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Fort George G. Meade Community Council

November 21, 2013

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
When are the homes in Potomac Place that were burned in the spring be demolished	The homes are expected to be demolished NLT Spring 2014	Closed
Can a shuttle bus be located at the Visitors' Center.	The new pickup location for the shuttle is at Burger King: pick up is at 6 , 8 and 10 a.m. AND 2 and 4 p.m.	Closed
How does the community learn about events on the installation	The events are posted and updated on the calendar on www.ftmeade.army.mil . These slides are also posted on the Web directly after this meeting	Closed
Why did we close the Mapes/175 gate and what are you doing to ensure security	Mapes Gate was closed due to our inability to maintain appropriate number of gates to keep all gates open. We are working with partner commanders and leadership to get more guards – will reopen once we get 80 percent of guard strength.	Closed



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Issues from last Community Council meeting

Issue	Response/Plan	Status
What is the status of potholes on the installation	We have been continuing to find and fix pot holes. If you find any dangerous pot holes please report it to the Fort Meade Safety Office at 301-677-2396.	Ongoing
Will the new post exchange have a P-Extra	Yes. You can also go to shopmyexchange.com .	Closed
Will the Speed Limit on Rockenbach be changed	Coming on to post, it is 25 MPH until you get to the pop up barrier. Then it is 45 from that location to NSA. Going off post it is 25 through the gate, then it increases back up to county speed limit.	Closed



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INSTALLATION CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

NOVEMBER

- 23 Nov: Run Series: Turkey Trot
- 28 Nov: Thanksgiving Feasting (DFAC & Club Meade)
- 28 Nov – 1 Dec: Thanksgiving Weekend

November 2013						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

Native American Heritage Month
Military Family Appreciation Month
Warrior Care Month



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INSTALLATION CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

DECEMBER

- 4 Dec: TUSAFB Holiday Concert
- 5 Dec: Monthly Prayer Breakfast
- 5 Dec: Installation Army- Navy Football Game and Tailgate
- 13 Dec: Holiday Tree Lighting Celebration
- 14 Dec: Run Series: Reindeer Run
- 31 Dec: NYE at the Lanes

December 2013						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				



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INSTALLATION CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

JANUARY

- 1 Jan: New Year's Day (Federal Holiday)
- 9 Jan: Monthly Prayer
- 16 Jan: Martin Luther King, Jr Observance
- 17-20 Jan: Martin Luther King, Jr Holiday Weekend
- **30 Jan: Community Council**

January 2014						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	



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Directorate of Family and Morale, Welfare and Recreation (DFMWR)

- Initiative Status Report
- Business Operations Division
- Child, Youth and School Services
- Community Recreation
- Army Community Services



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DFMWR – BOD

- **Thanksgiving Buffet**

28 Nov. at Club Meade. Join us for a traditional Thanksgiving Day dinner. Leave the cooking & CLEANING to us. 1st seating 11a.m. – 1p.m., 2nd Seating 2 – 4 p.m. Non-members \$25.95, members \$21.95. Call 301– 677– 4333 to make reservations.

- **New Year's at the Lanes**

Includes lane rental for 6, One large one topping pizza, popcorn pitcher of soda, sparkling cider or champagne (Prime Time), shoe rental, party favors, games and more. \$75 Family Party 5 – 8 p.m., \$100 Prime Time 9 p.m. – 1 a.m. (Families Welcome). Call 301 – 677 – 5541 to make reservations.

Visit FTMEADEMWR.COM For More Details



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DFMWR – BOD

- **Healthy Base Initiative**

- Fort Meade is 1 of 14 military installations (DoD wide) chosen to participate in the Healthy Base Initiative (HBI) pilot project
- Part of Operation Live Well and its Vision is “A system and culture that improves readiness while lowering cost by reducing obesity and tobacco use”.
- HBI team conducted assessment and is developing action plans based on installations needs and or opportunities



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DFMWR – CYSS

- **Enlisted Spouses Club Holiday Party**
 - Dec. 7
 - Noon – 5 p.m. at Youth Center Bldg 909
 - Event is free and open to the Meade Community
- **CYS Services Breakfast with Santa**
 - Dec. 14, 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. at the Conference Center
 - \$ 8 - per youth; *ages four to 10*
 - \$ 15 - per person; *ages 11 and older*
 - Free; three and under*
 - Admission includes brunch buffet meal. Tickets on sale at Youth Center starting 25 Nov.*



