

Military Aid Societies Helping Military Families Weather Financial Emergencies

	AIR FORCE AID SOCIETY	ARMY EMERGENCY RELIEF	CGMA MELPING OUR OWN	NAVY-MARINE CORPS RELIEF SOCIETY
Who do they serve?	Airmen, Guardians, and eligible family members including: * Active Duty * Guard * Reserve * Retired * Spouses & Children	Soldiers and eligible family members including: * Active Duty * Retired * Army Reserve & National Guard (activated on Title 10 orders for more than 30 days) * Dependents of qualifying service members * Surviving spouses who have not remarried * Children of Soldiers who died on active duty or died after reaching retirement eligibility	Coast Guard members including: * Active Duty * Reserve * Auxiliary * Retired * PHS Officers * Chaplains * Civilian Employees	Sailors, Marines, and eligible family members including: * Active Duty * Retired * Reservists on active duty for 30 days or more
What do they offer?	Emergency assistance through interest-free loans, grants, or a combination Education support including college scholarships, grants, no-interest education loans Community programs including child care for PCS and \$100 for baby essentials	Grants, zero-interest loans, and scholarships for spouses and dependents based on needs. Categories of assistance include housing costs associated with PCS moves, disaster relief, emergency travel, car repairs, and unmet medical expenses and many more.	Interest-free loans, grants, financial counseling, referrals, and other help Assistance programs focus on situations requiring immediate attention for essentials and solving temporary problems	Financial assistance including interest-free loans, grants, and budget counseling to meet unexpected needs Emergency travel, disaster relief, health education Budget for Baby workshops and thrift shops
How do I apply?	Apply online at afas.org, or visit your M&FRC for assistance	Visit one of the 70 AER offices worldwide, Red Cross offices if more than 50 miles from a military installation, or on the AER website starting in 2025	Contact your local CGMA Representative to start the process	Contact your local NMCRS office
Will I need command approval?	No, command involvement is not required	No, command involvement is not required for the first two requests in 12 months	No, command involvement is not required unless request is over \$5,000	No, NMCRS interactions are confidential and NMCRS will not contact your command without your consent
Where can I learn more?	afas.org	armyemergencyrelief.org	mycgma.org	nmcrs.org

Not near a military installation? Need emergency assistance after business hours or during a holiday? Contact the American Red Cross at 1-877-272-7337 and select the financial assistance option.



