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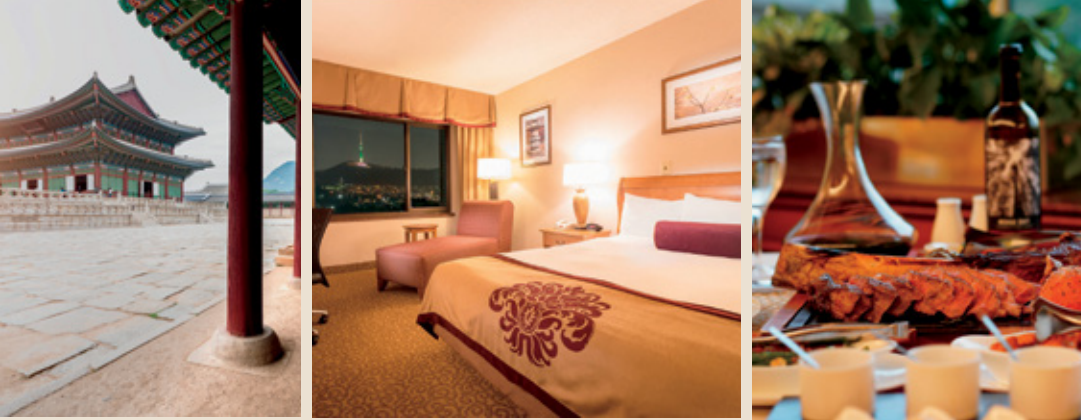
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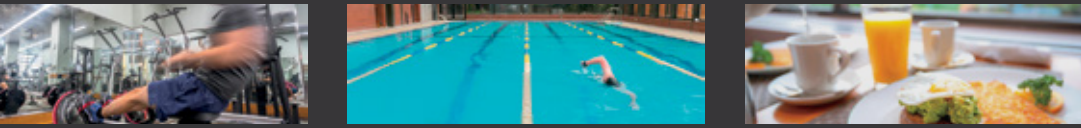
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# Introduction

## Message from Oriental Press

With the participation of Mrs. Robyn Connell, editor, and the dedication and efforts of many writers, researchers, and pro-readers to help her, I am very fortunate to publish the sixth DMZ to the Sea, 2023-2024 issue.

From the 1994 edition of the Seoul Survivor (American Forces' Spouses' Club-AFSC) to this year's DMZ to the Sea (Humphreys United Club), looking back over the past 36 years, you will find characteristic aspects depending on the number of members of the Spouses' Club. There was a year when the membership of the AFSC was more than 700, so there is a huge difference now. I remember that the events of the year were really festive, everyone became a team, everyone was happy.

Since I have felt, seen, and experienced a lot of things that are not different from the general society, I am getting older and it is time for me to write my memoirs, and I will reveal many episodes and experiences that I have kept.

As Mrs. Robyn Connell's "My Story" interview stated, I have been running on a budget which has been supported from my personal funds and some advertising proceeds, purely in the media, including many newspapers and magazines of the USFK that I have published.

In addition to DMZ to the Sea, I am proud to be the publisher of Crimson Sky and United on the RoK. Both publications are a reflection of the wellness of USFK community members and the robustness of support in Korean society for the U.S. presence in Korea. Personally, I consider printing and distributing these publications as expression of my gratitude for the twenty-six United Nations countries, especially the U.S. military, in the Korean War. I'll do my best if I can be of any help to the U.S.

Once again, I would like to thank Mrs. Robyn Connell for donating her talents to this year's DMZ to the Sea 2023-2024, and sincerely thank Eric Park and Joseph Sim for always helping me.

In addition, I sincerely hope that all readers will enjoy reading DMZ to the Sea, have rich experiences and adventures, and fully enjoy life in the beautiful country of South Korea.

Charles Chong, CEO.  
Oriental Press Inc.



*Bear Tree Park Koi Pond*

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## Letter from the USAG Humphreys Garrison Commander



Welcome to Korea!

During your time here, you will have the opportunity to experience a country rich in culture. Korea is an extremely safe and welcoming country. Whether going on a hike in one of the many national parks or visiting traditional Korean villages and temples, there is no shortage of things to do. There are plenty of organizations and programs within the Humphreys community to help you get out and around. USAG Humphreys has some of the newest community facilities

within the Department of Defense and has robust services to assist you during your time here. Time will go by fast, so please take advantage of this opportunity to get out and explore our Host Nation!

Seth C. Graves  
Colonel, U.S. Army  
Commanding  
USAG Humphreys and Area III

## Letter from the United Club President



Welcome to Korea! Like any duty station, it's what you make of it. So make the most of it! Korea is full of amazing experiences, wonderful people, new and delicious foods, deep-rooted customs, and a lot of fun quirks that leave you saying, "because of Korea." You have an opportunity to explore this beautiful country and make new lifelong friendships. My best advice for you: find your niche and get involved! There are so many amazing organizations, both on and off-post. You are always welcome at the Humphreys United Club!

We hope that DMZ to the Sea will be your go-to guidebook before arriving on Pen, as you adjust to life here, throughout your time here, and even as you head out to your next great adventure. Each spring, we edit this book to bring you the most up-to-date information. This year, we have also expanded it with a chapter, especially for EFMP families. We have added a lot of information to our travel and leisure chapter, specially designed to showcase the incredible opportunities this country provides! If you have any questions or suggestions for what to include in the future, please reach out to us.

Humphreys United Club is proud to continue the tradition of producing this book for you, and we hope you find this edition as useful as we do. Our mission is to improve and support our community by providing social and cultural experiences through the distribution of educational scholarships, grants for on-post organizations, and non-monetary support for Korean welfare organizations.

I want to thank the team that put this book together: thank you to our DMZ to the Sea Editor, Robyn Connell, whose experience and desire to share our host nation with the military community is unparalleled, to our committee for hours spent revising and bringing new ideas to life in this edition, and to Mr. Charles Chong and Mr. Eric Park of Oriental Press for making this book possible for new generations of service members and their families.

Liz Stone  
President, 2022-2023  
Humphreys United Club

## Letter from the Editor



The DMZ to the Sea Committee is proud to present the Sixth Edition of DMZ to the Sea for 2023-2024! As we are now officially out of the Covid-19 Pandemic, there have been many changes and updates to the publication, even in just one year. However, our dedicated team of researchers and volunteers have worked very hard to get all the updates and ensure that you have all the latest and greatest information right at your fingertips so that your transition into-and out of-South Korea is as smooth as it can be.

This year, we added a Chapter that focuses on those with Exceptional Family Members. So much great information! We have also added more websites, QR codes, and other resources (Where are my visual folks? We have maps!) It's easy to get distracted looking through all of the amazing information, so we've tried to cross-reference some topics to make it easier. But don't be intimidated. You've arrived into a great community, and all you have to do is take a chance and get out into it! Whether you're an extrovert and want to get out and see all the things with all the people, or you're an introvert and prefer to see things with just your family or a friend, or even alone, there really is something for everyone in Korea. I will admit that the first time I came to Korea (yes, I said the first time) I didn't really want to come. It's far away from "home" - from my comfort zone. But take it from someone who has been in your shoes as a newcomer - it doesn't have to be that way.

Once you get out and start exploring, you will see that you've hit the jackpot! It's very safe, and there is way more English than you'd expect! There are planned group trips and there are exclusive getaways; there are super inexpensive adventures and there are 5 Star hotels. There are 4 seasons, with amazing beaches, awesome ski slopes, beautiful cherry blossoms and truly breathtaking fall foliage! You can visit traditional Hanok Villages, historical Palaces and even dress in traditional Korean Hanbok attire, all for a very reasonable price. There are a ton of organizations and clubs that you can join and become a part of, and really

get involved in the community! Lots of great trips to not-so-far-away countries await you, but be sure to also check out what South Korea has to offer. She really is a hidden treasure!

And speaking of treasures, this year, we have a special section in our publication that highlights Oriental Press CEO Mr. Charles Chong. While this reference book is an amazing tool for having all the great information in one place, it would not be possible without Mr. Chong. He has been instrumental in getting this book into the hands of USFK personnel for over 35 years, and there is no way to properly thank all he has done for the US/RoK Alliance and military community other than to share a few pages here in dedication to him. Thanks also to Mr. Eric Park and Mr. Joseph Shim (SHIM, JIN-TAEK), who are vital members of the Oriental Press Team. Your support and partnership mean everything.

Welcome to Korea! We hope you will enjoy your tour in the Land of the Morning Calm!

Robyn Connell  
DMZ to the Sea  
Humphreys United Club

## About Humphreys United Club



Humphreys United Club is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization dedicated to contributing to the advancement and the improvement of the quality of life on the installation and within our surrounding communities. Humphreys United Club is committed to creating an environment free of discrimination, where everyone is treated with dignity and respect regardless of race, religion, color, sexual orientation, gender, and national origin.

Our volunteers gladly give their time and talents to serve the military and civilian community. Our community is strengthened by the thousands of volunteer hours committed and thousands of dollars raised, which result in grants to support charitable causes, scholarships for graduating high school seniors and continuing education students, and non-monetary support for Korean welfare organizations off base. Joining the club is a wonderful way to make friends, give back, and get involved!

### Purpose

The purpose of the United Club shall be for charitable and educational purposes. This includes lessening the burden of the government by promoting friendship among the entire military community (including all branches of service, active-duty, retirees, spouses, and others), developing and fostering a spirit of goodwill and community responsibility, providing opportunities for social, cultural, and creative pursuits, and distribution of scholarships for individuals, grants for organizations, and support for the local community. The United Club does not and shall not discriminate based on race, color, religion (creed), gender, gender expression, national origin (ancestry), age, disability, sexual orientation, marital status, or military status in any of its activities or operations.

### Eligibility

All U.S. military I.D. cardholders, U.S. sponsored foreign and internationals, and DoD civilian I.D. cardholders and their spouses and family members over age 18 are eligible for active membership in the Humphrey United Club as defined under USA/ROK Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA). For more information, refer to the Humphreys United Club Constitution, Article IV.

## About DMZ to the Sea



This publication, formerly Seoul Survivor, was initially conceived, written, and compiled by Judy Bridenbaugh to ease the frustration experienced by military members and their families when moving to a location, especially one in a foreign country.

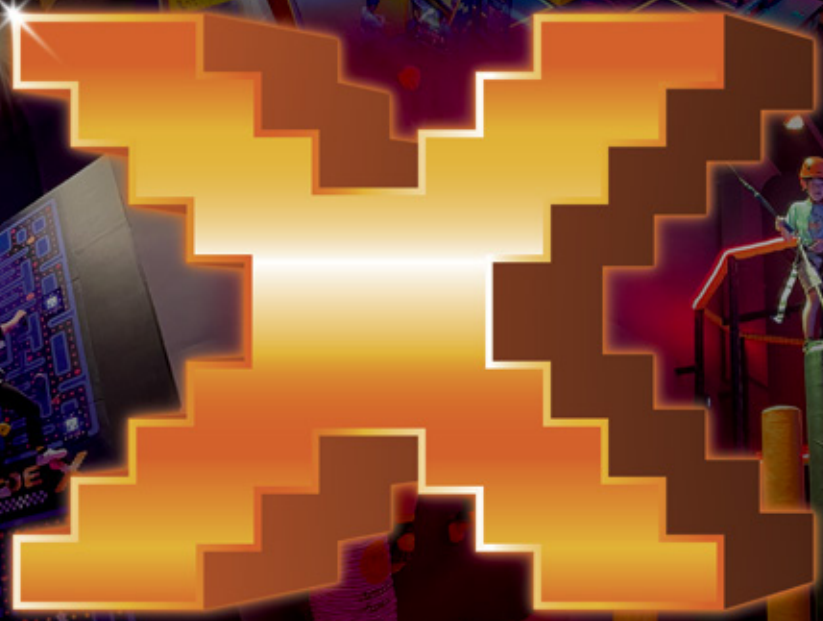
Humphreys United Club received the rights to the Seoul Survivor from the former American Forces' Spouses' Club of Camp Yongsan and renamed the publication DMZ to the Sea. Humphreys United Club is honored to continue the legacy of this instrumental guidebook and hopes it will encourage families to make the most of their time here in South Korea.

Each year, information is updated, and new material is added. This guidebook is also available online at [www.humphreysunited.org](http://www.humphreysunited.org). Input for this edition has been gathered from the best available sources at the time of publication. Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy and relevance of the information and maps at the time of printing. Humphreys United Club is grateful for feedback from readers concerning errors, omissions, or general updates as Humphreys continues to expand and grow. Please contact us at [dmztothesea@humphreysunited.org](mailto:dmztothesea@humphreysunited.org).

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**CHAPTER 1**  
**About South Korea**

## ABOUT THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA

The Republic of Korea, commonly referred to as “the ROK” and South Korea, is best described as tradition coupled with high technology – South Korea packs a punch. The country has experienced explosive economic and cultural growth over the past two decades. K-Pop, K-Dramas, and K-Beauty are known across the globe.

South Korea is a vibrant country of nearly 52 million people who work hard to define and maintain a fast-paced, modern society. South Koreans are world travelers, world-class economic competitors, and highly regarded participants in world affairs. The South Korean people’s spiritual wealth, traditional respect for elders, strong belief in community, love of nature, and deeply seated national pride underpin their meteoric economic and commercial accomplishments over the last thirty-one years.

An open mind and desire to experience and appreciate cultural differences make a tour of duty here in Korea memorable. Get out, explore, and experience Korea, a country that has methodically inched its way towards the top in economy and culture. Embark with a sense of adventure and be surprised in new and wonderful ways.

South Koreans are generally very welcoming and friendly to foreigners. Many of them will exert themselves to the utmost to understand and often to aid you. Strong partnerships with the United States and other western nations mean that many South Koreans, especially in Seoul, speak some English. However, there may be barriers to communication. The keys are patience, cadence, and gratitude. Speak slowly and not loudly. Be kind in your approach and find comfort in their willingness to assist and support you. Using tools such as Papago and Google Translate mobile apps may assist when attempting to communicate.

South Korea’s history dates back more than 4,000 years. Throughout time and against the backdrop of strong cultural uniformity, their pre-modern society began to emerge in the seventh century and has evolved to the present day as a cultural quilt built of patterns of rich contrasts. Buddhist pagodas stand side-by-side with Confucian shrines and sometimes up the road from modern Christian houses of worship. As you learn more about the country’s history, you will discover that cycles of great commercial growth were set against downturns of financial decay; numerous foreign invasions are countered by internal strife.

A land-owning aristocratic scholar class once ruled over a rigid social structure, supported by less-respected merchants and agricultural peasants who toiled as tenant farmers. South Korea’s rise as an economic

*Echo of Creation at Botapsa*

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powerhouse and exporter of culture is astounding given the amount of time they have formally existed as the present-day South Korea. We hope you enjoy learning about South Korea's past, especially to put the present into perspective.

You may notice the following during your time in South Korea:

**Industry:** According to the World Bank, South Korea has grown to be the world's 10th largest economy.

**Work Ethic:** The official work and school week is Monday through Friday.

**Traffic:** Everyone tries to "get there first." The traffic in many parts of South Korea is legendary and rivals the worst that New York, Paris, London, or Washington, DC has to offer. The government has worked to improve the driving culture to ensure safety for everyone traversing the nation in private automobiles. For example, in 2021, the maximum speed limit for urban streets was reduced as part of efforts to reduce deadly vehicle accidents.

**Colorful Cuisine:** South Korea is THE up-and-coming place to travel for foodies. South Korean food culture embraces the new and honors the traditional. Garlic is a national food staple. It is used extensively in South Korean dishes, especially the famous Kimchi (fermented spiced, pickled cabbage). Mixing the sweet and savory is common here – do not forget to try the honey garlic toast and to visit all the cafes.

**Clothing:** South Koreans are much more formal in their dress than most Westerners and take great pains with their appearance. You will likely never see a South Korean out in public wearing shower shoes or pajama pants. South Korean fashion sense, heavily influenced by Western Culture, is centered around expressiveness and individuality. Many South Koreans still opt to wear formal traditional garments on holidays or for formal occasions. The traditional South Korean dress is a graceful, full-length garment called "hanbok."

**The South Korean Alphabet Hangeul:** This phonetic alphabet, invented by King Sejong and a group of scholars in 1443, is straight-forward but often intimidating to foreigners. For the 1988

Olympics in Seoul, South Korea host major road and street signs printed in both Hangeul and English.

**The Jostling Crowds:** Space is precious in Seoul. South Koreans are accustomed to tight crowds, and they assume everyone else is too. Therefore, pushing and shoving without an apology is normal and not to be taken personally.

**The Markets:** Nowhere in the world, Hong Kong included, do the markets and shopping areas rival those of Seoul. Itaewon, located just outside U.S. Army Garrison (USAG) Yongsan, is widely regarded as one of the most famous of the Korean shopping destinations. Traditional South Korean markets such as Dongdaemun (East Gate) and Namdaemun (South Gate) in Seoul are not as western style as Itaewon. In traditional markets, products are grouped according to type and are readied for retail, domestic, or international markets. You will encounter rows and rows of leather jacket vendors in one place, miles of fabric in another, and thousands of electronic gadgets in yet another. The range is truly amazing, and the volume of goods is astounding!

**Constant Change:** Since even before the great industrialization boom, South Korea has been a place of constant change. New buildings, restaurants, and businesses pop up frequently. Living in South Korea is all about quickly being able to adapt to your new surroundings.

If possible, correspond with others who have been stationed here before you arrive. Keep an open mind and take every opportunity to venture off post and explore this beautiful, mountainous country. South Korea boasts mountains, seas, islands, and big cities. There is something to do around every corner and hidden gems abound. Strike up conversations with Korean people, savor the delicious and often unique dishes, and enjoy the cultural arts. South Korea is an experience that you will not soon forget.

## Fast Facts about the Republic of Korea

### **History**

Korea was founded some 4,300 years ago, along the Han River. Its recorded history dates back to 2333 BC. The Republic of Korea (South Korea) was established in 1948.

### **Language**

The Korean written language is referred to as Hangeul; the spoken language is simply called Korean (Hangeul-mal).

### **Geography**

South Korea is a peninsula in East Asia that stretches for about 625 miles (1,000 km). South Korea shares a 150-mile (238 km) land border with North Korea. South Korea is surrounded by China and Russia to the north and Japan to the southeast.

### **Topography**

Approximately 70 percent of South Korea's land area is comprised of mountains and uplands. Mount Halla (Hallasan) (6,398 ft/1,950 m) on Jeju Island (Jeju-do) is the tallest mountain and is the cone of a dormant volcanic formation. The longest rivers are the Nakdong River (Nakdong-gang), the Geum River (Geumgang), and the Han River (Hangang), which flows through Seoul.

### **Land Area**

South Korea is 38,750 square miles (99,237 square km; about the size of Indiana).

### **Climate**

Long, cold winters and short, hot, humid summers with late monsoon rains and flooding. Temperatures in January average 19F to 34F. In August, the averages are 72F to 86F. The annual rainfall varies from year to year but usually averages more than 39 inches or 100 centimeters. Two-thirds of the total precipitation falls between June and September.

### **President**

Yoon Suk-yeol

### **Capital City**

Seoul

### **Monetary Unit**

Won (₩)

### **Population**

South Korea: ~51.7 million (2021); Seoul: ~10 million; Daegu: ~2.4 million; Pyeongtaek: ~565,000.

### **Largest Cities**

Seoul, Busan, Daegu, and Incheon.

### **Religions**

57% non-affiliated, 27% Christian, 15% Buddhist, 1% Confucianism (2015).

### **Literacy Rate**

~99% (up from 22% in 1945).

### **Industry**

South Korea has the 14th highest GDP in the world. South Korea's workforce is almost 27 million strong. Industry represents 35% of the GDP and employs 25% of the workforce. Roughly 70% are employed in the service sector, which is the largest economic sector, accounting for 54% of GDP. About 5% of the workforce are employed in the agricultural sector, accounting for 2% of GDP. The remainder is accounted for in tourism, which is the fastest growing economic sector. The main industries include textile, steel, car manufacturing, shipbuilding, and electronics. South Korea is the world's largest producer of semiconductors. Exports include agricultural products, electronics and technology, machinery, textiles, steel, metal, and chemical products. South Korea's explosive growth is due in large part to their vast industrialization.

### **Natural Resources**

Arable land (25% of the land is arable), coal, iron ore, tungsten, and graphite.

### **National Bird**

Magpie (traditionally said to bring good news).

### **National Flower**

Mugunghwa (Rose of Sharon).

## Holidays

Holiday celebrations are an important part of family life in Korea. All celebrations, no matter how large, center on the home. Women can spend hours preparing the traditional dishes; sometimes a family's reputation depends on the amount and the quality of the food. After the holiday meal, the younger members bow to their parents and grandparents as a reaffirmation of family ties, and receive gifts of money and words of advice.

### January 1, New Year's Day (Sinjeong)

The first day of the New Year is celebrated with friends, co-workers and families. The most popular event is the bell-ringing ceremony at Bosingak in Jongno, literally "bell street," Seoul. The bell-ringing event on New Year's Eve draws people from all over Seoul. The bell ringing is preceded by a variety of events, including performances by Korean stars. Following the performances, citizens participate in the countdown to the New Year. At midnight, celebrities, civil representatives, and senior members from various fields ring the bell 33 times to welcome the new year and to wish peace and prosperity to everyone who hears the bell. The bell is rung 33 times in reference to the hope of reaching the 33rd dimension of Mount Meru, which some Buddhist cultures consider the center of the universe.

On New Year's Day, it is common for Koreans to travel to famous sunrise spots in order to make New Year's wishes as they greet the first sunrise. The sun first rises in the East Sea (Dong Hae) off the coast of Korea, so many New Year events are organized on the East Coast.

### Seollal

Seollal, the Korean Lunar New Year, is one of the most significant traditional holidays in Korea. The celebration usually last three days, including the day before and the day after the first day of the Korean lunar calendar, which falls in January or February.

It is traditional for Koreans to return to their hometowns, especially outside of Seoul, to visit parents and relatives. It is considered important and respectful. Traditional Confucian families perform ancestral rituals, play folk games, eat traditional foods, listen to stories, and talk well into the night. A common activity for families to enjoy is yutnori, a traditional board game. Yutnori is played by throwing four sticks in the air and

moving your game markers around the board depending on the number of sticks facing up. Each team has four markers; the first team to get all four markers around the board wins.

Family members rise early and put on special clothing for Seollal. Following the rite, everyone eats the ritual food of Tteokguk, rice cake soup. Tteokguk is the main food of Seollal and eating it is believed to symbolize starting out the year with a clean mind and body. The soup also symbolizes adding a year to one's age. Along with eating Tteokguk, there is singing, and more traditional food is served such as kimchi, rice, and bulgogi.

### February 14, March 14, and April 14, Romantic Days

Koreans have figured out an ingenious way to extend the romantic holiday period. Traditionally in Korea, Valentine's Day is a day where women give gifts to their significant others, usually chocolate. Men return the favor on White Day, March 14, by gifting their significant others gifts in white colors. Single people are not to be left out though! Lonely singles get together on Black Day, April 14, to eat jjajangmyeon, black bean noodles.

### March 1, Independence Movement Day (Samil Jeol)

Koreans observe the anniversary of the March 1, 1919 Independence Movement against the Japanese occupation. This day was officially designated as a public holiday to commemorate men and women who died during the Independence Movement. The March 1 Independence Movement was highly influenced by US President Woodrow Wilson's Declaration of the Principle of Self-Determination at the Paris Peace Conference in January 1919.

### Buddha's Birthday (Seokgatansinil or Bucheonnim Osin Nal)

Buddha's Birthday is celebrated on the eighth day of the fourth month of the lunar calendar. Buddhist temples are adorned with lotus lanterns and many temples provide free meals (bibimbap) and tea to visitors. The day's festivities include traditional games, rope jumping, mask dances, and acrobatic shows. The day culminates with a lotus lantern parade. A very large lantern parade in Seoul takes place on the Saturday before the holidays and features thousands of participants carrying lit paper lanterns through the city streets for hours.

## May 1, Labor Day

This is not a government holiday, though many banks and businesses may be closed.

## May 5, Children's Day (Eorini Nal)

Children's Day is a national public holiday in South Korea to honor children. The day is celebrated with various programs for children to enjoy themselves with their parents. The holiday was introduced in 1923 by Bang Jeong Hwan, a writer of children's literature.

## May 8, Parents' Day (Eobeoi Nal)

Parents' Day is a national, public holiday to celebrate and show respect for one's parents, as well as to thank them for all the sacrifices they have made.

## May 15, Teachers' Day (Seuseungeui Nal)

Teachers' Day is a national, public holiday to recognize teachers and thank them. Teachers are typically presented with a carnation as a gift from all the students as a sign of gratitude. Lavish gifts are not appropriate.

## June 6, ROK Memorial Day (Hyeonchung-il)

On this day, the nation pays tribute to the soldiers and civilians who have given their lives for their country. At 10:00, a siren sounds, calling for a one-minute silent tribute. Memorial services are held at the National Cemetery in Seoul.

## August 15, Liberation Day (Gwangbokjeol)

On this day in 1945, Korea was liberated from Japan after 36 years of colonial rule. It also marks the 1948 establishment of the government of the Republic of Korea.

## Chuseok

Chuseok is one of the biggest and most important holidays in Korea. Chuseok falls on the fifteenth day of the eighth month of the lunar calendar

(September/October). Chuseok is celebrated on that day, as well as the day before and the day after.

On the morning of Chuseok Day, family members gather at their homes and honor their ancestors through an ancestral rite called chayre. During chayre, freshly harvested rice, alcohol, and songpyeon (half-moon rice cakes) are prepared and offered to the family's ancestors. Following the service, family members enjoy the food together. Another chuseok tradition is to visit ancestral graves, remove weeds, and pay respects. Most Koreans will return to their hometowns during this holiday, so traffic is unusually heavy and travel times double.

## October 3, National Foundation Day (Dangun Nal or Gaecheonjeol)

This day commemorates the traditional founding of the Korean nation in 2333 BC by the legendary god-king Dangun. A simple ceremony is held at an altar on top of Mt. Mani (Manisan) on Ganghwa Island (Ganghwa-do) in Gyeonggi Province (Gyeonggi-do). The altar is said to have been erected by Dangun to offer thanks to his father and grandfather in heaven.

## October 9, Korean Language Day (Hangul Nal)

The day commemorates the invention (in 1443) and the proclamation (in 1446) of Hangul, the alphabet of the Korean language, by King Sejong the Great. Sejong the Great is considered to have been one of the most outstanding rulers in Korean history. This national holiday is celebrated with a variety of activities and events centered around students throughout the nation.

## December 25, Christmas Day (Gidoktansinil)

South Korea recognizes Christmas as a national holiday, however it is not a big traditional holiday to most Koreans. They do not travel to their hometowns to celebrate and gift-giving is less pronounced. Rather, Christmas is a holiday typically spent with one's significant other. Christians will typically visit church on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, or both. Christmas trees in Korean homes are small, and most of them are artificial. Christmas markets will appear all over Seoul, such as the Hongdae Christmas Market or the Express Bus Terminal Christmas Market. Great locations to see Christmas lights are Myeongdong shopping area, City Hall in Seoul, Cheonggyecheon, Garden of Morning Calm, and Petite France. The traditional Christmas cakes are very colorful and a very popular treat during the season.

## The Korean Language

The Korean language has evolved throughout the centuries. No one knows how long it has been spoken, and despite the geographical closeness of China and Japan, Korean is linguistically distinct from Chinese and Japanese. Chinese characters were used in written language until the 15th century.

However, since they were hard to learn and were very different from the Korean spoken language, most people remained illiterate. In 1446, after many years of study and testing, King Sejong and his scholars introduced a unique Korean alphabet. It was devised on a purely phonetic basis and consisted of 28 letters. These were arranged in syllable units, or blocks, and not into linear words. This meant the syllables could be written horizontally or vertically on a page.

From this original alphabet, Hangeul, the modern alphabet has evolved over time. It has 24 letters and follows the western convention of writing from left to right. Chinese characters are rarely used today in conjunction with the Korean alphabet, as it is possible to communicate fluently without using them.

In the past, English was taught in Korean schools beginning in the seventh grade with an emphasis on grammar instead of speaking; it has been taught starting in the first grade since 1998. The mainly testing-oriented educational system means that many Koreans have memorized a lot of English grammar and vocabulary but may feel shy about their conversational skills.

### Romanization of Korean

There are several different ways to romanize Hangeul, but none of them are perfect. Revised Romanization (RR) is the official romanization method used by the government of South Korea since 2000, so most of the romanization in this book will be in RR.

### Useful Korean Phrases

The following Korean phrases may assist you during your tour in Korea. They are simple conversational words and phrases designed for newcomers. Koreans will be pleased you have made the effort to learn even a little of their language. The key is not being afraid to try and having the ability to laugh at yourself.

Greetings		
Good morning/afternoon/evening	An-nyeong-ha-se-yo	안녕하세요!
Hello (on the telephone)	Yeo-bo-se-yo	여보세요!
May I have your name?	I-reum-i mwo-ye-yo?	이름이 뭐예요?
I'm glad to meet you.	Man-na-seo ban-ga-wo-yo	만나서 반가워요.
Goodbye (by host)	An-nyeong-hi-ga-se-yo	안녕히가세요.
Goodbye (by guest)	An-nyeong-hi-gye-se-yo.	안녕히계세요.
Can I have your contact information?	Yeon-rak-cheo ju-sil-su iss-eu-se-yo?	연락처를 주실 수 있어요?
Can I have your phone number?	Jeon-hwa-beon-ho-reul ju-sil-su-iss-eu-se-yo?	전화번호를 주실 수 있나요?
I am American.	Jeo-neun-mi-guk-saram-ip-ni-da	저는 미국사람입니다.
Shopping		
How much does it cost?	Eol-ma-ye-yo?	얼마예요?
Do you have it?	Iss-eo-yo?	있어요?
Show me another one.	Da-reun-geot jom bo-yeo-ju-se-yo.	다른 것 좀 보여주세요.
It is expensive.	Bi-ssa-yo.	비싸요.
Can you reduce this price?	Jom ssa-ge hae-ju-se-yo?	좀 싸게 해 주세요!
I'll take this.	I-geo ju-se-yo	이거 주세요.
It's too big.	Neo-mu keo-yo.	너무커요.
It's too little.	Neo-mu ja-ga-yo.	너무작아요.
Dining		
It is very delicious.	A-ju mas-iss-eo-yo.	아주 맛있어요.
It is hot (spicy).	Mae-wo-yo	매워요.
I would like a glass of water.	Mul jom ju-se-yo.	물 좀 주세요.

I would like a bottle of beer.	Maek-ju han-byeong ju-se-yo.	맥주 한병 주세요.
Please give me...	Ju-se-yo	주세요.
...an English menu.	Yeong-eo men-yu ju-se-yo.	영어메뉴주세요.
Please bring the bill.	Gye-san-hae-ju-se-yo.	계산 해 주세요.
I have allergies.	Jeo-neun al-le-reu-gi-ga iss-eo-yo.	저는 알러지가 있어요.
I am allergic to gluten.	Jeo-neun geul-luten al-le-reu-gi-ga iss-eo-yo.	저는 글루텐알러지가 있어요.
I can't eat shellfish.	Jeo-neun hae-mul mot meog-eo-yo.	저는 해물 못먹어요.

### Conversation

Do you speak English?	Yeong-eo ha-se-yo?	영어하세요?
Where is...	...eo-di-e iss-eo-yo?	어디에있어요?
...the police station?	Gyeong-chal-seo-ga eo-di-e iss-eo-yo?	경찰서가 어디에있어요?
...the restroom?	Hwa-jang-si-ri eo-di-e iss-eo-yo?	화장실이 어디에있어요?
Yes	Ne (Yay for very formal)	네
No	Ah-ni-yo	아니요
Thank you.	Kam-sa-ham-nee-dah	감사합니다.
You are welcome.	Cheon-ma-ne-yo.	천만에요.
I am sorry.	Mi-an-hap-ni-da.	미안합니다.
Come here.	Yeo-gi o-se-yo.	여기오세요.
Please help me.	Jom do-wa ju-se-yo.	좀 도와주세요.
Call a policeman (an MP)...	Gyeong-chal (heon-byeong) bul-leo ju-se-yo.	경찰(헌병)불러주세요.
...for me please.	...bul-leo ju-se-yo.	...불러주세요.
Call this number for me.	I beon-ho-reul jeon-hwa jom hae ju-se-yo.	이 번호로 전화 좀 해 주세요.

### Taking a Taxi

I want to take a taxi.	Take-si ta-go sip-eo-yo.	택시타고싶어요.
Please take me to the nearest US...	Kka-ga-un mi-gun...	가까운 미군...
...military installation	Bu-dae ga ju-se-yo.	부대 가주세요.
Stop here	Yeo-gi sae-wo ju-se-yo.	여기세워주세요.
What is this place called?	Yeo-gi-ga eo-di-ye-yo?	여기가 어디예요?
How much is the fare?	Eol-ma-ye-yo?	얼마예요?
Please take me to...	...e ga ju-se-yo.	...에 가 주세요.
...Itaewon shopping area.	I-tae-won si-jang-e ga ju-se-yo.	이태원시장에 가주세요.
...South Gate Market.	Nam-dae-mun si-jang-e ga ju-se-yo.	남대문시장에 가주세요.

### When Travelling

Where is the subway?	Ji-ha-cheol- eo-di-ye-yo?	지하철이 어디에있어요?
Give me one ticket to...	Han-jang ju-se-yo.	한 장 주세요.
Western-style room	Chim-dae-bang	침대 방
Toilet	Hwa-jang-sil	화장실
Parking lot	Ju-cha-jang	주차장
Reservation	Ye-yak	예약

### Calendar

Monday	Wol-yo-il	월요일
Tuesday	Hwa-yo-il	화요일
Wednesday	Su-yo-il	수요일
Thursday	Mok-yo-il	목요일
Friday	Geum-yo-il	금요일
Saturday	To-yo-il	토요일
Sunday	Il-yo-il	일요일
January	Il-wol	일월

February	I-wol	이월
March	Sam-wol	삼월
April	Sa-wol	사월
May	O-wol	오월
June	Yu-wol	유월
July	Chil-wol	칠월
August	Pal-wol	팔월
September	Gu-wol	구월
October	Si-wol	시월
November	Sip-il-wol	십일월
December	Sip-i-wol	십이월
<b>Calling Police (if there is an accident or problem)</b>		
I will report this (to the police).	I-geo sin-go-hal- geo-e-yo.	이거 신고할거예요.
Please report this (to the police).	Sin-go-hae ju-se-yo.	신고해주세요.
Call 119 (119 is the number for Emergency Services in Korea).	Ir-il-gu jeon-hwa-hae ju-se-yo.	일일구(119) 전화해주세요.
112 (Call 112 to report a crime)	Ir-il-i	일일이 (112)
Someone's hurt (injured).	A-peun sa-ram iss-eo-yo.	아픈사람있어요.
There was an accident (any kind).	Sa-go nass-eo-yo.	사고났어요.
There was a car accident.	Gyo-tong-sa-go- nass-eo-yo.	교통사고났어요.
Is anyone there?	Sa-ram iss-eo-yo?	사람있어요?
Who's there?	Nu-gu iss-eo-yo?	누구있어요?
Let's talk it out (I don't want to fight).	Mal-lo hap-si-da.	말로합시다.

## Numbers

There are two sets of numbers in Korean: Pure Korean and Sino-Korean. Sino-Korean numbers are derived from Chinese characters, Hanja. Pure Korean numbers are used for general counting from 1 to 99 and for counting people, hours, things, ages, and more. Sino-Korean numbers are used for things like dates, money, minutes, addresses, phone numbers, and numbers above 100.

Number	Chinese	Korean
1	il	hah-na
2	i	dul
3	sam	set
4	sa	net
5	o	da-seot
6	yuk	yeo-seot
7	chil	il-gop
8	pahl	yo-dol
9	gu	a-hop
10	sip	yeol
20	i-sip	seu-mul
30	sam-sip	seo-reun
40	sa-sip	ma-heun
50	o-ship	she'en
60	yook-ship	yeh-soon
70	chil-ship	ee-run
80	pahl-ship	yo-dun
90	koo-ship	ah-hun
100	baek	baek
200	ee-baek	ee-baek
300	sahm-baek	sahm-baek
1,000	chon	chon

2,000	ee-chon	ee-chon
10,000	mahn	mahn
100,000	ship-mahn	ship-mahn

## Culture and Customs

South Korea's population shares a common ethnic and cultural heritage. More than Western people, South Korean individuals tend to view themselves as a tightly knit national community with a common destiny. Intense feelings of nationalism, so evident in athletic events like the 1988 Olympic Games held in Seoul and the World Cup soccer games of 2002, reveal a sense of pride concerning South Korea's place in the world. This section highlights important traditions, cultural attitudes, and etiquette. Your awareness of these factors will greatly reward you as you meet and interact with new Korean friends.

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### Non-Verbal Behavior & Etiquette

Customs and attitudes are different in Asia than those in Western countries. Korea has its own set of courtesies. If you take the time to learn and observe them, the rewards are significant.

### Meeting and Greeting

The traditional bow has given way to the handshake, but friendly back slaps or arm squeezing is considered rude here. Koreans meeting for the first time introduce themselves only at the invitation of a third party. The formal ritual of introduction is similar to this: The person who knows everyone in the group invites his friends to introduce themselves. One says, "I am seeing you for the first time." The other repeats the same sentence, and the elder one suggests that they introduce themselves. The introductions and formal bows are followed by an exchange of calling/business cards. Business cards are very important in Korea. They give an opportunity for each person to discover the other's position without

rudely inquiring about them. Business cards also do away with the need of asking someone's name twice. As a sign of respect, when someone presents you with a business card, take a moment to read it before putting it away.

The proper use of names in Korea is also important. A person's name is considered his or her personal property. Koreans regard their name with reverence. The persistent wave of Westernization has accustomed Koreans to being addressed by their family name, but only intimate friends and family greet each other on a first-name basis. Koreans prefer titles rather than names. For example, you would call the company president "Sa-jang-nim" or someone with a PhD "Bak-sa." Teacher or "Sun-saeng-nim" is an acceptable title for anyone.

Try to remember that no matter how "Western" many Koreans may appear on the surface, their thinking is still governed by traditions, which are based on a culture several thousands of years old. The following list covers some important traditions relating to etiquette:

- Looking into an acquaintance's eyes was generally considered impolite. Though this is not necessarily true today, older Koreans may find direct eye contact offensive.
- Use your right hand when performing tasks such as presenting gifts, paying a bill, or pouring a drink. Your left hand should loosely cup your forearm. The closer your left hand is to your wrist the less respect is being given, while your left hand cupping your forearm near your elbow would show greater respect. Using the left hand for these tasks is considered very impolite.
- Do not point the index finger toward a person or gesture with your foot, it is considered insulting. You may gesture with your full hand, palm upward.
- Do not write someone's name in red ink (e.g., endorse checks, sign letters, etc.). A name written in red means death.
- If invited to dine at someone's home, bring a gift. When presenting the gift, use proper etiquette as stated above.
- Take your shoes off when entering a Korean house or restaurant with low tables.
- Do not start eating before your guest of honor or senior.
- Do not say, "I don't drink" when offered unwanted alcoholic beverages. It is more polite to say, "I'm not feeling very well today," "I am a designated driver," or "I'm on medication."
- Do not eat or drink without offering food or beverage to your colleagues.



- Ask your Korean guest more than once to help himself to more food and drink.
- Do not pour your own drink; pour for someone and let him reciprocate.
- Try to wear conservative clothes. Bare shoulders are considered inappropriate.
- See your guest off at the gate/door, and stay there until your guest is gone.
- “Yes” is often used simply to acknowledge what is said by one’s counterpart; it does not necessarily mean one is in agreement or understanding.
- Do not suggest splitting the bill; each person or family should alternate paying the bill. Remember when it is your turn to pay
- You may often see two male friends or two female friends walking affectionately arm-in-arm. This is in no way an indication of their sexual preference.
- Koreans love children, and in this culture children are treated as “everyone’s treasures” to cherish and protect. Koreans will often want to touch and hold your children; blondes and red-heads are rare in Korea, and often attract the most attention. If your children are uncomfortable with this, remove yourselves from the situation as politely as possible. A simple “no, thank you” usually will suffice.

## Traditional Korean Meals/Food

Plain or cooked with other grains, rice (bap) is the main dish at most Korean meals. Rice is accompanied by a variety of side dishes. Favorite side dishes include bean paste soup, roasted beef and fish, as well as steamed and seasoned vegetables. Soy sauce, soybean paste, red pepper paste, ginger root, sesame oil, and sesame seeds are other seasonings that are essential to Korean cuisine. Food is usually eaten with a pair of chopsticks and a large spoon.

Traditional foods are offered in small restaurants, in large hotels, and in gourmet sections of large department stores, such as Lotte or Shinsegae. Korean supermarkets usually have sample stations scattered throughout, where they will encourage everyone to try food.