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DFMWR – CRD

- **Turkey Trot and Reindeer Run**
 - 5K run/1 Mile Walk
 - Nov 23 & Dec14, 8 a.m. at Murphy Field House
 - Pre-registration online fees are \$15 per person, \$45 per family/group (3-6) or \$75 per group (7-10)
 - Race day registration fees are \$ 25 per person, \$65 per family/group (3-6)
 - Register online at www.allsportcentral.com and the day of the event from 7 to 7:50 a.m.
 - For more information, call 301-677-7916



DFMWR – CRD

- **Holiday Concert: The U.S. Army Field Band**
 - Annual Sound the Bells! Concert Band & Soldiers Chorus
 - Dec 4 at 7 p.m.
 - Fort Meade High School Auditorium
 - Event is open to the public and free of charge
 - For more information, call 301-677-7785/3981

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DFMWR – CRD



DFMWR – ACS

Call 301-677-5590 to register

- **EFMP Joint Service Children’s Holiday Party**
 - Dec 10, 4:30 – 6:30, Potomac Place Neighborhood Center
 - POCs Anita Hendrix/Theresa Strawhecker
- **Employment Readiness Classes**
 - Resume Workshop, Dec 3, 9 a.m. - noon, ACS
 - 10 Steps to a Federal Job, 10 Dec, 9 a.m. - noon, ACS
- **Financial Readiness Classes**
 - Dollars and Sense, Dec 3, 1 p.m. 3 p.m., ACS
 - TSP, Dec 10, 10 - 11 a.m., ACS



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DFMWR – ACS

Call 301-677-5590 to register

- **Sponsorship Training**

- 2nd Thu of each month, 9 – 10 a.m., ACS

- **Family Advocacy Classes**

- Empowering Parents of Teens, 1st and 3rd Mon, 5 – 6 p.m. Potomac Place Neighborhood Center (PPNC)
- Bully Proofing Support Group for parents of school age children, 2nd and 4th Mon, 4 – 5 p.m., PPNC
- Mom's Support Group (birth to 3 years), Every Thu, 9:30 – 10:30 a.m., PPNC



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Fleet and Family Support Center **Ribbon Cutting Ceremony and Open House** **2212 Chisholm Ave**

Ceremony begins 1130 and Open House 11:30 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Classes:

26 Nov – Job Search Strategies, 9 a.m. - noon

02 Dec – Stress Management, 9 – 11 a.m.

06 Dec – Parenting Class, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Topic: Helping Emotionally Intense Situations

12 Dec – Anger Management 9 – 11 a.m.

13 Dec – Building Healthy Relationships, 9 – 11 a.m.



RELIGIOUS SUPPORT OFFICE

Annual Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony

- Friday, December 13, 5 p.m. Open to the Public
- McGlachlin Parade Field (near the Gazebo), English Avenue
- Featuring The U.S. Army Field Band Federal Brass Quintet, Sing-along with the Fort Meade Community Cub, Boy and Girl Scouts
- Visit with Santa
- Festive Refreshments
- For more information, call 301-677-6703



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- **Mapes/Cooper Intersection**
- **Reece Crossings Apartments**
- **Privatized Lodging**
- **Rockenbach ACP**
- **Child Development Centers**
- **AAFES & Shoppette**





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External Roadway Projects – SHA

Unfunded Projects:

