



# SOUTH SOUND MILITARY & COMMUNITIES PARTNERSHIP

## Welcome to SSMCP Connections!

South Sound Military & Communities Partnership's electronic newsletter; distributed every 2 months.



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Join Us for a  
**Public Forum**

Wednesday, April 26th  
Eagles Pride Golf Course  
5:30pm-7:00pm

Learn more about:

**South Sound Military & Communities Partnership  
Military Home Station Training, Upcoming Events  
Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Information**

Click to RSVP at  
<https://ssmcpforum.eventbrite.com>

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All South Puget Sound community members are encouraged to attend the SSMCP Public Forum. This free educational networking event offers attendees an opportunity to learn more about several SSMCP affiliated initiatives. South Sound Military & Communities Partnership staff will share an overview of the Partnership, current mission and objectives. SSMCP membership will be available at the event. Click [here](#) to join today.

JBLM Public Affairs will present the status of current training missions and future missions. A message from Representative Adam Smith will convey to the community the importance of our continued partnerships in relation to an anticipated upcoming Base Realignment and Closure. A panel of Elected Officials will provide their perspectives on BRAC preparations.

Forum expected outcomes include increased collaboration among organizations and communities. Representatives and resources from SSMCP, JBLM Public Affairs Office and Department of Public Works, Washington State Department of Transportation, Intercity Transit, Pierce Transit, Thurston Regional Planning Council and the City of DuPont will be available to meet with attendees. Up to 3 other SSMCP members may have a resource table based on a first come, first serve, space available basis. Please contact SSMCP Program Coordinator, Sarah Luna at [sluna@cityoflakewood.us](mailto:sluna@cityoflakewood.us) or 253-983-7774 for table consideration.


### 1 April 2017 Upcoming Events:

- 3 April: I Corps Change of Command
- 6 April: JBLM Kids Fest
- 21 April: Retiree Appreciation Day
- 26 April: SSMCP Public Forum
- 10 May: SSMCP sponsors Tacoma-Pierce County Chamber Military Affairs Forum
- 11 May: Elected Officials Council
- 20 May: JBLM Armed Forces Day

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## SSMCP LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY

Thank you Representative Dick Muri and his staff for hosting SSMCP at the 2017 Hill Day. Elected Officials learned more about the organization's legislative agenda. Senator Steve O'Ban and Senator Steve Conway sponsor the \$5M "ask" in state's capital budget toward resolution of the North Clear Zone. A dozen signatures in support of SSMCP's ask for a Transportation Corridor Plan for I-5 were obtained.

### Transporting Veterans Forum

Transportation experts, community providers and Veteran supporters gathered to discuss options for transportation from Thurston County to the American Lake VA. Pierce Transit, Intercity Transit and Uber shared various programs supporting the South Puget Sound. Join the conversation by participating in the SSMCP Transportation or Social Services working groups. Call 253-983-7774 to learn how.

- Identify existing congestion on I-5
- Define existing system deficiencies
- Project future transportation demand & system deficiencies
- Perform an environmental scan to identify potential challenges
- Identify priority locations for improvements
- Provide opinions of cost where possible

**Thank you, Intercity Transit, Pierce Transit and Uber for your Transporting Veterans Forum participation.**

*Demonstrate Progress towards resolving encroachment within the North Clear Zone (NCZ). NCZ contributed to JBLM receiving point deductions in the 2005 BRAC evolution process.*

### Completion of SSMCP Study on the McChord Field North Clear Zone (NCZ) to be Discussed

The strategy includes a phased approach to acquiring properties and providing assistance for business relocation to bring land uses in the NCZ into compliance with federal safety guidelines over the long term. It is focused on specific business and properties as well as safe military operations.

We hope you will join us at a second open house to learn about the strategy and to share your feedback. This presentation will provide the same information as the previous session **and will be on Tuesday, 4 April at the Lakewood City Council chambers, 6000 Main Street, Lakewood from 5:00pm to 6:00pm**. Also, there are also two upcoming Lakewood City Council sessions planned: 10 April is a study session where the project will be presented to Council and 17 April will offer a public comment period prior to the Council considering action on a resolution to adopt the North Clear Zone action and implementation plan. All meetings are at 6000 Main St. SW, Lakewood, WA 98499.





AMERICA'S JOINT BASE  
PRESERVING FREEDOM FROM THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST

**JBLM Armed Forces Day  
Freedom Fest  
Centennial  
Participation Available!**

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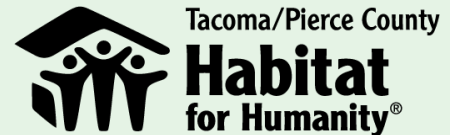


**SSMCP Welcomes  
Our New Members**

Korean Women's Association-KWA provides multi-cultural human services through education, socialization, advocacy and support



Tacoma/Pierce Habitat for Humanity Vision: A world where everyone has a decent place to live.



Military Order of World the Wars:  
"It is nobler to serve than to be served."



**SOUTH SOUND MILITARY & COMMUNITIES PARTNERSHIP**

invites you to join us at the


**Elected Officials Council**  
Thursday, May 11th  
Eagles Pride Golf Course  
0730 Breakfast  
0800-1000 Program

Confirmed Speakers:  
10th District Congressman  
**Denny Heck**

Pierce County Executive  
**Bruce Dammeier**

Tentative Speaker:  
I Corps Commander  
**Lieutenant General Gary Volesky**

RSVP by May 4th: <https://EOCSP17.eventbrite.com>



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