The following is an alphabetical list of traditional foods and beverages:

- Bap (밥): Rice
- Bibimbap (비빔밥): (mixed rice) This Chonju specialty is a bowl of vegetables, rice, and chili paste, topped with a soft-fried egg.
- Bulgogi (불고기): Thin strips of beef, marinated in sesame oil, soy sauce, sugar, and garlic, then grilled at your table
- Bin-de-ddok (빈대떡): Vegetables, pork and spices cooked in batter (pancake)
- Bokkumbap (볶음밥): Korean fried rice
- Boricha (barley water) (보리차): In lieu of tea, cups of this tepid drink are sometimes brought to the table as soon as you are seated in a Korean restaurant.
- Bul Kalbi (불갈비): Roasted short ribs that are marinated similar to Bulgogi
- Cha (차): Tea
- Chaksol Cha (Solluk Cha) (작설차): Varieties of Nock-cha, Korean green tea
- Chapchae (잡채): Clear noodles, generally mixed with vegetables and soy-based dressing (may be served hot or cold)
- Cider (사이다): A local bottled soft drink, similar to 7-Up. Chilsung Cider is a popular brand, served in a green glass bottle
- Daeji Galbi (돼지갈비): Pork short ribs marinated and cooked over hot charcoal
- Dakagalbi (닭갈비): Broiled spicy chicken and vegetables
- Ddok (떡): Rice cake
- Ddokguk (떡국): Rice cake soup traditionally served on the Lunar New Year
- Dooboo (두부): Bean curd (tofu); it is the compressed white liquid squeezed from cooked soybeans.
- Dolsot bibimbap (돌솥비빔밥): Steamed rice, mixed vegetables, and egg (and sometimes beef) with chili paste in a hot stone pot
- Ghim or Kim (김): Paper-thin sheets of salted seaweed
- Ghimbap (or Kimbap) (김밥): This popular food consists of sticky rice rolled with assorted vegetables, egg, and meats into a sheet of seaweed, and sliced into bite-sized pieces. It’s known as Korean Fast Food or the Korean MRE. It differs from Japanese sushi in that the rice is seasoned with sesame oil rather than rice vinegar.
- Goon Mandu (군만두): Fried dumplings - a perfect hors d’oeuvre when served with soy sauce. Yaki Mandu is the Japanese term.
- In Sam (인삼): Ginseng - a root long prized for its medicinal properties that is also used in cooking. Paeksam (백삼) is white ginseng; Hongsam (홍삼) is red ginseng.

- In Sam Cha (인삼차): Ginseng tea
- Kalbi (갈비): Pork or beef short ribs
- Kalbi Jhip: A Kalbi restaurant
- Kalbi Tang (갈비탕): Kalbi soup, the least expensive way to eat Kalbi
- Kimchi (김치): Cabbage, radishes or other vegetables pickled with garlic, chili pepper, and ginger, then fermented in huge jars buried in the ground. No Korean meal is complete without it!
- Kimchi jjigae (김치찌개): Kimchi stew
- Ku-jol-pan ("Nine treasures") (구절판): Strips of egg and vegetables are served in a compartmented dish with thin crepes in which you wrap the other eight treasures
- Jjin Mandu (짬만두): The Korean equivalent of Chinese wonton, these are dumplings made of minced pork or beef and vegetables wrapped in thin pastry crescents, steamed and served with soy sauce
- Makkolli (막걸리): Rice wine, the drink traditional of farmers
- Maek-ju (맥주): Beer
- Moo (무우): The large white Japanese daikon radish used in summer kimchi
- Mul (물): Water
- Myon (면): Noodles, sometimes thin and white if made from flour. Other myon are made with buckwheat, potatoes, or mung beans.
- Naeng Myon (냉면): Cold noodles that are 70% buckwheat and served in a dish of cold water to which you may add a dollop of chili paste. This is considered a perfect complement at the end of a bulgogi meal
- Sake (사케): Called chonjungg in Korea, this is traditional Japanese rice wine served in tiny cups.
- Sam Gyeop Sal (삼겹살): Thick slices of pork belly meat (similar to uncured bacon) grilled and often dipped into a spicy pepper paste
- Sam-kyetang (삼계탕): Ginseng chicken soup - a summer specialty, the chicken is boiled with a piece of the medicinal root and jujubes, and stuffed with glutinous rice.
- Changgae (Sesame) (참깨): Kae is Korean sesame. The leaves are added to soup, the seeds are added to vegetables and meat marinades, and the oil is used for flavoring in cooking.
- Seolleongtang (설렁탕): Beef soup served with rice
- Shinselo (신선로): A casserole once served only to royalty. Fried eggs, fish, meat, and vegetables are cut into strips and simmered in broth in the distinctive charcoal brazier.
- Soju (소주): Distilled beverage native to Korea and traditionally made from rice
- Songpyon (송편): Chusok half-moon shaped rice cakes
- Ganjan (Soy Sauce) (간장): Ganjan is made by fermenting the liquid of boiled soybeans. This is one of the most popular condiments in a Korean kitchen.
- Sushi (스시): Slices of raw fish dabbed with wasabi and curled over a clump of sticky rice. This is of Japanese origin and differs from Gimbap/kimbap in that the rice is seasoned with rice vinegar rather than sesame oil.
- Uja Cha (유자차): Citron tea, usually served in winter
- Yakchu (약주): A respectable word for liquor

# SHINJANG SHOPPING MALL



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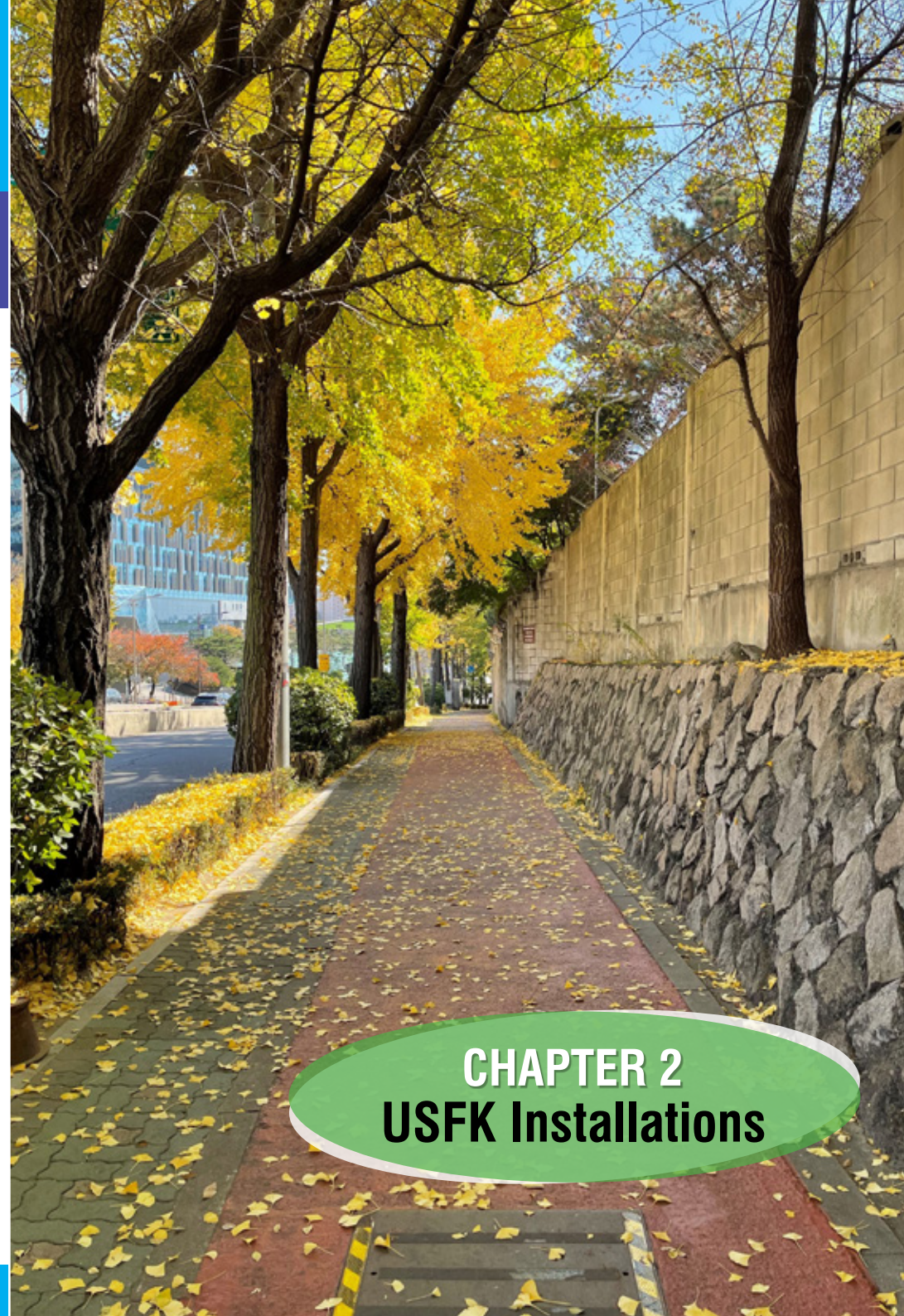


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**CHAPTER 2  
USFK Installations**

# US FORCES KOREA INSTALLATIONS

In 2018, the U.S. and ROK governments agreed to consolidate the United States Forces Korea (USFK) Headquarters into two enduring hubs south of Seoul, near the cities of Pyeongtaek and Daegu, the largest being USAG Humphreys. By moving into these locations, USFK has improved readiness and efficiency and enhanced its partnership with local communities. The consolidation of U.S. forces in Korea supports U.S. and ROK national interests, including a strong combined defense and credible deterrence.

USFK Installations include the following areas:

### **Army Installations**

- USAG Yongsan-Casey
- Camp Yongsan
- Camp Casey/Hovey
- K-16

USAG Humphreys

- USAG Daegu
- Camp Carroll
- Camp George
- Camp Henry
- Camp Walker

### **Air Force Installations**

- Daegu Air Base
- Gimhae Air Base
- Gwangju Air Base
- Kunsan Air Base
- Osan Air Base
- Suwon Air Base

### **Navy Installation**

Fleet Activities Chinhae

### **Marine Corps Installation**

Camp Mujuk



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*Yongsan Walk-out Gate*  
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## USFK Organization

United Nations Command (UNC)

US Forces Korea (USFK)

8th Army (8A)

2nd Infantry Division (2ID)

7th Air Force (7AF)

51st Fighter Wing

8th Fighter Wing

Commander, US Naval Forces Korea

MARFOR-K (US Marine Corps Forces Korea)

Far East District US Corps of Engineers (FED)

### Primer in Department of Defense (DoD) Acronyms

Acronyms	Meaning
1RC	1st Replacement Company
19PC	19th Personnel Company
2ID	2nd Infantry Division
AAFES	Army Air Force Exchange Service
ACS	Army Community Service
AFAP	Army Family Action Plan
AFN-K	American Forces Network-Korea
AFTB	Army Family Team Building
BDAACH	Brian D. Allgood Army Community Hospital
BOSS	Better Opportunities for Single and Unaccompanied Soldiers
CLASS VI	Package/Liquor Store
CFC	Combined Forces Command
COLA	Cost of Living Allowance
CNFK	Commander, US Naval Forces Korea

CYS	Child Youth Services
DMZ	Demilitarized Zone
DPW	Directorate of Public Works
DSN	Defense Switching Network
DEROS	Date Estimated Return from Overseas
DoDEA	Department of Defense Education Activity
DoDDS	Department of Defense Dependent School
EML	Environmental Morale Leave
EUSA	Eighth US Army
FED	Far East District, US Corps of Engineers
FMWR	Family, Morale, Welfare and Recreation
HCES	Humphreys Central Elementary School
HUSC	Humphreys United Spouses Club
JUSMAG-K	Joint US Military Affairs Group, Korea
KATUSA	Korean Augmentee to the US Army
MARFOR-K	Marine Forces Korea
NEO	Non-Combatant Evacuation Operation
OCONUS	Outside the Contiguous United States
OHA	Overseas Housing Allowance
POV	Privately Owned Vehicle
ROK (A)	Republic of Korea (Army)
SOFA	Status of Forces Agreement
SUSLAK	Special US Liaison Advisor, Korea
USAG	US Army Garrison
USFK	US Forces Korea
USO	United Services Organization
WRC	Warrior Readiness Center

## USAG HUMPHREYS

USAG Humphreys is the largest U.S. military installation overseas, with the most active airfield in the Pacific, the center of the largest construction and transformation project in the U.S. Department of Defense's history, and boasting the largest overseas Post Exchange (P.X.). More information can be found on the USAG Humphreys Facebook page.



USAG Humphreys

### Area III

Installation Name: USAG Humphreys

Province: Gyeonggi-Do

City/County: Pyeongtaek City

Post Operator: To reach an operator when calling from off-post dial 0503-323-1110

To reach an operator when calling from on-post, dial 02-7913-1110

To reach an operator when calling from the U.S., dial 011-82-2-7913-1110

Post Website: <https://home.army.mil/humphreys/index.phpp>

### History of USAG Humphreys

The history of USAG Humphreys dates back to the beginning of the 20th century when, in 1919, the Japanese military built the Pyeongtaek Airfield. Later, during the Korean War, Pyeongtaek Airfield was named K-6 after being repaired and enhanced by the U.S. Air Force to accommodate a US Marine Air Group and the 614th Tactical Control Group. In 1962, the airfield was renamed Camp Humphreys in honor of Chief Warrant Officer Benjamin K. Humphreys of the 4th Transportation Company, who died in a helicopter accident near the installation.

In 1964, Humphreys District command, later redesignated as the 23rd Direct Support Group was activated as a separate installation command of the Eighth U.S. Army, providing all direct support, supply, and maintenance, storage of all conventional ammunition in Korea, Adjutant General publications and training aides and the Eighth U.S. Army Milk Plant.

In 1974, with the activation of the 19th Support Brigade, Camp Humphreys was redesignated as U.S. Army Garrison Camp Humphreys. USAG, Camp Humphreys was still responsible for all affairs affecting personnel stationed at Camp Humphreys, but the 19th Support Command was responsible for all support activities vital to the Eighth U.S. Army and its subordinate units. Those units formerly reporting to the 23rd Direct Support Group reported to the 19th Support Command in Daegu. Only the basic functions remained with USAG, Camp Humphreys.

Later, the 23rd Direct Support Group and 19th Support Brigade were renamed 23rd Support Group and 19th Theater Army Area Command. On June 17, 1996, the U.S. Army Support Activity Area III was established and made responsible for the peacetime support mission for Camp Humphreys, Camp Long, Camp Eagle, and U.S. Army units assigned to Suwon Air Base.

Under a 2004 land-swap pact, the U.S. promised to gradually return a combined 170 square kilometers of land housing 42 military bases and related facilities to South Korea and move U.S. military forces from garrisons in and north of Seoul to Camp Humphreys. As a result of this pact, the U.S. troop presence in South Korea was consolidated into two regional hubs in Pyeongtaek and Daegu.

On June 1, 2005, the U.S. Army announced that Camps Eagle and Long would close. Both camps closed on June 4, 2010, consolidating installation support activities on Camp Humphreys.

With the creation of the Installation Management Command (I.M.COM) on October 24, 2006, U.S. Army Support Activity Area III was redesignated as USAG Humphreys and Area III on March 15, 2007.

On November 13, 2007, USFK and South Korean officials conducted a groundbreaking ceremony to expand USAG Humphreys. As of 2017, the U.S. Army called Humphreys "the largest power projection platform in the Pacific." Now in the final stage of a massive base expansion, Humphreys has tripled in size to nearly 3,500 acres — roughly the size of the central District of Columbia — making it the largest overseas American Military Base in the world, capping off over a dozen years of transformation and consolidation of the U.S. military footprint in South Korea. In all, more than 650 new buildings have been or will be built on what were once rice fields and villages.

In 2018, when the U.S. and ROK governments agreed to consolidate USFK Headquarters near Pyeongtaek and Daegu, most major commands moved to USAG Humphreys, including soldiers from USAG Yongsan, USAG Red Cloud, Camp Casey, Eighth Army Headquarters, and elements of the Combined Forces Command and the Second Infantry Division

## US Forces at USAG Humphreys

The following major commands are currently based at USAG Humphreys:

- United States Forces Korea Headquarters
- United Nations Command Headquarters
- Combined Forces Command Headquarters
- Eighth United States Army Headquarters
- 2nd Infantry Division Headquarters
- Special Operations Command Korea
- United States Marine Corps Forces, Korea Headquarters
- Installation Management Command Pacific – Forward
- 2nd Combat Aviation Brigade
- 604th Air Support Operations Squadron
- 65th Medical Brigade
- United States Army Medical Department Activities Korea
- 501st Military Intelligence Brigade
- 1st Signal Brigade
- 411th Contract Support Brigade
- Far East District of the United States Army Corps of Engineers
- 7th Republic of Korea Air Force Communication Service Group
- Trial Defense Services
- Defense Logistics Agency
- American Forces Network Humphreys, Defense Media Activity
- Army Materiel Command Logistics Support Element
- 658th Regional Support Group
- United States Army Pacific Support Unit
- Plus numerous smaller subordinate units.

Humphreys hosts a combined population of approximately 37,000 Department of Defense Service Members, Civilians, Contractors, and their families, as of July 2021. The estimated end-state population of approximately 44,000 will be reached when the transformation and relocation program is completed. To accommodate more families, additional 12-story housing towers are being built. Up to 93% of the \$10.7 billion expansion cost will be paid by South Korea under the Special Measures Agreement.

## Helpful Information

### Dialing Guidelines

- To call Korea from the U.S.: 011-82 + area code not including the first '0' number
- USFK information from the U.S. (Commercial): 011-82-2-7913-1110/1113
- The area code is not needed for local calls unless using a cell phone
- To call a commercial number from a DSN line, first dial '99'
- Calling USAG Humphreys DSN numbers from a Korean phone: 05033 + Last 6 Digits of DSN Number
- Post Operator: 0503-323-1110
- Post Operator Phone From US: 011-82-503-323-1110

### Road Conditions

For the most up-to-date conditions, call Phone: 0503-355-7623 DSN: 315-755-7623-3102, or visit the Garrison's Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/usaghumphreys/>

### USAG Humphreys Gates and Hours

\*\*These were the gate hours prior to the adjusted HPCON measures\*\*

#### *Adams (Dodu-ri) Gate*

Hours: 7 Days/Week; 24/7

Military Vehicles, POVs, Buses, Contract Utility Vehicles, Motor Bikes, and Bicycles.

#### *24/7 Visitor Control Center (VCC)*

Hours for Pass and I.D. Office inside VCC: Mon, Tue, Thurs, Fri 09:00-11:30 & 13:00-16:00; Wed 09:00-14:30; (closed for lunch 11:30-13:00)

#### *Millett (Anjeong-Ri) Gate*

Hours: Mon-Fri 05:00-22:00

DBIDS Registered POVs, Contract Vehicles, Motor Bikes, and Bicycles.

#### *Charlton (Hamjeong-ri) Gate*

Hours: Mon-Fri 0500-1900

DBIDS Registers POVs, Motor Bikes, Bicycles, and Pedestrians.

### ***Galer (CPX) Gate***

Inbound: 0600-0900  
School Buses Only  
Outbound: 0600-0900; 1600-1800  
Outbound Traffic Only

### ***Yoon (Dongchang-ri) Gate***

Hours: 24/7  
POVs, Contract Type Utility Vehicles, Motor Bikes, Bicycles, and Pedestrians

### ***24/7 Visitor Control Center (VCC)***

Hours for Pass and I.D. Office inside VCC: Mon, Tue, Thur, Fri 09:00-11:30; Wed 0900-1430; (closed for lunch 11:30-13:00)

### ***Pedestrian Gate***

Hours: 7 Days/Week; 24/7  
Pedestrians, Escortees, and Bicycles.

## **Quick Reference Phone Numbers**

### ***Emergency Number Police/Fire/Ambulance On-Post***

Phone: 031-690-7911 or 0505-753-7911 DSN: (all posts): 911

### ***Police/Fire/Ambulance Off Post***

Emergency: 119  
Provost Marshall: Phone: 0503-355-9917 DSN: 755-9917  
Police Off-post  
Phone: 02-112 DSN: 112

### ***Tricare***

Location: 1st Floor, Maude Hall, Bldg 6400, Marne Ave. and 9th St.  
Phone: 0503-337-5781, 5179, 5178 DSN: 737-5781, 5179, 5178

### ***Sexual Assault Prevention (SHARP) 24/7 Assistance***

Phone: 0503-363-5700 or 0503-357-8912 DSN: 158 or 763-5700  
From the U.S.: 011-82-503-363-5700 or 011-82-503-357-8912  
For more information on the SHARP program, please see Chapter 6: Support Services.

### ***DoD Sexual Assault Support (SAFE) Helpline***

Phone: 877-995-5247 (U.S. toll-free)

Text (Inside U.S.): 55-247  
Text (Outside U.S.): 202-470-5546

### ***Suicide Prevention Hotline (Korea-Wide)***

Phone: 0808-555-118 DSN: 118

### ***Veteran's Crisis Line***

Phone: 1-800-273-8255  
For 1-800 numbers, call from a DSN Number  
Confidential online chat:  
<https://www.veteranscrisisline.net/get-help-now/military-crisis-line/>

## **Facility Information**

### **Lodging**

#### ***Humphreys Army Lodging***

Location: Sentry Road, BLDG 121  
Phone: 0503-355-0233 DSN: 755-0233  
Website: <https://army.dodlodging.net/propertys/Camp-Humphreys>

### **Medical Facilities**

#### ***Brian D. Allgood Army Community Hospital (BDAACH)***

Location: BLDG 3031  
Phone: 0503-337-1990  
DSN: 315-727-1990  
Website: <https://briandallgood.tricare.mil/>

Features: non-emergent primary care, urgent and emergency care, internal medicine, optometry, pediatrics, behavioral health, intensive care unit (ICU), Mother Baby Ward (WICU), physical therapy, sports medicine, optometry, immunizations, nutrition care, occupational health services, pharmacy, laboratory, and radiology.

**NOTE:** BDAACH does not have a Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU).

#### ***Appointment Line***

Phone: 0503-337-2273 DSN: 737-2273

#### ***MHS Nurse Advice Line***

Phone: 080-500-4011 DSN: 888-901-7144



## Additional Medical Facilities at USAG Humphreys

### *SCMH, Sgt. Shin Woo Kim*

Location: BLDG 6370  
Phone: 0503-337-2273 DSN 737-2273  
Hours: Mon-Wed, Fri 08:30-17:00; Thurs 13:00-17:00  
(Soldiers only)

### *USAG Humphreys, SCMH, Master Sgt. Henry L. Jenkins*

Location: BLDG 555  
Phone: 0503-337-2273 DSN 737-2273  
Hours: Mon-Fri 08:10-21:00; Sat, Sun, Holidays 08:30-19:00  
(Soldiers only)

### *USAG Humphreys, Dental Clinic, Sgt. Shin Woo Kim*

Location: BLDG 6370  
Phone: 0503-337-5129/5130 DSN 737-5129/5130  
Hours: Mon-Wed, Fri 08:30-17:00; Thurs 13:00-17:00

### *USAG Humphreys, Carius Dental Treatment Facility*

Location: BLDG 3020  
Phone: 0503-337-9206/9207 DSN 737-9206/9207  
Hours: Mon-Fri 07:30-16:30

### *USAG Humphreys, Veterinary Clinic*

Location: BLDG 2260  
Phone: 0503-337-9720 DSN 737-9720  
Hours: M-F 09:00-16:00 (Lunch 12:00-13:00)  
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/CampHumphreysVeterinary-Services>

## Religious Services

### *Religious Support Office*

Phone: 0503-356-2105 DSN: 756-2105  
On-Call Duty Chaplain: 010-9496-7445  
Email: [usarmy.humphreys.id-pacific.mbx.rso@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.humphreys.id-pacific.mbx.rso@mail.mil)  
Website: <https://home.army.mil/humphreys/index.php/about/garrison/religious-support-office>  
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/HumphreysChapel>

## Chapels

- BLDG 6360 Pacific Visitors Chapel (Next to Burke Gym)
- BLDG 6800 Warrior Chapel (Next to Warrior Shoppette)
- BLDG 695 Freedom Chapel (Near Collier Community Fitness Center)
- BLDG 696 Freedom Family Life Center (Near Collier Community Fitness Center)
- BLDG 2230 Four Chaplains Memorial Chapel (Near Ray E. Duke Memorial Library)

*More information about additional resources, facilities, and services at USAG Humphreys is available in specified chapters of this guidebook.*

## Name History for USAG Humphreys Gates, Roads, Buildings, Housing, and Static Displays

### Gates

#### *Lieutenant Colonel Stanley Adams (DoDu Ri) Gate*

Lieutenant Colonel Stanley "Stan" Taylor Adams was a U.S. Army officer who received the Medal of Honor on July 5, 1951, for his actions in the Korean War for leading a bayonet charge against a numerically superior force in early 1951.

In late January 1951, Adams' unit launched a counteroffensive against Chinese forces. In the early morning of February 4, Adams' forward platoon was attacked by about 250 enemy soldiers. After intense machine gun and mortar fire, the platoon withdrew to the main company position. Seeing that the opposing force could only be routed by close-quarters fighting, Adams led 13 men from his platoon in a bayonet charge against approximately 150 enemy soldiers. He fought in hand-to-hand combat for nearly an hour, despite being shot in the leg and knocked off his feet four times by grenades, until the hostile force began to retreat. When orders came for his battalion to withdraw, he stayed behind to provide covering fire.

Adams was subsequently promoted to master sergeant and awarded the Medal of Honor for his actions during the battle. President Harry S. Truman formally presented the medal to him in a White House ceremony. Commissioned as an officer shortly after receiving the medal, Adams



Gate Name History

continued serving in the Vietnam War, eventually retiring as a lieutenant colonel in 1970.

### ***Colonel Lewis Lee Millett Sr. (Anjeong Ri) Gate***

Colonel Lewis Lee Millett Sr. was a U.S. Army officer who received the Medal of Honor in July 1951 for his actions in the Korean War. Millett served in Korea as a captain and commander of Company E of the 2nd Battalion, 27th Infantry Regiment. Millett led his company in an assault on an enemy position atop Hill 180 near Anyang. When one platoon became pinned down by the heavy fire, Millett took another platoon forward, joined the two groups, and led them up the hill.

Wielding his bayonet and throwing hand grenades, Millett yelled encouragement to his soldiers throughout the hand-to-hand fight. Upon reaching the top of the hill, his men stormed the enemy position and forced the opposing soldiers to withdraw.

Although wounded in the shin by grenade fragments, Millett refused to be evacuated until the position was secured. Historian S.L.A. Marshall described the attack as “the most complete bayonet charge by American troops since [the Battle of Cold Harbor].” Out of about 50 enemy dead, roughly 20 were found to have been killed by bayonets, and the location subsequently became known as Bayonet Hill.

### ***Sergeant Cornelius Charlton (HamJeong Ri) Gate***

Sergeant Cornelius H. Charlton was a U.S. Army soldier who posthumously received the Medal of Honor on June 2, 1951, for his actions in the Korean War.

Charlton’s platoon attacked a heavily defended hostile position on commanding ground when their leader was wounded and evacuated. Charlton assumed command, rallied the men, and spearheaded the assault against the hill, personally eliminating two hostile positions and killing six of the enemy with his rifle fire and grenades. Charlton continued up the slope until the unit suffered heavy casualties and became pinned down. Regrouping the men, he led them forward, only to be again hurled back by a shower of grenades. Despite a severe chest wound, Charlton refused medical attention and led a third daring charge which carried to the crest of the ridge. Observing that the remaining emplacement, which had retarded the advance, was situated on the reverse slope, he charged it alone and was again hit by a grenade. Charlton raked the position with a devastating fire which eliminated it and routed the defenders.

The wounds received during his daring exploits resulted in his death,

but his indomitable courage, superb leadership, and gallant self-sacrifice reflect the highest credit upon himself, the infantry, and the military.

### ***Brigadier General Robert E. Galer, USMC (CPX) Gate***

Brigadier General Robert Edward Galer was a US Marine officer who received the Medal of Honor for heroism in aerial combat during the Guadalcanal campaign of World War II.

Galer led a maximum effort strike of Marine attack aircraft against a heavily defended industrial area in the North Korean capital city of Pyongyang. In May 1942, Galer assumed command of Marine Fighting Squadron-224. While in command of this unit, he received the Nation’s highest award shortly after his promotion to the rank of major. He also received the British Distinguished Flying Cross for the same act of heroism. Following the President’s presentation of the Medal of Honor at the White House, Galer was ordered to Marine Forces, Air, West Coast, Miramar, California, where he served as Assistant Operations Officer. Shortly after advancement to the rank of lieutenant colonel in November 1943, he was ordered to return to the Hawaiian Islands, where he became Chief of Staff, Marine Air, Hawaiian Area. Galer sailed in March 1952 for Korea, where he saw duty as Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4 (Supply), of the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing until the following May. He was then named Commanding Officer of Marine Aircraft Group 12 and, for extraordinary achievement on July 11, was awarded a Gold Star in lieu of a second Distinguished Flying Cross.

### ***Major General Seung-Kook Yoon (Dongchang Ri) Gate***

Major General Seung-Kook Yoon was a Korean Army officer assigned by special order to be the liaison officer for Task Force Smith, 52nd Artillery Battalion.

Yoon was the only Korean who participated in the U.N. forces’ first battle against North Korea during the Korean War at Jukmiryeong, a hill in Osan in Gyeonggi Province.

On July 4, 1950, Task Force Smith was joined at Pyeongtaek by part of the 52nd Artillery Battalion: Half headquarters, service batteries, and all of A Battery with six 105mm Howitzers, 73 vehicles, and 108 men under the command of Lieutenant Colonel Miller O. Perry.

In the late afternoon on July 4, LTC Smith, LTC Perry, and others made a final reconnaissance of the position Smith had selected. The combined infantry and artillery moved out of Pyeongtaek by truck, and the American position extended about a mile on both sides of the Suwon-Osan

road. The Americans were vulnerable to enemy flanking attacks, lacked the means to stop enemy tanks, and were without reserves.

At dawn on July 5, LTC Smith ordered his artillery, mortars, and machine guns to conduct registration fire. At 08:00, as part of the artillery, CPT Yoon received a request for a fire mission, and at 08:16, the first American ground fire of the Korean War opened against the tanks, about 2,000 yards in front of the infantry position. Antitank mines would have stopped the enemy's advance, but none were in Korea. Smith ordered 75mm recoilless rifle fire withheld until the column of tanks reached the 700-yard range. The recoilless rifle crews scored direct hits, again without apparent effect. The tanks stopped and opened fire with their 85mm main guns and 7.62mm machine guns. Heat rods hit and damaged the two lead tanks as they approached the lone 105mm g forward. One caught fire, and two crew members came out of the turret with their hands up; a third came out with a burp gun and fired it against an American machine gun positioned beside the road killing an assistant gunner, the first American ground fatality of the Korean War. The third tank knocked out the forward 105mm howitzer with cannon fire through the pass. The other tanks swept south past the artillery battery, which fired rods against them; one tank was disabled and ultimately abandoned.

Based on the exemplary actions as part of Task Force Smith and the 52nd Artillery Battalion, the Dongchang Ri Gate was dedicated to MG (RET) Yoon, Seung-Kook.

*For more information, please visit the US Army Garrison Humphreys website at: <https://home.army.mil/humphreys/index.php/about/Garrison/>*

## **Roads**

### ***Indian Head Avenue***

Named for 2nd Infantry Division.

### ***Pacific Victors Avenue***

Named for 8th Army.

### ***Tropic Lightning Avenue***

Named for 25th Infantry Division.

### ***First Team Avenue***

Named for 1st Cavalry Division.

### ***Marne Avenue***

Named for the World War I battle of September 6-12, 1914, and the second Battle of the Marne from July 15 to August 6, 1918. 3rd Infantry Division, "Marne Division."

### ***Taro Avenue***

Named for 24th Infantry Division.

### ***Lewis Millet Way***

Named for the Medal of Honor recipient, COL Lewis Millet.

### ***Talon Street***

Named for 2nd Combat Aviation Brigade.

### ***Thunderbird Avenue***

Named for the 45th Infantry Division, only one of two National Guard Divisions to see combat in the Korean War.

### ***Gimlet Street***

Named for the first ground action of the Korean War by Soldiers from 1st Battalion, 21st Infantry Regiment.

### ***Ridgway Drive***

Named for General Matthew Ridgway, Commander of 8th Army December 1950-April 1951, Commander in Chief, UNC and US Forces Korea April 1951-May 1952.

### ***Walker Drive***

Named for Lt. General Walton Walker, Commander of 8th Army September 1948-December 1950.

### ***Martin Street***

Named for COL Robert Reinhold Martin. On July 7-8, 1950, COL Martin was the newly appointed Commanding Officer, 34th Infantry Regiment, 24th Infantry Division. COL Martin's unit was engaged with enemy forces at Cheonan, Korea. Observing that enemy tanks and infantry in force had penetrated his Regiment's forward position, COL Martin rushed forward to organize and then personally led rocket launcher and grenade attacks

against the tanks and infantry at ranges of ten to twenty yards. Despite heavy small-arms and tank gun fire, COL Martin, by his heroic example, so inspired his men that they destroyed several tanks and forced others to withdraw, thereby preventing the enemy from immediately overrunning the position. During this action, COL Martin lost his life while single-handedly attacking an enemy tank with a rocket launcher at a range of about fifteen yards. He had been in command of the 34th Infantry Regiment for only 14 hours. COL Martin's extraordinary heroism earned him the US Army's second-highest award for valor, the Distinguished Service Cross.

### ***Iron Knights Street***

Named for 1st Battalion, 66th Armor Regiment.

### ***Double Dragons Street***

Named for ROK Army II Corps. Created July 24, 1950, combining 1st Division and 6th Infantry Division just before the Battle of the Pusan Perimeter. General Paik Sun Yup was a notable Commander.

### ***Smith Street***

Named for Lt. Colonel Bradley Smith, commander of Task Force Smith at Osan, comprised of elements of 24th Division's 21st Infantry Regiment and 52nd Field Artillery Battalion which had just arrived from Japan and was the first American Unit to fight in Korea, July 1950.

### ***Bayonet***

Named for the 7th Infantry Division.

### ***Dr. Mary Walker***

Named after the first female volunteer surgeon for the Union in the Civil War. She was captured as a spy by the Confederate Army after crossing lines to treat wounded civilians. She was later released in a prisoner exchange in Richmond, VA. After the War, she was approved for the Medal of Honor for her efforts to treat the wounded during the Civil War. She is currently the only female to receive the Medal of Honor.

### ***Beacon Hill Street***

Named for the highest point on USAG Humphreys. During the Joseon Dynasty, a system of beacons was set up which allowed long distance communications. Fires and smoke emitted from the beacons alerted lo-

cal people in the area and the military that an enemy was approaching. Mongmyeoksan Beacon Hill Site, one of five stations on Namsan, was constructed to warn the city of incoming enemy invasions and to transmit news of emergencies to the government in Seoul. The name means "beacon hill in the capital."

### ***Manchu Path***

Named for the 85-mile forced march undertaken by 9th Infantry Regiment "Manchus" Soldiers during the Chinese "Boxer Rebellion" in 1900.

### ***Faith***

Named for Lt. Colonel Don Faith, commander of Task Force Faith, 1st Battalion, 32nd Infantry, 7th Infantry Division.

### ***62nd Engineer Drive***

The 62nd Engineer Battalion landed at Inchon, Korea, on September 25, 1950, ten days after the initial UN invasion force. The 62nd was assigned to construct pontoon and railroad bridges across the Han and Teadong rivers. Tasks included operating a rock crusher, resurfacing roads, improving drainage, constructing a water tower, and refurbishing railroads. After the War's end, the 62nd helped to rebuild South Korea. For their work in reconstructing the capital city of Seoul, the mayor sent the unit an elaborate thank-you message. Seoul's Roman Catholic Bishop also sent the Battalion a thank you message for helping prepare the site for a minor seminary. The 62nd was redesignated the 62nd Engineer Battalion (Construction) on April 1, 1954, and left the peninsula in early 1955, returning to the United States after four and a half years of service in Korea.

### ***2nd Engineer Drive***

Honors the 2nd Engineer Combat Battalion, which pulled rear guard at Kunu-Ri, (now North Korea) while Eighth Army and 2ID slowly moved south. The 2nd Engineer Battalion was flanked by the Chinese and had to make the ultimate sacrifice to destroy everything, so it did not fall into enemy hands. LTC Alarich Zacherle had the Colors burned so as not to be taken as a war trophy. To honor the men who gave their lives for their brothers, every year on November 30, the 2nd Engineer Battalion recreates that heart-stopping moment with a solemn ceremony. The memory of the men who fought at Kunu-Li lives on as the names of each and every one of those 977 men are called off in formation by the current 2nd Engineers.

### ***Leyte Dragon Street***

Named for 34th Infantry Regiment.

### ***Red Dragon Street***

Named for the 2nd Chemical Mortar Battalion. The Battalion was assigned to Eighth Army, placed under the operational control of I Corps, and supported elements of the 1st ROK Division.

### ***Sioux Circle***

The Army helicopters initially deployed to Korea were the Bell H-13 Sioux and the Hiller H-23 Raven, the first in a long line of Army helicopters named for Native American tribes. The service had acquired the Sioux in 1946 but had just 56 in its inventory when North Korea invaded the south in June 1950. The 2nd Helicopter Detachment arrived in the theater in November 1950 with four Sioux aircraft. Among the early missions assigned to the unit were a utility, wire laying, liaison, and reconnaissance missions. In January 1951, four helicopter detachments were assigned to the Eighth 8th US Army surgeon as the iconic symbol of the MEDEVAC mission during the Korean War. The H-13 Sioux helicopter became familiar to American television audiences years later when it was shown in the background title shot of the "M.A.S.H" series, which aired from 1972 to 1983.

### ***Taylor Street***

Named for General Maxwell Taylor, Eighth Army Commander February 1953-April 1955, and Commander in Chief, UNC April 1955-June 1955. General Taylor, a former commander of the 82nd Airborne Division Artillery and Commanding General of the 101st Airborne Division in World War II, parachuted into Normandy on D-Day and commanded the Battle of Normandy. Post WWII, he was the superintendent of the US Military Academy at West Point from 1945-1949, where in 1947, he drafted the first official Cadet Honor Code. From 1949-1951, he served as the commander of Allied troops in West Berlin. After a Pentagon stint, he commanded Eighth Army in the final combat operations of the Korean War. He became the Army Chief of Staff and was later fired by the Secretary of Defense under the orders of Dwight D. Eisenhower for being "loose-lipped." General Taylor was the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff during the Vietnam War and later became the Ambassador to South Vietnam from 1964-1965. He retired soon after. General Taylor died of Lou Gehrig's disease in 1987 and was interned at Arlington National Cemetery.

### ***Alaniz Road***

SGT Frank T. Alaniz served as a light weapons infantryman with the 23rd Infantry Regiment, 2nd Infantry Division. He was killed in action during the Korean War on July 17, 1952, and posthumously received the Purple Heart Commendation. He is remembered at the Korean War Veterans Memorial in Washington, DC.

### ***Benfold Loop***

Named for Medal of Honor Recipient Hospital Corpsman 3rd Class (HC3c) Edward C. Benfold, attached to A Company of Marines, 1st Marine Division. He died heroically in a self-sacrifice, hurling himself against the enemy with two grenades, which saved the lives of two other men, September 5, 1952.

### ***Bennett Road***

Named for Private First Class Emory L. Bennett, a Medal of Honor recipient. Bennett was assigned to Company B, 1st Battalion, 15th Infantry Regiment, 3rd Infantry Division. In the early hours of June 24, 1951, two enemy battalions attacked company B's defensive position. Bennett stood up from his foxhole and exposed himself to hostile fire. Although wounded, he maintained his position long enough for Company B to regroup. Bennett stayed behind to provide cover fire while the rest of the company withdrew. He was mortally wounded and posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor on February 1, 1952.

### ***Brown Road***

Named for Private First Class, Melvin L. Brown, Medal of Honor recipient, first went missing in action and then officially killed in action on September 5, 1950. While his platoon was securing Hill 755 (the Walled City), the enemy counterattacked using heavy automatic weapons and small arms. Taking a position on a 50-foot-high wall, he delivered heavy rifle fire on the enemy. His ammunition was soon expended, and although wounded, he remained at his post and threw his few grenades into the attackers, causing many casualties. When his supply of grenades was exhausted, his comrades from nearby foxholes tossed others to him, and he left his position, braving a hail of fire, to retrieve and throw them at the enemy. The attackers continued to assault his position and Pfc. Brown, weaponless, drew his entrenching tool from his pack and calmly waited until they, one by one, peered over the wall, delivering each a crushing blow upon the head. Knocking 10 or 12 enemies from the wall,

his daring action so inspired his platoon that they repelled the attack and held their position.

### ***Kyle Road***

Named for Second Lieutenant Darwin K. Kyle, Medal of Honor recipient. When 2LT Kyle's platoon was pinned down, he encouraged his men to advance up Hill 185 (Near Kamil-Ni, Korea), engaging in hand-to-hand combat with the enemy, killing several forward and to his flank. In a daring bayonet charge, firing his carbine and throwing grenades, 2LT Kyle personally destroyed four enemies before a burst killed him from an enemy machine gun on February 16, 1951.

### ***Long Road***

Named for Sergeant Charles R. Long, Medal of Honor recipient, Company M, 38th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Infantry Division. When Company M, in a defensive perimeter on Hill 300, was viciously attacked by a numerically superior hostile force at approximately 03:00 hours and ordered to withdraw, Sgt. Long, a forward observer for the mortar platoon, voluntarily remained at his post to provide cover by directing mortar fire on the enemy and maintaining radio contact with his platoon, Sgt. Long coolly directed accurate mortar fire on the advancing foe. He continued firing his carbine and throwing hand grenades until his position was surrounded, and he was mortally wounded on February 12, 1951. Sgt. Long's inspirational, valorous action halted the onslaught, exacted a heavy toll of enemy casualties, and enabled his company to withdraw, reorganize, counterattack, and regain the hill strongpoint.

