

Supporting the children of deployed National Guard and Reserve personnel who are serving our country overseas.

Our Military Kids awards up to \$300 per child for the activity of their choice, which will help military children relieve stress and gain self-confidence while their parents serve our nation overseas. This grant program is made possible by the generosity of foundations, corporations and individual donations.

## FUNDED PROGRAMS











Sports

Fine Arts

**Enrichment Programs** 

Tutoring

Camp

Activities help children cope with stress, anxiety, and additional challenges that may arise while a parent is absent during deployment. The grants also serve to honor the sacrifices that children make during this time.

### SARAH, 11 YRS. OLD

"[Our Military Kids] was a major factor in helping me overcome my depression," Sarah said. "I look back on it and can't help but think how extraordinary it was that dance had such a major impact on my life. I learned to survive and believe in myself, have confidence to go after my dreams, and not to give up."

#### TREY, 11 YRS. OLD

Trey was diagnosed with dyslexia just weeks before his father was scheduled to deploy. While he needed tutoring, he had tested too high to receive any assistance from the school. A grant from Our Military Kids gave him the help he needed and allowed him to focus on his studies while his dad served our country. Because of the grant for tutoring, Trey's reading comprehension is on par with his grade level.



When a military officer was asked what he needed in Iraq, he said, "Please don't send cookies, care packages, or socks. Just help take care of our children."

Our Military Kids is heeding his plea.

## PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY

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In order for a child to receive a grant from Our Military Kids:

- The service member is currently deployed overseas (OCONUS).
- The child must be a dependent of the service member.
- ★ The deployment is at least 120 days.
- The child must be at least 3 years old, but no older than 18 (children become ineligible once they have graduated high school).

# HOW TO APPLY

If you're an eligible family, visit **ourmilitarykids.org/apply** and complete and submit a simple, one-page application along with the following documents:



### **Deployment Orders**

A copy of the deployment orders, which show that the child's parent is deployed overseas with the National Guard or Reserves. For Air National Guard, we will need CED orders showing OCONUS duty.



### Form of Identification

A copy of the child's military ID, birth certificate, DEERS 1172 form, or MilConnect profile page.



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### **Activity Information**

Documentation from the organization providing the activity's pricing and contact information.

Brochures, flyers, website screenshots, and typed letters on the organization's official letterhead will be accepted.