



## 111<sup>TH</sup> ATTACK WING RETIREE ACTIVITIES OFFICE

BIDDLE AIR NATIONAL GUARD BASE, PA



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### OUR MISSION

The 111<sup>th</sup> Attack Wing Retiree Activities Office (RAO) is an official activity organized in accordance with AFI 36-3106. The office is here to assist military retirees, their spouses, military veterans, guard and reserve personnel from all U.S. military services. We can provide information and contacts for pay (DFAS), benefits and entitlements, personnel and casualty affairs and interface with these organizations to help personnel.

This Newsletter is a publication of the 111<sup>th</sup> ATKW/RAO, that serves as the interface between the base commander in providing information and assistance to military retirees, their families, and surviving spouses residing in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and New York. Information, provided in this publication, has been edited and does not reflect the official policy of any U.S. Government agency.

### CONTACT INFORMATION

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Our hours of operation are Tuesday through Friday 9:00 a.m.–3:00p.m. and also Saturday and Sunday of the 111th Drill/UTA 8:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Telephone 215-323-7135, please leave a message if no answer.

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## **LIST OF MILITARY SERVICE RETIREE AGENCIES AND PUBLICATIONS**

- **US Army Retiree Service (Echoes):**
- **Navy Retirees (Shift Colors):** <http://www.shiftcolors.navy.mil>
- **Air Force (Afterburner):**  
<https://www.retirees.af.mil/Library/Afterburner/>
- **Marine Corps Retiree Service (Semper Fidelis):**  
<https://www.facebook.com/people/Navy-and-Marine-Corps-Retirees/100064789173687/>
- **Coast Guard Retiree Service (Evening Colors):**  
<https://www.dcms.uscg.mil/Our-Organization/Assistant-Commandant-for-Human-Resources-CG-1/Retiree-Services-Program/>



**9TH ANNUAL MILITARY RETIREES APPRECIATION DAY 2025 ANNOUNCEMENT**



**Retirees  
Activities  
Office**

★ *All Branches  
Welcome!* ★

**BIDDLE AIR NATIONAL GUARD BASE**

***9<sup>th</sup> Annual Military Retirees  
Appreciation Day 2025***

**BIDDLE AIR NATIONAL GUARD BASE, HORSHAM, PA 19044-5203**

**Event Hosted at Military & Family Readiness Bldg. #335**

**1364 Griffiss Street/Dock 3**

***Saturday 12 July 2025 ★ 0900-1400***

**◆ INFORMATIONAL SEMINARS & RESOURCES ◆**

**Learn about changes in Veteran benefits, Healthcare systems,  
Military Family Programs, and Much More!**

**◆ COMPLIMENTARY LITE LUNCH PROVIDED ◆**

***Register by Friday 27 June 2025!***

***Please Contact Jenny Pappas or Vincent Acquaviva***

***At Retirees Activities Office: (215) 323-7135***

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**ALL ATTENDEES MUST FOLLOW BASE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS  
DOD ID CARDS OR VETTING FORM IS REQUIRED!**

## ID OFFICE ON-LINE

**NO NEED TO COME TO THE BASE IN PERSON TO RENEW YOUR ID CARD! As long as your ID card has not expired and you have a DS-Logon account you can request a replacement ID Card through the ID Card Office Online.**



### WHAT IS A USID?

Issued to Reserve and retired service members, dependent family members, and other eligible individuals for benefits, privileges, and facility access



### FOR THE SPONSOR

- Must have CAC or DOD Self-Service Logon access
- DEERS contact information must be up to date

### FOR THE REQUESTOR

- DEERS contact information must be up to date
- DEERS photo was taken in the last 12 years
- DEERS address is in the U.S. or APO/FPO/DPO

### HOW DO I RENEW IT?

Skip the line – renew online! **Scan the QR code!**  
Visit the **ID Card Office Online** and look for Family ID Cards, then Online USID Card Renewal



## **RETIREE ACTION NEEDED! NEW ID CARDS BEING ISSUED FOR MILITARY RETIREES AND DEPENDENTS!**

Time to start planning, the Defense Department began issuing Next Generation Uniformed Services Identification Cards on July 31, 2020; the complete transition to the new ID card, is targeted for January 2026. At that time, legacy USID card will no longer work or be accepted.

Graphic for Next Generation Uniform Services ID card change over



In the meantime, the current cards will continue to work. Beginning in 2026, the legacy Uniformed Services Identification (USID) card will no longer be accepted for access to benefits, privileges, or DoD bases.

According to the DoD Common Access Card website, USID cards are issued to retired military and Reserve members, dependent family members of uniformed Service members, and other eligible individuals in accordance with DoD policy.

In the wake of the Real ID Act, the DoD also terminated the civilian retiree ID card in August 2023, stating that civilian retirees were to present their retirement documents to enroll a Real ID act-compliant driver's license as an alternate to the DoD civilian retiree ID card.

Eligible members still using a legacy USID card are encouraged to make appointments with their local DoD ID card facility as soon as possible to avoid any access issues in the future. Military retirees and dependents can find more information, to include locations and phone numbers, and book appointments online by visiting <https://idco.dmdc.osd.mil/idco/>.