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### ***Lyell Road***

Named for Corporal William F. Lyell, Medal of Honor recipient, who perished on August 31, 1951. When his platoon leader was killed, CPL Lyell assumed command and led his unit in an assault on strongly fortified enemy positions located on commanding terrain. When his platoon came under vicious, raking fire, which halted the forward movement, CPL Lyell seized a 57-mm recoilless rifle and unhesitatingly moved ahead to a suitable firing position from which he delivered deadly accurate fire, completely destroying an enemy bunker, killing its occupants. He returned to his platoon and resumed the assault when the unit was again subjected to intense hostile fire from two other bunkers. Disregarding his personal safety, armed with grenades, he charged forward, hurling grenades into one of the enemy emplacements. Although painfully wounded in this action, he pressed on, destroying the bunker and killing six of the foes. He then continued his attack against a third enemy position, throwing grenades as he ran forward, annihilating four enemy soldiers. He then led his platoon to the north slope of the hill, where positions were occupied from which effective fire was delivered against the enemy in support of friendly troops moving up. Fearlessly exposing himself to enemy fire, he continuously moved about, directing and encouraging his men until he was mortally wounded by enemy mortar fire.

### ***Page Road***

Named for Lieutenant Colonel John U. D. Page, Medal of Honor recipient and Navy Cross recipient for his heroic actions in the Battle of the Chosin Reservoir during the Korean War. He served in World War II as an artillery officer and later went to Korea instead of the Command and General Staff College. He fought a fierce battle for twelve days at Sudong before being mortally wounded, engaging the enemy single-handedly until his death on December 11, 1950.

### ***Porter Avenue***

Named for Sergeant Donn F. Porter, Medal of Honor recipient. Advancing under cover of intense mortar and artillery fire, two hostile platoons attacked a combat outpost commanded by Sgt. Porter destroyed communications and killed two of his three-man crew. Gallantly maintaining his position, he poured deadly accurate fire into the ranks of the enemy, killing 15 and dispersing the remainder. After falling back under a hail of fire, the determined foe reorganized and stormed forward in an attempt to overrun the outpost. Without hesitation, Sgt. Porter jumped from his position with bayonet fixed and, meeting the onslaught and in close com-

bat, killed six hostile soldiers and routed the attack. While returning to the outpost, he was killed by an artillery burst on September 7, 1952.

### ***Sebille Road***

Named for Air Force Major Louis J. Sebille, a pilot and the first Air Force service member to receive the Medal of Honor. He was the commanding officer of the 67th Fighter-Bomber Squadron, 18th Fighter-Bomber Group, and 5th Air Force, during an attack on a camouflaged area containing a concentration of enemy troops, artillery, and armored vehicles, Maj. Sebille's F-51 aircraft was severely damaged by anti-aircraft fire. Although fully cognizant of the short period he could remain airborne, he deliberately ignored the possibility of survival by abandoning the aircraft or by crash landing. He continued his attack against the enemy forces threatening the security of friendly ground troops, in his determination to inflict maximum damage upon the enemy, Maj. Sebille again exposed himself to the intense fire of enemy gun batteries and dived into the target to his death.

### ***Thompson Road***

Named for William Thompson, US Civil War Medal of Honor recipient, who served as a signal quartermaster on the USS Mohican, died of his wounds while steering the ship on November 7, 1861

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## **Buildings**

### ***Maude Hall***

Named for Lieutenant General Timothy Maude. As a Lieutenant Colonel, he served as the 2ID Adjutant General from June 1985-May 1986 and as the G-1 from May 1986-June 1987. LTG Maude was serving as the Army's Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel and was killed at the Pentagon on September 11, 2001. He served for more than 35 years, and understood the human spirit and that the well-being of the Army (Soldiers, Civilians, Retirees, Veterans, and their Families) is linked to our readiness as a force.

### ***Vandal Hall***

In honor of Lieutenant General Thomas Vandal, a former Eighth Army

commander and Combined Forces Command Chief of Staff from February 2016-January 2018. During his tenure, Vandal implemented a multitude of initiatives to improve the health and welfare of Soldiers and KATUSAs, with a vision of providing them premium training and increasing combat readiness. His long-term implementation was to consolidate adaptable training resources, including a virtual, constructive gaming simulation environment housed in the largest facility in the US Army; thus, the simulation center was constructed. LTG Vandal passed away on October 7, 2018, after a battle with cancer.

### ***Freeman Hall at 2ID HQ***

In 2018, the 2nd Infantry Division dedicated its new headquarters building to honoring General Paul L. Freeman, previously headquartered at Camp Red Cloud. Freeman served as an Assistant Military Attaché to China and later the US Military Mission to China as staff of the China-India Burma Theater during World War II. When the Korean War broke out, he commanded the 23rd Infantry Regiment, 2nd Infantry Division. He led the 23rd Regimental Combat Team in the battles of the Twin Tunnels and Chipyeong-ni in 1951. Having been wounded, he returned to the US to recover. In 1955, he returned to Command the 2nd Infantry Division. After two division-level commands and special assignments, he received his fourth star and the duties of Commander in Chief, US Army Europe in 1965 and then Commanding General of US Continental Army Command until 1967.

### ***Vessey Complex at UNC and USFK HQ***

Named for retired General John W. Vessey, Jr., the first commander of the ROK-US Combined Forces Command. After several Commands in Germany, Laos, and Thailand, receiving his fourth star, he served concurrently as the Commander of UNC and USFK and as the Commanding General Eighth Army from 1976-1979. In 1980 he served as the Vice Chief of Staff and Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Vessey retired on September 30, 1985, several months before the expiration of his second term as Chairman. He was the last four-star World War II combat veteran on active duty and, with forty-six years of service, served the longest of anyone in the Army at the time. Shortly after Vessey's retirement, Secretary Weinberger appointed him to the Integrated Long-Term Strategy Commission. Vessey also served President Reagan and his successors, Presidents George H. W. Bush and William

J. Clinton, as a special emissary to Vietnam, on the question of

American service personnel missing from the Vietnam War. He was a long-term member of the Defense Policy Board and the Defense Science Board, chairing several of the latter's task forces and studies. In recognition of his service to the Nation, he received the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 1992.

#### ***General Paik, Sun Yup Auditorium***

In honor of retired ROK General Paik, Sun Yup, the first four-star General in the South Korean military. Paik successfully executed Operation Rat Killer in March 1952, a task to eliminate opposing forces in Jirisan, ROK, a southern mountain region. In recognition of his success, he was promoted to Lieutenant General, and Task Force Paik was transformed into ROK II Corps. He was promoted to Four Star General in January 1953. After the Korean War, General Paik held many military and government positions, became an author, and served as an Ambassador (Republic of China in Taiwan 1960, France 1961, Canada 1965). As Minister of Transportation from 1969-1971, General Paik started the construction of the Seoul Metropolitan Subway and resolved the hijacking of a JAL (Japan Airlines) plane by Japanese Red Army terrorists at Kimpo Airport in 1970. Paik then initiated the effort and participated in constructing the war memorial in Yongsan in 1990. General Paik died at the age of 99, on July 10, 2020, just four months before his 100th birthday.

#### ***Desiderio Army Airfield***

Named in honor of US Army Captain Reginald B. Desiderio, who was killed in action near Ipsok, Korea, on November 27, 1950, and posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor. Airfield A 511, located at USAG Humphreys, was renamed and memorialized on September 22, 1971. Desiderio was the Commanding Officer of Company E, 27th Infantry Regiment, who died after being wounded several times and refusing to be evacuated while defending a command post of Task Force Dolvin against the enemy breakthrough. The enemy penetrated their position; he personally charged at them with carbine, rifle, and grenades, inflicting many casualties until he was mortally wounded. His men, spurred on by his intrepid example, repelled the final attack.

#### ***Brian D. Allgood Army Community Hospital***

Named for Colonel Brian D. Allgood, an Army Surgeon who was killed when the Blackhawk helicopter he was in was shot down by

enemy fire northeast of Baghdad, Iraq, on January 20, 2007. Among other notable assignments, Allgood was the Commander of the 18th Medical Command/121st General Hospital at Camp Yongsan, Korea, from 2004-2006.

#### ***Four Chaplains Memorial Chapel***

Dedicated to the four US Army Chaplains who perished in the US Army Transport Ship Dorchester sinking in the Atlantic Ocean on February 3, 1943. Lt. George L. Fox, Methodist; Lt. Alexander D. Goode, Jewish; Lt. John P. Washington, Roman Catholic; and Lt. Clark V. Poling, Dutch Reformed. They moved among the men to calm them, to offer prayers, and to pass out life preservers stored on the upper deck without regard to religious beliefs. In an astonishing act of courage and brotherly love, the four chaplains gave away their own life jackets. As the ship went down, survivors in nearby lifeboats saw the four chaplains, linked arm-in-arm on the deck, praying together. Of the 902 aboard the Dorchester that night, only 230 survived. In December 1944, the four chaplains were posthumously awarded the Distinguished Service Cross and Purple Heart. Congress authorized "The Four Chaplains Commemorative Medal" in 1960, and Secretary of the Army Wilber M. Brucker awarded it to the four chaplains' next of kin on January 18 18, 1961.

#### ***Zoeckler Station***

Dedicated to Lieutenant Colonel William R. Zoeckler, a former Army Security Agency Field Station commander. Zoeckler passed away in 1972.

#### ***Burke CYS SKIES Center***

Dedicated to Colonel (Ret.) Lloyd "Scooter" Burke, Medal of Honor recipient for bravery in the Korean War. Burke served in three wars for over 35 years in the US Army and later retired as a congressional liaison. Turner Fitness Center: Named for Sergeant First Class Charles W. Turner, 2nd Infantry Division Medal of Honor recipient, who organized his unit for defense on September 1, 1950, and then observed that the attack was directed at the tank section 100 yards away. Leaving his secured position and dashing through a hail of fire, he mounted a tank, manned the exposed turret machine gun, and destroyed seven enemy machine gun nests. Although severely wounded, he remained at the gun, shouting encouragement to his comrades. During the action, the tank received 50 direct hits, while he fought back as hard as he could until a burst of enemy fire cost him his life.



### ***Collier Community Fitness Center (Super Gym)***

Honored for Corporal John W. Collier, Medal of Honor recipient (posthumously), for his action during the breakout from the Pusan Perimeter on September 19, 1950. CPL Collier neutralized an enemy machine gun position, moved to an exposed position ahead of his comrades, and assaulted and destroyed the machine gun nest. As he returned down the hill, an enemy grenade landed in their midst. As he shouted a warning, he selflessly threw himself upon the grenade and smothered its explosion with his body, saving others from death.

### ***Sitman Physical Fitness Center***

In honor of SFC William S. Sitman, a Medal of Honor recipient who went above and beyond the call of duty in action against an armed enemy of the United Nations, February 14, 1951. Sitman, a machine-gun section leader of Company M, was attached to Company I, under attack by a numerically superior hostile force. During the encounter, when an enemy grenade knocked out his machine gun, a squad from Company I immediately emplaced a light machine gun. Sitman and his men remained to provide security for the crew. The enemy lobbed a grenade into the position in the ensuing action. Sitman, fully aware of the odds against him, selflessly threw himself on it, absorbing the full force of the explosion with his body. Although mortally wounded in this fearless display of valor, his intrepid act saved five men from death or serious injury and enabled them to continue inflicting withering fire on the ruthless foe throughout the attack.

### ***SFC Ray E. Duke Library***

Named for SFC Ray E. Duke, Medal of Honor recipient. Upon learning that several of his men were isolated and heavily engaged in an area yielded by his platoon on November 11, 1951, he was ordered to withdraw. Still, he led a small force in a daring assault which recovered the position and the beleaguered men. Another enemy attack in strength resulted in numerous casualties. Still, Duke, although wounded by mortar fragments, calmly moved along his platoon line to coordinate fields of fire and urged his men to hold firm in the bitter encounter. Wounded a second time, he received first aid and returned to his position. When the enemy again attacked shortly after dawn, Duke repeatedly braved withering fire despite his wounds to ensure the maximum defense of each position. Threatened with annihilation and mounting casualties, the platoon was again ordered to withdraw when Duke was wounded a

third time in both legs and could walk. Realizing that he was impeding the progress of two comrades who were carrying him from the hill, he urged them to leave him and seek safety. He was last seen pouring devastating fire into the ranks of the onrushing assailants.

### ***COL Dean Hess CDC***

Honored for US Air Force Colonel Dean E. Hess, who was an ordained minister and pilot responsible for the "Kiddy Car Airlift" that rescued 950 orphans and 80 staff members out of Seoul as the Chinese advanced during the Korean War, December 20, 1950.

### ***CPT Jennifer M. Moreno School Age Center***

Named for CPT Jennifer M. Moreno, a US Army nurse assigned to an Army Special Operations Command cultural support team who died in a roadside bomb attack with three other Soldiers in Zhari, Afghanistan, on October 6, 2013.

### ***SFC Paul R. Smith Youth Center***

Named for Sergeant First Class Paul R. Smith, who was a US Army Soldier posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor for his actions during the 2003 invasion of Iraq. While serving with B Company, 11th Engineer Battalion, 3rd Infantry Division in Baghdad, Smith's team was attacked by a group of Iraqi insurgents. He was killed by Iraqi fire during the firefight. He was awarded the Medal of Honor for his actions during this battle.

### ***CYS Coiner Youth Sports Complex***

Second Lieutenant Randall E. Coiner was a member of Headquarters Company, 3rd Battalion, 31st Infantry Regiment, 7th Infantry Division. He was killed in action while fighting the enemy near Sokkogae, North Korea (Battle of Pork Chop Hill), on April 16, 1953. For his leadership and valor, Coiner was awarded the Silver Star, the Purple Heart, the Combat Infantryman Badge, the Korean Service Medal, the United Nations Service Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, the Korean Presidential Unit Citation, and the ROK War Service Medal.

### ***MSG Henry L. Jenkins Medical Clinic***

Memorialized for Master Sergeant Henry L. Jenkins for his heroism in WWII, the Korean War, and Vietnam War. MSG Jenkins served as a medical aide and was awarded the Bronze Star, two Combat Medic Badges, two Purple Hearts, and two Silver Stars for his bravery and devotion.

### ***Carius Dental Clinic***

Named for US Army dentist, Major Marvin W. Carius, known for turning out “combat choppers” under fire. He was killed in action while serving with the medical company, 24th Infantry Regiment, 25th Infantry Division at the frontline during the Korean War. Carius was awarded the purple heart posthumously for his wartime service. The Carius Dental Clinic name was brought down from Yongsan to USAG Humphreys to continue supporting Eighth Army’s needs.

### ***Bang Jeong-Hwan CDC***

Bang Jeong-Hwan was the father of children’s literature in Korea. He started the children’s literary magazine *Eorini*, which remained in print from 1923 to 1934, and helped establish children’s literature stories, songs, and plays for children as a distinct genre. Original stories, adaptations, and translations Bang contributed to the magazine reveal his intimate awareness of the ways in which economic difficulties of life can affect children and corrupt their innocence. Rich with lessons, these works reinforce the view that goodwill ultimately triumphs over evil and seeks to restore childhood purity. In addition to such literary endeavors, Bang Jeong-Hwan continually sought ways to improve children’s life both culturally and materially. He organized theater festivals and public readings as part of the more significant cultural movement for children and was instrumental in instituting Children’s Day in Korea, first observed on May 1, 1922. He also started several organizations for children, including Cheondogyo Children’s Association (Cheondogyo sonyeonhoe) and The Rainbow Society (Saekdonghoe). Along with Kim Gijeon and Lee Jeongho, Bang Jeong-Hwan is considered an early champion of children’s rights in Korea.

### ***Balboni Sports Fields***

Named for Private First Class Joseph W. Balboni, a 24th Infantry Division Soldier who received the Distinguished Service Cross during a battle near Anju. Armed with an automatic browning rifle, PFC Balboni opened fire against a sudden fanatical attack by 600 Chinese Communist Soldiers and continued firing on the advancing enemy while Company E withdrew. He was killed in action as he covered the withdrawal of his unit on November 5, 1950.

### ***Gilliland Youth Center***

Named for Corporal Charles L. Gilliland, Medal of Honor recipient, Purple Heart recipient, and Missing in Action Soldier from the 7th Infantry Regiment.

### ***SPC Ross A. McGinnis Warrior Zone***

Named for Specialist Ross A. McGinnis, who was a US Soldier, posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor for his actions in Adhamiyah, Iraq, on December 4, 2006. While serving with 1st platoon, C Company, 1st Battalion, 26th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division (Attached to 2nd BCT, 2ID), as an M2 .50 cal machine gunner on mounted patrol. McGinnis’ platoon was on mounted patrol in Adhamiyah to restrict enemy movement and quell sectarian violence. During the course of the patrol, an identified insurgent positioned on a rooftop nearby threw a fragmentation grenade into the Humvee. McGinnis threw his back over the grenade without hesitation or regard for his own life, pinning it between his body and the Humvee’s radio mount. McGinnis absorbed all lethal fragments and the concussive effects of the grenade with his own body. McGinnis, who was a private first class at the time, was posthumously promoted to specialist.

### ***Sentry Village***

Named for the definition, meaning a guard, a Soldier posted at a given post to prevent the passage of authorized people.

### ***Housing Areas***

#### ***MacArthur Circle***

Named for Douglas MacArthur, an American General who commanded the Southwest Pacific in World War II (1939-1945), oversaw the Allied occupation of postwar Japan, and led the United Nations forces in the Korean War (1950-1953) as the Supreme Commander of Allied Forces in the Pacific until 1951.

In April 1942, MacArthur was appointed Supreme Commander of Allied Forces in the Southwest Pacific and awarded the Medal of Honor for his defense of the Philippines. In June 1950, Communist forces from North Korea invaded the western-aligned Republic of South Korea, launching the Korean War. Douglas MacArthur was put in charge of the American-led coalition of United Nations troops. That fall, his troops repelled the North Koreans and eventually drove them back toward the Chinese border. MacArthur met with President Truman, who worried that the communist government of the People’s Republic of China might view the invasion as a hostile act and intervene in the conflict. The General assured him the chances of Chinese intervention were slim. Then, in November and December 1950, a massive force of Chinese troops crossed North Korea and flung themselves against the

American lines, driving the US troops back into South Korea. MacArthur asked permission to bomb communist China and use Nationalist Chinese forces from Taiwan against the People's Republic of China. Truman flatly refused these requests, and a public dispute broke out between the two men.

On April 11, 1951, Truman removed MacArthur from his command for insubordination. In an address to Americans that day, the President stated, "I believe that we must try to limit the war to Korea for these vital reasons: To make sure that the precious lives of our fighting men are not wasted; to see that the security of our country and the free world is not needlessly jeopardized; and to prevent a third world war." MacArthur had been fired, he said, "so that there would be no doubt or confusion as to the real purpose and aim of our policy."

MacArthur's dismissal set off a brief uproar among the American public, but Truman remained committed to keeping the conflict in Korea a "limited war." Eventually, the American people began to understand that MacArthur's policies and recommendations might have led to a massively expanded war in Asia.

In April 1951, Douglas MacArthur returned to the United States, where he was welcomed as a hero and honored with parades in various cities. On April 19, he gave a dramatic televised address before a joint session of Congress in which he criticized Truman's Korean policy. The general ended with a quote from an old army song: "Old soldiers never die; they just fade away." In 1952, MacArthur became Chairman of Remington Rand, a maker of electrical equipment and business machines.

MacArthur died at age 84 on April 5, 1964, at Walter Reed Army Hospital in Washington, D.C. He was buried at the MacArthur Memorial in Norfolk, Virginia.

### ***Red Cloud Circle***

Named in honor of Corporal Mitchell Red Cloud, Jr., who was killed in action during the Korean War against the Chinese Communist Forces on November 5, 1950, while serving in the 19th Infantry Division.

Red Cloud was born on July 2, 1925, in Hatfield, Wisconsin, to parents Mitchell and Lillian. He had a little brother named Merlin, and they were all members of the Ho-Chunk Native American tribe, also known as the Winnebago. Red Cloud attended Black River Falls High School until he was 17, when he asked his father if he could join the Marine Corps. His dad said yes, so the teen enlisted on August 11, 1941.

The US joined World War II a few months later, and Red Cloud was deployed to the Pacific. He fought in Guadalcanal, where he suffered

from malaria but refused a medical discharge. He continued serving through the War's end when he was injured in Okinawa.

Red Cloud left the Marines in November 1945. He returned to civilian life, married, and had a daughter, Annita. But his family said he grew restless as a civilian, so he decided to return to active duty in October 1948, this time for the Army. His brother later said he wanted to serve in all the military branches.

Red Cloud was part of the 19th Infantry Regiment, 24th Infantry Division. The unit was first assigned to occupation duty in Kyushu, Japan, before being deployed to Korea when War broke out in the summer of 1950.

On November 5, 1950, Red Cloud's Company E was positioned on Hill 123 near Chonghyon, North Korea. The 25-year-old corporal was manning a listening post at the hill's ridge, right in front of the command post, when he realized Chinese Communist forces were approaching. Those forces instantly charged at him from the brush about 100 feet away.

Red Cloud immediately sounded the alarm with his automatic rifle, firing it toward the enemy as they closed in on him. He was quickly knocked down by gunfire, but he pulled himself back to standing by wrapping his arm around a tree, which he then used to steady his rifle so he could keep firing. The enemy onslaught was too much for him to bear alone, though, and he died where he fell from gunshot wounds. Prior to the skirmish, part of that enemy force had already crept up on Company E's position from behind and killed several men, many of whom were sleeping. The company's commander credited Red Cloud with delaying the front-facing attack enough for the unit to reorganize and tighten its defenses, essentially saving the rest of them.

Red Cloud's fearlessness, courage, and self-sacrifice earned him the Medal of Honor. On April 3, 1951, his mother received the medal from famed World War II Gen. Omar Bradley in a ceremony at the Pentagon.

Red Cloud was initially buried at a United Nations cemetery in Korea; however, his body was repatriated to the Decorah Cemetery near his hometown in March 1955. His medal is currently housed at the Wisconsin Veterans Museum in Madison, Wisconsin.

To honor his warrior ethos, Red Cloud's name lives on. In 1957, the Army renamed one of its Korean installations in his honor; US troops used Camp Red Cloud until its deactivation in 2018. In 1999, the US Navy commissioned a Watson-class cargo ship named the USNS Red Cloud, which was christened in San Diego by the fallen corporal's daughter.

Various military facilities and parks across the US also honor Red Cloud's name. One monument that stands in his honor at Black River Falls, Wisconsin, has an inscription that reads, "The son of a Winnebago

chief and warriors who believes that when a man goes into battle, he expects to kill or be killed, and if he dies, he will live forever.

### ***Punchbowl Tower***

The Battle of the Punchbowl was one of the last battles of the movement phase of the Korean War. Following the breakdown of armistice negotiations in August 1951, the United Nations Command decided to launch a limited offensive in the late summer/early autumn to acquire better defensive terrain and deny the enemy key vantage points from which they could observe and target positions.

By October 1951, the 2nd Infantry Division, ROK I Corps, French battalion, and 1st Marine Division forces controlled the lines of hills north of the Punchbowl. The fiercest action battles of Heartbreak Ridge and Bloody Ridge were also fought within the Punchbowl. The name Punchbowl comes from the bowl-shaped terrain of Haeon Basin, an eroded, extinct volcano in the Taebaek Mountains. Today, it is part of the Demilitarized Zone (DMZ).

### ***Bunker Hill Tower***

The Battle of Bunker Hill (Hill 800) was fought between August 9 and September 30, 1952, between United Nations Command and Chinese forces over several frontline outposts. In March 1952, the US 1st Marine Division was transferred to I Corps and moved onto the Jamestown Line, the UN's main line of resistance across Korea. Opposing the Marines on the Jamestown Line, the Chinese People Volunteer Army (PVA) had the 65th and 63rd Armies, totaling 49,800 troops. The succession of Marine companies that took over Bunker Hill had to repel seven attacks before the end of August, but only one, on the night of August 25 and 26, threatened to overrun the outpost. The struggle for Bunker Hill cost the Marines 48 killed, 313 seriously wounded, and hundreds of others who suffered minor wounds. The number of known PVA dead exceeded 400, and the total casualties may have numbered 3,200. The month ended with Bunker Hill in US Marine hands.

### ***Pershing Tower***

Named for General John J. "Black Jack" Pershing, a distinguished US Army General with service in the Spanish-American War, as part of Theodore Roosevelt's "Rough Riders," the Philippines in the early 1900s, pursued Pancho Villa in 1915, and as Commander of the American Expeditionary Force (AEF) in World War I. When he returned from WWI, Congress made him the second only person to be honored with the rank

of "General of the Armies of the United States." He later served as the Army Chief of Staff from 1921-1924 and remained a military advisor for decades. He commanded many young military leaders, such as George C. Marshall, George S. Patton, Douglas MacArthur, and Dwight D. Eisenhower. He died in 1948 and was buried in Arlington National Cemetery.

### ***Patton Tower***

General George S. Patton, a distinguished US Army General, began his military career leading cavalry troops against Pancho Villa in 1915 and became aide-de-camp to General Pershing. In 1917, Patton went with Pershing to Europe, where he became the first officer assigned to the newly established US Tank Corps. He soon earned a reputation for his leadership skill and knowledge of tank warfare. After the war, Patton served positions in tank and cavalry units at various posts in the United States.

Soon after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor in December 1941, Patton was given command of the 1st and 2nd Armored Divisions and organized a training center in the California desert. Patton headed to North Africa late in 1942 at the head of an American force; before the initial landings on Morocco's Atlantic coast, he presented his troops with an expression of his now-legendary philosophy of battle: "We shall attack and attack until we are exhausted, and then we shall attack again." Patton's lust for battle would earn him the colorful nickname "Old Blood and Guts" among his troops, whom he ruled with an iron fist. With this formidable aggression and relenting discipline, the General managed to put US forces back on the offensive after a series of defeats and win the war's first major American victory against Nazi-led forces in the Battle of El Guettar in March 1943.

In early 1945, Patton led his army across the Rhine River and into Germany, capturing 10,000 miles of territory and helping to liberate the country from Nazi rule. In the months following Germany's surrender, the outspoken general caused another firestorm of controversy when he gave an interview criticizing the Allies' rigid de-Nazification policies in the defeated country; Eisenhower removed him from command of the 3rd Army in October 1945. That December, Patton broke his neck in an automobile accident near Mannheim, Germany. He sustained spinal cord and neck injuries and passed away from a pulmonary embolism as a result of the accident in a Heidelberg hospital twelve days later.

Patton's memoir, titled "War as I Knew It," was published posthumously in 1947; his larger-than-life persona later made its way to the silver screen in an Academy Award-winning 1970 biopic starring George C. Scott.

### ***Abrams Tower***

Named for General Creighton W. Abrams Jr., the distinguished US Army General who commanded the 37th Tank Battalion in WWII (the spearhead for General Patton's Third Army) and the 4th Armored Division's combat command B during the Battle of the Bulge. General George Patton said of him: "I'm supposed to be the best tank commander in the Army, but I have one peer—Abe Abrams. He's the world champion." Abrams joined the Korean War late in the conflict because he was in Europe and at the Army War College but successively served as chief of staff of the I, X, and IX Corps in South Korea (1953–1954). After several high-ranking positions for the Armor Corps and as Chief of Staff for Reserve Components, he served first as deputy commander, then as the commander, of the United States Military Assistance Command, Vietnam, from 1967 to 1972. He was the Army Chief of Staff from October 12, 1972, to September 4, 1974. As Chief of Staff, Abrams led the Army in the final stages of the Vietnam War, supervised force reductions, and oversaw organizational restructuring. He directed the formation of a Ranger Battalion as well as the transition to an all-volunteer force. He died while in office, on September 4, 1974, in Washington, DC. The M1 Abrams Tank was named after him, in service from 1980 to the present.

### ***Apache Tower***

Named for the Boeing AH-64 Apache Helicopter, which replaced the AH-1 Cobra. In service from 1986 to present. The AH-64 Apache has a four-blade main rotor and a four-blade tail rotor. The crew sits in tandem, with the pilot sitting behind and above the co-pilot/gunner. Both crew members can fly the aircraft and perform methods of weapon engagements independently. AR 70-28, dated 1969, specifies that Army aircraft should be given the names of American Indian tribes, chiefs, or terms. The name should appeal to the imagination without sacrificing dignity and suggest an aggressive spirit and confidence in the aircraft's capabilities. The name also should suggest mobility, agility, flexibility, firepower, and endurance. For brevity, it was suggested the name consist of only one word. The names given by Army aircraft are primarily for use in public releases and other documents as a ready reference but have proven popular among Army personnel. AR 70-28 was eventually rescinded.

### ***Blackhawk Tower***

The Sikorsky UH-60 Black Hawk is a four-blade, twin-engine, medium-lift utility helicopter manufactured by Sikorsky Aircraft. Named after

the Native American war leader Black Hawk, the UH-60A entered service with the US Army in 1979 to replace the Bell UH-1 Iroquois as the Army's tactical transport helicopter. The fielding of electronic warfare and special operations variants of the Black Hawk followed this. Improved UH-60L and UH-60M utility variants have also been developed. Modified versions have also been developed for the US Navy, Air Force, and Coast Guard. In addition to US Army use, the UH-60 family has been exported to several nations. Black Hawks have served in combat during conflicts in Grenada, Panama, Iraq, Somalia, the Balkans, Afghanistan, and other areas in the Middle East, currently in service 1974-Present.

### ***Chinook Tower***

The Boeing CH-47 Chinook is a twin-engine, tandem-rotor, heavy-lift helicopter developed by American rotorcraft company Vertol and manufactured by Boeing Vertol. The CH-47 is among the heaviest lifting of Western helicopters. Its name, Chinook, is from the Native American Chinook people of Washington state. In service from 1961 to present.

### **Static Displays**

#### ***"Pacific Victors" Tank***

M-47 Patton Tank II with 90MM Gun. In service from 1951-1960. Serves a crew of five: commander, driver, assistant driver, loader, and gunner, and weighs 48.5 Tons. The tank belongs to the Patton family of tanks, named after General George S. Patton, commander of the US Third Army during World War II and one of the earliest American advocates for using tanks in battle. It was a further development of the M46 Patton tank. Production of the M-47 began at the Detroit Tank Arsenal and American Locomotive Company in June 1951 but arrived too late to see combat actions in the Korean War the very war that brought about the tank's construction. Delays in the M12 optical rangefinders for the 90MM main guns played a role in the tank missing the war and were not delivered to the region until August 1958.

#### ***"Geronimo" Tank (Adams Gate)***

M-60 Patton Tank with 105MM Gun. In service from 1959-1997. Serves a crew of four: commander, driver, loader, and gunner, and weighs 52 tons. The M-60 is a second-generation main battle tank developed after the M-48 Patton. Although it was never officially christened as a Patton tank, it is considered a "product-improved descendant" of the Patton tank design. The M-60 tank series was the main battle tank during the Cold War.

### ***M997 HMMWV Maxi-Ambulance (Outside of 65th Medical Brigade)***

The M997, M997A1, and M997A2 HMMWVs were the Maxi-Ambulance configuration of the HMMWV family since 1985. The vehicles were equipped with basic armor and used to transport casualties from the battlefield to the medical aid stations. The M997 types were 4-litter ambulances with basic armor protection and air conditioning for crew and patients. The M997 series of ambulances were capable of transporting up to 4 litter patients, 8 ambulatory patients, or a combination of litter and ambulatory patients. Additionally, medical personnel, equipment, and a driver could be accommodated in the vehicle.

### ***Grumman OV-1 Mohawk aircraft (CPX Gate)***

In service 1959-1996. The Grumman OV-1 Mohawk is an armed military observation and attack aircraft designed for battlefield surveillance and light strike capabilities. It has a twin turboprop configuration and carries two crew members in side-by-side seating. The Mohawk was intended to operate from short, unimproved runways in support of US Army maneuver forces. Side-looking airborne radar (SLAR)-equipped Mohawks began operational missions in 1963 patrolling the Korean Demilitarized Zone. The Mohawk's mission would include observation, artillery spotting, air control, emergency resupply, naval target spotting, liaison, and radiological monitoring.

### ***Bell AH-1 Cobra (Outside 2CAB HQ)***

In service from 1967-2001. The AH-1 is also referred to as the HueyCobra or Snake. The AH-1 was a single-engine dedicated attack helicopter featuring a tandem cockpit, stub wings for weapons, and a chin-mounted gun turret. The first examples of the type entered service with the US Army in 1967; other US military branches also opted to acquire the type, particularly the US Marine Corps, while export sales were made to numerous overseas countries, including Israel, Japan, and Turkey. It was developed using the engine, transmission, and rotor system of the Bell UH-1 Iroquois, which had proven it to be a capable platform during the Vietnam War.

### ***MH-6/AH-6 Little Bird (Outside 2CAB HQ)***

In service 1980-Present. The Boeing MH-6M Little Bird (nicknamed the Killer Egg) and its attack variant, the AH-6, are light helicopters used for special operations in the US Army.

## **CAMP CASEY/ CAMP HOVEY**

Camp Casey was named in 1952 after Major Hugh Boyd Casey, who was killed in a plane crash near the campsite during the Korean War. Camp Casey is one of several US Army bases in South Korea near the Korean Demilitarized Zone (DMZ).



Camp Casey / Camp Hovey

Camp Hovey is a US Army military base in Dongducheon, Gyeonggi Province, South Korea. It was named after Master Sergeant Howard Hovey, who was killed in action at Pork Chop Hill during the Korean War. The camp is adjacent to the larger Camp Casey, connected by a road known as "Hovey Cut." The nearest city to Camp Hovey is Dongducheon (also spelled Tongduch'on), which is roughly 15 miles (24 km) from the Korean Demilitarized Zone (DMZ). There is a south gate into Camp Hovey from Gwangamdong village, but there are more things to do outside Camp Casey's main gate.

### **Area I**

Installation Name: USAG Casey  
Province: Gyeonggi-Do  
City/County: Dongducheon City  
Post Operator: 0503-323-1110  
Post Operator Phone From US: 011-82-503-323-1110  
Post Website: <https://home.army.mil/yongsan/index.php>

## **Helpful Information**

### **Emergency Numbers**

#### ***Police/Fire/Ambulance***

Phone: 0503-341-6001 DSN: (all bases): 911

#### ***Provost Marshall Station***

Phone: 0503-322-4726 DSN: 722-4726  
KATSU: 0503-322-4725 DSN: 722-4725

## Dialing Guidelines

- To call Camp Casey from the US, dial 011-82-503-322-XXXX (LAST 4).
- To call an on-post number in Area I from the US, dial the 011-82-31-Local number
- To call Camp Casey from a cell phone or civilian number, dial 05033-XXXXXX (LAST 6).
- To call Military Information from on-post, dial 0503-322-9111.

## Facility Information

### Lodging

#### Casey Army Lodging

Location: BLDG S-2626

Phone: 0503-322-0356 DSN: 315-722-0356

Website: <https://casey.armymwr.com/programs/casey-us-army-lodging>

### Camp Casey

#### AAFES

Main Exchange, Food Court, Filling Station, Military Clothing Sales (MCSS), Express, Barber Shop, Hair Salon, Military Auto Source, Mobile Phone, Internet services, ReelTime Theaters.

Visit the website for current hours (for all services): <https://www.shopmyexchange.com/company/storeDetails.jsp?storeId=1761101>

#### Community Bank

Location: BLDG S3013

Phone: 82-503-322-0275/0276 DSN: 722-0275/0276

Website: Community Bank | Camp Casey ([dodcommunitybank.com](http://dodcommunitybank.com))

#### Commissary

Phone: 0503-322-0367 DSN: 315-722-0367

Website: <https://commissaries.com/shopping/store-locations/camp-casey>

#### Dining Establishments

Website: <https://casey.armymwr.com/categories/social-and-dining>

- Indian Head Golf Course (Upscale Dining)
- Impact Zone (Former Gateway Club)

### Recreation

Casey Buccaneer Bowl, Hovey Bowling Center, Casey Library, Hovey Library, Casey CAC, Hovey CAC, Casey ODR, Paintball Field, Casey Indianhead Golf Course, Archery Range, Bike Rental Service, Pavilion Reservation, Warrior Adventure Quest, and Escape Bus @ Impact Zone.

### Camp Hovey

#### AAFES

Exchange, Food Court, Military Clothing Sales (MCSS), Mini Mall, Barber Shop, Mobile Phone, Internet services, Dry Cleaning and Alteration Services.

Visit the website for current hours (for all services): <https://www.shopmyexchange.com/exchange-stores/South%20Korea/ROK/Tongduchon/Camp-Hovey-Retail-Store-1761127?searched=true&address=&radius=>

#### Dining Establishments

Website: <https://casey.armymwr.com/categories/social-and-dining>

- Iron Triangle Club
- Warrior's Club
- BAMA's BBQ Grille

### Medical Facilities

#### Emergency Room - Uijeongbu St. Mary's Hospital

Location: 271 Cheonbo-ro, Kumo-dong, Uijeongbu Kyungki-do

Phone: 031-820-3355

Website: <https://www.cmcujb.or.kr/>

### Religious Services

Attend virtual religious services at:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/cornerstoneservice>.

Yongsan-Casey RSO:

<https://home.army.mil/yongsan/index.php/about/Garrison/chaplain#:~:text=We%20offer%20religious%20services%20in,9%20a.m.%2C%20Protestant%2011%20a.m>

## F & MWR Activities

Website: <https://casey.armymwr.com>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/YongsanCaseyFMWR/>

Casey Family and F & MWR offer recreational activities, sports and fitness opportunities, special events, and local tours for soldiers.

## Recreation

Casey Buccaneer Bowl, Hovey Bowling Center, Casey Library, Hovey Library, Casey CAC, Hovey CAC, Casey ODR, Paintball Field, Casey Indianhead Golf Course, Archery Range, Bike Rental Service, Pavilion Reservation, Warrior Adventure Quest, and Escape Bus @ Impact Zone.

## Sports & Fitness

Carey Fitness Center, HHPC, Hanson Field House, Hanson Outdoor Swimming Pool, Hovey Fitness Center, and Hovey Indoor Swimming Pool.

Nearby Points of Interest Shopping at the Downtown Dongducheon in Jiehaeng Around Uijeongbu

Uijeongbu train station, the Underground Market, Shinsigae Mall

## Nearby Points of Interest

### *Jajaeam Temple*

Location: Soyo Mt. San1 Sangbongam-dong, Dongducheon,  
Gyeonggi-do 483-100, South Korea  
Phone: 031-865-4045

### *Freedom Protection Peace Museum*

Website and Current Hours:

<https://www.ddc.go.kr/english/contents.do?key=983>

The Museum, established to promote friendship between UN combatant nations, displays relics and materials related to the "Active Participation of United Nations Korean War 21 Combatant States."

## USAG YONGSAN

In 1906, the Imperial Japanese Army set up a military compound in Yongsan. Thousands of Japanese troops moved to the compound and built permanent structures. Japan annexed and occupied Korea from 1910 to 1945.

In September 1945, following the Japanese surrender at the end of World War II, the US Army's 7th Infantry Division established its headquarters at Yongsan Garrison. At the time, the area was known as "Camp Seobingo." In 1952, the US military changed the name to "Yongsan," which literally translates to "dragon hill."

The majority of services offered at USAG Yongsan continue to change as operations are relocated to USAG Humphreys. The information below is the most current as of March 2022.



USAG Yongsan

## Area II

Installation Name: USAG Yongsan-Casey

Province: Gyeonggi-Do

City/County: Seoul

Post Operator Phone: 0503-323-1110 or DSN: 315-723-1110

Post Website: <https://yongsan.armymwr.com>

## Helpful Information

### Emergency Numbers

#### *Police/Fire/Ambulance*

Phone: 0503-322-4349 DSN: 722-4349

KATUSA: 0503-334-6695 DSN: 724-6695

### Dialing Guidelines

#### *From a Commercial or Cell Phone:*

- To call a DSN phone number, dial 05033+ the last six digits of the phone number.
- To call a commercial phone from a cell phone, dial 02+ the last six digits of the phone number.



### **Calling Seoul from the United States:**

- To call a commercial phone in Seoul, dial 1+011+822+XXX+XXXX
- To call a cell phone in Seoul, dial 1+011+ last two prefix digits + rest of the phone number.
- To call a DSN phone in Seoul, dial 1+011+822+791X+XXXX.

### **USAG Yongsan Gates**

Website: <https://home.army.mil/yongsan/index.php/about/visitor-information/gate-hours>

As USAG Yongsan/Casey/K-16 continues to transition, refer to the Garrison homepage for the most current information.

## **Facility Information**

### **Lodging**

#### ***Dragon Hill Lodge***

Location: USAG Yongsan Garrison  
Phone: 02-790-0016 DSN: 738-2222  
From the United States: +82-2-790-0016  
Website: <https://www.dragonhilllodge.com/contact-us>

Your adventures start at the Dragon Hill Lodge. Enjoy comfortable American-style guestrooms, which come with space to spread out after exploring Seoul's sights. Free on-site parking is available.

#### ***Discover Seoul Desk***

Phone: 02-6903-6286/6234

### **Dining Establishments**

#### ***Dragon Hill Lodge***

Location: Dragon Hill Lodge  
Phone: 02-790-0016 DSN: 738-2222  
From the US: +82-2-7918-2222  
Website: <https://www.dragonhilllodge.com/dining-and-drinks>

You can count on budget-friendly, palate-pleasing restaurant options that include everything from sandwiches to steaks, snacks, and sundaes. With an on-site bakery and dozens of house-crafted dishes on the buffet

daily, Dragon Hill Lodge has something for everyone to eat and enjoy.

