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PATRICK AIR FORCE BASE GETS NEW AND IMPROVED OUTDOOR RECREATION

from Money Donated by the AFFF and Taco Bell to Support our Troops and their Families

///Patrick AFB, FL – Nov. 12, 2012 /// The Armed Forces Families Foundation has contributed over \$33,500 to construct a new family picnic pavilion and upgrade an outdoor basketball court, located near an existing recreational area at Patrick Air Force Base Central Housing. Patrick AFB employs over 13,000 active-duty military & civilians on base, and is home to the 45th Space Wing & the 920th Rescue Wing. Within Central Housing, there are 616 housing units, where over 1,200 people reside.

The pavilion, which includes two grills and six picnic tables, is a 20' x 28' wood gable design that is located 50 feet from the ocean and directly behind one of the larger playgrounds in Central Housing, and provides a safe, welcoming site for military families to gather. The project also includes the installation of new basketball goals on an existing outdoor court, a much needed upgrade for the facility.

Armed Forces Families Foundation teamed up with local Taco Bell restaurants in the Space Coast and Orlando area in order to raise funds for this project. Bob Hamman is the Franchise Business Management Director for Taco Bell and said, "We appreciate this opportunity to give back to military families in our local community since they do so much for all of us. Armed Forces Families Foundation is the perfect partner for us since 100% of the funds donated are used for these projects to help military families. They are an all-volunteer organization and don't have any expenses or overhead – which makes this a great partnership for us."

The new facilities will be unveiled at a ribbon cutting ceremony on Wednesday, November 14, at 11:00 a.m. Eastern

For more information or to donate to AFFF, please visit the www.armedforcesfamilies.org.

About the Armed Forces Families Foundation

The Armed Forces Families Foundation is a nonprofit organization that improves the lives of service members and their families.

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