each month at 3 p.m. at KACC in the main conference room on the third floor
 - Army Patient Satisfaction Surveys
 - Improve the quality of healthcare



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USO Fort Meade Holiday programs

- **Turkeys for Troops**
 - Distribution will be Nov. 16-17 from 4 to 7 p.m. at USO Fort Meade Center.
- **Project USO Elf**
 - Distribution will be Dec. 14 from 4 to 7 p.m. at McGill Training Center.
- **Health Net Celebration of Children (Saturday, Dec. 3)**
 - USO partners with Health Net to host the event at Fort Myer with games, crafts, prizes, food and a visit from Santa.
 - Children will be bussed from USO Fort Meade to Fort Myer.



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USO Fort Meade Holiday programs

- **BAE Christmas tree giveaway (Saturday, Dec. 3)**
 - Smokey Glenn Park, Gaithersburg, Md.
- **Holiday Hotel**
 - Free hotel stay for the family of service members who cannot go home for holiday
 - Three night maximum stay between Dec. 20 to Dec. 30
 - Limited to E6 and below
 - Registration deadline is Dec. 13.



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USO Fort Meade

- **Center programming (7007 A Baker Street)**
 - 410-305-0660
 - POCs: Queen Waddell, coordinator (queen@usometro.org) Pam Horton, airport services and Fort Meade operations manager (pamela@usometro.org)
 - Mondays to Fridays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
 - Free WiFi, snack bar, coffee, video library and computer lab



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USO Fort Meade

- **Ticketline**
 - Free tickets to area concerts, sporting events and plays
 - Register to join e-mail distribution at <http://usometrotickets.eventbrite.com>
- **United Through Reading**
 - Deploying service members read a book to their child or loved one. USO mails the book and DVD to the family.



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USO Fort Meade

- **Emergency housing**
 - 25 furnished apartments for active duty service members and their families
 - Stay up to 60 days for free
 - USO-Metro works with command
- **Food pantry**
 - Open to all active duty and their families



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Equal Opportunity Office

- **American Indian Heritage Month Observance**
 - Nov. 16 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at McGlachlin Parade Field
 - Inclement weather location: McGill Training Center, 8452 Zimborski Road
 - Theme: "Service, honor, respect: Strengthening our cultures and communities"
 - Explore the American Indian living history and culture through demonstrations, storytelling and cultural dances
 - American Indian cultural items and teepees will be on display. Cultural food samples will be provided.
 - The event is free and open to the entire community .
 - Hosted by the FGGM USAMEDDAC - Warrior Transition Unit



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Public Affairs Office

- Army-Navy football game tailgate
- Community town hall
 - Nov. 30 at 6 p.m. at McGill Training Center in the ballroom
- SoundOff housing distribution



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Public Affairs Office Smart phone enhanced website



- No download required
- Just visit Fort Meade website (www.ftmeade.army.mil)



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Public Affairs Office Fort Meade text alerts



- Text “follow ftmeadealert” without quotations marks to 40404
- Receive texts messages about changes to operating status
- Standard text messaging rates apply



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**Garrison Commander
Col. Edward Rothstein**