#### ***DFAC/Honors Café***

Location: BLDG 1553  
DSN: 725-3028  
Website and Current Hours:  
<https://home.army.mil/yongsan/index.php/My-Fort/soldiers/dfac>

#### ***KATUSA Snack Bar (KSB)***

Location: South Post BLDG 2667  
Phone: 02-792-6778

### **AAFES – USAG Yongsan**

DSN: 738-7022  
Website: [https://www.shopmyexchange.com/exchange-stores/%20Korea/AP/APO/Camp-Casey-\(Korea-Northern\)-1761101](https://www.shopmyexchange.com/exchange-stores/%20Korea/AP/APO/Camp-Casey-(Korea-Northern)-1761101)

Yongsan Dragon Hill Lodge Express, Dragon Hill Lodge Food Court, South Post Food Court, Filling Station, Barber Shop, Military Auto Source, Mobile Phone, and Internet services.

### **Bank**

#### ***Community Bank***

Location: BLDG 4050 Yongsan South Post  
Phone: 82-503-322-3301/3302 DSN: 722-3301/3302  
Website: [https://www.dodcommunitybank.com/home/locations/korea/dragon\\_hill\\_lodge](https://www.dodcommunitybank.com/home/locations/korea/dragon_hill_lodge)  
Nearby location: Community Bank | K-16 ([dodcommunitybank.com](http://dodcommunitybank.com))

### **Commissary**

Phone: 0503-336-3064 DSN: 736-7070  
Website: <https://commissaries.com/shopping/store-locations/yongsan>

### **F & MWR Activities**

Website: <https://yongsan.armymwr.com>  
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/YongsanCaseyFMWR/>

### **Child Development Center**

Location: BLDG 4280  
Phone: 0503-338-3406

## Collier Community Fitness Center

Location: BLDG 5200

Phone: 0503-336-4588 DSN: 736-4588

Website: <https://yongsan.armymwr.com/programs/collier-community-fitness-center>

## Religious Services

Religious services are offered at K-16 and Camp Casey/Hovey locations.

Attend virtual religious services at:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/cornerstoneservice>

Yongsan-Casey RSO:

<https://home.army.mil/yongsan/index.php/about/Garrison/chaplain#:~:text=We%20offer%20religious%20services%20in,9%20a.m.%2C%20Protestant%2011%20a.m.>

## Medical Facilities (Off-Post)

### *Emergency Room – The Catholic University of Korea Seoul St. Mary's Hospital International Health Care Center*

Location: Banpo-daero 222, Banpo-dong, Seocho-gu, Seoul

Phone: 02-2258-5745 (Working Hours) 24/7 On Call: 010-8716-9111

Email: [ihcc@catholic.ac.kr](mailto:ihcc@catholic.ac.kr)

Website: <https://www.cmcseoul.or.kr/en.common.main.main.sp>

## K-16 FACILITIES

The K-16 Airbase, located in Seongnam City, is co-located with Seoul Airport and operated by the Republic of Korea's Air Force 15th Composite Wing. It's home to the U.S. Army's 2nd Battalion (Assault), 2nd Aviation Regiment of the 2nd Infantry Division. K-16 Facilities include the Community Activity Center, K-16 Food Court, Mobile Phone, Exchange, Laundry, Barber Shop, Military Clothing, Fueling Point and Internet service, and KATUSA Snack Bar.



K-16

### Area II

Installation Name: K-16

Province: Gyeonggi-Do

City/County: Seongnam City

Post Operator Phone: 0503-323-1110 or DSN: 315-723-1110

Post Website Home: <https://yongsan.armymwr.com>

## Facility Information

### Dining Establishments

#### *Dining Facility*

Location: BLDG 326

Phone: 05033-41-6816 DSN: 741-6816

Website and Current Hours:

<https://home.army.mil/yongsan/index.php/units-tenants/k16>

#### *KATUSA Snack Bar (Kim's Grill)*

Location: K-16 BLDG 253

Phone: 031-721-8441

### F & MWR Activities

Location: BLDG 302

Phone: 0503-341-6473 DSN: 741-6473

Website: <https://yongsan.armymwr.com>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/YongsanCaseyFMWR>

Bowling Center, Library, Community Activities Center, and Fitness Center.

## Bank

### Community Bank

Location: BLDG 302  
Phone: 82-31-720-6790/6811 DSN: 741-6790/6811  
Website: Community Bank | K-16 (dodcommunitybank.com)  
Nearby Location: Dragon Hill Lodge (Yongsan)

## Commissary

Phone: 02-503-336-3084 DSN: 736-3084  
Website: <https://commissaries.com/shopping/store-locations/yongsan>

## Religious Services

Attend virtual religious services at:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/cornerstoneservice>

Yongsan-Casey RSO:

<https://home.army.mil/yongsan/index.php/about/Garrison/chaplain#:~:text=We%20offer%20religious%20services%20in,9%20a.m.%2C%20Protestant%2011%20a.m.>

## USAG Yongsan Gates

Website: <https://yongsan.armymwr.com>

As USAG Yongsan/Casey/K-16 continues to transition, refer to the garrison webpage for the most current access information.

## Medical Facilities

### Emergency Room - Samsung Medical Center International Health Care Center

Location: Ilwonro 81, Ilwon-dong, Gangnam-gu, Seoul  
Tricare Coordinator: 02-3410-0232 (Working Hour) 24/7  
On Call: 010-9933-0200

## KUNSAN AIR BASE

Originally built by the Japanese as a fighter-interceptor base in 1938, Kunsan became the home of the US Military Assistance Advisory Group in Korea at the end of World War II. In 1949, US forces left Korea, turning the base over to the ROK Air Force.

In July 1950, North Korean forces occupied Kunsan Air Base at the outset of the Korean War. The US Army's 3rd Battalion, 24th Infantry, recaptured the base and Kunsan City on September 30, 1950. In April 1951, the 27th Air Base Group became the first Air Force unit assigned to the base, and the group oversaw the base's rehabilitation. The Army's 808th Engineer Aviation Battalion built a 5,000-foot runway to replace the sod runway built by the Japanese. The 3rd Bombardment Wing moved to the base on August 22, 1951, as Kunsan's first assigned aircraft wing.

Following the 3rd Bombardment Wing's return to Japan at the end of the Korean War, Kunsan became the home to several Air Force units. The 6170th Air Base Group and the 6170th Air Base Squadron operated and maintained the base from 1954 to 1968. From 1968 to 1970, the 354th and later the 54th Tactical Fighter Wing ran the base. The 6175th assumed responsibility for the installation in the mid-1970s until the 3rd Tactical Fighter Wing returned to Kunsan in March 1971. In September 1974, the 8th Tactical Fighter Wing was assigned to Kunsan Air Base. As a part of an Air Force-wide reorganization, the 8th Tactical Fighter Wing redesignated the 8th Fighter Wing on February 3, 1992.



Kunsan Air Base

## Area VI

Installation Name: K-16  
Province: Jeollabuk-do  
City/County: Gunsan City  
Post Operator Phone: 0503-323-1110  
DSN: 723-1110  
Post Website: <https://www.kunsan.af.mil/>  
Newcomers Guide: <https://www.kunsan.af.mil/Newcomer/>

## Helpful Information

### Emergency Numbers

#### *Police/Fire/Ambulance*

Phone: 911  
Off Base: 119

#### *MP Station*

DSN: 782-4944

## Facility Information

### Lodging

#### *Wolf Pack Lodge*

Location: BLDG 314 Devils Run Rd. Kunsan  
Phone: 063-470-1844, 0314  
DSN: 782-1844, 0314  
Website: <https://www.kunsanfss.com/wolf-pack-lodge>

### AAFES – Kunsan

Website: <https://www.shopmyexchange.com/exchange-stores/%20Korea/AP/APO/Kunsan-Main-Exchange-1761238>

Kunsan Main Exchange, Food Court, MCSS, Garage/Filling Station, Express, Barber Shop and Hair Salon, Military Auto Source, Mobile and Internet services, Alteration, and Dry Cleaning, Reel Time theater.

### Commissary

Phone: 063-470-5437 DSN: 782-5437  
Website: <https://www.commissaries.com/shopping/store-locations/kunsan-ab>

### Dining Establishments

Website: <https://kunsanfss.com/dining/>

Loring Club, Wolf Pack Café, Take It North Café, Military Dining Facility, Rickenbacker's, D-Pad Military Dining Facility, and The Tavern.

## Medical Facilities

Appointment Line: 782-2273  
Website: <https://kunsan.tricare.mil/>

The 8th Medical Group does not have an Emergency Room. If a Medical Emergency occurs that threatens life, limb, or eyesight, call 911, DSN: 782-0911 or Phone: 063-470-0911.

In Korea, 911 is called for on-base emergencies, while 119 is dialed for off-base emergencies. If you call 119, you will be transferred to a civilian South Korean emergency medical service; you may have to request an English translator.

### *Dental*

Location: Bldg. 409 (next to the Medical Clinic)  
Phone: 315-782-4847  
Emergency: 010-8500-6839  
Website: <https://kunsan.tricare.mil/Health-Services/Dental>

### Religious Services

Website and Chapel Schedule: <https://www.kunsan.af.mil/Wolf-Pack-Helping-Agencies/Chapel/>

### Recreation

#### *Falcon Community Activity Center*

Location: BLDG 1027  
Phone: 063-470-5213 DSN: 782-5213  
Website and Current Hours: <https://kunsanfss.com/falconcac/>

#### *Outdoor Recreation*

Location: BLDG 517  
Phone: 063-470-6904 DSN: 782-6904  
Website and Current Hours:  
<https://www.kunsanfss.com/outdoor-recreation/>

#### *Take It North Bowling Center*

Location: BLDG 1057  
Phone: 063-470-4608 DSN: 782-4608  
Website: <https://www.kunsanfss.com/bowling-center/>

### **Arts & Crafts**

Location: BLDG 517  
Phone: 063-470-6904 DSN: 782-6904  
Website and Current Hours: <https://www.kunsanfss.com/arts-crafts/>

### **West Winds Golf Course**

Location: BLDG 387  
Phone: 063-470-5435 DSN: 782-5435  
Website and Current Hours:  
<https://www.kunsanfss.com/west-winds-golf-course>

### **Swimming Pool**

Website and Current Hours: <https://www.kunsanfss.com/pool>

## **Nearby Points of Interest Off Post**

### **Eunpa Lake Park**

Location: 9 Eunpasunhwan-gil, Gunsan, Jeollabuk-do 54146, South Korea

### **Dongguksa Temple**

Location: 16 Dongguksa-gil, Gunsan, Jeollabuk-do, South Korea

### **Japanese-style House in Sinheung-dong (Hirotsu House)**

Location: 17 Gyeong 1-gil, Gunsan, Jeollabuk-do, South Korea

## **USAG DAEGU**



USAG Daegu

Camp Walker is a US military post in Daegu, South Korea, named in 1951 after General Walton Walker, commander of the Eighth Army. General Walker was killed in a jeep crash in December 1950 during the Korean War. Camp Walker, Camp Henry, and Camp George are the three US posts that make up USAG Daegu.

Camp Henry was built by the Japanese Army in 1921 and served as the headquarters for General Minami and the Japanese Forces located in Daegu. During the Korean War, Camp Henry saw little action as it was on the northern edge of what is known today as the Busan Perimeter. After the Korean War, the post was named after Lt. Frederick Henry, a Medal of Honor recipient.

Camp Carroll lies in the evening shadow of Hill 303 where one of the most notorious atrocities of the Korean War was committed by communist forces. Forty-one soldiers from the 1st Cavalry Division were captured on the hill during an attempt to break through communist lines during the early days of the Pusan Perimeter. Evidence shows that these men were bound and shot in the back. In response, the United Nations Command (UNC) dropped nearly 1,330 tons of high explosives on the communist lines near Waegwan. Along with a second front opening at the communist rear, the 1st Cavalry Division recaptured Hill 303. Camp Carroll is the only military post located in the Waegwan area since Japanese forces maintained a replacement depot here some 400 years ago. Camp George was named in honor of Private First Class Charles George. PFC George was a Native American from the Cherokee tribe. During the Korean War, he served with C Company, 179th Infantry Regiment, 45th Infantry Division. George was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor for action near Songnae-dong, Bucheon City, Korea, on November 30, 1952. The Imperial Japanese Army originally constructed the installation. Camp George is located on 16 acres (19,586 pyeong) in the Nam-gu District of Daegu City, less than one-quarter mile west of Camp Henry and about a half mile north of Camp Walker.

### **Area IV**

Installation Name: USAG Daegu

Province: Kyongbuk-do  
City/County: Daegu city  
Post Operator Phone: 0503-323-1110 DSN: 723-1110  
DSN: (315) 723-1110/1113  
Post Website: <https://home.army.mil/daegu/>  
Newcomers' Guide Weblink:  
<https://home.army.mil/daegu/index.php/my-fort/newcomers/>

## Helpful Information

### Emergency Numbers

#### *Police/Fire/Ambulance*

On-Post Phone: 0503-364-5911 DSN: 911  
Off-Post: 119

#### *MP Station Phone*

Camp Walker: DSN: 764-4141/763-4717  
Camp Carroll: DSN: 765-8310/763-2891

### Dialing Guidelines

- To dial DSN numbers from off post or cell: 0503-3XX-XXXX (X= Last 6 Numbers of DSN Number)
- To dial DSN numbers from a CONUS DSN, you must first dial the 315 Pacific Area Code
- DSN numbers from the U.S.: 011-82-53-470-XXXX (Ch/Cw); 011-82-54-970-XXXX (Cc)

### Daegu Civilian & Spouses Club

Facebook: [https://www.facebook.com/pg/DaeguSpouses/about/?ref=page\\_internal](https://www.facebook.com/pg/DaeguSpouses/about/?ref=page_internal)

The Daegu Civilians' and Spouses' Club (DCSC) supports the Area IV community by fostering friendship and goodwill through community service, charitable projects, and awarding scholarships and welfare grants. They also operate the DCSC Apple Tree Thrift & Gift shop.

## Facility Information

### Commissary

Phone: 053-470-4669  
DSN: 315-764-5311  
Website: <https://commissaries.com/shopping/store-locations/daegu>

### AAFES – Daegu

#### *Camp Walker*

Website and Current Hours: [https://www.shopmyexchange.com/exchange-stores/Korea/AP/APO/Camp-Walker-\(Korea-South%20ern\)%E2%80%94941761235/](https://www.shopmyexchange.com/exchange-stores/Korea/AP/APO/Camp-Walker-(Korea-South%20ern)%E2%80%94941761235/)

Camp Walker Exchange, Food Court, Mini Mall, MCSS, Garage/Filling Station, Express, Barber Shop, Hair Salon, Military Auto Source, Mobile Phone, Internet services, Alteration and Dry Cleaning, and Four Seasons.

#### *Camp Henry*

Website and Current Hours: <https://www.shopmyexchange.com/exchange-stores/South%20Korea/ROK/Taegu/>

Camp-Henry-Express-1761287  
Camp Henry Express, Food Court, Barber Shop, FedEx, Reel Time Theater.

#### *Camp Carroll*

Website and Current Hours: <https://www.shopmyexchange.com/exchange-stores/South%20Korea/ROK/Waegwan/>

Camp-Carroll-Retail-Store-1761246  
Camp Carroll Retail Store, Barber Shop, Hair Salon, MCSS, Launderette, Mini Mall, New Car Sales, Dry Cleaning and Alterations, Mobile Phone, Internet, and Reel Time Theater.

### Dining Establishments

Website and Current Hours:  
<https://daegu.armymwr.com/categories/social-and-dining>

USAG Daegu has a number of dining establishments available. Cur-

rent restaurants and eateries include: El Guerrero, Evergreen Club, Hilltop Bar and Grill, Los Cantina, and States Grill.

## **Lodging**

### ***Camp Walker and Camp Henry Army Lodge***

Location: Bldg. 701

Phone: 0503-363-1492 DSN: 315-763-1492

Website: <http://army.dodlodging.net/property/Camp-Walker--Camp-Henry-Lodging>

### ***Camp Carroll Lodge***

Location: Bldg. S-100

Phone: 0503-363-2435 DSN: 315-763-2435

Website: <http://army.dodlodging.net/property/Camp-Carroll-Lodging/>

## **Medical Facilities**

### ***Camp Walker - Wood Army Medical Clinic***

Location: Bldg. S-180

DSN: 764-2273

### ***Camp Carroll - Carroll Troop Medical Clinic***

DSN: 765-8505

### ***Gumi Cha Hospital – Emergency Room***

Location: 12, Sinsi-ro 10-gil Gumi Gyeongsangbuk-do

Phone: 054-450-9870 or 0109707-0911(24hr)

Website: <https://gumi.chamc.co.kr/Default.cha>

Gumi Cha Hospital is the primary medical center in Area IV that offers a variety of medical services for US soldiers and is covered under TRICARE.

### ***Bodine Dental Clinic***

Phone: 0503-337-9452

DSN: 764-4307

### ***Camp Carroll Dental Clinic***

DSN: 765-8685

## **Apple Tree Gift & Thrift Shop**

Website and Current Hours:

<https://www.facebook.com/AppleTreeDaegu/>

The Apple Tree Gift & Thrift Store is managed by the Daegu Civilians & Spouses Club (DCSC). Have fun shopping while giving back to your community.

## **Religious Services**

Website and Current Religious Service schedule: <https://home.army.mil/daegu/index.php/about/Garrison/religious-support-services>

## **F & MWR Activities**

Website and Current Hours:

<https://daegu.armymwr.com/categories/recreation>

Daegu Family and F & MWR offers a number of recreational activities, sports and fitness opportunities, and CYS events for the kids.

## ***Sports and Fitness***

Camp Carroll Aquatics, Camp Carroll Fitness Center, Camp Walker Aquatics, Kelly Fitness Center, and The Wall Fitness Center.

## ***Recreation***

BOSS, Camp Carroll Community Activity Center, Camp Carroll Library, Camp Walker Community Activity Center, Camp Walker Library, El Guerrero Bowling Center, Evergreen Golf Course, Hana Tour @ Walker CAC, Outdoor Recreation Center, and Windy City Bowl & Grill.

## **Child Youth Services (CYS)**

Website and Current Hours:

<https://daegu.armymwr.com/categories/cys-services>

Childcare, Child Development Center, Middle School and Teens, Parent Outreach Services, School Support Services, Volunteer Coaches, Youth Sports, Employment Opportunities, and School Age Center.

## Nearby Points of Interest Off-Post

### *Yeongnam Jeil Gwan (Historic Site)*

Location: 248, Palhyeon-gil, Suseong-gu, Daegu 42064

### *Apsan Park (Nature & Parks)*

Location: Daedeoksa 574-116 Apsansunhwan-ro, Daegu 42502

### *Donghwasan (Sacred & Religious Sites)*

Location: Dohak-dong, Dong-gu, Daegu

## CHINHAE NAVAL BASE

The history of Commander Fleet Activities Chinhae (CFAC) dates back to 1946 when the US Naval Advisory Group was established in Korea. The command was re-designated as the first Fleet Detachment, Naval Station, JUSMAG-K in July 1969. It was reorganized and renamed the Chinhae Facility in 1972. The US Naval Forces Korea and Fleet Detachment, Naval Station, JUSMAG-K were separated to form a new tenant command. The new command was renamed as Field Logistics Centre, Chinhae in 1972. The facility was regrouped as Commander, US Naval Forces, Korea Detachment, Chinhae in 1978.



Chinhae Naval Base

CFAC was set up as a tenant organization with the Commander, US Naval Forces, Detachment Chinhae after reorganization in 1984. The US Navy and ROK Navy signed a land partnership plan in 2002. The plan was amended in 2004. The NAVCOMM Detachment Chinhae was established at the base in October 1995.

CFAC is located in the Jinhae district of Changwon City, on the southeast coast of the Republic of Korea. The city of Jinhae district of Changwon is home to the largest ROK Navy base, as well as the only US Navy base in the ROK. The base is about 10 minutes from downtown Jinhae, 20 minutes from downtown Changwon, 1-1.5 hours from downtown Busan (by car), and 5 hours from Seoul (by car, KTX train is 3 hours).

### Area IV

Installation Name: Fleet Activities Chinhae

Province: Gyeongsangnam-do

City/County: Changwon

Post Phone: 82-55-540-5310

DSN: 315-762-5310

Post Website: [https://www.cnfc.navy.mil/regions/cnfc/installations/cfa\\_chinhae.html](https://www.cnfc.navy.mil/regions/cnfc/installations/cfa_chinhae.html)



## Helpful Information

### Emergency Numbers

#### *Police/Fire/Ambulance*

Phone: 0503-362-5110

DSN: 911

#### *Base Security Dispatch*

Phone: 0503-363-5345

DSN: 763-5545

### Dialing Guidelines

- DSN prefix is: 763-XXXX
- If calling from a commercial phone dial: 055-540-XXXX

### Gate Hours

Main Gate operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, however, hours are subject to change. Please monitor Athoc and official social media channels for closures or delays.

## Facility Information

### Lodging

#### *Navy Gateway Inns and Suites*

Location: Bldg. 721

Phone: +82-55-542-5336 DSN: 315-763-5332

Website: <https://www.navymwrchinhae.com/programs/f2aa2826-7729-4ae7-82d4-1d0d1fe68931>

### Commissary

Phone: 0503-363-5204 DSN: 763-5204

Website: <https://www.commissaries.com/shopping/store-locations/chinhae>

### AAFES Chinhae

Website and Current Hours: <https://www.shopmyexchange.com/exchange-stores/South%20Korea/ROK/Chinhae>

Chinhae Exchange-1761248

Chinhae Exchange, Barber Shop, Mobile and Internet.

### Gas Station

Location: Bldg. 102 on Sonwon Way near the motor pool and Friendship Gate

Pay at the pump 24/7 with a credit card.

### Medical Facilities

#### *Branch Health Clinic - Chinhae*

Phone: 0503-362-5415

DSN: 315-762-5415

Website: [https://www.cnic.navy.mil/regions/cnfk/installations/cfa\\_chinhae/ffr/support\\_services1/branch-health-clinic--bhc--chinhae.html](https://www.cnic.navy.mil/regions/cnfk/installations/cfa_chinhae/ffr/support_services1/branch-health-clinic--bhc--chinhae.html)

The clinic is designed and staffed to provide primary care to active-duty personnel and command-sponsored beneficiaries assigned to CFAC and its tenant commands. Urgent care is available.

#### *Dental Clinic*

Phone: 0503-337-9452

DSN: 737-3368

Until further notice, Camp Walker Bodine Dental Clinic will handle dental needs for servicemembers.

#### *OB/GYN*

Prenatal care is offered by host nation providers.

#### *Veterinary Care*

There is not a veterinarian on base. Veterinarians from Camp Walker visit every 6 months or as requested. To schedule an appointment, contact Camp Walker veterinary clinic at DSN: 764-4708 or 0503-364-4708

## Religious Services

### *CFAC Chapel*

Location: Bldg. 771

Phone: 0503-363-5462 DSN: 763-5462

Website: [https://www.cnic.navy.mil/regions/cnfk/installations/cfa\\_chinhae/ffr/support\\_services1/religious\\_services.html](https://www.cnic.navy.mil/regions/cnfk/installations/cfa_chinhae/ffr/support_services1/religious_services.html)

## Dining Establishments

### *3rd Deck*

Location: Bldg. 711

Phone: 0503-363-5210

Website: <https://www.navymwrchinhae.com/programs/ad1bbb88-22a4-4f67-a56b-06834a204729>

### *Turtle Cove*

Location: Bldg. 798

Phone: 0503-363-8763

Website: <https://www.navymwrchinhae.com/programs/429b8f3d-a2ec-47a3-b5c3-eda19f71e43d>

## F & MWR Activities

### *Golden Anchor Lanes Bowling*

Phone: 0503-363-8834

Website: <https://www.navymwrchinhae.com/programs/9b6eeff3-84a6-4156-a794-8d45220dd569/>

## Points of Interest

Changwon is known for its beautiful cherry blossoms in spring. There are a number of other interesting sites to visit in the area.

### *Area Events and Festivals*

Website:

<https://culture.changwon.go.kr/index.changwon?contentId=271>

Below are some of the local events you may enjoy:

- Changwon International Chamber Music Festival
- Changwon K-POP World Festival
- Changwon Sculpture Biennale
- Changwon Namsan Sangbong Festival
- Changwon Arts Festival
- Changwon Watermelon Festival
- Changwon World Children's Literature Festival
- Military Orchestra Festival
- Hometown Spring Art Festival
- Cheonju Mountain Azalea Festival
- Maple Street Festival
- Mideoduck & Fireworks Peacock Festival
- Jinhae Arts Festival
- Jinhae Gunhangje Festival
- Masan Chrysanthemum Festival
- Masan Manna Festival
- Masan Fish Market Festival
- Bieumsan Jinryesanseong Azalea Festival

## OSAN AIR BASE

Osan Air Base is one of two major airfields operated by the US Air Force in the Republic of Korea and the only base on the peninsula entirely planned and built by the US Air Force during the Korean War. The base is located 4.7 miles southwest of the town of Osan-Ni, for which the base was named, and about 20 miles south of Seoul, the capital city of the ROK. Prior to the invasion of the ROK by the North Korean communists in 1950, the area consisted of several small farming villages near the hillsides and a large number of rice paddies along the Chin Wi River where the runway now lies.

There is a 750 year old ginkgo tree that stands on a small hill on the number four hole of the base golf course and is a national treasure.



OSAN AIR BASE

### Area V

Installation Name: Osan Air Base

Province: Gyeonggi-do

City/County: Osan

Post Operator Phone: 011-82-784-1110 DSN: 315-784-1110

Post Website: [www.osan.af.mi](http://www.osan.af.mi)

## Helpful Information

### Emergency Numbers

#### Police/Fire/Ambulance

##### Fire

Phone: 784-4834

DSN: 911

##### Police

DSN: 784-5515

### Team Osan Spouses' Club

Team Osan Spouses' Club offers friendship, support, and opportunities to get involved in the Osan community. Team Osan Spouses' Club encourages its members to experience the local culture, travel, explore,

and meet neighbors. An assignment to the ROK has much to offer, and the club provides members the opportunity to make the most of their time. For more information: <http://www.teamosansc.com>

## Facility Information

### Lodging

#### Turumi Lodge

Phone: 82-31-661-1844

DSN: 315-783-5901

Website: <http://af.dodlodging.net/property/Osan-AB-Korea>

### Passenger Terminal/Space A

Phone: 031-661-6883

DSN: 784-6883

Website: <http://www.spacea.net/osan-ab>

Facebook: Osan AB Passenger Terminal

(<https://www.facebook.com/OsanABPassengerTerminal/>)

### AAFES Osan

Website: <https://www.shopmyexchange.com/exchange-stores/Korea/AP/Osan/Osan-Main-Exchange--17610055>

Osan Main Exchange, Food Court, Gas Station and Garage, MCSS, Barbershop, Hair Salon, Dry Cleaning and Alterations, New Car Sales, Mobile Phones, and Internet.

### Commissary

Phone: 031-661-4403 DSN: 784-4403

Website and Current Hours: <https://www.commissaries.com/shopping/store-locations/osan-ab>

### Medical Facilities

#### 51st Medical Group - Emergency Room Available

Location: Bldg. 777, Lower Level

Phone: 0505-784-2273

Website: <https://osan.tricare.mil/>

### ***Dental Clinic***

Location: Bldg 777  
Phone Number: 0505-784-2108 DSN: 784-2108  
Website: <https://osan.tricare.mil/Health-Services/Dental>

### **Religious Services**

Website and Current Religious Service schedule: <https://www.osan.af.mil/Portals/72/Docs/ChapelTrifold181119.pdf>

### **Dining Establishments**

#### ***Back of the Hangar***

Location: Bldg. 1741  
Phone: 0505-784-2883 DSN: 784-2883

#### ***Chili's***

Phone: 0502-915-7272 DSN: 784-7271  
Website and Current Hours: <https://51fss.com/chilis/>

#### ***24/7 Checkertails Diner***

Phone: 784-1581/5865  
Website and Current Hours: <https://51fss.com/checkertails/>

#### ***End Zone***

Location: Bldg. 1313  
Phone: 0505-784-4311 DSN: 784-4311

#### ***The Enlisted Club***

Sit down dining  
Location Bldg: 917  
Phone: 784-6900  
Hours: Mon-Thurs 06:30-24:00, Fri 06:30-02:00, Sat 07:30-02:00,  
Sun 10:00-24:00

#### ***The Enlisted Club***

Sports Bar & Grill  
Phone: 784-6900  
Website and Current Hours: <https://51fss.com/enlistedclub/>

### ***Ginkgo Tree***

Location: Bldg. 1470  
Phone: 0505-784-6861  
DSN: 784-6861

### ***Mig Alleys Snack Bar***

Location: Bldg. 975  
Phone: 0505-784-4229  
DSN: 784-4229

### ***Pacific House***

Location: Bldg. 733  
Phone: 0505-784-8399  
DSN: 784-8399

### ***The Officers' Club***

Location Bldg. 910  
Phone: 784-5530  
Website and Current Hours: <https://51fss.com/officersclub/>

### **Osan Thrift Shop**

Website and Current Hours:  
<https://www.facebook.com/osanthriftshop/>

The Thrift Shop is organized and operated to provide a convenient means for the Osan Air Base community members to buy gently used, affordable goods donated by fellow Osan Air Base community members. We also strive to provide Osan Air Base community members with a meaningful and mutually beneficial volunteer experience.

### **F & MWR Activities**

#### ***The Lakes at Osan Golf Course***

Phone: 0505-784-4128/6816  
DSN: 784-4128/6816  
Website and Current Hours: <https://51fss.com/golf/>

#### ***Mig Alley***

Location: Bldg. 975

Phone: 0505-784-4229

DSN: 784-4229

Website and Current Hours: <https://51fss.com/migalleys/>

Mig Alley features; 20 state-of-the-art bowling lanes, 4 kids' lanes & play area, foosball, air hockey, video game stations, MiG Alleys Snack Bar with delivery, full-service pro shop, slot machine game room

### **Pet Lodge**

Location: Bldg. 421-B

Phone: 010-5663-1304

Website and Current Hours: <https://51fss.com/allpaws/>

## **Nearby Points of Interest Off-Post**

### ***Mulhyanggi Arboretum***

Location: 211, Cheonghak-ro, Osan-si, Gyeonggi-do

Phone: +82-31-378-1261

A peaceful area to relax and take a leisurely walk and visit themed centers throughout including the pine tree center and maple center.

### ***Bojeoksa Temple***

Location: 150, Jigot-dong, Osan, Gyeonggi-do

A small temple set in a beautiful quiet landscape.

## **CAMP MUJUK**

Camp Mujuk was established in 1980 to assist the III Marine Expeditionary Force (MEF) with training deployments to the Korean peninsula. Mujuk means invincible and is an 84-acre installation located about 400 kilometers southeast of Seoul, about an hour east of Deagu, just outside Pohang, and near the eastern shoreline. The Camp was previously owned by the ROK Marine Corps but became the responsibility of the US Marine Corps to maintain in 2004 as part of camp close outs and consolidations.

Camp Mujuk is the only US Marine Corps Installation in the Republic of Korea. The installation is home to the Camp Mujuk Headquarters from Marine Corps Installations Pacific (MCIPAC). The Camp and its Marines support bi-lateral training between our host country and other branches of service.

Camp Mujuk is a dependent restricted tour of duty. All inbound personnel will be assigned a sponsor to aide in their transition to Korea. Stay in contact with your sponsor regularly with updates on your status and be sure to ask questions as they arise. Constant communication will be a critical part of making your transition go as smoothly as possible.



Camp Mujuk

### **Area IV**

Installation Name: Camp Mujuk

Province: Gyeongsangbuk-do

City/County: Pohang-si

Post Operator Phone: 011-98-970-5555 wait for dial tone, dial 113

Post Website: <https://www.mcipac.marines.mil/Installations/Camp-Mujuk/>

Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/CampMujukOfficial>

## **Helpful Information**

### **Phone Numbers**

***Senior Enlisted Advisor***

Cell: 010-8685-6343

DSN: 315 767-4816

### **Admin Chief**

Cell 010-8685-5837

DSN 315 767-4662

### **Operations Chief**

Cell: 010-5643-1473

DSN: 315 767-4817

### **BAS**

Cell: 010-2820-2604

DSN: 315 767-4471

### **PMO Duty (24 hours)**

Cell: 010-2820-1343

DSN: 315 767-4080

Emergency Phone: 911

### **Dialing Guidelines**

- To call Camp Mujuk from the US, dial 011-82-54-240-XXXX (last four of the DSN)
- CDO Cell Phone: 011-82-10-9380-0229

## **Facility Information**

### **Barber Shop**

Location: Bldg. 4002

Hours: Mon-Thurs Closed, Fri-Sun 09:00-16:00

Operation hours subject to change due to exercise schedule.

### **Mini PX**

Location: Bldg. 4002

Phone: 0503-364-5441 DSN: 315-764-5441

Hours: Weekdays 09:00-18:00, Closed Weekends

LG store (internet/cell phones)

### **Alteration & Souvenir Shop**

Location: Bldg. 4002

Phone: 010-8020-2908

Hours: Weekdays 10:00-18:00, Saturday 10:00-17:00

### **Post Office**

Location: Bldg. 1201 (Rear)

DSN: 315-767-4032

Hours: Weekdays 08:00-17:00, Closed Weekends & US Holidays

### **BX/Exchange**

Location: Bldg. 4002

Phone: 054-292-6435 DSN: 315-767-3030

Hours: Daily 07:00-20:00

### **PMO**

Location: Bldg. 2001

DSN: 315-767-4080

Emergency Phone: 911

### **MCCS Fitness Center**

Location: Bldg. 1107

DSN: 315-763-6844

Hours: Weekdays 05:00-22:00, Weekends & Holidays 07:00-22:00

Amenities: Indoor basketball court & racquetball court, weight room, cardio room, aerobic room, HITT Center, and sauna in both male and female heads. Single Marine Program lounge with Wi-Fi, laptops, and gaming systems.

### **Camp Mujuk Library**

Location: Bldg. 2002 and 2003

DSN: 315-763-6983

Hours: Daily 10:00-19:00

### **Dining Establishments**

#### **Curfews**

Location: Bldg. 4007

DSN: 315-763-6982

Hours: Daily 10:00-20:00

Wi-Fi, Cable TV, Movie Nights, Table Tennis, Billiards, Menu order food, Daily Chef Specials, Bar/Lounge, Home Made Cookies, and Catering.

### **Mess Hall**

Location: Bldg. 1104

DSN: 315-767-4399

Dining Hours: Mon-Fri 06:30-08:00, 11:30-13:00, 17:00-18:00;

Weekend & Holiday: 09:30-11:00, 16:00-17:30

Meal cards are issued to all E-6 & below (with the exception of PMO). Dining Costs: U.S. dollars only (There is an ATM available at the Recreation Center) Breakfast: \$ 3.45, Lunch: \$5.55, Dinner: \$4.85. Weekend & Holiday: Brunch: \$6.25, Dinner: \$7.65.

### **Medical Facilities**

The medical staff at Camp Mujuk consists of only one Independent Duty Corpsman (IDC).

### **Religious Services**

#### **Chaplain**

Location: Bldg. 1102

DSN: 315-767-4243

## **Helpful Hints**

- It is highly recommended, but not required, to have a US passport in Korea. You will need one if you wish to take any leave and travel to other countries (opportunities are available). SNCOs & Officers will need a passport should they have to travel to Okinawa for military business.
- SNCOs & Officers should obtain an International Driver License due to the possibility of going TAD to other countries during your tour of duty.
- According to the Defense Transportation Regulation, DMO (Defense Management Office/Travel Office) needs to book your flight commercially into either city of Busan or Daegu, these are the closest

Airports to Camp Mujuk. Your sponsor will meet you at the airport upon arrival. Ensure you communicate with your Sponsor to assist you with transportation to Camp Mujuk.

- Search the City of Pohang, Korea so you can familiarize yourself with your duty location (weather, population, culture, entertainment, etc).

## **Nearby Points of Interest**

- Jukdo Market
- Homigot Sunrise Plaza
- Oeosa Temple of Unjesan Mountain
- Guryongpo Modern History Museum
- Bogyeongsa Temple
- Yeongildae Beach
- Naeyeonsan County Park
- Pohang International Fireworks Festival
- The Posco Museum
- Pohang Ship Experience
- The National Lighthouse Museum
- Statue of Peace
- Pohang Steel Yard
- Chilpo Beach
- Guryongpo Beach
- Botanical Garden of Gyeongsangbukdo
- Jungmyeong Ecological Park
- Pohang Museum of Steel Art
- Janggi YUbae Munhwa Cheheomchon
- Pohang Culture and Art Hall
- Deokdong Cultural Village
- Pohang Guryongpo Guamegi Museum
- Hwajin Beach
- Kicheongsan Botanical Gardens

## USFK ORGANIZATION

### United States Forces Korea

Welcome to US Forces Korea (USFK). USFK's mission is to deter aggression and if necessary, defend the Republic of Korea (ROK) to maintain stability in Northeast Asia. The Service Members of the United States and the Republic of Korea have stood together for more than 60 years maintaining the Armistice and setting the conditions for stability and prosperity in the Republic of Korea. As a result, the Republic of Korea has flourished since the end of the Korean War and is now a respected, successful, and thriving democracy.



USFK

The important mission in Korea gives Service Members excellent training opportunities. Along with some of the most realistic and effective training conducted by our Armed Forces, the training is multi-national, combined, and joint. You will not only train and work with Service Members from different services, but you will train and work with our ROK partners and the United Nations Command (UNC) Sending States. The quality of life in the ROK is great, and you will have an opportunity to experience a magnificent culture. The South Korean people are gracious hosts with an interesting history. For Service Members and their Families, we have a community atmosphere with many activities for single Service Members, Civilians, and Children of all ages.

For those that are coming to Korea, the USFK website is set up to assist you with your move and learn about command and community information. On the site, you will find an overview of command vision, priorities, policies, command messages, and other critical information. This information is to ensure that you and your family are prepared for a challenging and very rewarding assignment in Korea.

For more information please visit the USFK website at [www.usfk.mil](http://www.usfk.mil).

### United Nations Command

United Nations Command carries on the legacy of the men and women of the twenty-two (22) countries who came to the aid of South Korea during the Korean War and in support of humanitarian efforts fol-

lowing the Armistice Agreement. The Command's role evolved from a warfighting command to an international military organization charged with enforcing the Korean Armistice Agreement. Today, UNC consists of: Australia, Belgium, Canada, Colombia, Denmark, France, Greece, Italy, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, the Philippines, the Republic of South Africa, Thailand, Turkey, the United Kingdom, the United States, and the Republic of Korea, as the host nation. UNC remains a visible reminder of the international community's enduring commitment to preserving peace on the Korean Peninsula.

Following the signing of the Korean Armistice Agreement, UNC was responsible for enforcing the Armistice and defending South Korea. However, UNC's mission and role evolved over time. On July 1, 1957, USFK was established with the mission of supporting UNC by providing trained and ready forces for the defense of South Korea. USFK also provided a myriad of Armistice maintenance functions. On November 8, 1978, the Republic of Korea– US Combined Forces Command (CFC) was established as a bilateral warfighting command. With the establishment of CFC, UNC's role changed to Armistice maintenance, while CFC became responsible for deterrence and preparations for the defense of South Korea.

UNC experienced a period of growth, relevance, and change, following its decline after the establishment of CFC. In the early 2000s, Armistice maintenance activities grew with the establishment of Transportation Corridors and South Korean military live fire exercises near the Northwest Islands. The increase in Armistice maintenance requirements contributed to renewed international interest in UNC, resulting in seven nations rejoining the command between 1998 and 2003. Recognizing UNC's "untapped potential", the UNC Commander announced UNC revitalization as an official command effort in 2015, driving the momentum for more international contributions. In 2018, Canada assigned the first non-American General Officer to serve in UNC, and Australia continued this trend in 2019 until present. Shortly after the relocation of UNC Headquarters from Seoul to Pyeongtaek in 2018, UNC revitalization ended. Despite this transition, the command continues to evolve to meet the dynamic challenges of the security environment on the Korean Peninsula. These challenges range from demonstrating international resolve and maintaining military readiness during heightened tensions to creating space for inter-Korean diplomacy.

In fulfillment of the provisions of the Armistice and the Subsequent Agreement of August 17, 1954, UNC has continued to perform its duties related to the return of remains of deceased soldiers. From July 1996 to



May 2005, the US Department of Defense Prisoner of War/Missing Personnel Office conducted joint operations with the Korean People's Army (KPA, official name of the North Korean Army) to recover Korean War remains in North Korea. Furthermore, the KPA had accepted remains of deceased soldiers, which had been recovered in the DMZ and the territorial waters of South Korea. UNC was willing to accept Korean War remains in Panmunjom, but the KPA suspended such returns in 1999.

Following the thawing of inter-Korean relations in 2018, UNC transitioned its priority from heightened military readiness to creating space for diplomacy. Subsequently, North Korea and UNC established renewed dialogue and reached an agreement to facilitate the repatriation of Korean War remains. On July 27, 2018—the 65th anniversary of the Armistice signing at Panmunjom—UNC, with support from USFK, repatriated 55 cases of remains from North Korea. A US cargo aircraft flew to Wonsan, North Korea to receive the remains and returned promptly to Osan Air Base, South Korea. On August 14, 2018, the UNC Honor Guard escorted the remains of a North Korean soldier across the Military Demarcation Line in Panmunjom. South Korean Naval Forces originally discovered the remains near the Northwest Islands in May 2017. Previous attempts to arrange the repatriation to North Korea failed, and the last time that North Korea returned the remains of fallen service members prior to 2018 was 2007. These exchanges were governed by the Korean Armistice Agreement signed in 1953, enforced by UNC in an effort to build trust among all nations on the Korean Peninsula.