For more information go to the DoD Common Access Card Web Site:

<https://www.cac.mil/Next-Generation-Uniformed-Services-ID-Card/>



## Graphic for Next Generation Uniform Services ID card change over



**IF YOU HAVE AN OLD ONE, GET A NEW ID ASAP!**



**DEFENSE FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING SERVICE**  
PROVIDING PAYMENT SERVICES FOR THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

MILITARY MEMBER   RETIRED MILITARY & ANNUITANT   CIVILIAN EMPLOYEE   CONTRACTOR & VENDOR

HOME > RETIREDMILITARY > MANAGE > CHANGEOFADDRESS

## **MOVING? HOW DO I CHANGE MY ADDRESS WITH DFAS?**

Have you moved? Did You Change your address with the Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS)? As a Retiree or Survivor receiving Pension or Annuity payments from DFAS it is your responsibility to update your address information with DFAS.

Failing to notify DFAS of a change of address or banking information can result in missed payments. Your retired pay will be suspended if multiple payments returned to DFAS. By law, when a retired member is missing or there is no information concerning his or her whereabouts, payment of your pension must be suspended.

(URL: <https://www.dfas.mil/RetiredMilitary/manage/changeofaddress/scstatus/> )

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The DFAS Change of Address process can be found online at:

<https://www.dfas.mil/retiredmilitary/manage/changeofaddress/>

The quickest and easiest way to update your mailing address is to use [myPay](#). If you have trouble logging in to [myPay](#), check the troubleshooting instructions on the [Using myPay webpage](#) or call 888-332-7411.

If you've never used myPay, visit <https://mypay.dfas.mil> and click "Forgot or Need a Password" to have a temporary password mailed to you. Once you have received a password, return to the myPay home page and click "Create your myPay Profile" to get started. Enter your SSN and temporary password. [Here's our handy downloadable "Get Started with myPay" guide.](#)

#### Change of Address

##### myPay

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1. After logging in, find and select the Correspondence Address link under Pay Changes on the Main Menu
2. Click the Edit button and enter the correct address
3. Submit your changes and click Finish.
4. Your account will be updated in three to seven business days

##### askDFAS Online Change of Address Form

Retirees can use our [convenient online form](#) to update your mailing address. You must answer identity security questions to have your request processed.

##### Keep Your Account Current

Failing to notify us of a change of address or banking information can result in missing payments.

[When to Update Your Account](#)  
[Suspension of Pay](#)

##### Paper Form

Complete a Retiree Change of Address/State Tax Withholding Request ([DD2866](#)) and mail or fax it to:

For retirees:	For annuitants, beneficiaries and survivors
Defense Finance and Accounting Service	Defense Finance and Accounting Service
U.S. Military Retired Pay	U.S. Military Annuitant Pay
8899 E 56th Street	8899 E 56th Street
Indianapolis IN 46249-1200	Indianapolis, IN 46249-1300
Fax: 800-469-6559	Fax: 800-982-8459

## **EVENTS, HAPPENINGS, AND REUNIONS**

- **Informal 913<sup>th</sup> AW Monthly Breakfast at VFW Red Hill Post 5954**
  - Second Monday Every Month, 0800-1100, event open to the public Do not need to be a VFW member.
  - More information can be found at:  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/219908564701542/user/100076385822850>
- **512<sup>th</sup> / 913<sup>th</sup> Willow Grove Air Reserve Association Reunion**
  - Next gathering of Eagles - September 2025
  - Location: Fountain Side Seafood & Grill 537 Easton Rd, Horsham, PA 19044
  - Contacts: Bob Simpson 215 659-1181, John Windfelder 215 657-0720, Neil & JoAnn Franklin 215 699-8205 Email Information: [c130.wgarf@verizon.net](mailto:c130.wgarf@verizon.net)
- **Annual Friend of the 111<sup>th</sup> Family Readiness Group Golf Outing**
  - Date: September 2025
  - Contact: Jenny Pappas, Cell (215) 740-5468, email: [FriendsofFRG@gmail.com](mailto:FriendsofFRG@gmail.com)
- **Annual 111<sup>th</sup> Wing Reunion Luncheon**
  - Date: TBD Time: Details TBD
  - Location: TBD
  - More details to follow under separate email.
  - Contact: Jenny Pappas, Cell (215) 740-5468, email: [FriendsofFRG@gmail.com](mailto:FriendsofFRG@gmail.com)
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- **UNOFFICIAL 111<sup>TH</sup> AND 913<sup>TH</sup> VETERANS AND RETIREE GROUPS**
  - **111<sup>TH</sup> Fighter Wing Friends** [www.facebook.com/groups/439096756426502/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/439096756426502/)
  - **111<sup>TH</sup> Fighter Wing (UNOFFICIAL)** [www.facebook.com/groups/112383465447507/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/112383465447507/)
  - **Willow Grove WARDAGS !!** [www.facebook.com/groups/68968424941](http://www.facebook.com/groups/68968424941)
  - **913 Airlift Wing Alumni** [www.facebook.com/groups/73569486328](http://www.facebook.com/groups/73569486328)
  - **913<sup>TH</sup> Airlift Wing Friends** [www.facebook.com/groups/219908564701542](http://www.facebook.com/groups/219908564701542)
  - **913<sup>TH</sup> Security Forces** [www.facebook.com/groups/88915076111](http://www.facebook.com/groups/88915076111)
  - **913<sup>TH</sup> Annual Reunion** [www.facebook.com/events/191159157245208](http://www.facebook.com/events/191159157245208)
  - **31<sup>ST</sup> Aerial Port Squadron** [www.facebook.com/groups/198150514240/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/198150514240/)

