The Air Force Aid Society (AFAS) is the official charity of the U.S. Air Force (USAF) and has been meeting the unique needs of Airmen and their families since 1942. AFAS works to support and enhance the USAF mission by providing emergency financial assistance, educational support and community programs.

Since 2008, AFAS has provided more than $215 million in direct support to Air Force families.

For every $1 donated, AFAS is able to dedicate $3 in direct support to Airmen.

Last year, AFAS provided $14.4M in direct assistance to over 27,000 Airmen and their families.

**Emergency Assistance = $7.32M**

- $2.98M Basic Living (41%)
- $1.91M Vehicle Expenses (26%)
- $1.73M Emergency Travel (23%)
- $570,000 Other Expenses (8%)
- $130,000 Funeral Expenses (2%)

- $6.1M no-interest loans
- $1.2M grants
- 8,414 assists
- 57 Wounded Warriors received more than $80,000 in assistance – 96% of that in the form of grants

**Education Programs = $5.74M**

- Gen H.H. Arnold Education Grants = $5.5M
  - 2,172 grants ranging from $500 to $4,000 for dependent children and spouses
- Merit Scholarships = $187,500
  - 46 dependent children earned Merit Scholarships
  - 29 earned $5,000 scholarships
  - 17 earned $2,500 scholarships
- Supplemental Education Loans = $53,000
  - 47 families received no interest loans to help pay for incidental college expenses

**Community Programs = $1.34M**

- **Child Care Program Grants**
  - 13,814 children served
  - Give Parents a Break = $279,000
  - Child Care for PCS = $348,000
  - Child Care for Volunteers = $29,000

- **Readiness Programs**
  - 2,458 families served
  - Car Care Because We Care = $102,000

- **Spouse/Parenting Program Grants**
  - Local Education Programs = $342,000
  - Spouse Orientation = $54,000
  - Bundles for Babies = $184,000

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