

North Dakota Military and Family Outreach Program

John Pitsiladis

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Mission

Assist Military Veterans, Past and Present Service Members, and their Families in finding Resources, Services, and Benefits to meet their needs.

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Who We Serve?

- **Active Duty** (Army, Marines, Air Force, Navy, and Coast Guard)
- **National Guard** (Army and Air)
- **Reserves** (Army, Air Force, Marines, Navy, and Coast Guard)

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ERA's of Service

- Operation Enduring Freedom (2001 – Present)
- Operation Iraqi Freedom (2001 – 2011)
- KFOR (1998 – Present)
- Desert Storm (1990 – 1991)
- Vietnam War (1964 – 1975)
- Korean War (1950 – 1955)
- World War II (1941 – 1946)
- World War I (1917 – 1918)
- Peace Time

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Type of Discharge/Time in Service

- Type of Discharge - Discharge type is immaterial for use of the Military Outreach Program, but it can effect your eligibility of military benefits.
- Time in Service - If you or a family member has served in the Military for at least 1 day, we'll do what we can to assist.

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- The Military Outreach Program is **“NOT”** the VA. We aren't affiliated with them. However, we do work closely with the VA in order to provide the best services possible to our customers.
- We maintain close relationships with Local Community, State and Federal organizations.
 - Example:// County Veteran Service Officers(CVSO), National Service Officers (NSO), ND Veteran Affairs.

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- Outreach Specialists work with Active Duty, National Guard, and Reserve Units throughout the state to make the transition back to civilian life easier.
- We provide resource materials to the service members and families in order to help them deal with obstacles they may encounter.

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Types Of Issues

• Military Issues	• Religious
• Medical	• Housing
• Employment	• Psychological
• Counseling	• Sustained Support
• Substance Abuse	• Education
• Financial	• Child
• Homelessness	• Family

Outreach Program
Contact your Regional Outreach Specialists

- **John Pitsiladis**
SE Region(Fargo, Wahpeton, Jamestown, Ellendale area)
701-212-0466
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How to contact your Regional Outreach Specialist

- **Steve Lyman**
NE Region(Grand Forks, Devils Lake,
Carrington, Pembina Area)
701-390-4378

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How to contact your Regional Outreach Specialist

- **Colleen “Kelli” Weiland**
N Central Region(Minot, Williston, Rugby &
Harvey Area)
701-340-2779
colleen.y.weiland.nfg@mail.mil

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How to contact your Regional Outreach Specialist

- **Larrie Cherrey – (Bismarck)**
SW Region (Dickinson, Bowman, and Watford
City)
701-260-4730
larrie.c.cherrey.nfg@mail.mil

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How to contact your Regional Outreach Specialist

- **Tim Wicks**
South Central Region(Bismarck/Mandan,
Ashley & Washburn Area)
701-425-6451
timothy.j.wicks.nfg@mail.mil

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If you are willing to take the first step and contact us and are willing to work with us, we'll do everything within our means to help in any situation.

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Service Member Family Support (SMFS)

**Bismarck Military Service Center
1850 E Bismarck Expy
Bismarck, ND 58506
701-333-4800 or 1-800-242-4940**

**Fargo Military Service Center
2219 12th St N, Ste B
Fargo, ND 58102
701-451-6018 or 1-800-460-1407**

Family Assistance Centers (FACs)

They provide support and assistance to Service Members and their Families by offering information about military, federal, state, and local resources.

- o ID Cards and DEERS Enrollment
- o TRICARE Medical and Dental Assistance
- o Emergency Financial Assistance and Referral

The North Dakota National Guard Child & Youth Program

The North Dakota National Guard Child & Youth Program supports the social, emotional, and academic needs of military children and youth. It encourages the development of positive self-esteem, self-confidence, team skills and leadership abilities.

Family Readiness

The state of preparedness of Service Members and their Families through proactive education and support programs that promote self-reliance and enhanced individual and Family well being in peace and wartime.

It's a key factor in the unit readiness, Service Member and Family morale, recruitment and retention of Service Members and Families, and ultimately in the successful achievement of military operations.

Yellow Ribbon Reintegration

This program enables the NDNG to welcome home service members, and assist them as well as their families, friends and employers with the transitional issues that accompany any deployment or separation.

It consists of a 30, 60, 90 day event.

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