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Navy



Air Force



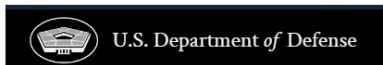
Space Force



Coast Guard



National Guard





## **KEY CONTACTS AND RESOURCES**

- **MyAirForceBenefits** is the Official Air Force Benefits Web site and can be a great initial starting place to find information about your benefits.  
<https://www.myairforcebenefits.us.af.mil>
- **Casualty Assistance** - Call toll free 877-353-6807.  
<https://www.myairforcebenefits.us.af.mil/Casualty-and-Survivor-Assistance>
  - The local Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst AF SBP/Casualty Assistance telephone number 609-754-3814. Point of Contact Ms. Donna Gauze.
- **Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS) Telephone Center** - Call DEERS at 800-538-9552, Monday through Friday, excluding U.S. federal holidays, 6 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Pacific time.
- **Identification Cards** - Call 800-525-0102 for location of the nearest issuing facility, or visit the site locator. <https://idco.dmdc.osd.mil/idco/locator>
- **milCONNECT** - With milConnect, Department of Defense (DoD) affiliates and beneficiaries manage their benefits and records through the self-service portal.  
<https://milconnect.dmdc.osd.mil/milconnect/>
  - You can manage and view your health benefits
  - Update you and your family's DEERs records
  - Find and schedule an appointment for your Identification cards.
- **Defense Finance and Accounting Service** - The agency that pays military retirees and annuitants can be reached at 800-321-1080. Visit the retired military and annuitants webpage for more information about pay matters such as tax forms, pay verification, Direct Deposit, myPay and more. <https://www.dfas.mil/retiredmilitary/>
- **Legal Offices** - Assists members with preparing wills and powers of attorney, and answers certain legal questions. Visit the Air Force Legal Assistance website at <https://aflegalassistance.law.af.mil>.
- **TRICARE** <https://tricare.mil/>
- **Veterans Affairs** - For benefit inquiries call 800-827-1000; life insurance 800-669-8477; status of headstones and markers, 800-697-6947. You can visit their website at [www.va.gov/](http://www.va.gov/).



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**For more news visit:** <https://www.111attackwing.ang.af.mil/>

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<b>Biddle ANGB, 111<sup>th</sup> FSS, Horsham, PA</b>	<b>215-323-7419</b>
<b>NSA Philadelphia, 700 Robbins Ave BLD 10</b>	<b>215-697-3783</b>
<b>NSWC, PHILADELPHIA, 4700 S. Broad ST</b>	<b>215-897-7001</b>
<b>JBMDL FT. DIX, 5418 S. Scott Plaza</b>	<b>609-562-2177</b>
<b>MCGUIRE AFB 2916 Falcon Ln</b>	<b>609-754-5774</b>
<b>Dover AFB, 520 Main Gate Way</b>	<b>302-677-3010</b>
<b><u>111<sup>th</sup> ATKW Airman &amp; Family Readiness</u></b>	<b>215-323-7132</b>
<b>Contact Ms. Anna Ritchar</b>	<b>or 7131</b>

**TRICARE**

<b>TRICARE For Life</b>	<b>866-773-0404</b>
<b>TRICARE East</b>	<b>800-444-5445</b>
<b>TRICARE West</b>	<b>844-866-9378</b>
<b>TRICARE Pharmacy (Express Scripts)</b>	<b>877-363-1303</b>

**US Family Health Plan**

**646-284-5736**  
**Contact Ms. Tammy Cartegena (Help with insurance & TRICARE questions)**

<b>Air Force Total Force Service Center (ARPC)</b>	<b>800-525-0102</b>
<b>ARPC Reserve Retirement Counseling Cell</b>	<b>800-682-1929</b>
<b>Defense Finance Accounting Service (DFAS)</b>	<b>800-321-1080</b>
<b>Office of Personnel Management (OPM)</b>	<b>888-767-6738</b>
<b>Social Security / Medicare</b>	<b>800-772-1213</b>

**Veterans Affairs**

<b>VA Benefits Hotline</b>	<b>800-827-1000</b>
<b>VA Health Benefits Hotline</b>	<b>877-222-8387</b>
<b>Philadelphia - VA Crescenz Medical Center</b>	<b>215-823-5800</b>
<b>Coatesville VA Medical Center</b>	<b>610-384-7711</b>
<b>Horsham - Saracini Outpatient Clinic</b>	<b>215-823-6050</b>
<b>Allentown VA Clinic</b>	<b>610-776-4304</b>

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