➤ Interchanges

1 MD 175/MD 295 Interchange

2 MD 32 to MD 198 Flyover

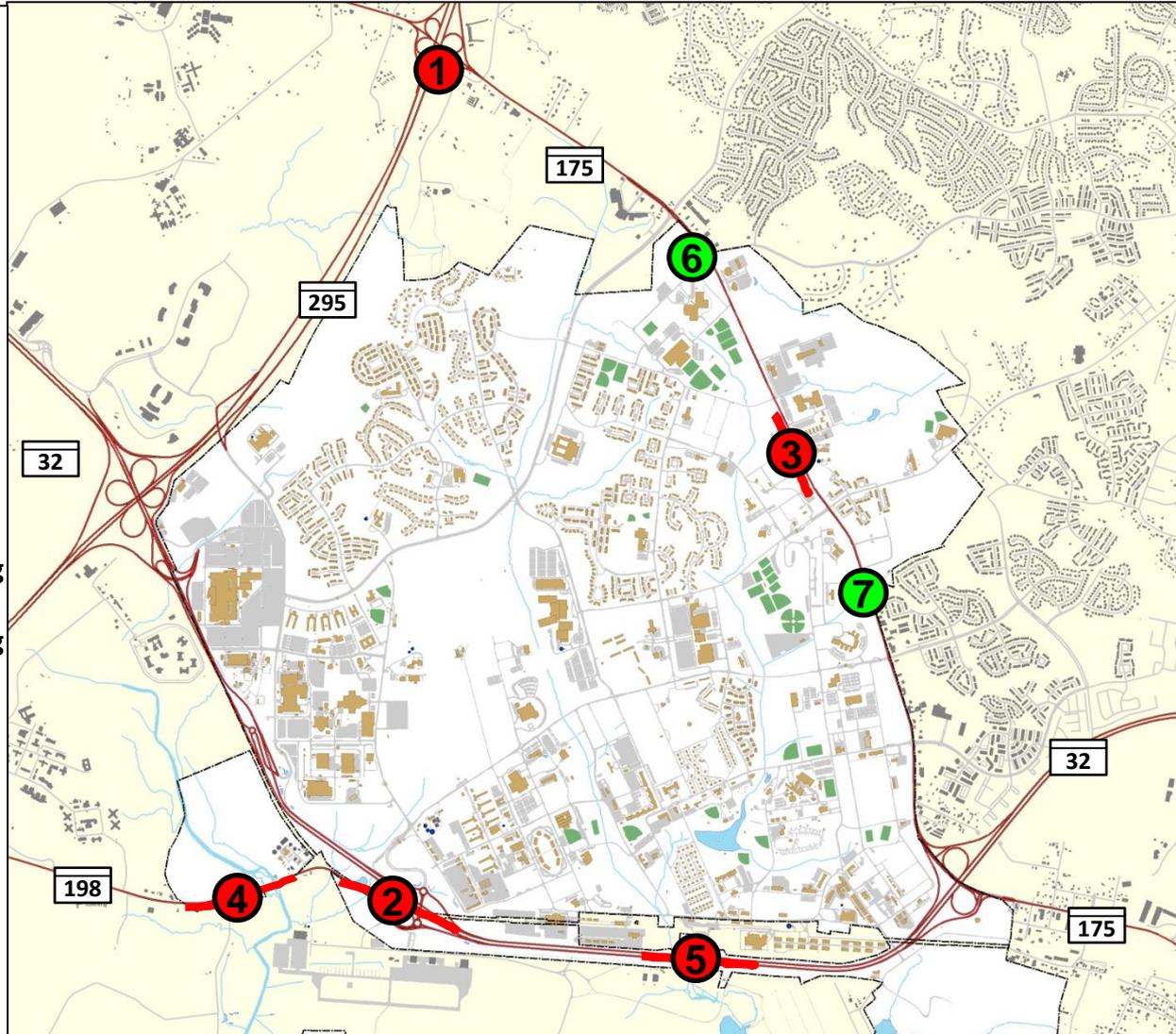
➤ Road Widening

MD 175 Widening

3 MD 198 Widening

4 MD 32 Widening

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Funded Projects:

➤ Intersection Improvements:

6 Rockenbach Rd/MD 175 & Disney Rd/MD 175 (underway, completion DEC '13)

7 Reece Rd/MD 175 & Mapes Rd/MD 175 (construction begins 2016)



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FGGM 2013 SNOW REMOVAL PLAN (DPW)

Objective: Clear snow and ice from surfaces within allotted time to ensure treated surfaces are safe and passable for pedestrian and vehicular traffic in support of FGGM's operations

Three Priority Levels:

1. Primary roads and emergency access areas –accessible at all times.
2. Secondary roads, parking areas, walkways, and building entrances – cleared within (6) hours after the end of precipitation.
3. Tertiary roads, parking areas, storm water management structures and traffic safety –Completed within 12 hours after the end of precipitation.



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Housing

- Update your email address
- Preventative maintenance services
- Curbside bulk trash service
- Reporting power outages
- Winter snow removal
- Events
 - Holiday Decorating
 - Tis the Season



AAFES: Facility Projects

- Meade Shopping center
 - *Time Line- Grand Opening Summer 2014
 - *Retail, Food, and Concessions
- Gate 32 Express
 - *Time Line – Grand Opening February 2014
 - *Retail, Arby's, and Pizza/delivery Service
- NSA Subway
 - * Time Line- January 2014
- Kimbrough Subway- January 2014



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AAFES: Shopping Center





AAFES: Events

- November 29th... Black Friday 4 a.m.
- December 2nd... Cyber Monday
- December 9th... Monday Madness 25/50/75%
- December 10th... Men's shopping night 6 to 8 p.m.
- December 14th... Michaels Korr event
- December 17th... Shop for Her 6 to 8 p.m.
- Exchange Holiday Sweepstakes Nov. 8-21st
- December 24th... 6 to 8 p.m.
- 24 Hour Express: weekly/monthly drawings



