

WHAT IS MILITARY FAMILY APPRECIATION MONTH?

A chance to recognize and honor the unique sacrifices and challenges faced by military family members.

EXAMPLE OF CHALLENGES/SACRIFICES:

- Maintaining spouse employment
- **■** Kids switching schools often
- Saying goodbye to friends and making new friends
- Deployments and other separations from the military member
- Living far away from family and friends

Scope: in FY22, there were more than 140,000 USMC family members (spouse, children and parents)

HOW DOES AMERICA CELEBRATE MILITARY FAMILIES?

- Traditionally, the president signs a proclamation recognizing that service and declaring November as Military Family Month. Over the month, families are honored and recognized for their commitment and contributions in support of our military and nation.
- Stores, restaurants, zoo's, museums, state parks, and other organizations often offer a discount to military families during the month of November as a way to say thank you for your sacrifice and service. Learn more about available discounts here.
- Grateful family, friends and neighbors may express their appreciation for the family's service.