Once the premier warfighting command in Korea, UNC continues to evolve. Despite its evolution, UNC remains the home of international contributions, and the command remains steadfast in preserving peace in Korea, consistent with the Armistice Agreement and the UN mandates that remain in effect.

## **Mission of the ROK/US Combined Forces Command**

More than 46 years of fragile peace have marked the history of “post-war” Korea, where the longest armistice ever remains tenuously in force. For most of these years, the directing headquarters was the United Nations Command (UNC), which had also directed combat operations in the 1950-53 war.

The defense structure in Korea was eventually overtaken by the professional growth and development of the ROK armed forces. As early as 1965 it was recognized that what worked in the war could be significantly improved by increasing ROK participation in the planning structure.

A combined operational planning staff, developed in 1968 as an adjunct to United Nations Command/United States Forces Korea/ Eighth United States Army Headquarters and the US-led 'I' Corps (Group), evolved in 1971 as an integrated field army headquarters. However, it was not until 1978, as a bilateral agreement related to the planned US ground combat force withdrawal of that time (subsequently canceled in 1981), that the senior headquarters in Korea was organized, as a combined staff.

Hostilities today are deterred by this binational defense team that evolved from the multi-national UNC. Established on November 7, 1978, the ROK/US Combined Forces Command (CFC) is the warfighting headquarters. Its role is to deter, or defeat if necessary, outside aggression against the ROK.

To accomplish that mission, the CFC has operational control over more than 600,000 active-duty military personnel of all services of both countries. In wartime, augmentation could include some 3.5 million ROK reservists as well as additional US forces deployed from outside the ROK. If North Korea attacked, the CFC would provide a coordinated defense through its Air, Ground, Naval and Combined Marine Forces Component Commands and the Combined Unconventional Warfare Task Force. In-country and augmentation US forces would be provided to the CFC for employment by the respective combat component.

The CFC is commanded by a four-star US general, with a four-star ROK Army general as deputy commander. Throughout the command structure, binational manning is readily apparent: if the chief of a staff section is Korean, the deputy is American and vice versa. This integrated structure exists within the component commands as well as the headquarters. All CFC components are tactically integrated through continuous combined and joint planning, training, and exercises.

The major field training exercise was the Team Spirit series that began in 1976 and grew to nearly 200,000 ROK and US participants commensurate with increased perceptions of the North Korean threat. US participation in the exercise included augmentation forces of all services tactically deployed to the ROK from other Pacific bases and the continental United States. This exercise was last held in 1993.

Separate ROK and US command post exercises were combined as Ulchi Focus Lens (UFL) in 1976. In December 2006, The CFC CDR ordered the name of UFL be changed. The ROK staff retained the name of the ROK government exercise “Ulchi” and changed the exercise name to “Ulchi Freedom Guardian”. UFG is an annual joint and combined simulation-supported command post exercise that trains CFC personnel and

major component, subordinate and augmenting staffs using state-of-the-art wargaming computer simulations and support infrastructures.

At the unit level, frequent no-notice alerts, musters, and operational readiness inspections insure combat preparedness for ROK and US forces. Both countries are pursuing ambitious modernization programs to maintain a viable ROK/US military posture that will convince North Korea that any form of aggression or adventurism will fail. The ROK is making strides in equipment improvement through a rapidly expanding domestic defense industry, as well as purchases from foreign sources. US efforts toward modernization include newer, more powerful weapon systems, greater mobility and helicopter lift capability, and vastly increased anti-armor capability.

In summary, the CFC reflects the mutual commitment of the Republic of Korea and the United States to maintain peace and security, and the willingness and capability to take that commitment into battle, if the need arises.

## The KATUSA Program

The Korean Augmentation to the US Army Program was initiated on August 15, 1950 under an agreement between the Commander in Chief of United Nations Command, General MacArthur and the ROK President, the Honorable Syngman Rhee. The first KATUSA recruits, legally part of the ROK Army (ROKA) and administered by the ROK government, were assigned as reinforcements for the under-strength 7th Infantry Division in Japan, which was preparing for a deployment to Korea.

On August 20, 1950, the US divisions in combat on the peninsula received their initial KATUSA Soldiers on an assignment basis of 100 Koreans for each company and battery. At its late peak in 1952, KATUSA strength reached 27,000, of which 20,000 were in divisions and the remainder in support units. KATUSA strength declined after the armistice, and in July 1971 following the reduction of troops, stabilized to about 7,000. KATUSA Soldiers remained with the Army to receive training that was not readily available in the ROK Army.

Originally, KATUSA Soldiers were returned to the ROKA after serving with the US Army. Since 1968, however, KATUSA Soldiers remain with the US Army until their service commitments are completed. The ROKA Support Group was established on May 11, 1965 at the request of the Commander, Eighth Army, as a ROKA officer liaison group to administer the KATUSA Soldier program. Its name was changed from ROKA Liaison Group to ROKA Support Group in November 1986. On November 1,

1997, the ROKA Support Group was reorganized as a unit directly under Headquarter (HQ), ROKA G2/G3, and was later reorganized on December 1, 2009 directly under HQ, ROK Army's Personnel Command.

Today, the mission of the KATUSA Soldier Program is to augment the US Army in Korea with ROK Army Soldiers in order to increase the ROK/US combined defense capability on the Korean peninsula. The KATUSA Soldier Program is significant because of the military manpower and monetary savings that it provides to the US Army, and because it represents ROK/US cooperation and the combined commitment to deter war. The KATUSA Soldier Program is symbolic of ROK/US friendship and mutual support. Eighth Army is authorized 3,444 KATUSA Soldiers.

## Eighth Army History

Eighth Army was officially activated at Memphis, Tennessee, on June 10, 1944 and soon thereafter, it deployed to the Southwest Pacific. Under the command of LTG Robert L. Eichelberger, Eighth Army methodically eliminated the last fanatical enemy resistance remaining on New Guinea and New Britain. From December 26, 1944 until August 15, 1945, Eighth Army was actively engaged in the reconquest of the Philippines – the largest joint campaign of the War in the Pacific. Collectively, the five “Victor” operations launched by Eighth Army would result in the liberation of the southern and central portions of the Philippine Archipelago – fully two-thirds of the land area of the Philippines. From February 19 to April 3, 1945, Eighth Army units (ranging from company-size teams to division-level task forces) conducted fourteen major amphibious assaults and twenty-four minor landings. During this 44-day period, Eighth Army averaged an assault landing every day and a half. Subsequently, it earned the nickname “Amphibious Eighth” – alluding to its participation in more than sixty amphibious assaults during World War II.

While combat operations were still on-going in the Philippines, Eighth Army simultaneously began preparations for Operation Downfall – the invasion of Japan. However, with the sudden surrender of the Japanese Empire on August 15, 1945, Eighth Army's mission transitioned from one of conquest to one of occupation and it was the “Amphibious Eighth” that led the Army of Occupation into Japan. On December 31, 1945, Sixth Army was relieved of occupation duties and Eighth Army assumed



8th Army

an expanded role in the occupation, which encompassed the formidable tasks of disarmament, demilitarization, and democratization. These missions were flawlessly executed at the operational level by Eighth Army and it was the military occupation of Japan that ensured the economic recovery and political democratization of that island nation. With the outbreak of hostilities in Korea on June 25, 1950, Eighth Army would face another major challenge.

Due to the tactical situation that existed during the first six weeks of the Korean War, ROK and US ground forces were compelled to conduct an economy of force mission. Inherently risky and difficult to execute under the best of circumstances, a series of delays and withdrawals defined the ROK-US effort in the early stages of the Korean War. Running out of space to trade for time, Lieutenant General Walton H. Walker (Commanding General, Eighth Army) ordered his command to withdraw behind the Naktong River and establish a defensive posture oriented on terrain retention. On August 1, 1950, a defensive perimeter (labeled by journalists as the "Pusan Perimeter") was organized. The successful defense of the Pusan Perimeter represented a defining moment in the Korean War; it set the stage for the UN Offensive.

The breakout from the Pusan Perimeter, in concert with the amphibious assault at Inchon on September 15, 1950, resulted in the collapse of the entire North Korean People's Army (NKPA). For all practical purposes, the NKPA had been defeated and any hope of continuing the war with North Korean forces alone was a concept wholly without merit. By October 1, 1950, Eighth Army reached the 38th parallel and on October 9, it began its main advance across this border – spearheaded by the 1st Cavalry Division and the 1st ROK Division. On October 19, these two divisions captured the North Korean capital of Pyongyang and on November 24, 1950, Eighth Army began its so-called "end-of-the-war offensive." Final victory seemed imminent, but the situation would change with devastating suddenness.

On November 25, the full-scale intervention of the Chinese People's Volunteer Army changed the entire complexity of the war and forced Eighth Army and X Corps (which were operating independently of each other at that time) to transition to the defense. With the advantage of surprise and numerical superiority, the CPVA launched multiple synchronized attacks that ultimately expelled friendly forces from North Korea and on January 4, 1951, Seoul would change hands for the third time within a six-month period. Before it could organize an effective line of defense, Eighth Army had withdrawn a total of 275 miles (which qualifies as the longest retreat in US military history). Subsequently, the "myth of

the millions of Chinese in Korea" was widely circulated among the rank and file and rumors of vacating the peninsula were rampant.

By mid-January 1951, Eighth Army (now under the command of Lieutenant General Matthew B. Ridgway) launched a series of highly successful limited objective attacks. With emphasis on lateral security, these operations were "force oriented" as opposed to "terrain oriented." Any ground that was taken was incidental to closing with and destroying the enemy. On March 15, 1951, Seoul was recaptured for the fourth and last time during the course of the war. By the end of the month, Eighth Army reached the 38th parallel and three weeks later, established strong defensive positions twenty miles beyond (in most sectors of the main line of resistance). By the spring of 1951, both opposing forces had concluded that the issue of achieving a decisive military victory was no longer a viable option as neither side wanted to expand the scope and scale of the conflict.

However, the Chinese Communists were determined to launch one last major effort to capture Seoul. Once this was achieved, they would advocate a cease-fire. With the capital of South Korea in their hands, the Communists would be in an enviable position to negotiate an armistice favorable to their own terms. The Fifth Phase Chinese Offensive (April 22 July 8, 1951) qualified as the largest ground action of the Korean War. During this two-phased campaign, the Chinese People's Volunteer Army failed miserably to achieve its primary objective and sustained catastrophic losses in the process. By the summer of 1951, the situation on the ground had developed into a holding action. Thus, it seemed mutually advantageous for the belligerents to initiate negotiations and to transfer a stalemated military situation to the conference table.

The history of the Korean War truce talks began on July 10, 1951 and after two years of intricate, verbose and exasperating dialogue; an armistice was finally consummated on July 27, 1953 – formally suspending full-scale hostilities on the peninsula. As the post-Armistice period began, Eighth Army assisted the Republic of Korea in relief and rehabilitation efforts and it continues to play a significant role in the common defense of South Korea. Today, there is no evidence to suggest that North Korea has abandoned its option of unifying the peninsula by force of arms.

To enhance and sustain mission accomplishment, the force structure of Eighth Army has transformed multiple times since its establishment. During World War II, it fought in the Pacific Theater of Operations as a field army. In the immediate post-World War II era, Eighth Army served in Japan as an Army of Occupation. During the Korean War, Eighth Army

served as both a field army and theater army and throughout the preponderance of the Cold War, it remained primarily a theater army. On November 20, 1954, it was merged with US Army Forces Far East (AFFE) as the major Army command in the region. On July 1, 1957, AFFE was discontinued and USFK was officially activated; thus, Eighth Army was consolidated with USFK and the UNC with headquarters in Seoul. This tri-command headquarters was commanded by General George H. Decker.

On November 7, 1978, General John W. Vessey, Jr. assumed command of the newly established ROK-US CFC, while serving concurrently as the Commander of UNC and USFK and as the Commanding General, Eighth Army. On 1 December 1992, Eighth Army reverted to a three-star command billet and was separated from UNC/USFK/CFC. On March 13, 1998, Eighth Army was designated as the Army Service Component Command for USFK. This status was discontinued on January 23, 2012 when Eighth Army was redesignated as an operational-level Field Army Headquarters. Eighth Army relocated its headquarters from Yongsan to USAG Humphreys in the summer of 2017.

For more information, please visit the Eighth Army website at <https://8tharmy.korea.army.mil>.

## 2nd Infantry Division

The 2nd Infantry Division has a proud and honorable history which reflects the heart of the American Soldier. Having fought in four wars, the 2nd Infantry Division is one of the most decorated Divisions in the US Army. It boasts 40 Medal of Honor recipients, and over 20 campaign participation credits.

The 2nd Infantry Division was organized on 26 October 1917, at Bourmont, Haute Marne, France. Twice during "The Great War" the Division was commanded by Marine Corps Generals, marking the only times in US Military history when Marine Corps officers commanded an Army Division. The 2nd Infantry Division drew its first blood in the nightmare landscape of the Battle of Belleau Wood and contributed to shattering the four-year stalemate on the battlefield during the Chateau-Thierry campaign that followed. Having fought in every major US engagement, the Indianhead Division emerged from World War I as the most decorated American Division of the American Expeditionary Forces. During the campaign, two Soldiers, six Marines, and six Sailors from the Division were awarded the Medal of Honor.

With the onset of World War II, the Division moved to Ireland in October 1943, as part of the buildup for OPERATION OVERLORD, the Normandy invasion. On 7 June 1944, D-day + 1, the Division landed on Omaha Beach. Attacking across the Aure River, the Division liberated Trevires on 10 June 1944 and proceeded to assault and secure Hill 192, the key enemy strong point on the road to St. Lo. Exploiting the St. Lo breakthrough, the 2nd Infantry Division advanced across the Vire to take Tinchebray on 15 August 1944. During the Battle of the Bulge, from positions around St. Vith, Belgium, the Division held its ground, preventing the enemy from seizing key roads leading to the cities of Liege and Antwerp. During World War II, six Soldiers of the 2nd Infantry Division were awarded the Medal of Honor.

The Division arrived in Korea, via Pusan, on 23 July 1950, becoming the first unit to reach Korea directly from the United States. The Warrior Division was the first unit to break out of the Pusan Perimeter and led the Eighth Army's Drive to THE Manchurian Border. The 2nd Infantry Division was awarded the Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation on 29 September, 1950 for the defense of the Nakdong River line against enemy attack. On 5 February 1951, the 23rd Regimental Combat Team moved into the narrow valley of Chipyeong-ni. On 13 February 1951, the 23rd Regimental Combat Team, with the attached French Battalion, was cut off and surrounded by four Chinese Divisions. For more than three days the 23rd Regimental Combat Team and the 1st ROK Division bravely fought in freezing weather, killing over 5,000 Chinese and causing the Communist Chinese Forces to withdraw. The Battle of Chipyeong-ni was the first major defeat for the Chinese and proved to be the turning point of the Korean War. In April and May 1951, the 2nd Infantry Division was instrumental in smashing the Communist's Spring Offensive as they fought for hilltops in the Iron Triangle, Pork Chop Hill, Baldy Hill, Bloody Ridge, and Heartbreak Ridge. During the Korean War, 20 2nd Infantry Division Soldiers were awarded the Medal of Honor. The Division was awarded the Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation on 26 October, 1953, for valor in combat and excellence in the training and integration of ROK forces into their ranks. The 2nd Infantry Division emerged as the most decorated Division from the Korean War.

On 1 July 1965, the Division's color returned to the Republic of Korea. The 2nd Infantry Division was assigned to guard portions of the Demilitarized Zone (DMZ) and help deter war on the peninsula. North Korean forces were engaging in increasing border incursions and infiltration attempts and the 2nd Infantry Division was called upon to help halt these attacks. Throughout the 1980 and early 1990s, Soldiers of the

2nd Infantry Division continued to patrol along the DMZ. The Division was awarded the Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation on 14 June, 1982, for their dedicated and vital role in the combined ROK-US endeavors to ensure an effective readiness posture on the Korean peninsula. In 1994, 1999, 2011, and again in 2016, the 2nd Infantry Division received the Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation.

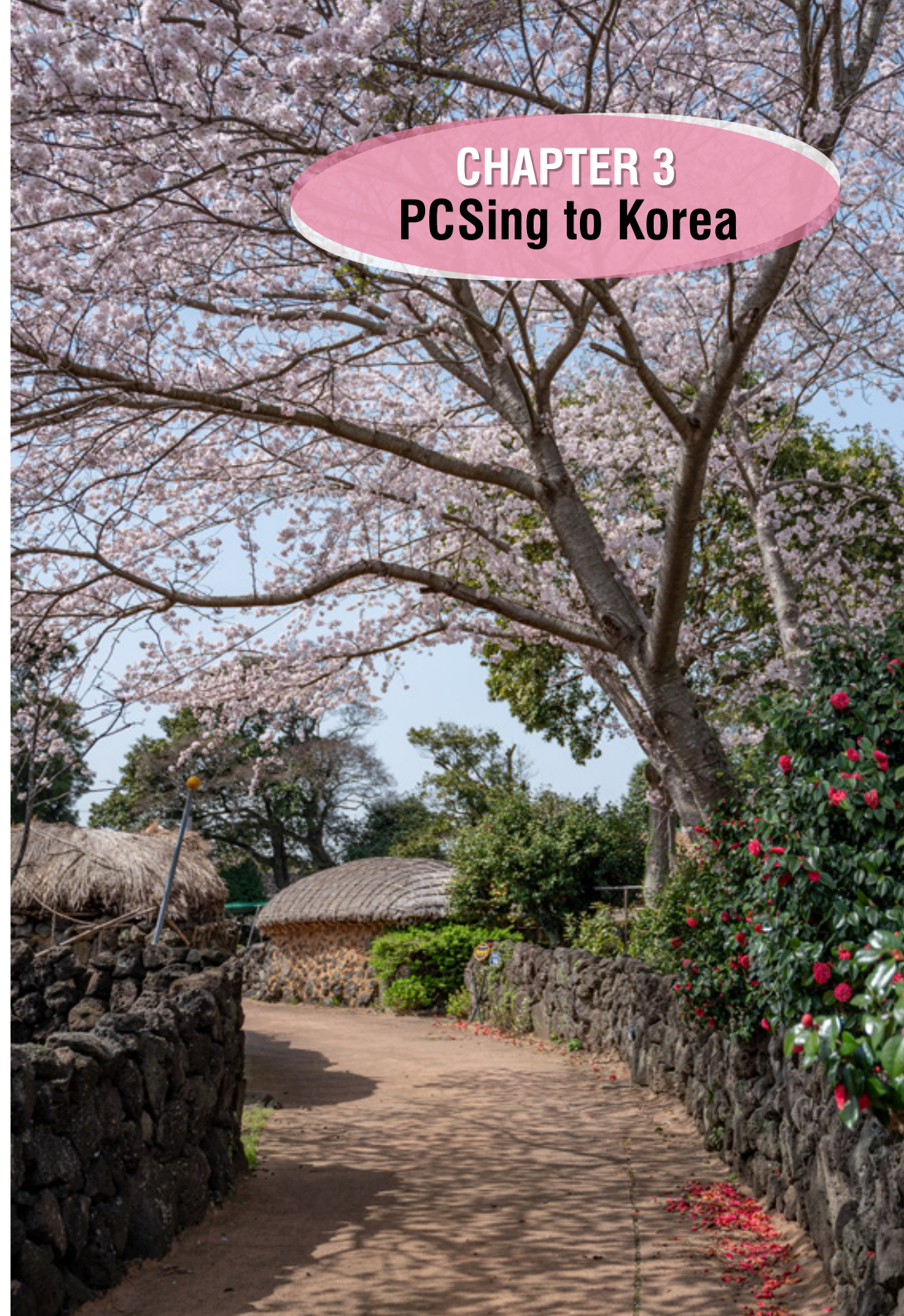
The first element of the 2nd Infantry Division to deploy to Operation Iraqi Freedom was the 3rd Stryker Brigade Combat Team, deploying out of Fort Lewis beginning in November 2003. In August 2004, the 2nd Brigade Combat Team made history by deploying to Iraq from the Republic of Korea. It was the first operational deployment from Korea, and the team worked alongside ROK soldiers, just as they had in Korea. Eventually, in a throwback to the 2nd Infantry Division's history of fighting alongside the Marines in World War I, the 2nd BCT fell under the direct command of the 1st Marine Division. Later in its deployment, the team was attached to the 2nd Marine Division. Soldiers from the 2nd Infantry Division continued to answer the call in support of the Global War on Terrorism until 4th Stryker Brigade Combat Team was deployed out of Afghanistan in July 2013.

The 2nd Infantry Division is the last permanently forward-stationed division in the US Army. As part of the great ROK-US Alliance, the Division's mission is to deter aggression, and if deterrence fails, ensure it is ready to "Fight Tonight" to defend the Republic of Korea. Forged during the Korean War, the great ROK-US Alliance is an equal partnership committed to the strong defense of Korea. Today, the 2nd Infantry Division patch is spread out across the world. On 3 June 2015, The ROKUS Combined Division was activated in order to improve the abilities of Combined Operations. The ROK 16TH Mechanized Brigade, partnered with the Combined Division, accumulates expertise in combined warfare and the Warriors of the 2nd Infantry Division/ROK-US Combined Division stand ready – to "Fight Tonight!"

For more information, please visit the 2nd Infantry Division website at [www.2id.korea.army.mil/About-Us/History/](http://www.2id.korea.army.mil/About-Us/History/).

*Sources for historical information included in this chapter are included at the end of this publication.*

## CHAPTER 3 PCSing to Korea



*Jeju Folk Blossoms*  
Photo by: Katie Howell

## Welcome to the Land of the Morning Calm!

Congratulations on your orders to Korea! The idea of moving your family around the world may seem intimidating, but planning and preparation will make the process easier. There are many resources available to assist you with your Permanent Change of Station (PCS) such as the “Newcomers” section of the Eighth Army, US Forces Korea (USFK), and US Army Garrison (USAG) Humphreys websites and Facebook pages.

### Helpful Resources

#### *Eighth Army*

Website: <https://8tharmy.korea.army.mil/>

Facebook: Eighth Army-Korea

(<https://www.facebook.com/Eighth.Army.Korea>)

#### *USFK*

Website: <https://www.usfk.mil/>

Facebook: U.S. Forces Korea (<https://www.facebook.com/myusfk>)

#### *USAG Humphreys*

Website: <https://home.army.mil/humphreys/index.php>

Facebook: U.S. Army Garrison Humphreys (Camp Humphreys)

(<https://www.facebook.com/usaghumphreys>)

**NOTE:** You will want to check these websites, especially Eighth Army, for the latest changes to check-in processes and office hours.

For general information on Korea, check your local library, bookstore, or the Internet for guides. Some family members who live in Korea have informative blogs and YouTube channels. A unit sponsor (not to be confused with YOUR sponsor/soldier) already stationed in Korea, should be assigned and contact you, but sometimes this is unintentionally overlooked. Your unit sponsor should provide assistance and information about living in Korea. If you have not heard from a unit sponsor as your move draws near, contact your gaining unit and ask for any sponsorship information they can provide.

## PREPARING TO PCS

### Suggested PCS Checklist

The following checklist will help guide you through many of the steps you should take during the months, weeks, and days prior to your departure.

**NOTE:** If you plan to take extended leave prior to heading to Korea, be sure to take care of time-sensitive items before departing your current duty station. Once you leave, it can be difficult to address issues if you are no longer physically located at that duty station.

#### 90 Days Before Departure from Current Duty Station

- Attend an overseas move class for Korea. Check with your Army Community Service (ACS) or other branch community service office to see if they offer such a class. You may also be able to attend your soldier's LEVY brief with him/her.
- Start a PCS binder to hold all of your PCS-related documents to hand-carry with you. You should include the following:
  - Copies of orders and amendments (10)
  - Wills (originals)
  - Power(s) of Attorney
  - Birth certificates (originals)
  - Marriage certificate (original)
  - Shipping documents for your Household Goods (HHG) and vehicle
  - Passports: government-issued and personal
  - ID cards
  - Driver licenses
  - Immunization/medical/dental/vision records (including any from civilian providers)
  - Pet documents
  - School records
- Sort your possessions into categories: luggage, unaccompanied baggage (UAB), HHG, non-temporary storage, and purge.
- Take a photo inventory of all household goods you plan to ship.
- Contact the appropriate office on your installation to obtain a no-fee (government-issued) passport.
- Schedule medical and dental appointments to be completed before your move, including any recommended immunizations, and request records.

- Determine your preferred time frame for your HHG and UAB shipments, and contact your transportation office for scheduling
- If you plan to drive in Korea, make sure your US driver license is valid for the duration of your time in Korea. Consider any extra time needed if your current license is not a Real ID and you need to renew in person with required documentation.
- If you plan to ship a vehicle you are financing, contact your lender to procure an authorization letter giving you permission to bring your vehicle to Korea.
- Complete required maintenance on any vehicle to be shipped, clean the vehicle to the shipper's standards and start arranging for shipping.
- If you plan on bringing pets, determine what veterinary requirements you need such a health certificate. This document must not expire while your pet(s) are in route, it is only valid for 10 days and it is recommend they be seen by a military veterinarian if possible. Determine transport plans. If you are not bringing your pets, make a plan for their care while you are in Korea.

#### 60 Days Before Departure from Current Duty Station

- Contact your insurance provider and determine what policy changes are needed.
- Renew your driver license and/or military ID, as needed.
- Start using up or plan to give away perishable or opened foods, anything in glass containers, flammable items, aerosols, etc.
- Check with your shipping company to determine any other items they will not ship or store.
- Find your state's guidelines for absentee voting while overseas (<https://www.fvap.gov/military-voter>).
- Purchase items that will be difficult to obtain in Korea to include in your UAB or HHG shipments.
- Obtain an international driver's license if you plan to drive in Asia (in countries other than Korea).
- Pre-register school-aged children online and obtain records from current school (<https://www.dodea.edu/registration-process.cfm>).

#### 30 Days Before Departure from Current Duty Station

- Make reservations for temporary accommodations when you arrive in Korea.
- Apply for a Korea Electronic Travel Authorization (K-ETA) for all

non-Korean citizens traveling except the military member (see exceptions in the K-ETA section). The online application requires a digital photo 700x700 pixels or less, file size less than 100kb, in jpeg format, with one's face clearly visible.

- ❑ Make travel arrangements through the Travel Office. If traveling with pets, you should consider doing this as soon as possible as pet slots on the Patriot Express are limited and fill up quickly.
- ❑ Verify COVID travel and South Korea entry requirements and make any needed appointments.
- ❑ Contact the postal service, and arrange for your mail to be held. Soldiers and their families are assigned a mailbox and address during in-processing.
- ❑ Consider communication requirements to the US including telephone and messaging.

#### **14 Days Before Departure from Current Duty Station**

- ❑ Plan your baggage for the plane, including entertainment options and/or any treats for children
- ❑ Consider shifting your schedule to Korea Standard Time (KST) (UTC+9:00) by staying up and sleeping later
- ❑ Review 8th Army – Driving Overseas Information (<https://8tharmy.korea.army.mil/site/newcomers/driving-overseas.asp>)
- ❑ Download a copy of the Guide to Driving Safe in Korea (<https://8tharmy.korea.army.mil/site/assets/doc/newcomers/US-FK-Pam-385-2.pdf>).
- ❑ Contact banks/credit card companies for information on fees for international purchases and ATM withdrawals
- ❑ If you are traveling with pets, obtain a health certificate within 10 days of your arrival in Korea. It is recommended that you utilize a military veterinarian, as they have the USDA endorsement required for health certificates.
- ❑ Collect your Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Transfer Documents: WIC Transfer Form, WIC Identification Transfer Card of Verification of Certification (VOC) of Benefits; Forms depend on your current place of residence.

#### **Additional Tasks**

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## **DOCUMENTS**

There are important documents that are necessary to have with you in order to make your PCS smoother. Here are some we highly recommend including in your PCS files.

### **Orders and Leave Form**

Your orders are the most important document to have with you at all times. Have at least ten copies of your orders, including any amendments, pinpoint orders, and any separate orders for family members, during your transition. Spouses, keep at least one copy on hand. You will also need at least 10 copies of you leave form.

### **Power of Attorney (POA)**

It is wise for all service members and their spouses to have a current POA. Remote assignments, deployments, and Noncombatant Evacuation Operations (NEO) requirements make a POA necessary in Korea. Whether your family will be accompanying you to Korea or remaining in the US, have a POA prepared before leaving your current duty station. Special POAs are on a case by case basis. Consult with the legal office at your current duty station to understand which one you need.

### **Employment Records**

Family members wishing to work in Korea should hand carry proof of previous employment, such as official personnel records, letters of recommendation, pay stubs, etc. Bring copies of diplomas, transcripts, and your marriage license to assist in qualifying for Military Spouse Preference. Copies of you DD214 and VA disability percentage letter if you are a veteran.

### **School Records**

Ensure copies of school records are up-to-date and hand carried. For guidelines on required documents for Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) schools, see the Education section of this publication. School records (diplomas and/or transcripts) are required in order to take college-level courses at the on-post university campuses.



## Mail

Put your mail on hold via online access (<https://www.usps.com/manage/hold-mail.htm>) or in person at your local post office. Hold requests are good for up to 30 days, unless you have permission from your Postmaster for longer. You can request a Change of Address (COA) once you arrive in Korea and are assigned your new address during in-processing. Another option is to put in a COA to a friend or family member's address while you are in transit. Once you are assigned your new address, you can put in another COA for your old address and your friend/family member's address to have it delivered to you.

## Driver License

Ensure your US driver license is current and will remain current for your entire tour in Korea (and a few months beyond). This is very important if you want to drive in Korea. Most Departments of Motor Vehicles (DMV) will allow you to renew your license at any time, so it is wise to do this before you leave the US. Within the first thirty days of your arrival, you will need to take an online test and obtain a United States Forces Korea (USFK) license to drive in Korea. There is more information in Chapter 4: Transportation regarding how to get your license.

## International Driver's Permit

If you plan to travel in Asia (Japan, Malaysia, Indonesia, etc.), we recommend that you obtain an International Driver's Permit (IDP), also known as an international license. You can get an IDP through the American Automobile Association (AAA) or the American Automobile Touring Alliance (AATA). Be aware that there are illegitimate agencies that will try to sell you false documents. You can get an IDP after you reach Korea, but it will take some time to process. You can check the AAA or AATA websites for more information.

## Identification Card

Your military identification card (ID) is your lifeline overseas. You will need this to get on post and gain access to most facilities. Until your ID card is registered in the Defense Biometric Identification System (DBIDS) and a ration card is issued (typically during in-processing), you will need a second form of identification to gain access to post (a passport works well). A copy of your pinpoint orders can be used to gain access to any

Army and Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES) facility. For commissary access, you need a set of orders that shows dependents' names and is stamped by the ration card office, until you are registered in DBIDS.

## Insurance

Just like living Stateside, servicemembers and their families will need automobile and renters insurance to cover their cars and HHG while living in Korea. The insurance company you have in the US may provide coverage while you are in Korea, however, you must call them to find out. It is easier to call before you leave the US to confirm with your current insurance company or find a new one that can accommodate your needs while living abroad. Another option is to find one when you arrive as there are affordable, reputable Korean insurance companies who provide coverage to Americans.

## Automobile

Automobile liability insurance is required to register a motor vehicle with the local DMV and your installation. Check with your insurance company to be sure your auto policy coverage includes Korea.

## Personal Property/Renters/Homeowners

Many servicemembers choose to carry a "renters policy" to cover their personal property against fire and theft. Check with your insurance company and make sure your renters policy covers living abroad. Additionally, if you own a home in the US and plan to rent it out while you are overseas, talk to your insurance company regarding changes to your homeowner's policy.

## Passport

The US government will provide a (required) no-fee passport to all eligible command-sponsored family members. Contact your local personnel office for the proper forms and information. The processing time is generally between six to eight weeks, so begin the process as soon as orders for command sponsorship are approved.

Do not depart your losing installation without applying for the nofee passport. In some instances, you can travel to Korea using your tourist passport and your no-fee can be forwarded to you once completed. In the event you do not have a tourist passport and time is running out for your no-fee to arrive, consider applying for an expedited tourist pass-

port. There are fees associated with expedited processing and you will not be reimbursed for these. However, it might be worth the price if you want to ensure traveling to Korea with your sponsor.

When applying for any type of passport for your children, both parents need to be present. If one parent cannot be present, Form DS-3053 "Statement of Consent" must be completed. You can get more information at <https://travel.state.gov> regarding passport regulations.

A service member can travel with his or her military ID card and a copy of their military orders to the overseas duty station. They are also authorized to stay for the full length of the assignment without a visa. However, all personal travel (leave) outside of Korea requires a tourist passport. If you wish to travel outside of Korea, each person in the family (to include the military member) is encouraged to have a US Tourist Passport. You can obtain a tourist passport through your local US Post Office for a fee. Service members are advised to have a copy of their leave form whenever they go on leave. Whether you travel for fun or on orders, it's a good idea to take both your official and tourist passports with you; there can be confusion when exiting and entering the country.

For reference and up to date information, please review Electronic Foreign Clearance Guide. (MUST HAVE CaC access)

### **Korea Electronic Travel Authorization (K-ETA)**

The Korea Electronic Travel Authorization (K-ETA) grants permission to non-Korean citizens to travel to the Republic of Korea. The K-ETA applies to non-Korean citizens of countries eligible for visa-free entry to the Republic of Korea.

US service members traveling to Korea on PCS or TDY orders, those who already have a visa issued by the Korean government, and those who apply via the website and receive an exception to policy letter from the Korean government do not have to comply with this requirement. However, all others traveling to the Republic of Korea must comply, including family members visiting the Republic of Korea. New General Schedule (GS) civilian hires and dependents listed on a service member's PCS orders who do not have an approved K-ETA exemption memorandum issued by the Korean government must also comply with the requirement.

Obtaining a K-ETA must be done online via the K-ETA website, <https://www.k-eta.go.kr/> prior to starting travel. Registration costs 10,000 Korean won (about \$10 USD) per person. Successful registration will result in generation of a printable certificate for each person that will be received via an email provided by the requestor. Each certificate comes with a

unique number and is good for two years. The website does not differentiate between adult, adolescent, or infant travelers. Those who fail to obtain a K-ETA prior to landing in Korea may be denied entry and may be subsequently told to re-board a plane back to their point of origin.

Personnel may claim the registration fee as a travel-related cost. PCS travel is claimed via forms submitted to the servicing finance office and TDY claims are processed through the Defense Travel System (DTS) online. For questions about claiming expenses incurred during travel, visit your servicing directorate of human resources or finance office.

When filling out the information online, the following may be helpful:

- Nationality is organized by continent. For US citizens, select "Americas," then "United States of America."
- Digital photos are needed to complete the online application. Photos must be 700x700 pixels or less, file size less than 100kb, in .jpeg format, with one's face clearly visible.
- The US Embassy address can be used as an address: 188 Sejong-daero, Jongno-gu, Seoul, Korea 03141
- In the second line (address line 2) please put your installation of assignment (i.e. Osan Air Force Base, USAG Humphreys, etc.). Korea zip codes can be used: USAG Humphreys 17977; Camp Walker (Daegu) 42505; Osan Air Base 17760; Camp Carroll (Waegwan) 39890.

Be sure to note the application number for your records at the end of the application process. For more information or to register, visit <https://www.k-eta.go.kr/>.

### **Korean Alien Registration Card (ARC)**

Generally, SOFA stamp holders are not required to get a Korean Foreign Registration Card (FRC). However, in many circumstances, it is beneficial to have a card. A FRC allows foreigners to manage their digital identity in Korea. It can make internet banking easier, ordering food from apps, booking hotel rooms, booking flights, travel to and from Korea, applying for a Korean credit card, subsidized funding for childcare off-base, and much more. If you would like to apply for the FRC, you can fill out a form at the immigration office at the same location as the SOFA stamp office, the Osan terminal, or at the Pyeongtaek International Exchange Foundation (PIEF) office located outside of Camp Humphreys. Appointments at off-post Korean Immigration Centers can be made at [hikorea.go.kr](http://hikorea.go.kr).

## Medical, Dental, and Vision Evaluations

Complete any upcoming dental or medical checkups, such as dental cleanings or children’s annual pediatric checkups (to include a sports physical if necessary) prior to departing for Korea. A current physical is required to enroll children in school, Child, Youth & School Services (CYSS), and other activities such as scouting, etc. Recent dental cleanings prior to departure will allow you time to get settled and obtain recommendations for providers in the area.

## Prescriptions

Fill prescriptions for all family members prior to departing for Korea. Plan to have enough on hand for the journey, any unforeseen delays, and for at least three months after arrival; be sure to hand carry them.

## Immunizations

Request the most current copy of shot records for all family members who are PCSing to Korea. A current immunization record is necessary to enroll children in school. For more information, please see Chapter 5: Health Resources.

## Document Checklist

- Orders (10 or more copies)
- Leave form (7 or more copies)
- Photocopy of Sponsor and dependent(s) ID cards (front & back, color preferred)
- POA’s
- Birth certificates
- Marriage license
- Diplomas
- Social security cards
- Employment records (to apply for a job)
- School records (sealed transcripts for registration)
- COA for mail (Did you fill one out?)
- Current US driver’s license which is good through your time in Korea and a few months beyond.
- International drivers permit (optional)
- ID Card
- Insurance info and cards
- Passports (No-fee and/or Tourist)

- Important medical/dental papers
- Immunization records
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## PERSONAL PROPERTY

Moving your personal property for an overseas PCS is a bit different than what you may have experienced with when moving to a new location CONUS. Sort your possessions into categories: HHG (larger-item shipment), UAB (the “quick ship” smaller-item shipment), luggage (items that you will pack and carry with you), non-temporary storage, and items to donate/discard. It is a great idea to make a list for each shipment and physically separate (as much as possible) the items that are in the different shipments, as sometimes things can get included where they should not. Physically set aside the items you will hand carry in a closet or room that is marked off-limits to packers.

The Military One Source PCS & Military Moves page is a great resource and can viewed at their website <https://www.militaryonesource.mil/moving-housing/moving/pcs-and-military-moves/>. It gives you step-by-step instructions on everything you need to do to pack up and ship out. It also provides information on how to file claims for any damage incurred during the move once you arrive at your new duty station.

## Unaccompanied Baggage (UAB)

Your UAB shipment should include items that you will want to live on until your HHG first arrive at your new duty station. UAB will ship via air cargo and should be relatively quick. It is limited to 2,000 lbs. and cannot include furniture or major appliances. Remember that the UAB weight is part of your total HHG weight allowance. What you put in your UAB should be planned carefully, as the rest of your HHG can take two to three months in transit.

## Suggested UAB Checklist

- Pots and pans
- Cooking utensils

- Silverware
- Plates and bowls
- Linens
- PC/Laptop, printer, and paper
- Clothing and shoes (plan for the weather at your destination for the coming two to three months)
- Small tool set (including scissors)
- Small TV/DVD player
- Cleaning supplies (e.g. mop, broom, and vacuum)
- Pro-Gear
- Phone and charging cords

**NOTE:** If your weight limit is an issue, please note that Army Community Services has totes full of kitchen supplies to lend you until your UAB/HHG arrive.

### Household Goods

Command sponsored families are authorized 50 percent of the usual weight allowance to be shipped to Korea. When deciding what to bring with you, think of the items that will make your residence feel like a home while overseas, such as home and holiday décor, furniture, and appliances. You will be able to borrow furniture from the USAG Humphreys Housing Office or you may find housing that comes fully or partially furnished if you decide to leave your furniture behind in non-temporary storage.

### Personally Owned Vehicles

Command sponsored families are authorized to ship one personally owned vehicle (POV). For information on how to prepare your POV for shipment and locate a Vehicle Processing Center (VPC) near you, visit <https://www.pcsmypov.com/>.

## COMMAND SPONSORSHIP

Command sponsorship means the government pays for dependents to travel and live with the military member overseas. Military members eligible to have their family members accompany them to Korea must fill out paperwork requesting command sponsorship. Command sponsorship benefits, requirements, and programs vary by service and your unit sponsor should assist you with this process.

**NOTE:** TRICARE coverage in Korea for secondary adult dependents (adult dependents living in the home other than the spouse) may differ from benefits at your current duty station. Verify the coverage and services you need for all members of your family prior to relocating to Korea.

Families choosing to accompany military members without command sponsorship will have very limited access to support services such as medical care, schools, and housing. If you need to apply for command sponsorship after arriving in Korea, contact the command sponsorship program office. Current information provided at: <https://8tharmy.korea.army.mil/site/newcomers/command-Sponsorship.asp>

**NOTE:** All children, regardless of age, must be registered in DBIDS; this ensures ration limits are correctly set for the size of the family. To register a child under 10 years old, the sponsor needs to present an original/certified copy of the child's birth/adoption certificate or U.S. passport and have the child's social security number available.



*Benefits Comparison Source: Camp Humphreys Command Sponsorship versus Non-Command Sponsorship Benefits Comparison Matrix*  
(<https://www.army.mil/e2/c/downloads/328454.pdf>)

Benefits Comparison

## PETS

Many people decide to bring their pets with them to Korea while others decide to find other accommodations for them during their time overseas. Some things to consider when making this decision are costs of transportation both to and from Korea, age and overall health of your pet, and potential residence type as some pets do not do as well without a large yard which may be difficult to find. All costs associated with pet travel are at your expense. If you are traveling with pets to Korea, it is important to plan as early as possible for veterinary requirements and transportation. Review the Pet Travel to Korea Checklist to help plan: <https://8tharmy.korea.army.mil/site/newcomers/traveling-pets.asp>

Additional information about living in Korea with pets can be found in Chapter 4, Living in Korea.