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COMMISSARY

- SCHOLARSHIP FOR MILITARY CHILDREN PROGRAM.
- HEALTHY BASE INITIATIVE (HBI)



Installation Safety Office

- **Autumn Safety Campaign**
- **Holiday Safety Campaign**

- **Hazard Reporting**

(301 677 2396) or visit our web site

<http://www.ftmeade.army.mil/pages/safety/index.html>



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Directorate of Emergency Services

- Tax Season
- Federal Trade Commission
- Identity Theft



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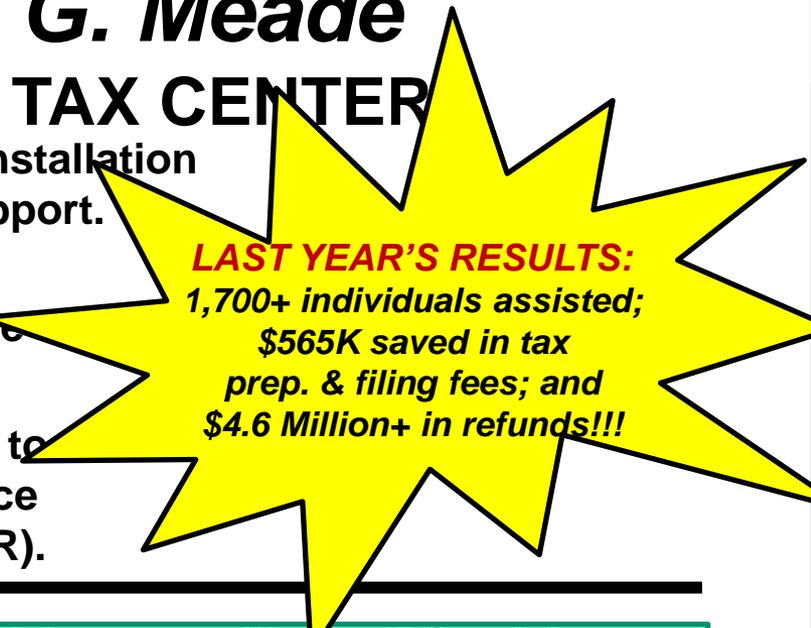
-- CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS --

The Fort George G. Meade **JOINT INSTALLATION TAX CENTER**

TASK: Conduct the Fort George G. Meade Joint Installation Tax Center (JITC) with community and partner support.

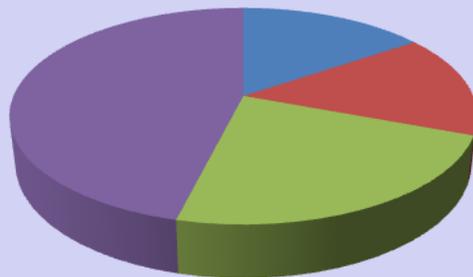
PURPOSE: Ensure servicemembers, retirees and dependants receive **FREE** federal and state income tax return preparation services on Fort Meade.

REQUESTED COMMUNITY SUPPORT: Volunteers to work part-time or full-time as tax preparers or office administrators for the tax season (2 JAN to 30 APR).



LAST YEAR'S RESULTS:
1,700+ individuals assisted;
\$565K saved in tax prep. & filing fees; and
\$4.6 Million+ in refunds!!!

13 Volunteers Last Year



- 2 Military
- 2 Retirees
- 3 Civilians
- 6 Dependant

- Volunteers will start IRS training and certification in January 2014.
- The JITC will maintain flexible hours from January through April 2014.
- The JITC is located at 4217 Roberts Ave, Fort George G. Meade, MD.
- **OIC is 1LT Iris Yao at (301) 677-9755**



Public Affairs

- Winter Weather Advisory - Notification goal is 4 a.m.
 - FOX, ABC, CBS, NBC in Baltimore and D.C.
 - WBAL 1090 ; WWMX 106.5 and WLIF 101.9 WTOP/103.5fm, 103.9fm, 107.7fm and online at WTOP.COM.
 - Intention is to publish on Facebook and with Text Alert no later than 4:30 a.m.
- Sign up for Fort Meade text alert: Type in “follow ftmeadealert” to 40404
- Soundoff coming out on Wednesday for Thanksgiving
 - Winter Scheduled no Soundoff Dec. 26 or Jan 2
 - We are looking for holiday photos to post on Facebook
 - Holiday events please send them to Phil Jones at philip.h.jones.civ@mail.mil for publication in Soundoff!



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Have A Great Day!

Next Meeting : January 30, 2014

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