



# Armed Forces Families Foundation



Dear Foundation Partners,

## **Great News! Spring has arrived along with many opportunities for the Armed Forces Families Foundation.**

Our Team is starting off the season with a project at Camp McCrady Training Center USO located in Columbia, SC. The facility will receive several upgrades such as new recliners, theater seating, carpet and TV's. They will also receive a multi-game table, pool table and two basketball goals.

The Armed Forces Families Foundation has also approved funding for the installation of Youth Exercise Equipment at the Jacksonville Naval Air Station. The project will provide an outdoor system that includes seven exercise stations. The seven stations combined give the children of our military the opportunity to perform over 80 different exercises to stay fit and healthy.

Our team is also installing a Gardening Equipment System at NAS Jacksonville. The gardening equipment will help children learn about the plants and vegetables they have planted, as well as promote teamwork while building social skills with other youth on base.

### **Our Team has finished four projects!**

1. Renovations at Fort Campbell USO Center in Nashville, TN, are complete! The Center received new furniture, technology upgrades, restroom appliances and carpeting. A ribbon cutting ceremony was held on March 26, 2013.
2. At another USO Station located in Nashville, the AFFF upgraded the Center's furniture, kitchen and provided technological advancements. A ribbon cutting ceremony is scheduled for May 3, 2013.
3. In Jacksonville, FL, the Camp Blanding Solider Family Assistance Center has received a complete renovation of the conference room, kitchen, restroom, storage and outdoor areas. Everything from drywall to new appliances has helped to modernize this facility making it more useful for residents. A ribbon cutting for the new and improved Center will be held on May 14, 2013.
4. In South Carolina, the Columbia Metropolitan Airport USO Center received new painting, flooring, furnishings, TV's, and a gaming system. There will be a Grand Re-opening ribbon cutting at this Center on May 30<sup>th</sup>, 2013.

**In addition to the new and completed projects, the AFFF has several projects in the works including:**

- The Bowling Alley Renovation at the W.G. Hefner VA Medical Center (Charlotte, NC).
- The Outdoor Pavilion and BBQ center at the Nashville Army Reserve Center (Nashville, TN).
- The Children's Splash Park at MacDill Air Force Base (Tampa, FL).
- The Rooftop Solace Garden at the Charles George VA Medical Center (Asheville, SC).
- The Day Room at the Haley VA Hospital (Tampa, FL).
- The Renovations to the USO Centers of Pensacola (Florida).

***Big or small, each project is special to the Armed Forces Families Foundation. We thank everyone for their time and support with an extra heartfelt thank you to our military and their families for making the biggest sacrifice of all.***

Sincerely,

*Your Armed Forces Families Foundation Team*