## Veterinary Requirements

### *Rabies Certificate*

You must have a current, valid certificate of rabies vaccination for pets over the age of 12 weeks. This document must be presented when your pet arrives in Korea so be sure to have at least one copy of the certificate with you during travel.

### *FAVN Test*

The Fluorescent Antibody Virus Neutralization (FAVN) test measures the response of an animal's immune system to the rabies vaccine. Pets traveling to Korea must have a passing FAVN Test from Less than 24 months prior to boarding (and ideally at least 30 days before travel). Ensure that you have a the original report of the satisfactory FAVN test. Pets younger than 90 days old are exempt from the FAVN test. Results, date, and lab must be stated on health certificate. The FAVN test may cost less if completed at your local military Veterinary Treatment Facility than your normal vet. More information about the FAVN test can be found at: <https://www.ksvdl.org/laboratories/rabies-laboratory/favn-test/>.

### *Microchip*

All pets must have a working ISO or ISO Compatible Microchip regardless of age. Ensure this microchip number in your pet match that on the health certificate, rabies certificate, and rabies antibody test results.

### *Health Certificate*

All pets traveling will need to have an original health certificate (USDA Veterinary Health Certificate for Export of Dogs and Cats from the United States of America to Korea) issued no more than 10 days prior to travel. This form must be signed in BLUE ink. If the certificate is issued by a non-military affiliated accredited veterinarian, then it must also be endorsed by a USDA Veterinarian. If traveling from another OCONUS location, an original health certificate must be issued by an official host nation government veterinarian.

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Pet Travel Checklist

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Additional information about living in Korea with pets can be found in Chapter 4, Living in Korea.

### *Quarantine*

To help avoid the need to quarantine your pets upon arrival in Korea, ensure you have a valid, original rabies certificate; original, current, passing FAVN results; and completed health certificate. If you are not able to provide this documentation upon arrival, your pet will be quarantined at your expense.

## Transportation

### *Patriot Express*

If you plan for your pets (only dogs and cats are authorized as pets) to travel with you on the Patriot Express, be sure to book your travel as soon as possible because pet slots are limited. Details for traveling with your pet on Patriot Express including kennel requirements and fees can be found on the AMC Pet Travel Page at: <https://www.amc.af.mil/AMC-Travel-Site/AMC-Pet-Travel-Page/>.



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### *Commercial Air Travel*

If there are no pet slots available on Patriot Express, you may be authorized to travel with your pets through a commercial airline. An Exception to Policy (ETP) may be required to book a commercial flight. Some airlines may have breed and size restrictions. Keep in mind that there may be periods of time that your pet may not be allowed to fly due to extreme temperatures.

### *Private Pet Shippers*

You may choose to use a private company to manage the transportation of your pet from your current location to Korea. This may be a convenient option, but will often be an expensive service so be sure to research multiple shippers and receive price quotes to budget accordingly.

## Once You Arrive In Korea

Upon arrival, soldiers are required to present two complete copies of their orders and all amendments, medical and dental records, and leave form (DA 31), so be sure to have those readily available. Carry your identification card, ration control card (once you obtain it), multiple copies of your orders, a power of attorney, and your passport with you wherever you go for the first two weeks.

### IN-PROCESSING

All military personnel are required to in-process shortly after arriving in Korea. Locations for in-processing vary depending upon branch of service. Your military liaison or unit sponsor should know exactly when and where you need to go for in-processing. The following information is provided for your convenience, but call before you go to verify information and to check hours of operation. Many offices are closed for training on Thursday mornings.

#### *US Army*

At USAG Humphreys you will begin a 5-day program of instruction (POI) as part of in-processing. The schedule and all other needed information is provided upon arrival.

Location: 2nd Floor, 19 HRC, Maude Hall (formerly known as One Stop), BLDG 6400, corner of Marne Ave. and 9th St.  
Phone: 0503-357-2387  
DSN: 315-757-2387

#### *US Air Force*

Unit Commander Support Staff (CSS)

#### *US Navy*

Location: Personnel Support Detachment (PSD)

#### *US Marine Corps*

Location: Administrative Office

## SUGGESTED POST-ARRIVAL CHECKLIST

### Week One

- Complete in-processing (see "In-processing" section).
- Register in Defense Biometrics Identification System (DBIDS) and Ration Control (See "DBIDS/Ration Control" section).
- Register with Housing Office (see "Housing" section).
- Set up Korean cell phone service – be mindful of cell service coverage/reception in your chosen housing location.
- Once housing is obtained, determine items needed from ACS Loan Closet until your UAB and/or HHG are delivered.
- Once housing is obtained, establish telephone and Internet services, as desired (See Chapter 4 Living in Korea).

### First Ten Days

- Register your pet with Veterinary Services and turn in pet health records (must be done by Day 10).
- Visit Army Community Service (ACS) for a Welcome Packet (See Chapter 6 for contact information).

### First 30 Days

- Obtain USFK driver's license (see "Driver's License" section in Chapter 4: Living in Korea).
- Visit the TRICARE office to turn in medical records and register for TRICARE.
- Drop off records at the Dental and Optometry clinics.
- Register children at CYSS for activities.

### First 90 Days

- Obtain A-3 Visa and Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA) stamp (see "SOFA/Visa Stamp" section).
- Participate in the Newcomers' Orientation (see your ACS office for information).
- Complete a Non-Combatant Evacuation Operations (NEO) packet.

## Additional Tasks

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## DBIDS/Ration Control

### DBIDS

Location: Maude Hall, BLDG 6400, 1st Floor  
Phone: 0503-357-4001/4002  
DSN: 757-4001/4002

One of the first steps for in-processing is to enroll in DBIDS and ration control. The sponsor must be enrolled in DBIDS in order for family members to enroll. All family members are required to be enrolled in DBIDS and must present their ID cards when enrolling. DBIDS enrollment is also required for vehicle registration.

You will need to be registered in the ration control system. Ration Control no longer issues physical ration cards for dependents. You will need a copy of the service member's orders showing assignment and command sponsorship number, a copy of passports for all family members, and a copy of all ID cards, front and back. The service member must be present; a POA cannot be substituted for the service member.

## HOUSING

### Housing Office

Location: Maude Hall, BLDG 6400, 3rd Floor  
Phone: 0503-357-2647 DSN: 757-2647  
Hours: Mon-Wed & Fri 08:00-16:00, Thurs 09:00-16:00;  
Closed for lunch 12:30-13:30; Closed all US Federal Holidays; Closed 08:00-13:00 every 2nd Thursday of each month for training; Open some Korean Holidays with limited services (out-processing only).

All service members, regardless of branch of service or status, must in-process with the Housing Office within 48 hours of arrival or when

in-processing is complete. All DoD civilians eligible for a Living Quarters Allowance (LQA) are also required to in-process with the Housing Office. The Housing Office will work to make your transition into your new home as smooth as possible.

All civilians, unless designated as Key Essential Personnel with specific approval to reside on-post, are required to live in off-post accommodations. The Civilian Personnel Advisory Center (CPAC) will advise you on your Temporary Quarters Subsistence Entitlements (TQSE) and LQA entitlements.

Housing Assignment Brief is held every Tuesday at 11:00. Accompanied and Unaccompanied personnel should report to the 19th Human Resources Company Auditorium on the second floor, Maude Hall (BLDG 6400). For military and civil service members, family members welcome.

### Accompanied Housing On-Post/Army Family Housing

Command sponsored accompanied personnel and certain designated key and essential civilians live on-post in Army Family Housing (AFH). Your PCS travel orders will normally state concurrent travel to government quarters and indicate bedroom number authorization and housing area location. The Housing Office personnel will brief you on projected quarters availability, Temporary Lodging Allowance (TLA) or Temporary Quarters Subsistence Expenses (TQSE), and place your name on the appropriate waiting list.

Bedroom authorization is determined by family size and children's age and gender. Couples with no children and families (either married couples or single parents) with one child receive two-bedroom units.

Families with two children generally receive three-bedroom units and those with three or more children generally qualify for four or five-bedroom units.

If quarters are projected to be unavailable within 60 days of your arrival, or if you are granted concurrent travel to economy quarters, you may be authorized to reside off-post and receive Overseas Housing Allowance (OHA). Accompanied servicemembers of all ranks and branches, as well as DoD civilians, are strongly advised to first in-process with the Housing office prior to seeking off-post housing quarters.

**NOTE:** DoDEA buses operate within the established school bus commuting area. If you choose to sign a housing lease agreement outside the established school bus commuting area, it is the parent's responsibility to transport their child to the nearest DoDEA-approved bus stop.

## Unaccompanied Personnel Housing (UPH)

Unaccompanied personnel of all ranks and branches of service are normally housed in UPH on the installation. Personnel E4 and below reside in barracks. Personnel E5 and E6 may reside in barracks if adequate space and privacy criteria are met, or they will reside in the Bachelor Enlisted Quarters (BEQ). Unaccompanied officers and noncommissioned officers in the ranks of E7 and above are assigned Bachelor Officer Quarters (BOQ) or Senior Enlisted Bachelor Quarters (SEBQ).

Only when adequate quarters are unavailable will an unaccompanied servicemember be authorized to reside off-post. While all UPH meets or exceeds the criteria for square footage, they may not be able to accommodate a full weight allowance of HHG. Full furnishing support is available in all UPH.

## On-Post Housing

Humphreys has multiple different family housing areas and multiple barracks all around post. One family housing area is near the Sentry Mini Mall and the second family housing area consists of several high rise towers with more under construction at the time of publication, located near Humphreys Central Elementary School and Humphreys High School. There are two neighborhood housing areas near the Exchange and Commissary for O-6/E-9s (Red Cloud Circle) and General Officers (MacArthur Circle).

## Off-Post Housing

Housing on the economy is plentiful and offers a wide variety of styles, to include many high-rise and villa (five stories or less) apartments, as well as a limited number of duplexes and single-family dwelling units. If you are eligible to reside off-post due to non-availability of adequate government quarters, or if you are a DoD civilian, you will be issued a Statement of Non-Availability (SNA) from the Housing Office. The briefing provides you a plethora of information about leasing on the economy, such as realtor information, security checklists, utility rates, and housing allowance entitlements.

Servicemembers residing on the economy are entitled to a monthly Overseas Housing Allowance (OHA) and Miscellaneous Housing Allowance (MIHA). The MIHA is provided to help defray the costs of setting up the off-post residence. Once you choose your off-post unit, the Housing Office will assist you with all the contract negotiations. You may choose to hire any USFK registered realtor to assist with finding

off-post housing to ease the selection process and expedite the negotiations with owners.

**NOTE:** DO NOT enter into a lease agreement without prior approval from the Housing Office.

## Furniture Management Office (Loaner Furniture)

Location: Maude Hall, BLDG 6400, 3rd Floor  
Phone: 0503-755-9551/9552 DSN: (315)757-9551  
Hours: Mon-Wed & Fri 08:00-16:00, Thurs 13:00-16:00;  
Closed for lunch 12:30-13:30. Closed all US Federal Holidays.  
Open some Korean Holidays with limited services (out-processing only).

Military families living on or off post, are authorized furniture support from the Housing Office. Discuss your specific needs with the Furniture Management Office for further information. Military families are authorized to keep the loaner furniture for the duration of their assignment, however, the furniture management office will only pick up one time, so be sure you know what furniture you no longer need prior to making arrangements.

Civilian families are only authorized six months furniture support as they are automatically entitled to full HHG shipments.

## KOREAN DRIVER'S LICENSE

### Driver License Testing Center

Location: Transportation Motor Pool, BLDG P-7010, 2nd floor  
Phone: 0503-356-3615 DSN: 315-756-3615  
Website: <https://www.usfk.mil/Resources/Driving-in-Korea/>  
Hours: Mon-Thurs 08:30-16:30.

You must have a USFK driver license to drive in Korea, regardless if only driving on the installation. A stateside driver license, orders, and an ID card are required to obtain a USFK driver license. USFK's online driver's training and test are mandatory and can be completed before arrival within 60 days of applying for the license (consider time for transit, possible quarantine, test score processing, and time to



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make and get to an appointment).

You may not go straight to the test and skip training. You must take the training first before you will be allowed to take the test. A passing score on the test is required to receive a POV license and/or a military/GOV license. A Guide to Safe Driving in Korea and additional licensing requirements can be found at the USFK Driving Overseas website (<https://8tharmy.korea.army.mil/site/newcomers/driving-overseas.asp>).

Training and testing for the USFK Driver License (USFK 134EK) is conducted at the Joint Knowledge Online (JKO) website. The training and testing are open to all Service Members, DoD Civilians, and their respective dependents. Personnel with a CAC should log into JKO with their CAC and register for training. Personnel without a CAC must first create a JKO account using a user ID and password and then take the training and the test. Do not take the training and test using your sponsor's CAC. To receive credit for the training and the test, you must log onto JKO with your own account credentials. Additional information is at the USFK Driving in Korea website (<https://www.usfk.mil/Resources/Driving-in-Korea>).

USFK Driver Licenses are issued at the service installations in Korea. Once you have completed the driver training and pass the test on JKO, go to your installation driver licensing facility and present your DoD identification card (CAC or dependent ID) and a valid driver license.

Please allow 48 hours following your taking of the test to allow for system processing. The test facility personnel will look up your test score online to validate that you meet licensing requirements. Following test score verification, a USFK Driver License (USFK 134EK) will be issued. Training certificates will not be accepted as a proof of passing the online JKO training. NOTE: Procedures and service specific requirements may vary slightly. Check with your installation licensing office for specific details.

Teenagers under the age of 18 with a valid stateside license can have on-post only driving privileges. Teenagers 16 and over may apply for a learner's permit while stationed in Korea.

## SOFA/A-3 VISA STAMP

The A-3 Visa (which allows for multiple entries into Korea), and a Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA) stamp are required for active-duty servicemembers, DoD employees, independent contractors, and all dependents within 90 days of arrival in Korea. Dependents also includes newborns. You can obtain the SOFA stamp at your local immigration

office, at USAG Humphreys, or at the Osan Air Base passenger terminal. When obtained through Korean Immigration, the A-3 Visa, and SOFA stamp will be valid for a maximum of two years, but not beyond the sponsor's Date Eligible for Return from Overseas (DEROS) date, the expiration date of the passport, or the expiration date of the sponsor or dependent military ID card, whichever is earliest. Therefore, to avoid a second trip to immigration, you should make sure your ID cards and passports do not expire prior to the sponsor's DEROS date.

The A-3 Visa and SOFA stamp are obtained at the locations listed below. Be prepared with the required documents (also listed below) to avoid longer wait time or having to return a different day. You can also contact ACS if you have questions about the visa application process. Visas/SOFA stamps are typically processed on a first-come, first-served basis, so wait time varies. Most people report shorter wait times at the Osan Passenger Terminal.

When applying, you must have a copy of your complete orders and color copies (front and back) of your sponsor's ID and the IDs of all family members getting stamps and visas. A SOFA stamp can only be issued through your DEROS, so in the event you are extended, make sure to update your SOFA stamp to save yourself any fees upon clearing for your final PCS.

### Required Documents for SOFA Stamp

- Completed ROK Ministry of Justice Form 34 (available at the SOFA office)
- Original valid passport (no-fee passport issued by Army)
- Clear photocopy of the passport data page
- Clear photocopy of Sponsor's ID card, front and back on the same side of paper
- Clear photocopy of dependents' ID cards, front and back on the same side of paper
- Original Military Assignment Certification Memorandum (received during in-processing)

### Helpful Websites for A-3 Visa/SOFA

- <https://8tharmy.korea.army.mil/sja/legal-services.asp>
- The Legal Services department has a great checklist of all document required to obtain an A-3 Visa/Sofa Stamp. Check the 8th Army website for the latest, up to date requirements.
- <https://home.army.mil/humphreys/index.php/my-usag-humphreys/all-services/legal-assistance-office>

## SOFA Stamp Locations

To obtain your SOFA stamp, visit one of the following locations:

### *Osan Terminal*

Location: Bldg. 648, Osan Air Base, Republic Korea  
Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 0900-1300  
Tuesday, Thursday 1100-1300

### *Humphreys On-Post A3 & SOFA*

Location: Maude Hall (Bldg. 6400) 2F, Room I-201  
Phone: 031-666-2677  
Hours: Wed Only, 10:00-17:00, Closed for Lunch (12:00-13:00)  
and Korean holidays

### *Pyeongtaek Immigration Office*

Location: 3rd & 4th floor, CK Tower 1375, Gyeonggi-daero (814,  
Seojeong-dong), Pyeongtaek-si, Gyeonggi-do (Shinhan Bank  
Building)  
Hours: Mon-Fri 09:00-18:00

### *Seoul Immigration Office Mokdong*

Location: (Omokgyo Subway Station, exit 7), 151 Mokdongdong-ro,  
Sinjeong-dong, Yangcheon-gu, Seoul  
Hours: Mon-Fri 09:00-18:00

### *Suwon Immigration Office Osan Branch (Osan Air Base)*

A-3 Visa and SOFA STAMP ONLY  
Location: Bldg. 648 Osan Air Base AMC Terminal A3  
Phone: 031-666-2672/2692  
Hours: Mon-Fri 09:00-13:00 (closed Korean holidays)

### *Seoul Immigration Office Sejongno*

Location: (Jonggak Subway Station, exit 6), 38 Jong-ro, Jongno  
1(il).2(i).3(sam).4(sa), Jongno-gu, Seoul  
Second floor of the Seoul Global Center  
Hours: Mon-Fri 09:00-18:00

Additional information to make a visa appointment reservation on-  
line for South Korean Immigration Offices:

- <https://www.hikorea.go.kr/Main.pt>
- <https://8tharmy.korea.army.mil/sja/reference.asp>



## CHAPTER 4 EFMP: PCSing to and from Korea with Medical and Educational Needs

## EXCEPTIONAL FAMILY MEMBER PROGRAM INFORMATION

- The Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) provides comprehensive support to family members with special needs.
- EFMP is meant to be a comprehensive, coordinated, multi-agency program that provides community support, housing, medical, educational, and personnel services to military Families with an EFM.
- EFMP offers the community information, referral, advocacy, support group meetings, respite care information, help in and out-processing, and command sponsorship information for those with a disability, impairment, or need. EFMP takes an all-inclusive approach to coordinate military and civilian community, educational, medical, housing and personnel services to help Soldiers and their Families with special needs. An Exceptional Family Member is a family member with any physical, emotional, developmental or intellectual disorder that requires special treatment, therapy, education, training or counseling, and meets the eligibility criteria.
- All family members accompanying their active-duty member to Korea must complete an EFMP screening (whether or not they are already enrolled in EFMP) at their current duty station as part of the command sponsorship request. The EFMP screening process identifies and documents family members' special medical and/or educational needs. The military must ensure family members are able to receive the care they need when assigned to a new duty station. If any family members are enrolled in the EFMP program and are approved for command sponsorship, be sure to contact your local EFMP office prior to your departure to verify that the services you require will be readily available when you arrive in Korea.
- Servicemembers with Exceptional Family Members are required to register for EFMP and keep enrollment information current so family needs will be considered during the OCONUS assignments process. If you are eligible for EFMP services, family members must be screened and enrolled when they accompany authorized servicemembers on OCONUS assignments. Screenings include educational and medical records review for all family members and developmental screening for all children aged 72 months and younger.
- For more information about EFMP, contact the EFMP point of contact through your nearest military treatment facility.

*Lotus Flower*

Photo by: Kimberly Seibert

## UNDERSTANDING COMMAND SPONSORSHIP

When it comes to services and therapy there are considerations when pursuing Command Sponsorship with a child or adult in your family needing medical and/or educational needs. Learn more here to help you prepare for your PCS. Compiled by the Humphreys Diverse Abilities Support Group.

### Debating Command Sponsorship

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1M2zHOd9ZvrO5PaWtZGAp-JPzsa4nShKv/view?usp=share\\_link](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1M2zHOd9ZvrO5PaWtZGAp-JPzsa4nShKv/view?usp=share_link)

### Non-Command Sponsorship

#### *Non-Command Sponsored at Osan AB Facebook Group:*

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/232367850135174/?ref=share>

#### *Non-Command Sponsored Overseas Facebook Group:*

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1044936482278139/?ref=share>

#### *Camp Humphreys Off Post Housing Community Information Facebook Group:*

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/413232299395161/>

#### *Making an Informed Choice 7 Air Force Non-Command Sponsored Guide 26 Feb 2021:*

- <https://www.osan.af.mil/Portals/72/03%20Resources/Newcomers/Making%20an%20Informed%20Choice%207%20AF%20Non%20Command%20Sponsored%20Guide%2026%20Feb%202021.pdf?ver=SK1oxJ3yhmvlI7F7ABHzBg%3d%3d>
- Read Air Force Family Member Travel Screening (FMST) and Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) Policy Changes Family Member Travel Screening (FMST) and Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) Policy Changes AFPC\_ A1 Memo in Debating Command Sponsorship Document.

### Understanding Mental and Behavioral Health Services In South Korea

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1LRXXBk5icLRjcxA1PSQDpWjjuaVqH-KZF/view?usp=share\\_link](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1LRXXBk5icLRjcxA1PSQDpWjjuaVqH-KZF/view?usp=share_link)

## Understanding Medical Versus Educational Need

When it comes to services and therapy there are a couple considerations when pursuing Command Sponsorship with a child needing medical and/or educational needs. Learn more here to help you prepare for your PCS. Compiled by the Humphreys Diverse Abilities Support Group.

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1y8NoLHpgtlCMx\\_Qe\\_IWCVvIzJ-CStQZ/view?usp=share\\_link](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1y8NoLHpgtlCMx_Qe_IWCVvIzJ-CStQZ/view?usp=share_link)

## PREPARING TO PCS TO KOREA: EFMP PREPARATION FOR ALL BRANCHES

### EFMP Overseas Screening

Family members accompanying their active-duty member to Korea must complete an (EFMP) screening (whether or not they are already enrolled in EFMP) at their current duty station as part of the command sponsorship request. The EFMP screening process identifies and documents family members' special medical and/or educational needs. The Armed Forces must ensure family members are able to receive the care they need when assigned to a new duty station. If any family members are enrolled in the EFMP program and are approved for command sponsorship, be sure to contact your local EFMP office prior to your departure to verify that the services you require will be readily available when you arrive in Korea.

### Medical Preparation

Before submitting your overseas screening and before submitting your EFMP Command Sponsorship consider the following on this check list.

#### *1 year Before RFO and Departure from Current Duty Station*

- If you already have family members enrolled in EFMP for medical or educational need, update your EFMP immediately if it will expire within a year of your Request For Orders.
- This aid in expediting when choosing duty locations in your branches "marketplace" for duty stations and helps EFMP determine if the requested duty station can tentatively meet your needs.
- Update your EFMP Enrollment or Disenroll as appropriate and applicable.

### ***90-120 Days Before Departure from Current Duty Station***

- Update your EFMP Enrollment or Disenroll as appropriate and applicable.
- Update all medical documentation with your current needs including documentation in your record for: who manages your care, currently used referrals, discontinued referrals, currently needed prescriptions, discontinued prescriptions.
- Note on Referrals: In South Korea, Tricare is the “Tricare Overseas Program”. If you are not in this region, all referrals will need to be ordered again once DEERS is updated and a Primary Care Manager is assigned, they will not transfer.
- For children, ensure they are up to date on their annual wellness visits. If their annual wellness visits is set to happen during your EFMP Overseas Screening period or after the Command Sponsorship packet is submitted, but BEFORE your report date, consider doing it early to aid in the Command Sponsorship process.
- Discuss prescriptions with your doctors if brand name or generic brand prescriptions are appropriate for your care.
- Talk to your doctor about your EFMP Enrollment, discuss if there are other categories for your care, example: Asthma has multiple levels mild intermittent, mild to moderate, moderate to severe. These categories can impact Command Sponsorship.

### ***60-90 Days Before Departure from Current Duty Station***

- Apply/Request for a sponsor from your gaining station. Make sure your sponsor knows the special needs of your EFM.
- Complete all documentation on your branches EFMP site for Command Sponsorship.
- Complete your Overseas Screening, double check all paperwork and all items annotated on the form with your doctor. The Overseas screening sheet should list only the care your currently in need of, it is not a wish list. Ensure that you agree and understand all items and notes annotated, if not, talk to your doctor before submitting.
- Submit EFMP Overseas Screening.
- Once you have orders, obtain your passports.

### ***30-60 Days Before Departure from Current Duty Station***

- Complete all bloodwork you routinely need prior to coming.
- Complete all inoculations or vaccinations needed for medical care or international travel.

- Pack all prescriptions in carry-on bags to minimize chance of loss.
- Purchase any hard-to-find medical related items before your PCS that you will need upon arrival such as canes, walkers, wheelchair, compression socks, etc.
- Obtain copies of all medical, dental, and imaging records.
- Get two hard copies of all medical, dental, and imaging records from all places one has received treatment, and hand carry them to your new duty station, remember, if seen off post, not all records transfer to the online portal with continuity. One copy is for your own personal records to save, one is for the gaining military treatment facility.
- Pack all records in carry-on bags to minimize chance of loss.
- For referrals, research ahead of time which off post hospital/clinic can provide you with necessary care, take notes, and provide information for your Primary Care Manager.
- Arrange special dietary or other requirements for your EFM when making transportation arrangement. Airlines make accommodations for individuals with special needs.

### ***30 Days Before Departure from Current Duty Station***

- Fill all prescriptions for 90 days, keep in original bottles with labels, patient names, and dosage.
- TRICARE Pharmacy Home Delivery will ship to any address in the U.S. or U.S. territories, including APO/FPO addresses through Express Scripts. If one can set up their APO/FPO box in advance, one can set up delivery in advance. Talk to your command and sponsor.
- Arrange special dietary or other requirements for your EFM when making transportation arrangement. Airlines make accommodations for individuals with special needs, both medical and educational needs.
- Complete a TSA Notification Card: To ensure your security, all travelers are required to undergo screening at the checkpoint. You or your traveling companion may consult the TSA officer about the best way to relieve any concerns during the screening process. You may provide the officer with the TSA notification card or other medical documentation to describe your condition. This is optional. This can list allergy, dietary, or medical needs that impact your family member.  
[https://www.tsa.gov/sites/default/files/disability\\_notification\\_card\\_508.pdf](https://www.tsa.gov/sites/default/files/disability_notification_card_508.pdf)

## Upon Arrival to Current Duty Station

- Complete in-processing and update DEERS.
- Visit your Tricare Office and update your Primary Care Manager.
- Call your Military Treatment Facility and book an appointment to begin care, fill prescriptions, and update referrals, appointments can be very booked into the future, do this immediately.
- Locate your local MEDCOM EFMP, introduce yourself and your families needs upon arrival.
- Locate your local Community EFMP upon you and your family's arrival through your branch's family, community services organizations.
- Upon finding housing, if living off the installation, ensure bus line transportation to the on-installation school is provided. If you live too far or off the bus route, transportation is not guaranteed.
- Upon finding housing, if living on the installation, determine if you qualify for bus transportation, if not, determine how your child will arrive to school safely.
- Finish registering for school upon arrival.
- Register for transportation if needed. Share any concerns you have related to your child's medical needs that might be related to transportation and the student's safety.
- Hand-deliver all medical records and documentation to your child's school and/or school nurse where applicable.
- Always consider filling out a Receipt of Acknowledgment to increase safe document handling procedures. Find a draft sample here:  
[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1SUrC9tBS68YAqgAfn-Fjy9W-VFeJ9JaDn/view?usp=share\\_link](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1SUrC9tBS68YAqgAfn-Fjy9W-VFeJ9JaDn/view?usp=share_link)
- Ask for a team or IEP meeting in advance if pre-service preparation is necessary for your student's success (training or meeting before the student attends).
- Provide copies or explanations of all accommodations, modifications, and medical or educational tools your child utilizes to ease in transition and to support the future team.

## IFSP, IEP and 504 Accommodation Plan Preparation

- Read this section before summer or winter breaks! Schools are not required to do these recommended updates during summer or winter break. Preparation in advance is key to PCSing with success!
- Before submitting your overseas screening and before submitting

your EFMP Command Sponsorship consider the following on this check list.

- Children ages 0-21 on an Individual Family Service Plan (IFSP), Individualized Education Program (IEP), or a 504 Accommodation Plan should follow these steps.

## 120 Days Before Departure from Current Duty Station

- If you already have family members enrolled in EFMP for medical or educational need, update your EFMP immediately if it will expire within a year of your Request For Orders.
- This aid in expediting when choosing duty locations in your branches "marketplace" for duty stations and helps EFMP determine if the requested duty station can tentatively meet your needs.
- Update your child's EFMP Educational Enrollment or Disenroll as appropriate and applicable. Children with an IFSP or IEP should be enrolled in EFMP for educational need. Children on a 504 Accommodation Plan are not required to enroll in EFMP for educational need.
- Update all educational documentation with the current needs including documentation in your record for: who manages educational needs, implements IFSP/IEP, and service minutes, care, currently used referrals, discontinued referrals, currently needed prescriptions, discontinued prescriptions.
- For children, ensure they are up to date on their annual wellness visits also in combination with educational needs. If their annual wellness visit is set to happen during your EFMP Overseas Screening period or after the Command Sponsorship packet is submitted, but BEFORE your report date, consider doing it early to aid in the Command Sponsorship process.
- Ensure IFSP, IEPs, and 504 Accommodation Plans are up to date.
- Complete all annual reviews for IFSPs, IEPs, and 504 Accommodations Plans before your Overseas Screening. Ensure IFSPs, IEPs, and 504 Accommodation Plans do not have an end date that is before your report date.
- For IEPs, ensure Tri-annual evaluations or re-evaluations review are completed if their review date is before your report date or within a few months of arrival. Command Sponsorship relies on current, up to date information, including tri-annual evaluations and/or re-evaluations. This could take a while considering timelines and school breaks, be proactive and start early.

### ***60-90 Days Before Departure from Current Duty Station***

- Apply/Request for a sponsor from your gaining station. Make sure your sponsor knows the special needs of your EFM.
- Again, ensure IFSP, IEPs, and 504 Accommodation Plans are up to date. Ask educational team for a meeting to discuss up to date information or any revisions that may be needed.
- Complete all documentation on your branches EFMP site for Command Sponsorship. Find those in the EFMP Resources By Branch with Installation Guides Section.
- Complete your Overseas Screening, double check all paperwork and all items annotated on the form with your doctor. The Overseas screening sheet should list only the care your currently in need of, it is not a wish list. Bring all current IFSP, IEP, and 504 Accommodation Plan documents with you to the Overseas Screening appointment. Ensure that you agree and understand all items and notes annotated, if not, talk to your doctor before submitting.
- Submit EFMP Overseas Screening with up-to-date educational documents needed.
- Once you have orders, obtain your passports.

### ***30-60 Days Before Departure from Current Duty Station***

- Notify your child's education team of the upcoming transition. Ask for transitional support strategies for your child from their special education team or school counselors.
- Get two hard copies of all educational records, both cumulative and special education files including work samples and hand carry them to your new school.
- One copy is for your own personal records to save, one is for the gaining school.
- Ask for an electronic copy of the most up to date IFSP, IEP, or 504 Accommodation Plan.
- Obtaining a record of educational activities and performance for the current or past school year and hand carry them to your new duty station.
- Obtain copies or explanations of all accommodations, modifications, and educational tools your child utilizes to ease in transition and to support the future team. For example, this should include types of manipulatives, pictures of visual schedules, copies of graphic organizers, and any applications or assistive technology used by the child.

- Pack all records in carry-on bags to minimize chance of loss.
- Register electronically to the applicable school if possible. Always attach an electronic copy of the most up to date IFSP, IEP, or 504 Accommodation Plan.
- Email new administrators with estimated time of arrival with a welcome letter.
- Consider creating a learning profile for your child with fun, get to know you items! Template here: [https://our3lilbirds.blogspot.com/2017/05/how-to-make-one-page-profile-ellie-style.html?m=1&fbclid=IwAR2vKJkETXGW-9t0yN\\_iuyqDh13C2wKMSWpOhGWsmhjWlbdDMVeafFQS25aU](https://our3lilbirds.blogspot.com/2017/05/how-to-make-one-page-profile-ellie-style.html?m=1&fbclid=IwAR2vKJkETXGW-9t0yN_iuyqDh13C2wKMSWpOhGWsmhjWlbdDMVeafFQS25aU)
- Contact the incoming School Liaison Officer. Ask about the incoming schools "Student to Student" program to help ease the transition. Ask for any information you may need including transitional support.
- Purchase any hard-to-find special education items before your PCS such as pencil grips, weighted blankets, or fidgets. These items are nearly non-existent on the economy here in South Korea and shipping times are inconsistent.

### ***30 Days Before Departure from Current Duty Station***

- Arrange requirements for your EFM when making transportation arrangement. Airlines make accommodations for individuals with special needs, both medical and educational needs.
- Complete a TSA Notification Card: To ensure your security, all travelers are required to undergo screening at the checkpoint. You or your traveling companion may consult the TSA officer about the best way to relieve any concerns during the screening process. You may provide the officer with the TSA notification card or other medical documentation to describe your condition. This is optional. This can list impairments such as Autism or Intellectual Disabilities that impact your family member. [https://www.tsa.gov/sites/default/files/disability\\_notification\\_card\\_508.pdf](https://www.tsa.gov/sites/default/files/disability_notification_card_508.pdf)
- Research school zoning with on-installation and off-installation housing availability. Some installations have more than one elementary school, determine what school zone is right for you.
- Gather any educational materials to use while PCSing to minimize educational gaps that PCSing can create or negatively impact.

## Upon Arrival to Current Duty Station

- Upon finding housing, if living off the installation, ensure bus line transportation to the on-installation school is provided. If you live too far or off the bus route, transportation is not guaranteed and will have to be provided by the parent or added to the IEP and determined by the educational team if it is a need that the school can provide.
- Upon finding housing, if living on the installation, determine if you qualify for bus transportation, if not, determine how your child will arrive to school safely. If transportation is not guaranteed, transportation will have to be provided by the parent or added to the IEP and determined by the educational team if it is a need that the school can provide.
- Finish registering for school upon arrival.
- Register for transportation if needed. Share any concerns you have related to your child's IFSP, IEP, or 504 Accommodation Plan that might be related to transportation and the student's safety.
- Hand-deliver all educational records including IFSP, IEP, or 504 Accommodation Plan documentation. Remember to keep on copy for your own records!
- Always consider filling out a Receipt of Acknowledgment to increase safe document handling procedures. Find a draft sample here: [https://drive.google.com/file/d/1SUrC9tBS68YAqgAfn-Fjy9W-VFeJ9JaDn/view?usp=share\\_link](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1SUrC9tBS68YAqgAfn-Fjy9W-VFeJ9JaDn/view?usp=share_link)
- Ask for an educational team meeting or IEP meeting in advance if pre-service preparation is necessary for your student's success (training or meeting before the student attends).
- Provide copies or explanations of all accommodations, modifications, and educational tools your child utilizes to ease in transition and to support the future team.
- Go school supply shopping for fun items to ease the transition.

## PREPARING TO PCS FROM KOREA: EFMP PREPARATION FOR ALL BRANCHES

- If a family member is enrolled in EFMP, their EFMP packets must be reviewed and updated before new orders can be issued and should be done before request of orders.
- EFMP updates can be coordinated via appointment, by phone, and paperwork can be turned into your EFMP Office at your Mili-

tary Treatment Facility.

- Follow above guidance and preparation timelines as it can apply to PCSing to or from Korea.

## DoDEA AND EDUCATION

DoDEA Pacific West School Information and Contact Information  
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1CnLRyAxnA0bxP3UEkVnJkazRhjdB-dpYl/view>

## DoDEA Special Education and Related Services

### Special Education

- Special Education Homepage  
Website: <https://www.dodea.edu/curriculum/specialeducation/index.cfm>
- DoDEA Special Education Companion Manual: This 1342.12 Companion provides information to assist teachers, administrators, and related service providers when planning for and providing special education and related services to eligible students with disabilities.  
Website: [https://content.dodea.edu/teach\\_learn/student\\_services/sped/companion\\_07122017/files/assets/common/downloads/publication.pdf](https://content.dodea.edu/teach_learn/student_services/sped/companion_07122017/files/assets/common/downloads/publication.pdf)
- Implementation of Early Intervention and Special Education Services to Eligible DoD Dependents  
Website: <https://www.dodea.edu/Curriculum/SpecialEducation/upload/Implementation-of-Early-Intervention-and-Special-Education-Services-to-Eligible-DoD-Dependents.pdf>
- Parent Rights and Responsibilities  
Website: <https://www.dodea.edu/Curriculum/SpecialEducation/parentsInfo.cfm>

### Speech-Language Service Delivery Models in DoDEA Schools

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1OvUmCc1dnAYwxR6wHbboD-cYWZ3DgLVN\\_/view?usp=share\\_link](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1OvUmCc1dnAYwxR6wHbboD-cYWZ3DgLVN_/view?usp=share_link)

## Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973

- Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 is a civil rights statute that prohibits discrimination against individuals with disabilities.



The law requires school districts with students with disabilities to be provided reasonable accommodations to allow access to educational programs and associated activities to the same extent as students without disabilities. A student may be eligible to receive Section 504 Accommodations if the student: Has a physical or mental impairment, and the impairment substantially limits one or more major life activities.

- DoDEA schools provide a free appropriate public education (FAPE) to students with disabilities by implementing reasonable 504 Accommodations upon establishing that a student has a disability requiring such 504 Accommodations.

Website: <https://www.dodea.edu/StudentServices/Section504/index.cfm>

### **DoDEA Student Support Teams**

Student Support Services (SSS) is an integral part of the total education program. The Student Support Services Department includes DoDEA school nurses, school counselors, school psychologists and school social workers (located only in certain locations). The SSS staff members at each DoDEA school partner with parents, community, students and other educators to assist in creating an educational environment conducive of academic, personal, social and career growth of all students. Student Support Services staff members are extensively involved in implementing programs that support DoDEA Community Strategic Goal 1, to challenge each student to maximize his or her potential and to excel academically, socially, emotionally and physically for life, college and career readiness. Resources include information on: Student Support Services, Counseling, Psychology, Section 504, School Health Services, Attendance, Bullying Prevention, Graduation, Transcripts, Financial Aid, College Info, Student Resources, and more.

Website: <https://www.dodea.edu/studentservices/index.cfm>

### **LOCAL INTERAGENCY COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR AREA III**

- The Local Interagency Coordinating Council is a partnership of families of individuals with special needs and community agencies. The mission is to ensure communication, exchange information, facilitate collaboration, and help problem solve to improve the EFMP community. They meet this mission with the support of

installation agencies and families in attendance.

- Meetings are quarterly and open to the public, no registration required.
- Email here for more information: Please contact Joel Black for more information: [joel.g.black.civ@health.mil](mailto:joel.g.black.civ@health.mil)
- USAG Humphreys Educational and Developmental Intervention Services, Building 5425

## **EFMP RESOURCES BY BRANCH WITH INSTALLATION GUIDE**

### **Army EFMP Resources**

- The Army's Enterprise Exceptional Family Member Program (E-EFMP) system intends to make it easier and more convenient for Service members and their Families to navigate the wide and sometimes complex array of resources, benefits, and care available. Website: <https://efmp.army.mil/EnterpriseEfmp/>
- US Army EFMP Overview  
Website: <https://efmp.amedd.army.mil/#:~:text=The%20Army%20designed%20the%20EFMP,military%20Families%20with%20an%20EFM.>
- US Army EFMP Benefits Fact Sheet  
Website: [https://myarmybenefits.us.army.mil/Benefit-Library/Federal-Benefits/Exceptional-Family-Member-Program-\(EFMP\)-?serv=122](https://myarmybenefits.us.army.mil/Benefit-Library/Federal-Benefits/Exceptional-Family-Member-Program-(EFMP)-?serv=122)

### **USAG Humphreys and EFMP**

#### ***BDAACH MEDCOM EFMP Office***

- Phone: 0503-337-1416/1283 DSN: 737-1416/1283
- Email: [usarmy.humphreys.medcom-kor.mbx.efmp@health.mil](mailto:usarmy.humphreys.medcom-kor.mbx.efmp@health.mil)
- Services offered: EFMP Enrollment, Updates, Disenrollment, and Overseas Deployment Screening

#### ***EFMP Community Supports Through ACS***

- Phone: 0503-357-2581, 2582, 2583 DSN: 757-2581, 2582, 2583
- Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/acs/exceptional-family>
- ember-program
- Facebook Group:

Systems navigators are ACS EFMP staff members available on most Army installations. They assist EFMP Families with navigating through the available systems of care.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/850801219422532/>

- Services offered:
  - Advocacy:  
Services include medical and educational advocacy for individuals needing services, to include facilitating exceptions to policy for housing and assistance in schools for children on IEP's and/or 504 plans.
  - Multidisciplinary Inclusion Action Team (MIAT):  
The Multidisciplinary Inclusion Action Team (MIAT) is a multidisciplinary team established to ensure the most appropriate placement of children with special needs. The team meets to review any new applications that indicate any possible special needs to review concerns regarding children already placed in Child and Youth Services (CYS) programs.
  - EFMP System Navigation:  
Systems navigators are ACS EFMP staff members available on most Army installations. They assist EFMP Families with navigating through the available systems of care.

## USAG Daegu and EFMP

EFMP Community Supports Through ACS

- Phone: 050-3363-4426 DSN: 315-763-4426
- Website: <https://daegu.armymwr.com/programs/acs/exceptional-family-member-program>
- Facebook Group: (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/648662079215204/>)
- Services offered:
  - Advocacy:  
Services include medical and educational advocacy for individuals needing services, to include facilitating exceptions to policy for housing and assistance in schools for children on IEP's and/or 504 plans.
  - Multidisciplinary Inclusion Action Team (MIAT):  
The Multidisciplinary Inclusion Action Team (MIAT) is a multidisciplinary team established to ensure the most appropriate placement of children with special needs. The team meets to review any new applications that indicate any possible special needs to review concerns regarding children already placed in Child and Youth Services (CYS) programs.
  - EFMP System Navigation:

## Air Force EFMP Resources

- The Air Force's Personnel Center launched a new website giving Exceptional Family Member Program families direct access to decision-making information and resources.  
<https://myvector.us.af.mil/myvector/Home>
- Air Force EFMP Landing Page  
<https://www.airforcemedicine.af.mil/EFMP/>

## Osan Air Force Base and EFMP

### *51st Medical Group EFMP Office*

- Phone: 0505-784-2273 DSN 315-784-2273
- Website: <https://osan.tricare.mil/Patient-Resources/Exceptional-Family-Member-Program-EFMP>
- Services offered: EFMP Enrollment, Updates, Disenrollment, and Overseas Deployment Screening, military support services, medical support, and resources

### *EFMP Community Supports Through Airman and Family Readiness*

- Phone: 0505-783-4636 DSN: 315-783-4636
- Website: <https://www.51fss.com/school-liaison-office/>  
<http://www.51fss.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/EFMP-Contact-Info.pdf>
- Services offered: The family support services team can also answer specific EFMP questions based on your branch or installation, referral, advocacy, and parent education.

### *Understanding EFMP Process for Osan*

- <https://www.osan.af.mil/News/Stories/Article-Display/Article/3015910/efmp-process-updates-create-standardization-across-branches/>

## Navy EFMP Resources

The Navy's Family Accountability and Assessment System (NFAAS) application provides electronic EFMP enrollment and enrollment update capability, allows the service member to track the status of enrollment and provides a means to record and maintain EFM information, referrals

and individualized service plans. A Family Member's User Guide is available under the help tab.

<https://navyfamily.navy.mil/cas/login?service=https%3A%2F%2Fnavyfamily.navy.mil%2F>

### ***My Navy EFMP Resources***

<https://www.mynavyhr.navy.mil/Support-Services/Exceptional-Family-Member/>

### ***Fleet Readiness EFMP Resource Landing Page***

<https://ffr.cnlic.navy.mil/Family-Readiness/Fleet-And-Family-Support-Program/Work-and-Family-Life/Exceptional-Family-Member-Program/>

### **Marine Corps EFMP Resources**

The Marine Corps Manpower Management site supports EFMP and reviews PCS orders in accordance with MM priorities, such as command slating, OCONUS assignments, schools with follow-on assignments, closest execution date.

[https://www.manpower.usmc.mil/portal/page/portal/M\\_RA\\_HOME/MF/F\\_Family%20Care/Exceptional%20Family%20Member%20Program](https://www.manpower.usmc.mil/portal/page/portal/M_RA_HOME/MF/F_Family%20Care/Exceptional%20Family%20Member%20Program)

### ***Marine Corps EFMP Community Services***

<https://www.usmc-mccs.org/services/family/exceptional-family-member/>

### ***Marine Corps Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) Frequently Asked Questions***

<https://hendersonhall.usmc-mccs.org/modules/media/?do=inline&id=d2f4f33c-0788-48c4-8f4d-d0736f6720b0>

## **HUMPHREYS DIVERSE ABILITIES SUPPORT GROUP**

The Humphreys Diverse Abilities Support Group is a parent-to-parent and volunteer-driven organization that aims to support, shape, and create a sense of inclusion for families and individuals with a disability, impairment, and/or need in the military community within South Korea including the Osan and Area 3 community. It is open for all in South Korea to find support.

The Humphreys Diverse Abilities Support Group supports individuals, families, professionals, and the community with a foundation built on education and advocacy through connectedness. The aim is to help everyone on assignment in South Korea live their best life while building the foundation for future success. Through the Humphreys Diverse Abilities Support Group, one will find these foundational practices: connectedness, education, and advocacy. This group is for all military connected individuals and families in South Korea.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1618917738400767/>

## **PARENT AND PROFESSIONAL EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT FOR EDUCATIONAL AND MEDICAL NEEDS**

### **DirectSTEP eCourses**

Parents and educators both play a critical role in educating students with disabilities. Navigating the complexities of special education laws and procedures can be challenging for all involved. It is important that both parents and educators have an understanding of federal requirements in every decision, every classroom, every program – every day. DirectSTEP® eCourses explain federal requirements and best practices for behavior management, autism, IDEA eligibility, IEPs and more. They also teach parents and educators how to handle critical education issues to obtain positive outcomes while applying education laws to the day-to-day world of teaching and learning.

- [https://drive.google.com/file/d/1jI08vTBQUd\\_9zy3CK9svB3Qa-USEH79ko/view?usp=share\\_link](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1jI08vTBQUd_9zy3CK9svB3Qa-USEH79ko/view?usp=share_link)
- [https://drive.google.com/file/d/1PDVHiyP0PLdfUm2qzJuSu5i4M-u75z5iY/view?usp=share\\_link](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1PDVHiyP0PLdfUm2qzJuSu5i4M-u75z5iY/view?usp=share_link)

### **STOMP Specialized Training of Military Parents**

STOMP is a parent-directed program, exists to empower military parents, individuals with disabilities, and service providers with knowledge, skills, and resources so that they might access services to create a collaborative environment for family and professional partnerships without regard to geographic location.

- Website: [https://wapave.org/?fbclid=IwAR2Ba7S5NxQMd\\_hf80AXowgDnX1UEQMJVtWgPIbvSZgypULcczLRKmkqI5s](https://wapave.org/?fbclid=IwAR2Ba7S5NxQMd_hf80AXowgDnX1UEQMJVtWgPIbvSZgypULcczLRKmkqI5s)
- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/STOMPproject>

## Wrightslaw Special Education Law and Advocacy

Parents, advocates, teachers, and attorneys come to Wrightslaw for reliable, up-to-date information about special education law and advocacy for children with disabilities.

- Military and EFMP Discount Store: <https://www.wrightslaw.com/bks/mil.discount.htm>
- Website: <https://www.wrightslaw.com/>

## COPAA Council of Parent Attorneys and Advocates

Creating Opportunities. Protecting Rights. Changing Lives. The Council of Parent Attorneys and Advocates, Inc. is an independent, non-profit, 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization of attorneys, advocates, parents and related professionals. There are 7 million children with disabilities in America. COPAA members work to protect the legal and civil rights of and secure excellence in education on behalf of tens of thousands of students with disabilities and their families each year at the national, state and local levels. COPAA had discussion boards, advocacy classes, and conferences held annually.

Website: <https://www.copaa.org/>

## A Day In Our Shoes

Website: <https://adayinourshoes.com/>

Facebook: (<https://www.facebook.com/ADayInOurShoesIEP>)

### Free IEP Goal Bank

Website: <https://adayinourshoes.com/iep-goal-bank/>

### IEP and 504 Questions

Website: <https://adayinourshoes.com/iep-special-education/parts-of-the-iep/>

## Exceptional Families Book List Recommendations

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1tHnD4Ctm2ybmteadSkmiSY1A19J9BREW-WMo5-fA/edit?usp=share\\_link](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1tHnD4Ctm2ybmteadSkmiSY1A19J9BREW-WMo5-fA/edit?usp=share_link)

## OTHER EFMP RESOURCES

### *Individuals with Disabilities Education Act*

Website: <https://sites.ed.gov/idea/>

### *Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973*

Website: <https://www.parentcenterhub.org/section504/>

### *Protecting Students With Disabilities*

Website: <https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/504faq.htm#:~:text=Section%20504%20requires%20that%20school,or%20more%20major%20life%20activities.>

### *Free and Appropriate Public Education Under Section 504*

<https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/docs/edlite-FAPE504.html>

### *U.S. Department of Education: Office of Special Education and Rehabilitation Services*

Website: <https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/osers/index.html>

### *Exceptional Advocate eNewsletter Archives*

Website: <https://www.militaryonesource.mil/epublications/the-exceptional-advocate-enewsletter-archives/>

### *EFMP & Me: Your 24/7 Guide to the Exceptional Family Member Program*

Website: <https://efmpandme.militaryonesource.mil/>

### *EFMP Family Needs Assessment*

Website: <https://www.militaryonesource.mil/special-needs/efmp/making-the-most-of-efmp-family-support-services-with-the-efmp-family-needs-assessment/>

### *Military OneSource Special Needs Consultations*

Website: <https://www.militaryonesource.mil/confidential-help/specialty-consultations/military-onesource-special-needs-consultants/>

### *Partners in Promise*

Website: <https://thepromiseact.org/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/PartnersinPROMISE>

### *Military Kids Special Education Alliance*

Website: <https://www.militarykids.net/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/militarykidspecialeducation/>

### *Exceptional Families of the Military*

Website: <https://exceptionalmilitaryfam.com/>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/ExceptionalFamiliesMilitary>



## CHAPTER 5 Living in Korea

*Lights of Seoul*  
Photo by: Max Bodde

This chapter is devoted to the basic, practical issues surrounding living in Korea. Since we hope this resource has found its way into the hands of spouses who have not yet arrived though, we think it is best to begin by addressing a question that is regularly pondered on social media “Should I do an accompanied tour in Korea with my spouse?”

Perhaps a lot about loving or hating living in Korea has mostly to do with your personality type. There is a spectrum of people that goes from those that thrive in environments of constant difference and change, to those that thrive better in well-known environments and routines. There is no right or wrong place to fall on that spectrum, it’s just who you are, but people who fall toward thriving on change and variety will tend to love Korea no matter what because you can be an explorer here literally every day, in a million different ways. Those on the other end who thrive on predictability and consistency can have struggles others elsewhere on the spectrum might not understand.

Another personality spectrum that is important to consider is how you form community for yourself. Unless you are an extreme introvert that truly wants solitude to be happy, whether you are more introverted or extroverted doesn’t matter. What does matter is how inclined you are toward establishing new relationships. People who are open and willing to be persistent in joining more than a few various social events until they establish at least a friend or two they truly like will be happy and well supported here. If that isn’t your style you can end up isolated and that makes taking advantage of all the fun here more intimidating and difficult. For so many people, even if they have some desire to explore, it ends up not worth even leaving the gate because they don’t have a motivating social partner. In addition, lack of healthy supportive social connections in daily life amplifies any negative thing they experience, and then you have a perfect recipe for misery. If you are on the extreme opposite side of this spectrum, you thrive better staying in a long-term community with relationships that are long established that is your happy comfort zone.

All that being said, unless your personality lies on an extreme that absolutely isn’t compatible with the many differences living life in Korea and building a healthy social structure here, just figuring out where you land on the spectrum in those areas and planning your tour here with it in mind can help. If you know you tend to have troubles opening up to new relationships, you can make a deal with yourself that you will push yourself to make some connections. Make a plan for what social functions you will join or maybe even create to meet friends. Korea is probably one of the easiest places to make new friends in the military

community, because they are so essential to have for mental health as foreigners here, and fewer people arrive here with the chance of already having established friendships in the area.

If you're not an extreme explorer type, make a plan about some other goal or goals you can focus on with your time here that give you a sense of fulfillment. Plan to further your education, dive deep into a hobby, achieve fitness goals, etc. You'll need to have focus on something positive, so you won't hyper focus on negativity and discomfort. Further, push yourself just enough to explore to the point where you can establish comfortable routine activities for daily life needs and leisure. Accept and make peace with the fact in advance that these activities, down to what you eat and how you shop, do not have to be, and just will not be, the same as they were in the states. Leave all expectations behind and build your routines in Korea from scratch, without comparing, so you won't constantly feel disappointed by things not being "right". Remind yourself when you feel inconvenienced that it is temporary. Don't feel guilty if you have bad days but remain determined to let the good ones outnumber them.

Of course, another factor in your time here is your personal situation. Is working super important to you? It might not be possible here as there are very limited options, and this is a point of difficulty for so many spouses. To lessen the impact of a gap in your resume, make a plan to keep gaining experience in your field, even if you can't work, through continuing education, portfolio building, and volunteering.

Finally, please consider that any rough family issues, financial issues, and medical issues can be even more stressful to deal with in a foreign country for some people, so it is important to be realistic and really think through your personal situation. It is not that you would not have support or the ability to deal with these issues in Korea, but it isn't unreasonable that it could be a better choice to deal with these issues in a familiar environment.

All in all, no one can promise you will love or hate having a tour here, because everyone has unique needs and situations that can come up to affect your experience here. That being said, unless you have a long hard look at yourself and determine your personality or personal situation simply isn't compatible with leaving the US for a few years, most spouses here would say you should go for command sponsorship and come with determination to do your best to be happy here. No matter what, when you leave, you'll have learned a lot about yourself and at least a little about the world outside the US, and in the common best case, you will have interesting, joyful memories to cherish for a lifetime.

## HOUSING

The housing process for incoming personnel was briefly covered in Chapter 3: PCSing to Korea. Some information from the previous section will be reiterated here to provide context for additional information on living in Korea. However, this is by no means an all-encompassing guide to all things housing, as policies and regulations undergo frequent changes and revisions. Please consult the USAG Humphreys website and/or your chain of command for more detailed, up-to-date and personalized information.

As of now, after completing the initial five day in-processing, service members are assigned housing based on their status. Unaccompanied service members will be assigned to barracks by their unit. Accompanied Service members with Command Sponsorship will proceed to the Housing Office where they will be offered on-post housing, if available. If housing is full or at a certain percentage occupancy (for example, 95% or above) they will be given authorization to pursue off-post housing with an approved realtor.

Assignment to available housing should occur within 15 days of member arrival. If authorized to reside off post, service members must be able to show that they are "aggressively seeking housing" in the event that they do not sign a lease within that 15-day period.

If government family housing is not available, members can elect to be placed on the Army Family Housing (AFH) waiting list. Members will be placed on the waiting list based on member tour assignment, grade category and family size.

**NOTE:** Members will have 24 hours to accept or decline an offered government housing unit and it is the members responsibility to ensure Housing has all current contact information.

### Living On Post

#### Unaccompanied Personnel/Single Soldier Housing

Unaccompanied service members (E7 and above) are assigned to Senior Leaders Quarters (SLQS) if occupancy rates are below 95%. SLQS are fully furnished, one-bedroom apartments. The housing office will provide further guidance if occupancy rates reach over 95%.

All other single soldiers who arrive on an unaccompanied tour to USAG Humphreys will stay in new barracks. The barracks have spacious

bedrooms and while each room may not be equipped with a kitchen or separate, private living quarters, there is a spacious day room with a kitchen on each floor where soldiers may converge, socialize and prepare meals.

**NOTE:** Unaccompanied military personnel are **NOT** authorized to bring pets. PCS orders that state that personnel are authorized to bring pets to Korea are only referring to personnel on an accompanied tour.

## On-Post Housing

Incoming accompanied service members of all ranks, as well as unaccompanied servicemembers (E7 and above) are required to reside in government on-post housing, if available, and will need to submit orders, pinpoint orders (if applicable) DA 31 or installation clearance paperwork via email to: [usarmy.humphreys.id-pacific.list.usag-humphreys-housing@army.mil](mailto:usarmy.humphreys.id-pacific.list.usag-humphreys-housing@army.mil).

All incoming personnel will be advised on the availability of on-post housing at the Housing Office. Command Sponsored Military families who arrive at USAG Humphreys and reside on post, will live in a modern Army community. The majority of on-post family housing is located in high-rise apartments. This may be a difficult adjustment for families accustomed to large single-family homes with lots of space and privacy. However, it opens opportunities to connect with other families and make new friends undergoing similar changes and challenges. Currently, the only single-family homes on post are reserved for the highest senior leaders. These housing communities are located on either side of the PX and Commissary. The remainder of family housing is just a few blocks down the road from this shopping area.

**NOTE:** Only 2 pets are authorized in military family housing.

## Appliance Repairs

For government-issued washers, dryers, refrigerators, dishwashers, and stoves (on- and off-post):

Phone: 0503-336-5570

DSN: 736-5570

Hours: Mon-Fri 08:00-17:00, Closed for lunch 11:30-12:30

## Self Help Center

Location: Bldg. 1019, Key St.

Phone: 0503-353-7410 DSN: 753-7410

Hours: Mon-Fri 0730-1630, Closed for lunch 1130-1230 and all Korean Holidays.

For simple repairs and improvements, you can borrow tools and obtain products at the Self Help Center in Building 1019. They can also provide contact information for people to assist with heavy lifting or other tasks. This service is only available to residents of on-post housing.

## On-Post Utilities

### Internet

Your Internet provider is determined based on the location of your house. Once the Housing Office informs you of where you will be living, you can contact the appropriate provider to schedule service. These numbers are also used to report service issues/request a service call.

LG Uplus is available at:

- Bldg. 5700 (PX): 070-7597-0501/0502
- Bldg. 400 (Sentry Mall): 070-7597-4003
- Bldg. 6400 (Maude Hall): 070-7597-0511

### Television

A variety of American Forces Network (AFN), US, and Asian channels, along with command channels which provide community information and force protection advisories, are available. Visit American Forces Network Pacific ([afnpacific.net](http://afnpacific.net)) for the latest TV and radio schedule.

### Cable Service

Cable services are offered through LG Uplus. For current cable channels, packages, and prices, please contact your local LG Uplus store.

LG Uplus is available at

- Bldg. 5700 (PX): 070-7597-0501/0502
- Bldg. 400 (Sentry Mini Mall): 070-7597-4003
- Bldg. 6400 (Maude Hall): 070-7597-0511



## Living Off Post

### Off-Post Housing

If you are eligible to reside off-post due to non-availability of adequate government quarters, or if you are a DoD civilian, you will be issued a statement of non-availability (SNA) from the Housing Office. Once you receive an SNA, you will be required to attend an off-post housing briefing. The briefing provides you with a plethora of information about leasing on the economy, such as realtor information, security checklists, utility rates, and housing allowance entitlements.

Housing on the economy is plentiful and offers a wide variety of styles, including many high-rises and villa (five stories or less) apartments, as well as duplexes and single-family dwelling units. Pyeongtaek, being a more rural setting, offers many more single-family home options than are regularly available in more populated areas throughout Korea which may be good news for those of you not familiar or comfortable with apartment living. However, there are some significant benefits to apartments that you may not find in single family units, such as decreased utility costs, established waste management systems, on-site maintenance workers, well-kept infrastructure, and close proximity to public transportation as well as cafes, and eateries (sometimes in your apartment complex). Most importantly, it may be easier to develop a sense of community in apartments. Being stationed overseas can be quite difficult for many families. We all have friends and family we miss back home, but living in close communities can help make new, and sometimes life-long, connections that help ease the transition. So don't feel too disheartened if the perfect single-family home isn't available. You might find that apartment living is quite enjoyable, just be sure to ask about quiet hours and be respectful of your neighbors.

For more information on off-post housing, see the USAG Humphreys Off-Post Housing Community Information Facebook Group.

**NOTE:** DoDEA buses operate within the established school bus commuting area. If you choose to sign a housing lease agreement outside the established school bus commuting area, it is the parent's responsibility to transport their child to the nearest DoDEA-approved bus stop or to the school.

### Housing Assistance for Off-Post Living

If you will be living off-post, your realtor must be approved by the Housing Office. The Housing Office will provide you with a list of approved realtors. Off-post, any issues with housing (such as repairs, disputes, or payments) will go through your realtor. As long as your lease is mediated through the Housing Office with an approved realtor, your lease will include protections under the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act.

### Realtors

If you live off-post, use a realtor from the list provided by the Housing Office to ensure a smooth transition to your new home. Check with other people in your incoming unit or job to get realtor recommendations. Realtors in Korea are what we think of as property managers in the US. The housing selection provided by each realtor will be different because the realtors will only show you houses that they rent. So, if you do not find a home that suits your needs with one realtor, check with multiple realtors until you find a place you love.

Service members residing off-base are entitled to a monthly Overseas Housing Allowance (OHA) and Miscellaneous Housing Allowance (MIHA). The MIHA is provided to help defray the costs of setting up the off-post residence.

Make sure you check the list of approved realtors provided by the Housing Office. It is updated frequently, and you will not be able to enter into a housing agreement with any blacklisted realtors. Again, it cannot be stressed enough: DO NOT enter into any housing agreement without first consulting with the Housing Office. Always check with the Housing Office first.

### Electric

Electricity in Korea can be expensive. Many homes in Korea have room air conditioners, rather than central air conditioning. Many of the rooms will be equipped with an air conditioner in the corner or on the wall. The summer months in Korea are very hot and humid, so be sure to look for air conditioners in every room of the house when looking for a place to live and ask if the available units have a dehumidifying function or air purifying feature, as both will come in handy. Air conditioners and fans are available for purchase but are very expensive. You may need to negotiate with your realtor to get an extra air conditioner unit.

Also, when looking at homes and at the air conditioner units, you will

want to review the energy efficiency rating. The energy efficiency rating is a scale of 1-5 with 1 being the lowest and 5 being the highest. You will want appliances that are low ratings to help save money on electricity. Some homes may have solar panels, or may be built for energy efficiency that can help reduce the electric bill. By being smart about your energy usage you can keep your electric bill down to a reasonable amount even in the dead heat of the summer!

**TIP:** Only have the air conditioner on when you are in a specific room, otherwise leave it off with doors and windows closed to help keep the room cool.

## Gas

Most off-post housing units will utilize the Radiant Floor Heating System or Hydronic Heating. Units are heated from the floor through a series of tubes flowing with heated water rather than the traditional forced air duct system most people from the US are used to. Radiant Floor Heating Systems are more efficient, cost-effective, and oh-so-cozy during the brutal Korean winters. Depending on where your housing unit is located, you will utilize either city gas, which is cheaper, or LPG gas supplied by a private company. Most of the stoves, ovens, water heaters, and dryers are also gas operated, so be sure to ask your realtor who your gas provider will be and what previous tenants typically paid during the winter month. Some homes are more energy efficient than others. Even within the same tower one apartment may be better insulated due to its position.

**TIP:** Generally, in the summer months your electric bills will be higher while your gas bills are lower, and in the winter months your gas bill will be higher with the electric bill lower. Be sure to set money aside when your bills are lower than you expected so it is not as big of a shock when the bills are higher than you expect.

## Water

Water treatment in Korea is top notch. Unfortunately, some pipes are not, which has caused many people to distrust the tap water in Korea, despite the high ratings their water treatment systems receive. Many homes in Korea will come with a water filter dispenser, that dispenses hot and cold water, or they may have a bottled water service. You can discuss these options with your realtor and ensure that if you do have a

service or a filter you understand when the filter is changed and/or when the water is delivered. It is also advised to procure shower filters in order to soften the water for bathing.

## Internet

Korea has the fastest Internet in the world! Usually, your Internet is included in your rent, and you can discuss your options and choices with your realtor.

## Television and Streaming

Korean cable is also typically included in your rent or with your Internet service. You can also discuss these options with your realtor. There are some English movies and television shows on many of the Korean services that your realtor and/or your cable installer can show you how to access.

You can get a smart TV or a media streaming device such as an AppleTV, Amazon Firestick, or Google Chromecast and stream to your heart's content. Content may vary from platform to platform. You may need a VPN to access platforms you're accustomed to such as HULU, Amazon Prime, and Disney+. Netflix is available but you may not be able to access all the shows your friends and family can back home (but you will also have content they do not and sometimes even have access to select shows and movies before they do). You can switch between using Korean Netflix and US Netflix using a VPN.

## Armed Forces Network (AFN)

Personnel living off-post and wishing to have access to AFN programming will need to lease a decoder box and purchase a Direct to Home (DTH) cable TV satellite dish at the PX. Fees include an installation charge (usually between \$100-200) and monthly decoder fees (about \$15). For satellite installation service in the Humphreys off-post area contact 070-4230-8994.

**NOTE:** Many apartment complexes and rental properties do not permit installation of AFN DTH equipment. Refer to the list provided by the housing office. Review AFN availability carefully before entering into a lease agreement since AFN is the source of many service force protection advisories. (Military websites also carry many of the same advisories.) Service members and DoD civilians who rent a property

where DTH equipment installation is not available must sign a housing office statement of acknowledgment. If the landlord does allow installation of AFN DTH equipment on his or her property, you must obtain written permission beforehand.

## Trash and Recycling

Off-post housing units will need to sort their trash based on type: general waste (AKA burn trash), food waste, plastic, glass, paper/cardboard, metal, styrofoam, vinyl, batteries, lightbulbs, and clothing. Larger items and appliances require special stickers purchased at convenience stores in order to be picked up for disposal. All homes will have designated trash areas, so be sure to check with your realtor about where to dispose of waste and the proper procedure for your residence. Most trash collection areas are monitored by CCTV to ensure proper disposal of trash.

The commissary sells trash bags for general and food waste for those living in Pyeongtaek. If you live outside of Pyeongtaek, talk to your realtor about the specific trash bags you need and they can tell you where to purchase those bags. Most convenience stores or local markets will carry general waste and food waste bags for your area.

### General Garbage

General garbage is everyday waste. General waste bags come in a variety of sizes from 10 or 100 liters. Most large trash cans will fit the 75L bags. Anything that is not food or one of the recycling categories is thrown in the general waste bag.

### Food Waste

Food waste is edible waste that may attract stray animals. You should not put shells, bones, fruit seeds, or plastic drain nets in the food waste bags. The general rule is that any food that a dog could theoretically eat should go in this food bag. Food waste should be cut up and placed in the special food waste bag to be disposed of in special protected bins in your collection area. Many people find it helpful to freeze food waste so that it does not smell while they are filling up their food waste bag. These also come in a variety of sizes, with 5 to 10 liter bags are the most commonly used.

### Recycling

Recycling should be sorted and put into clear plastic bags unless you

live in an apartment complex with a trash house that has sorting bags set up for you already (in which case you can just throw your recycling directly in those bins). Styrofoam, vinyl, paper, cardboard, glass, metal, plastic, batteries, lightbulbs and clothes are all recycled.

### Large Items Disposal

Large items such as furniture need a special garbage tag to be disposed of properly. Contact your realtor and tell them what you need to dispose of. They will tell you which tag to buy and where to buy it.

### Parking

Parking in Korea is a little different than in the US because public transportation is cheap, clean, and efficient and therefore many people don't drive. As such, parking spaces may be in short supply. Your realtor can let you know where it is and is not acceptable to park at your residence. Most apartment complexes and homes have designated parking areas and often designated parking spots, so make sure you're in the know so you can be a good neighbor.

## HOUSING SERVICES FOR ON- AND OFF-POST LIVING

As USAG Humphreys expands, housing has also expanded and Humphreys is expecting 40% of its command sponsored families to be able to live on-post.

### Housing Office

Location: Room X301, Maude Hall, Bldg. 6400

Phone: 0503-357-2647

DSN: 757-2647

The Housing Office is located on the 3rd floor of Maude Hall (Bldg. 6400). Hours of operations are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday, from 08:00-12:30 and 13:30-16:00. On Thursdays the Housing Office is open from 09:00-12:30 and 13:30-16:00.

**NOTE:** The Housing Office is closed from 08:00-13:30 every second Thursday of each month for training and on all US holidays. Services may be limited on Korean holidays.

For the most detailed, accurate, and up to date information, visit in person or go to the USAG Humphreys Housing Office web page: <https://home.army.mil/humphreys/index.php/about/garrison/directorate-public-works/housing-division>

**WARNING:** Again Do NOT enter into a lease agreement without prior approval from the Housing Office.

### Lending Closet

Army Community Services (ACS), located on the 1st floor of Maude Hall, has a Lending Closet for incoming personnel awaiting the delivery of their household goods. This service can be found through the ACS Relocation Readiness Program. Use of these items is permitted for a 30-day period. Extensions can be given up to 90-days with the correct memorandum. Contact ACS Lending Closet DSN: 757-2363 / COMM: 0503-357-2363 or go online for more details.

### Appliance Repairs

For government-issued washers, dryers, refrigerators, dishwashers, and stoves (on and off post):  
Phone: 0503-336-5570  
DSN: 736-5570  
Hours: Mon-Fri 08:00-17:00

### Emergency Repairs

Phone: 0503-324-3360/3361/3362  
DSN: 724-3360/3361/3362

For 24/7 emergency repairs to on-post housing (not including appliances). For off-post emergencies, call your realtor. If a solution cannot be found or you still need assistance, please call your local Housing Office.

## CELL PHONE SERVICE

**NOTE:** Before pausing or cancelling your US cell phone service, be sure to associate any account for banking, shopping, two-factor authentication, etc. you have with a different US phone number that can accept calls and texts on your behalf. VOIP phone numbers through services and apps like Google Voice and TextNow may work,

but some accounts won't allow you to use them for two-authentication purposes.

Korea has excellent cell phone service infrastructure throughout the peninsula. You can use your unlocked US cell phone or buy a new or used phone locally. If you purchase a phone in Korea, please understand you cannot turn the shutter sound off for your camera. Also, an unlocked US phone may not receive the fastest Internet connection available in Korea depending on the make and model of the phone. Be sure to research online.

You need to purchase a Korean SIM card and calling plan to get a Korean cell number and be able to make local calls and texts. If you arrive at Incheon Airport ask the USO desk if they have SIM cards with self-setup instructions available as sometimes they are donated by the phone companies to be given out to arriving soldiers and families.

Some Korean cell phone plans include calls to and from the US at reasonable prices, so check your options before you buy. Some carriers offer a phone number you can call that will connect you to the US without any additional fees. There are also options for international roaming that can allow you to use your Korean service for data service in many countries, like when visiting the US from Korea during your tour, without having to purchase other SIM cards.

Unlike in the US, military orders will not allow you to cancel your cell phone contract. If you leave before your contract is complete, you will need to either pay off the remaining months of the plan or sell your plan to someone else. If you take over a contract, you will need to take the phone to the place of purchase and change the payment information associated with the phone.

In most cases it is easiest and most convenient in Korea if you have a regular Korean SIM card with a service plan. If you would prefer to keep your US SIM card, however, it is possible to purchase eSIM cards for capable phones through KT to use in conjunction with your US SIM. At the airport you can purchase a card that is capable of incoming and outgoing calls, and online you can purchase a data-only eSim card for use in Korea. Pricing is not a savings over regular plans and they must be renewed every month. Usually this is an option most geared toward tourists. <https://roaming.kt.com/esim/eng/main.asp>



KT eSIM

**NOTE:** The US Military and the Korean government require drivers to use a hands-free device, no headsets, so if you must take a call while driving, find a safe place to pull over and take the call.

## Where to Buy a Phone and/or Plan

New and used phones are available, ranging in price from \$50 to \$500. Plans vary with the service and minutes you need. A basic plan starts for as little as \$10 per month, plus the cost of the phone. Read all service agreements carefully; some plans charge for all calls made to cell phones operated by other service providers.

LG Uplus is available at:

- Bldg. 5700 (PX): 070-8879-0040
- Bldg. 400 (Sentry Mall): 010-6647-9195
- Off-post, Sunny Mobile: (<https://www.facebook.com/CampHumphreysSunnyMobile/>)

KT (Cell Phone only) is available at:

- Bldg. 5700 (PX): 070-7597-0501/0502
- Bldg. 400 (Sentry Mall): 070-7597-4003
- Bldg. 6400 (Maude Hall): 070-7597-0511

## Prepaid Phone Cards

Prepaid phone cards are another convenient option. More time can be purchased and added, or have several months programmed in at a time, for approximately \$10 minimum per month. Several businesses on post sell phone minutes, including the PX, and they will program your phone for you. Ask for details about programming cards and expiration dates when purchasing your phone.

# MONEY

## Financial Services

### ATM Access

You can get cash or make account inquiries with your credit card or ATM card which displays the AFFN or CIRRUS Network logo. Ask your

bank about service fees. Many banks will not charge ATM or currency conversion fees for service members on active-duty overseas orders. The ATMs on Humphreys are operated by Community Bank and do not charge an ATM service charge for withdrawing USD or Won.

### Cashing Checks

Many people elect to keep their checking account at a US bank or credit union. The Community Bank and Navy Federal on the installation cashes checks if you have an account with them. You may cash personal checks for up to \$200 at the PX Customer Service desk.

### Currency Exchanges

On post, banks and ATMs dispense both US dollars and Korean won. Pay close attention to the current conversion rates to ensure you get the best value for your money. There are several currency exchange centers off post that will exchange US dollars to Korean won. A quick Internet search or a phone app will give the daily exchange rate. Shop around to get the best rate. Larger sums of money will usually maximize the exchange rate. This service is especially important for those living off post who pay monthly rent in cash.



Currency Converter

**TIP:** When estimating how much you will pay for something most people generally stick with a \$1 to ₩1000 rate to make it easy. But for an accurate conversion, use a phone app such as XE Currency. <https://www.xe.com/currencyconverter/>

## Banks

The following financial institutions provide banking services in the USAG Humphreys area. On-post banks observe both US and Korean holidays.

### Community Bank

Community Bank operates the banking facilities on all posts and bases in Korea with full-service banking (direct deposit, won con-

version, new and used auto loans, and ATM access). The Community Bank ATM card offers 24/7 banking with no fees for withdrawing US dollars, Korean won, or balance inquiries. Community Bank offers 13 full-time branches, two part-time offices and a network of 48 ATMs on the peninsula.

### **Community Bank Branch Information**

Location: Downtown Village Bldg. 6430, Marne Ave.

Phone: 0503-357-2429/37 DSN: 757-2429/37

Hours: Mon-Thurs 10:00-17:00, Fri 0900-1700, Sat 09:00-13:00

### **ATM Locations on USAG Humphreys**

- AAFES Sentry Mini Mall, Bldg. 400, Porter Ave.
- Humphreys Morning Calm, Bldg. P125, Washington Ave.
- Humphreys Banking Center, Bldg. 6430, Marne Ave.
- 3rd MI Express, Bldg. S2064.
- Walking Gate Kiosk, Bldg. 1420, American St.
- Troop Mini Mall, Bldg. 6803, 5th St.
- Exchange, Bldg. 5700, Tropic Lightning Ave.
- Humphreys PX Food Court, Bldg. 5700, Tropic Lightning Ave.
- Commissary, Bldg. 5725, Tropic Lightning Ave.
- Humphreys Family Mini Mall, Bldg. P2270, Tropic Lightning Ave. and 11th St.
- Humphreys BDAACH Hospital, Bldg. 3030, Key St.
- Zoekler Mini Mall, Bldg. 12388, Pacific Victors Ave.
- Humphreys USFK HQ20, Bldg. 1241, Pacific Victors Ave

**NOTE:** The ATMs will only allow you to withdraw \$600 at a time, even if your ATM withdrawal limit is increased, so you will have to do multiple transactions to withdraw over \$600.

### **Navy Federal Credit Union**

Location: Downtown Village Bldg. 6430, Marne Ave.

Phone: 888-842-6328

Hours: Mon- Fri 09:00-17:00

Navy Federal Credit Union offers online banking, credit and debit cards, auto loans, lines of credit, signature loans, CDs, and IRAs. There is an ATM available on site.

### **USAA**

If you bank with USAA, call them to set up a system for local ATM withdrawals. You can change your one-time ATM withdrawal limit amount either permanently or once every seven days. However, ATMs usually limit withdrawals to \$600 at a time. To withdraw enough cash to pay for rent or purchase a large item, you will need to make multiple withdrawals.

### **T-Money Card**

The T-Money card is a reloadable plastic smart card that doubles as a transportation (hence the name T-Money) and electronic cash card. Use it to pay for trips on city subways, buses, trains, taxis, parking, convenience store purchases, and more. To purchase and reload your T-Money card, visit any convenience store such as CU, GS25 or 7 Eleven, or any subway station ticket kiosk. For bus and subway fares, children and teens receive a discounted rate, but must be with you when you purchase their T-Money cards so that they can register for the appropriate age rate. Your local ACS occasionally has free T-Money cards please check with them about their availability.

### **Korean Bank Accounts**

You may opt to open an account with a Korean bank because it makes it easier to pay for things in Korean systems such as when online shopping, booking tickets, hotels and travel, and paying traffic tickets, parking violations, and parking fees in parking lots. It also gives you the ability to make direct transfers from your Korean account to other Korean bank accounts in order to pay vendors and/or your off-post rent and utility bills. At the minimum, you will need a Foreign Registration Card (FRC aka ARC) registered with your cell phone plan to open a local bank account and use it in a practical way. Hana Bank is known to have an effective English customer service phone line that you can contact for questions and translation assistance while opening an account in a branch. For other banks, you may get lucky with an English-speaking associate, or you may need to enlist the help of a Korean speaking friend or concierge service (see Travel and Leisure Chapter) to be sure you understand what documentation is required, what minimum balances you should keep, and any other rules about your account. Some bank branches may not allow you to open an account if you cannot prove you have a job in the Korean economy. Others may open an account if you

supply documentation like orders to Korea but may incur a very restrictive limit on transfers from your account for at least a couple months while the account is new. These rules and other possible rule schemes about setting up accounts are up to each individual branch manager and may be inconsistently applied. In general, these bank managers are using these rules to manage their own risk, so try not to take it personal and try a different bank if one isn't giving you desirable account options. If you go to the effort to get an account, make sure at the minimum that you have a Visa or Mastercard labeled debit card you can use in person and online, and the ability to use the bank's mobile application for doing money transfers. The mobile applications will be in Korean language only but using Papago translations of screenshots many people have success using them.

**NOTE:** To easily transfer money from your US banking services to your Korean bank account there are money transfer services online that will transfer with low or zero fees and currency conversion rates.

**Xoom:**  
<https://www.xoom.com/south-korea/>

**Remitly:**  
<https://www.remitly.com/us/en/south-korea>

**NOTE:** If you hold a security clearance, remember that any account opened at a Korean bank must be properly disclosed as a foreign bank account.

## Namane Prepaid Card

NAMANE Card is a Korean prepaid card that can be loaded and used without opening a bank account. It uses the KB Kookmin Card Payment Network. It can be used at most offline vendors without registering it with an ARC/FRC attached to your cellphone account, but payment may be restricted in taxis, hotels, Hyundai outlets/department stores, and mobile POS. You can make payments at online stores by selecting 'Credit/Debit Card' ->KB Pay if you verify yourself by ARC/FRC and cellphone account in the Namane App and register the Namane Card in the ISP/Paybooc App. Please see the Namane Card website for more details: <https://www.namane.com/en/service-manual>

## TRANSPORTATION

The following section serves as an introduction to some of the various transportation methods available to you both on and off your installation.

### Driving Privately Owned Vehicles (POV)

For information on driving POVs, visit <https://8tharmy.korea.army.mil/site/newcomers/driving-overseas.asp>.

The following personnel (and their US State licensed dependents age 18 or older) are authorized to obtain a POV License after passing the local written exam:

- Personnel in Command Sponsored status accompanied by family
- Personnel in a joint domicile status authorized a POV on their orders
- Member of the US Armed Forces in the rank of Sergeant First Class (E-7) or above
- Department of the Army civilians in the grade of GS-5 or above and USFK technical representatives
- Invited contractors\* who have SOFA privileges
- Personnel who have a letter of approval by the USAG Humphreys Commander for exception to policy

\*Invited contractors, their employees (including Koreans), and dependents of contractors who operate a POV in the Republic of Korea must first obtain a valid ROK driver's license. To obtain a ROK driver's license, you should have a valid US State driver's license and USFK Form 700-19A-R-E.

Non-Command Sponsored service members, E-6 and below, require approval from the first O-5 in their chain of command IAW USFK REG 190-1 dated 10 May 2012.

### Driver's License Testing Requirements

Anyone who wants to drive in Korea, on or off the installation, must obtain a USFK driver's license. USFK's online driver's training and test on JKO are now mandatory. This change allows sponsors to assist authorized troops and families before they arrive. You may not go straight to the test and skip training. You must take the training first before you

will be allowed to take the test. A passing score on the test is required to receive a POV license and/or a military/GOV license. Service members will need to establish JKO accounts for dependents who will be taking the training and test. Once the training and test is passed on JKO, go to the installation driver's license facility on post, present your CAC or dependent ID and a valid driver's license. To prepare for the driver's license test, visit: <https://www.usfk.mil/Resources/Driving-in-Korea/>.

**NOTE:** Test scores are good for 60 days. Licenses will not be issued to personnel that have taken the test more than 60 days prior to applying for a license.

### ***Driver's License Testing at USAG Humphreys***

Location: Bldg. P-7010, Indianhead Ave.

Hours: Mon-Fri at 08:30 (Fri 13:00 for Korean Nationals and KATUSAs only); license pick-up is after 15:00 the same day, if you pass the test.

### **Learner's Permits**

Installations with a driver testing facility may issue learner's permits. Permits may be issued to Command Sponsored and Non-Command Sponsored family members age 16 or over. Once the permit is earned, they may only drive on the installation.

To obtain a learner's permit, the applicant must meet the following requirements:

- USFK written and vision tests
- Proof of US state-approved or installation/garrison commander-approved driver's education course (no hands-on required)
- Command Sponsorship & Sponsor approval
- Proof of insurance

**NOTE:** Operators with a learner's permit may only drive on the installation during daylight hours in the company of someone with a USFK license.

### **Buying a Car**

If you need to buy a car in Korea, the first place to check should be the buy and sell type pages for your area on FB. These pages are numerous but easy to find using search and will have amazing deals for used cars if you don't mind driving something less than glamorous. Also

keep your eye on bulletin boards around post such as at the mailroom.

Outside the gate there are also many places selling used cars. Be cautious and don't just rely on the car passing inspection on post – take the car to an impartial mechanic to have it looked at before you sign. Some off-post dealers have local inventory, and several are connected with a huge used car outlet in Suwon, such as this site run by a former soldier: <http://www.robertsusedcars.com/main.php?m=sale&s=list>

Sofa Car James (Agent Kimchi) is also recommended by the community in Pyeongtaek: <http://www.sofacarjames.com>

**NOTE:** Buying a Korean spec car has the advantage of being cheapest to repair in Korea. Most Korean spec cars, however, can't be imported back to the U.S. so make sure you don't make a large purchase that is difficult to resell when you PCS.

If you want a nicer new car that you can bring back to the states, Military Auto Source is always there for you. Military Auto Source in Korea sells Chevrolet, Chrysler, Dodge, Ford, Harley Davidson, Jeep, Lincoln, Nissan, Polaris, and Volkswagen. Stores are located on USAG Humphreys, Osan Air Base, Camp Carroll, and Camp Walker.

### ***USAG Humphreys Military Auto Source***

Location: PX Mall, Bldg. 5700, Tropic Lightning Ave.

Website: <https://militaryautosource.com/>

### **Hi-Pass**

A Hi-Pass is a device used for paying tolls on Korean expressways, similar to the EZ Pass found in the US. Instead of manually taking a ticket at a toll booth when entering and then paying cash when exiting a freeway, the device allows you to utilize special lanes (marked with a blue stripe on the lane's surface) and deducts the toll from your prepaid Hi-Pass Card that sits in a card reader.

The Hi-Pass reader and pre-paid Hi-Pass cards can be purchased at the Sentry Supply Shop, Bldg 449, Monday through Saturday from 10:00-18:00. The Hi-Pass reader can also be purchased at rest stops along freeways, such as Expressway 1 (Gyeongbu Expressway) between Pyeongtaek and Seoul. There are also Hi-Pass tents just past the toll booth at some expressway entrances. You will need your vehicle registration, and the name on the registration must match the name on the Hi-Pass reader. The Hi-Pass is linked to the vehicle on the registration



and cannot be used in another vehicle. You can use cash or credit card to purchase the reader. The reader attaches to the lower center of your windshield (some are battery-powered, and some plug into your car).

After purchasing the reader, you must then purchase and load money onto the card that fits in the reader. These are not typically sold at the Hi-Pass tent. You may need to visit the rest stop information office or a Hi-Pass service center to purchase one. You can also reload your card at a GS25, CU, or where you purchased your Hi-Pass card. You will need cash to load your Hi-Pass card.

**TIP:** If you forget cash when getting your Hi-Pass you can usually find an ATM near the Hi-Pass office or tent in the rest area so you can load your Hi-Pass card.

### **Accidental Hi-Pass Lane Use**

If you drive through a toll booth in a Hi-Pass lane but do not have a Hi-Pass, you will hear a siren. Do not back up to go through a regular toll lane! Just keep going. You will receive a ticket in the mail for the amount of the toll that you should have paid, and you can pay the bill by visiting a Korean bank/post office, your realtor if you live off post, or a concierge service like the GI Bill Pay office (additional fees apply to the latter). You may also pay for Hi-Pass tickets at the Hi-Pass store in the PX shopping mall.

If you have a Hi-Pass system and you hear the siren, your Hi-Pass card may be out of money, the Hi-Pass system may not be on, or the batteries may be dead in your device. Continue through the toll booth and you will receive your ticket in the mail. Just be sure to check your system and the card as soon as you can.

### **GPS/Navigation Apps**

GPS devices and/or navigation apps can assist you in reaching your destinations around Korea. KakaoMap, Naver Map, and Waze are popular navigation apps in Korea. Naver Map and Kakao Map work best for trips outside the base and because those do not have navigation available on military bases, Waze is best for navigating on post. Google map does not work for navigation in Korea. Apple Maps have limited function in Korea.

Your installation's Exchange facility also sells the AVOL brand GPS, which should come with all of the USFK military installations pre-loaded. Or, check your installation's thrift store or "buy and sell" Facebook pages in your area for a second-hand GPS if you prefer not to use phone apps.

### **On-Post Tickets**

Tickets are issued on-post by the Military Police (MPs) for parking or moving violations, such as speeding or failing to stop for a bus that is loading/unloading. Tickets issued to USFK service members or their family members will be forwarded to the unit commander. Drivers who receive tickets will have points assessed against their license according to Appendix C (Traffic Points Assessment Matrix) in USFK Regulation 190-1. Points assessed remain in effect for point accumulation for 24 consecutive months. Certain offenses such as driving under the influence or failing to stop for a bus that is loading/unloading (not in a designated pull-off area) may result in driving privileges being immediately suspended.

### **Off-Post Tickets**

ROK police generally do not pull drivers over for a moving violation, though it has happened. Parking, speeding, and Hi-Pass or bus lane violations are more typically recorded via cameras on Korean roadways. Tickets are delivered to the address listed in your vehicle registration and can be paid at a Korean bank, post office, or your realtor may be willing to assist you if you live off-post. It is important to pay your fines promptly, as your driving privileges may be suspended until your fines are paid. Service members cannot clear the installation during out-processing until all fines are paid. Should you wish to contest a traffic citation, you must coordinate directly with ROK authorities (remember all fines are still your responsibility until they are overturned). For the Pyeongtaek area, please contact the Foreign Affairs Section of Pyeongtaek Police Station: 031-8053-0184

### **Traffic Regulations**

Drivers and pedestrians must comply with signals and instructions given by traffic safety facilities and traffic officers. If competing directions are given, obey the directions provided by traffic officers. Traffic signals are a basic safeguard against traffic accidents and social convention. Noncompliance with the traffic signs is considered a traffic violation.

A green traffic signal means vehicles can go straight or slowly turn right so long as it does not impede other vehicles. An unprotected left turn sign signals that you may turn left as long as you do not interfere with traffic. If you interfere with traffic, you have violated the signal. If the intersection does not have an unprotected left turn sign, that gener-

ally means you must wait until the green left turn arrow appears. 20% of all traffic accidents take place at or around intersections so be alert and drive with caution.

## Rental Cars

Consider the following if you wish to rent a car:

- The renter must be 21 years or older and possess either a USFK license, an international driver's license, or a Korean driver license with at least 1 year of driving experience.
- Insurance is offered for an additional fee.
- Base access decals for all USFK installations in Korea are included.
- Rental costs range from \$80-\$150 per day, depending on vehicle type. Discounts are available for rentals of two weeks or longer.

### Car Rental Facilities

#### USAG Humphreys

Location: Maude Hall, BLDG 6400  
Phone: 010-9467-4100  
Hours: Mon-Sun: 09:00-20:00

#### USAG Yongsan

Location: Dragon Hill Lodge, BLDG 4050  
Phone: 02-793-6665  
Hours: Mon-Sat 08:00-18:00, Sun 08:00-17:00

#### Camp Walker

Location: S-310, Exchange  
Phone: 010-6527-4700  
Hours: Mon-Fri 10:00-19:00, Sat-Sun 10:00-18:00

#### Camp Casey

Location: Bldg. S-3007  
Phone: 010-2059-4200  
Hours: Mon-Fri 10:00-18:30, Sat-Sun 10:00-17:00

#### Osan

Location: Main Exchange, BLDG 965  
Phone: 010-3167-4100  
Hours: Mon-Sun 10:00-19:00

#### Kunsan

Location: Main Exchange, BLDG 1102  
Phone: 010-7316-4500  
Hours: Mon-Sun 10:00-19:00

**NOTE:** Many car rental businesses are also available off-base. Those close by the base may accept the USFK license and have service in English, but others may require an International license or Korean DL. A frequent off-base location USFK likes to rent cars is Jeju Island and the most commonly recommended business is Tamra Rent a Car as they accept USFK DL: <https://www.tamrarentacar.com/tamra/>

## Breakdown/Accident Procedures

In case of an accident or breakdown, always be prepared. Have your registration and insurance card in your vehicle and be sure to store the following numbers in your phone (112 for police, 119 for fire and ambulance, and your installation MP office). A helpful option is to have front and rear-facing cameras installed in your vehicle to document accidents. These can be purchased locally or on Amazon and installed locally. Professional installation is highly recommended. It is a good idea to print out Appendix B (Driver's Assistance Request) from USFK Pam 385-2, which has a list of helpful driving-related phrases in English and Hangul.

### Accident Procedures

1. Stop immediately
2. Aid the injured
3. Call 112 and/or 119 (or your local MP office if on post) to report location, date, time, injuries, and damage
4. Document the scene with your cell phone camera
5. DO NOT LEAVE THE SCENE and be sure to follow directions given by the police once they arrive
6. If the accident is on-post, follow the directions of the post MP
7. If the accident is off-post, follow the directions of the KNP

### Breakdown Procedures

In case of the event of a breakdown, have the following in your vehicle at all times: warning triangle and a survival kit (blanket, water, food, and first aid kit). Pull to the far right of the roadway, if possible, and turn on hazard lights. DO NOT exit the vehicle unless absolutely necessary, and if you must, do so on the right side of the vehicle. Call 112 to dis-

patch the nearest police or wrecker service in the vicinity. Wait with the vehicle until the police or wrecker arrives and render it safe to exit the vehicle. Be wary of tow-truck drivers that may push you to take on their services before you have the chance to contact your insurance and go through all appropriate procedures for an accident.

### **Insurance**

All vehicles in Korea are required to have vehicle insurance. Proof of insurance must be carried in the vehicle at all times. If you use a US based insurance company, be sure you know what coverage and services, like road-side assistance, they offer for you while in Korea. It is also possible to get English foreigner-friendly local Korean insurance. Here is one example: <https://thesoulof-seoul.net/driving-with-axa-insurance/>

Make sure you compare the costs and values of each plan before making a decision.

## **Bicycles/Scooters**

Riding a bike or scooter is a convenient form of transportation while you are stationed in Korea. Bicycle/Scooter parking is available near most buildings on your installation. Bicyclists and those on scooters must adhere to the same traffic laws as drivers and have the same rights as drivers. Reference USFK Regulation 190-1 Motor Vehicle Traffic Supervision Section B-18 for the complete policy.

All military personnel, civilian employees, and family members who ride bicycles, motorized skateboards, scooters, or motor scooters do not require a license, but must register any such personally owned conveyance within 10 days of purchase IAW USFK Regulation 190-1 dated 12 May 2012.

Here are a few guidelines to keep you safe and in compliance:

- Register your alternate mode of transportation at the DBIDS Office.
- Wear a helmet (all ages).
- During the day, wear high-visibility clothing.
- At night, wear reflective gear and use front and rear lights.
- Ride on the right side of the roadway and in the direction of car traffic.
- Riding on the sidewalk is reserved for children.

- Follow all traffic laws including stop signs and traffic lights.
- Use hand and arm signals to show your intent to turn or stop.
- Take extra precaution at intersections.

Off post, you will find bicycle parking throughout the area, especially near subway stations, bus terminals, and other transit interchanges. The subway welcomes bicyclists on the first and last cars of the train outside of peak commuting times. Visit the Military Police Station for the latest information on the rules of the road for bicyclists and those on scooters in your area.

Riding bikes on area trails is a common activity on the weekend for locals and foreigners alike. These trails are for pedestrians and bicycles only. If you happen to be in Seoul, the Han River Trail is one of Seoul's most extensive bike networks. It offers a chance for exercise and leisure with spectacular views of the city along the river. If you do not have a bike, there are plenty of bike rental kiosks along the trail.

## **Taxis**

### **Taxi On-Post (AAFES)**

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To call an AAFES Taxi:

- DSN: Dial 99-663-4121 or
- Smartphone App: AAFES Taxi
- Text: 1544-9080 and use the following format: #pick up location #destination #Military Base#
- Be sure to include the building numbers.

## Taxi Off Post

Commercial taxis are silver/white taxis. There is a taxi stand outside the Pedestrian Gate. These taxis cannot enter post. Ask for Camp Humphreys/K-6 (Anjeong-ri for the Pedestrian Gate) or Osan Air Base/K-55 if you are heading to Osan.

## Yonghap Unsong Transportation Consortium

These taxis have access into USAG Humphreys, but not Osan. Customers wishing to use this service to get to Osan will have to exit the taxi at the gate in Songtan. Dispatchers speak English; drivers may or may not speak English. Payment is only in Korean won, and a 1,000 won service fee is added to the fare (if a customer can flag down a taxi on post without calling in a request, the service fee is waived). The phone number is 1544-9080.

**NOTE:** Many of these drivers may not be familiar with USAG Humphreys, so patience is necessary as they learn the routes.

## Buses

### On-Post Buses

Your installation has on-post shuttles that are free of charge for soldiers' and family members' use. These generally run from 05:30-01:00 Monday through Friday and 07:30-01:00 on Saturdays, Sundays, and training holidays. Find the Humphreys on-post shuttle bus information online at: <https://home.army.mil/humphreys/index.php/my-usag-humphreys/post-shuttle-bus-service>



Post Shuttle Service

### Inter-Post Buses

Buses run regularly from early morning to evening between some USFK installations, such as Humphreys-Osan-Yongsan, as well as Yongsan-K16. Buses arrive and depart USAG Humphreys from the Bus Terminal on Freedom Road (Bldg. 1780). The terminal hours are from 05:00-17:30 with counter service until 17:30. Prices vary depending on length of ride, from \$3.50 to \$8.00 one way.

<https://home.army.mil/humphreys/index.php/my-usag-humphreys/inter-garrison-bus-service>

## Off-Post Buses

South Korea has wonderful public transportation. Buses are common in all cities and some of the larger cities, like Seoul and Busan, offer tour buses of the city. Using apps like KakaoMaps, Naver Maps, and Citymapper can help you plan bus routes. These apps make transportation easy.

## City Bus

These buses run within the city and are paid for with cash or T-money card (see Money section above for more information on T-Money cards). Bus routes are designated by number, and the most commonly used one at Humphreys is 20 (known as "the 20 bus"), which takes you from the main gate to AK Plaza/Pyeongtaek Station and beyond. The city bus runs from 05:30-23:30, and a list of route 20 stops can be found at this website: <https://api.army.mil/e2/c/downloads/328208.pdf>

To return from a trip to Pyeongtaek Station/AK plaza, get on the 20 bus at this bus stop will get you back: <https://naver.me/GisAdZdx>

## Express Bus

These run-on expressways, and while they may stop at rest areas, they seldom stop in a city other than the destination.

<https://www.lifeofbrit.com/how-to-buy-bus-tickets-in-korea/>

## Intercity Bus

These usually make stopovers at smaller cities while on their way from one region to another. Tickets and schedules may be found at <https://txbus.t-money.co.kr/main.do>. Must have a Korean card for payment.

## Airport Buses

There is a free airport shuttle bus that picks up and drops off at Maude Hall on Camp Humphreys. This bus departs at 0600 and then again at 1300. It is recommended to be there an hour prior to departure, especially during PCS and holiday seasons.

Local airport buses run between Pyeongtaek and the airports making a few stops at bus terminals along the way. Leaving from the Pyeongtaek Intercity Bus Terminal (a short walk down the street from AK Plaza) gives travelers multiple time slots for bus rides to either Incheon

(Terminals 1 & 2) or Gimpo airports. Tickets can be purchased in the terminal, although, for early morning rides there may not be an attendant behind the counter; in this case you can purchase the tickets at the terminal days in advance or pay cash to the driver if there is space on the bus.

There is a purple airport limousine bus with six daily departures from the bus stop outside the main gate in Anjeong-ri (the "Ville" just outside the USAG Humphreys Walkthrough gate) to the Incheon terminals only, making several stops along the way. The fare is 16,300 won for adults and 8,200 for children. You should try to have exact change, if possible, or pre-purchase your ticket at the one-stop. In order to take the airport bus back to Pyeongtaek or USAG Humphreys from Incheon, purchase a ticket at the booth or kiosk outside exit 8. Depending on the time you depart the airport, you can either get a bus to Anjeong-ri or to the Pyeongtaek Bus Terminal. The salesperson can direct you to the stall from where your bus will depart, and it will be shown on your ticket.

## Trains

The train system in Korea is very dependable and can be an excellent alternative to driving. Trains are equipped with restrooms (to include changing tables), overhead bins for small articles, and luggage racks. Tickets can be reserved up to 1 month in advance by either visiting the train station, using the Let's Korail website (US cards accepted), or visiting Leisure Travel Services on base.

Let's Korail: <https://www.letskorail.com/>



KoRail

### KTX/KTX Sancheon

These are the high-speed trains that allow passengers to travel anywhere in Korea in less than 3 hours. KTX trains carry 935 passengers, and the KTX Sancheon trains carry 363 passengers. Both have first class and standard class cars. There are 5 KTX Lines: Gyeongbu, Honam, Gyeongjeon, Jeolla, and Gangneung Lines, which spread from Seoul to the southeast and southwest of Korea. A great map of the lines can be found at [https://info.korail.com/mbs/english/subview.jsp?id=english\\_050401010000](https://info.korail.com/mbs/english/subview.jsp?id=english_050401010000).

### ITX

There are two types, the ITX-Cheongchun (which runs from Yongsan Station to Chuncheon City in the east) and ITX-Saemaeul (which runs on the Gyeongbu, Honam, and Gyeongjeon Lines).

### Mugungwha-ho

This is the slowest and cheapest class of train because it stops at the most stations. The two types of cars available are passenger and cafe cars. Nuriro (this medium to long-distance train) mainly travels from Seoul to Sinchang.

### SRT

Introduced in late 2016, the Super Rapid Train begins at Suseo Station in Seoul and terminates in either Mokpo or Busan. It travels up to 300 km/hr and carries 410 passengers. The closest SRT station to USAG Humphreys is Jije Station, and travelers wishing to travel via SRT may either drive and park at the station or take Metro Line 1 from Pyeongtaek Station one stop to Jije. Advanced purchase is recommended for these trains as they sell out quickly. You can purchase tickets at an SRT station up to one month in advance, through the Leisure Travel Services on base, or if you have a Korean bank account you can use the SRT app to purchase.

You can also purchase train tickets at the Discover Seoul Travel office:

#### *Discover Seoul Travel Office*

Location: Bldg. 5711 Downtown Plaza

Hours: Mon-Sat 10:00-21:00.

Website: <http://www.discoverseoul.com/21>

For more information, refer to Chapter 9: Leisure and Travel

### Subway

With twenty-three subway lines, and 728 stations serving over 20 million people, the Seoul Metro Railway System is one of the largest and most efficient in the world. The metro covers the entire metropolitan region. Camp Casey and Osan Air Base are accessible via subway. You can expect the subway to be crowded during peak commute times. Here are some tips to keep in mind when navigating the subway system:

## Maps

Download a subway app such as Subway Korea. If you know your origin and destination stations (and many tourism websites will give you a station and exit for reference), you can plot them in the app, which will tell you the fastest route, including transfers.

**TIP:** The Visit Korea app will tell you what subway station as well as what exit number to take to get to your destination and is great when used in addition to your favorite subway app.

## Fare

Load your T-money card or have Korean won to purchase a single-fare ticket at a station kiosk. The T-money card provides a small discount and allows free transfers. The fare rates are always fluctuating with the economy but it's very inexpensive to travel and kids under 6 are free.

## Language

Signs and notices are in English, Korean, and other languages.

Hours of Operation

The Seoul Metro operates from 05:30 to midnight, but some station hours vary, so confirm on your app.

## Station Ins and Outs

Verify the station name at your origin and determine the station you need for your final destination. Each station will have multiple street level entrances. Use the street level marker to verify the station information. Stairs, escalators, and/or elevators will take you into the station.

## Enter the Gate

Have your T-Money card in hand and approach the turnstile or subway gate. The green arrows on the turnstiles indicate which gates to enter; the red circles on the turnstiles indicate which gates are not for entrance. Sometimes these indicators change based on the direction with the most demand at the time. Locate the T-Money reader on your right side. Place the T-Money card on the reader until you hear it beep. The display screen will show the trip fare at the top and the remaining balance on the bottom. The fare for transfers is zero. If the card does not scan, the turnstile will lock or the gates will close.

Try again then ask for assistance from a subway attendant or fellow passenger.

## Locating Your Platform

This may require going down several levels and walking through hallways to connect to your train. Follow the signs to your line number. Knowing the color of your line will help locate it quickly. The sign will also list other stations in the direction of travel for that line. Know your direction of travel to avoid getting lost. Some lines use the same platform for both directions while other lines use different platforms located in different areas of the station.

## Riding the Subway

Trains run frequently in Seoul, so wait time is short. Expect the subway to be crowded during peak commute times. When the subway is crowded, riders will form two lines in front of each set of doors. Once the train arrives, allow the arriving passengers to step off the train, then enter the train. There may be some pushing and shoving during peak times. You can sit or stand anywhere except for the spaces designated for passengers with limited mobility (unless applicable). Generally, subway rides are quiet, silence is encouraged, and some locals nap. Inside the train there is a diagram of the line as well as screens indicating the next station. An arrow will appear on the screen to indicate the exit door.

## Transfers

If a line transfer is required, exit the train at the transfer station. Signs indicate which way to find your transfer. Know the number and color of the line, then locate the color-coded signs on the platform for your next line. Again, know your direction of travel so that you can find the right platform.

## Finding the Way Out

At your destination station, exit the train. Find signs for "Way Out." Most stations will have several ways out, so know the exit number needed before following the signs. If you do not know your exit number, consult the neighborhood map usually located on platforms and near exit stairwells.

## Exit the Gate

Before you arrive at the station exit, you will need to pass through the exit turnstile or gates. With your T-Money card in hand, approach a gate with a green arrow and place the card on the reader. Your subway trip is now closed and the fare charged.

## Leaving the Station

Continue to follow the signs to your exit number. Notice which way is north as not all maps are oriented the same way. Knowing which way is north will also help above ground. Stairs, elevators, and escalators will take you up to street level.

## Station Amenities

Subway stations in Seoul have a variety of amenities such as restrooms, shops, convenience stores, eateries, lockers, police stations, lost and found, neighborhood maps, and customer service counters. Some stations connect to underground malls, hotels, or museum entrances.

## Airports

### Incheon

Airport code: ICN  
Located 50 km west of Seoul  
Primary hub for long haul international flights  
Shopping, dining, and entertainment  
Accessible via non-stop and all-stop trains, limousine buses, taxis, and vehicle expressways  
Parking is available, and fees vary according to car size, time, and distance from the terminal.

### Gimpo

Airport code: GMP  
Located about 15 km west of downtown Seoul  
Domestic air traffic (e.g., to Jeju Island); international flights in the Asia Pacific region  
Shopping, dining, and entertainment Easily accessed by car, bus, and train  
Parking available; fees vary according to car size, time, and distance from terminal

## Osan Air Base

Space Available flights, also known as Space A or Patriot Express, is air travel offered at a highly reduced rate to active-duty and retired service members, along with qualifying members of their families.

Space A travel is possible if there are seats left over on flights after military personnel traveling under orders have received their seats. There are various restrictions governing Space A travel, so be familiar with these guidelines. Keep in mind that Space A is not a reliable means of transportation, so travelers must be flexible and prepared with an alternate travel plan.

### *Basic Steps for Successful Space A Travel:*

- Identify your eligibility travel category
- Determine your departure and arrival points, along with intended travel dates
- Prepare required documentation and obtain requisite authorization
- Register with the Passenger Terminal (the earlier the better) and register for both your departing flight and return flight.
- For the most up to date information on travel out of Osan Air Base, visit their FB page: (<https://www.facebook.com/OsanABPassenger-Terminal/>) or call 784-6883
- For information for travel out of Seattle-Tacoma Airport on AMC flights to Korea, visit (<https://www.facebook.com/SeaTacAmcPassengerTerminal>)
- For general information on Space A travel, visit: <https://www.af.mil/Home/AMC-Travel-Site/>

## Ferries

Surrounded on three sides by water, ferry transportation is readily available from the Korean coasts to nearby islands such as Jeju. Port cities like Incheon, Busan, Mokpo, and Donghae operate passenger ferry terminals. The Visit Korea Tourism site offers a detailed explanation of all terminals. Cruises on the Han River in Seoul offer a unique view of the city. Visit <https://www.koreatodo.com/han-river-hangang-ferry-cruise> for more details.

## POSTAL SERVICE

### US Postal Service (USPS)

The Army Post Office (APO) processes all mail coming from and going to the Armed Forces Pacific (AP) Region. Sending mail to and from this region costs the same as continental US postal rates. Several USPS mail drop boxes are located throughout USAG Humphreys.

#### *Main Post Office, Bldg. 5730*

Phone: 0503-357-3600 DSN: 757-3600

Hours: Mon-Fri 10:00-18:00, Sat & Training Holidays, 10:00-14:00,  
Sun Closed

#### *Cowan Post Office, Bldg. 6809*

Phone: 0503-355-1154/1402 DSN: 755-1154/1402

Hours: Mon-Wed & Fri 10:00-17:30, Thur 11:00-17:30,  
Sat & Training Holidays, 10:00-14:00, Sun: Closed

#### *Morning Calm, Bldg. P-727*

Phone: 0503-355-2892 DSN: 755-2892

Hours: Mon-Wed & Fri 10:00-17:30, Thur. 11:00-17:30,  
Sat & Training Holidays, 10:00-14:00, Sun: Closed

### UPS and FEDEX On Post

FedEx and UPS deliver to Korea at international rates. There are 11 UPS shipping centers in Korea; these can be found on the UPS website.

#### *FedEx*

Location: Bldg. 118 Annex Sentry Rd. (near the Sentry Mini Mall)

Phone: 031-658-4531

Hours: Mon-Sat 09:00-17:00

#### *Packing Shop in Main Post Exchange*

Phone: 010-4215-2118

Hours: Mon-Sat 10:00-17:00, Sun 11:00-16:00

#### *UPS OFF Post*

Location closest to USAG Humphreys: 8, Changmarwit-gil,  
Uiwang-Shi, GyeonggiDo

Phone: 031-462-2311

Hours: Mon-Fri 09:30-18:00

(closed for lunch 12:00-13:00)

### Korea Post

To ship items within Korea (not to other military installations), you need to use the Korean postal service, Korea Post. There are many post drop boxes in the USAG Humphreys area, and the nearest post office is outside the pedestrian gate just past the 3/8 Market on the left side. Please remember that it is illegal to ship goods purchased at the PX or Commissary to non-US military personnel in Korea (<https://www.ko-reapost.go.kr/eng/index.do>)

## SHOPPING

Shopping in Korea is a lot of fun, if you are informed and ready for shopping experiences that differ from what you might have experienced in the past. This section provides some basic information on sizing, customs, uniquely Korean products to search for, and an overview of some of the major shopping areas.

### Online Shopping and Shipping

#### US Online Retail

Many people find themselves die-hard Internet shoppers after moving to Korea as Western goods can be more expensive on the economy. Many Internet sites will ship to APO addresses, but you may need a Virtual Private Network (VPN) to order from them. We could not list them all, but here are some popular online retailers that will ship to an APO/ FPO:

- PX/BX: [www.shopmyexchange.com](http://www.shopmyexchange.com)
- NEX: <http://www.mynavyexchange.com>
- Amazon: [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com)
- Macy's: [www.macys.com](http://www.macys.com)
- JC Penney: [www.jcpenney.com](http://www.jcpenney.com)
- Kohls: [www.kohls.com](http://www.kohls.com)
- Lane Bryant: [www.lanebryant.com](http://www.lanebryant.com)
- Target: [www.target.com](http://www.target.com)
- Old Navy: <http://oldnavy.gap.com>



- Torrid: <http://www.torrid.com/torrid/Homepage.jsp>
- Childrens Place: [www.childrensplace.com](http://www.childrensplace.com)
- Gymboree: [www.gymboree.com](http://www.gymboree.com) (children's clothing)
- Zappos: <http://www.zappos.com> (shoes)
- Party City: <http://www.partycity.com> (party supplies)
- iHerb: <http://www.iherb.com> (vitamins, supplements, and natural health products)
- Vitacost: <http://www.vitacost.com> (discounted organic food & natural health care items)
- Drugstore.com: <http://www.drugstore.com> (health and beauty supplies)
- Sally Beauty: <http://sallybeauty.com> (health and beauty supplies)

More options here:

<https://militarydiscounts.shop/stores-that-ship-apo-fpo-dpo/>

Search for online coupons and discounted shipping codes when ordering. Plan ahead during busy holidays. Check shipping methods companies use to ship goods.

The quickest, easiest, and most convenient way for APO/FPO shipments is USPS Priority Mail, which usually takes one to two weeks. If your order is being shipped via standard methods, please note it may take six to eight weeks to arrive, so plan accordingly.

For items that cannot be shipped to an APO/FPO address, there are companies who specialize in forwarding packages to APO/FPO addresses. They provide you with a stateside shipping address and then charge shipping and handling to forward it on to your APO address. Consider visiting [www.apobox.com](http://www.apobox.com) or [www.shipitapo.com](http://www.shipitapo.com). Many online vendors will not ship large items to APO addresses and if they do, the shipping costs can be more than the actual item purchased.

## Gmarket and Gmarket Global

Website (Korean language only, use translation in browser):

<https://www.gmarket.co.kr/>

Global: <https://global.gmarket.co.kr/Home/Main>

Smartphone apps available for both storefronts.

Gmarket and Gmarket Global is a Korean online auction and shopping mall website, where people from around the world buy and sell goods and services. Gmarket will ship quickly to off-post Korean ad-

resses. The different store fronts will have different offerings as some items can only be sold outside of Korea, and some can only be sold within Korea.

## Coupang

Website: <https://www.coupang.com>

Smartphone App: Coupang

Coupang is Korea's largest online retailer, sometimes referred to as the "Amazon of Korea." Shipping to off-post Korean addresses is fast and convenient. The site is in Korean and payment may be difficult without an FRC (Foreign Residence Card aka ARC) and Korean bank account, so some people seek assistance from their friends or realtors when ordering.

## More Online Shopping in Korea

Get your translator and Korean bank account ready and check out this blog from the concierge service Wonderful (who can help you shop if you don't want to get your own Korean account) listing many more Korean websites for shopping online. <https://www.gowonderfully.com/post/23-korean-online-shopping-websites-you-will-love>

## On-Post Shopping

Look online at [aafes.com](http://aafes.com) to learn what retail services are available at your installation.

As always, ID cards are required for purchases made at the PX or Commissary. Rules surrounding whether IDs are checked upon entrance, and ration control are ever-changing so keep up to date by following official social media channels and referencing this official website: <https://home.army.mil/humphreys/index.php/about/garrison/directorate-human-resources/deersid-cards#qt0:2>

## Daily Life Needs

### *Baby And Maternity*

Baby furniture items, such as cribs, mattresses, changing tables, and rocking chairs, are not supplied by the Housing Management Office and can be expensive to purchase in Korea. The PX and Furniture Store carry

most baby items, but the selection is limited. If you want a particular stroller, baby jogger, or highchair, purchase it prior to departing the US and ship it with your household goods.

Newborn clothing can be found on the local economy at large chain stores, like E-mart. There is a wide selection of goods in the Infant and Toddler section in the PX however, the restocking of goods from the US is sometimes inconsistent.

The PX has a selection of maternity clothing, but items can sell out quickly. Ordering through US websites is another way to get maternity clothes. Maternity clothing and baby items are available second hand through local Facebook buy and sell pages and installation thrift shops such as: The Humphreys Painted Door Thrift Shop, Osan Thrift Shop (Osan AB), and Apple Tree Gift and Thrift (Daegu/Camp Walker).

### ***Kids Clothes Off-Post***

There are obviously going to be kids clothes options on base at the PX and thrift stores, and you can always purchase online, but if you want to head off base there are options also. Just translate “kids clothes” in the Papago translation app and search the resulting Korean in the Naver Apps map. This should bring up lots of listings, many with images and blogs you can translate to learn more about these places for finding kids clothes.

### ***All About Hair***

Ask for pricing beforehand as each service provided (e.g., shampooing, blow drying, etc.) can be a separate charge. If you use special hair care products, check the online websites to see if your product can be ordered and shipped to your APO. If your favorite products are not available for order, bring a supply of those products with you. Some products can be purchased off post, but they can be hard to find and expensive. Many find the water in Korea harsh on skin and hair as it is hard water, so consider purchasing showerhead water-softening filters. Additionally, favorite soaps, shampoos, and conditioners may or may not provide the same results as in the States. Some find that using Korean shampoos and conditioners that are meant for working well in the water here is a good option. You will have to experiment to see what works best for you.

### ***Carpets and Rugs***

Floors in most government quarters are linoleum/wood over concrete and most off-post apartments generally have heated floors. Online

US stores will not ship large rugs or rug pads overseas. Bring any desired rugs (including runners) with you in your household goods as choices are limited in Korea and can be expensive. AAFES carries some area rugs, carpeting, and padding at a variety of prices and sizes up to 12'x15'. Ask at the PX about ordering rugs online for local store pickup. Ikea and Costco are good places to check off post if the PX is lacking.

You can also purchase rugs from AAFES contracted vendors like Turkish Bazaar. Some carpet vendors move from installation to installation to set up displays and sell various sizes of decorative rugs.

Be sure to also check Thrift Stores, local Buy/Sell Facebook Pages, and with departing personnel who may be selling their carpets prior to moving.

## **Commissary**

Commissary hours vary by installation, but all have modified hours for US holidays. All commissaries accept manufacturer, online printable, and commissary specific coupons, which may be used for up to six months after the printed expiration. You can also load coupons onto the free Commissary Rewards Card on the Commissary website. ACS has coupons available for coupon swappers.

Useful couponing websites:

- <http://www.coupons.com> (printable coupons)
- <http://smartsources.com> (printable coupons)
- <http://militarycoupons.com> (printable coupons)
- <https://www.checkout51.com>  
(earn money back from purchases you have made)
- <https://ibotta.com>  
(earn money back from purchases you have made)

### ***USAG Humphreys Commissary***

Website: <https://www.commissaries.com/shopping/store-locations/camp-humphreys>

Store Email: [CampHumphreys.commissary@deca.mil](mailto:CampHumphreys.commissary@deca.mil)

Hours: Mon 10:00-19:00, Tues-Fri 10:00-20:00, Sat-Sun 09:00-20:00

CLICK2GO is a new curbside pickup service offered by the commissary in which you can order and pay online and pick up at the commissary at a specific time. Download the mobile app and start shopping for the items you love, this app is available on the App Store and Google Play.

## **Holiday Decorating**

### ***Christmas***

Bring beloved holiday items in your HHG shipment. You can find Christmas decorations and artificial trees at the PX, sometimes thrift shops, and at stores off post. During the Christmas season, on the 3rd floor of the Express Bus Terminal in Seoul, there is a large Christmas market that sells all kinds of Christmas decorations to include ornaments, lights, and artificial Christmas trees. It is unusual to find live trees off post, and if they are available, they are expensive. Disposing of live trees is difficult if you live off post as you are not authorized to bring trash on to post to dispose of it.

### ***Hanukkah/Passover***

Bring essential holiday items in your HHG shipment as AAFES has not offered any items in the past and nothing has been found off-post.

### ***Halloween***

The PX carries a large selection of Halloween decorations and some costumes. The Commissary has a large supply of pumpkins so bring your pumpkin-carving tools!

## **Tailors & Seamstresses**

Korea is known for their custom tailors and seamstresses. Most people who have lived in the area for a few years have a favorite tailor, so when you see a person wearing a custom suit or uniform that you like, ask him or her who made it. After selecting a tailor, select a fabric that is compatible with the desired garment style. Review all the garment details (type of lapel, pocket flaps, cuffs, etc.) with the tailor so you are pleased with the final product. Do not accept unsatisfactory workmanship and do not pay for the garment in full until you are completely satisfied. Outside of Osan AB and USAG Humphreys custom items can cost 25% less than in Seoul and usually, the more you order, the more you save (i.e., a gown and custom suit, a custom suit and jacket, etc.).

### ***Leather***

There are many good bargains on luggage, jackets, handbags or shoes. If you cannot tell the difference between cow, lamb, or pigskin,

shop with someone who can. Quality lambskin is the most expensive and you certainly do not want to pay for lamb and end up with treated cow; this also applies for fleece linings.

If you are placing an order, never pay for the entire garment in advance. Making the smallest down payment possible helps ensure the merchant stays interested in the final product meeting your expectations in a timely manner. Do not accept a garment until you are happy with it, but it is not the merchant's fault if you picked a style that is unbecoming on you. Know what looks best on you before placing a customized order, or you could end up forfeiting your deposit. In most cases, you will have to purchase the item since large sizes are difficult for the tailor to sell.

## **Custom-Made Uniforms**

Custom-made uniforms are reasonably priced at off-post tailors. Get recommendations from individuals of similar size and visit many offpost tailors to get quotes prior to purchasing a custom uniform. Quality and pricing may differ greatly and verify use of authorized materials prior to ordering.

The Military Clothing Sales Store (MCSS) carries fabrics and buttons authorized for Army uniforms only. The selection of Air Force, Marine, and Navy uniform items is limited at USAG Humphreys and some items have to be ordered from Osan or the US, so plan ahead. For off-post clothing services, you may need to purchase your own fabric. After the tailor has taken all the necessary measurements, ask how much fabric will be needed to make the uniform. A man's jacket normally takes about 2½ yards and the pants require about 1½ yards. Check at Military Clothing Sales and Service to make sure you have all the necessary trim and measurements for its placement.

Women's uniforms are more difficult to make than men's and are more expensive, so ask to see samples and prices before committing to a garment.

### ***Duke Tailor***

Located in the Ville, Duke Tailor can create custom suits, military uniforms, evening gowns and more. Phone: 010-9431-7126.

### ***Lim's Tailor***

Open since 1975, Lim's Custom Tailor can create custom suits, military uniforms, evening gowns, leather bomber jackets and more. Email: silverawarded@naver.com.

### ***Jokeman Tailor***

Located in the Ville on a short walk straight across from the Anjeong-ri pedestrian gate. Jokeman Tailor can create custom made uniforms, suits, shirts, dresses. Phone: 010-3798-6852.

### **Furniture Delivery Service**

Many vendors/stores will deliver items purchased off post. Understand delivery prices as some only deliver to your door but not into your home. Most off-post vendors do not have access to post and will require an escort to on-post housing. When coordinating for this delivery, make sure you understand the requirements for the person entering the installation based on the current threat level. At a minimum all delivery persons will be required to show a photo identification (many Koreans do not carry this) as well as registration documents for the vehicle. If the delivery person is turned away at the gate you may be charged additional money for an additional delivery, or the vendor may not deliver beyond the commercial gate entrance.

### **AAFES Concessionaires**

Local vendors sell many items including Korean souvenirs, art, blankets, lacquer-ware, clothing, embroidery, furniture, jewelry, pottery, leather goods, and clothing. Some vendors travel between installations and may only be at one location for a month. If you are interested in items, get a business card from the vendor, find out their schedule for locations or determine the location of their shop off post. At most installations there is also a dry-cleaner, alterations, portrait studio, and optical shop.

### **Gasoline**

AAFES Gas Station prices are considerably cheaper than prices found on the Korean economy, unless the exchange rate is extremely good for the USD, then Diesel fuel can be cheaper off-post. Identification cards are required for pump access. Most AAFES gas stations are co-located with Express facilities or with kiosks that offer drinks, quick snacks, oil, and wiper fluid.

### ***USAG Humphreys***

Location: Bldg. 2270, corner of 11th St. and Tropic Lightning Ave.  
Hours: Mon-Sun: 24 hours

Location: Bldg. 12388, Pacific Victors Ave.  
(next to 8th Army Headquarters)  
Hours: Sun-Thurs 06:00-23:00, Fri-Sat 06:00-24:00

### ***Camp Casey***

Location: Bldg. S-1068  
Hours: Mon-Sat 08:30-17:30, Sun 10:00-17:00

### ***USAG Yongsan***

Location: Bldg. 4723  
Hours: 11:00-18:00 Closed Wed/Fri/Sun

### ***Osan***

Location: Bldg 511  
Hours: Mon-Sun 08:00-19:00

### ***Camp Walker (Daegu)***

Location: Bldg. S-217  
Hours: Mon-Fri 07:00-20:00, Sat-Sun 09:00-19:00

### ***Off Post***

To purchase fuel off base, you must know the proper fuel type and grade for your car and ensure the gas station attendant selects the correct fuel when refueling your car. Remember that gas off base is measured in liters and is usually more expensive than on-post. Be sure to have enough Korean won on hand or verify that the gas station takes American credit cards prior to fueling.

### **Auto Parts & Servicing**

Generally speaking, parts for non-Korean cars are expensive, but most mechanics off post will often tell you to order parts from the US and they will put them on for you, saving hundreds of dollars. All installations have Auto Skill Centers where you can do the work yourself with a mechanic there to help, or they will do the work for you for a fee (services offered vary by installation).

Online companies that will ship automotive parts and supplies: <https://www.amazon.com/>, [www.rockauto.com](http://www.rockauto.com), and [www.walmart.com](http://www.walmart.com).

### ***USAG Humphreys Auto Skills Center***

Location: Bldg 2250, Tropic Lightning Ave.  
Phone: 0503-356-8803 DSN: 756-8803

### **Grills**

You can ship your grill to Korea, but not the propane tanks. AAFES sells propane tanks for purchase or exchange at the PX or Express. If you did not ship your grill, you can purchase one at the PX during the summer months. Although grills are not authorized on balconies in apartment complexes, there are designated grill areas with lockers for propane tanks in on-post housing. F & MWR Outdoor Recreation rents larger grills and smokers.

There are off-post propane filling stations near some installations but cost and quality varies. Most picnic areas near housing complexes on and off post have charcoal grills for public use.

### **Laundry and Dry Cleaning**

#### ***USAG Humphreys - The Cleaners***

Location: Bldg 6803, Troop Express Mall, 5th St.  
Phone: 010-2200-2003  
Hours: Mon-Sun 09:00-19:00

#### ***USAG Humphreys The Cleaners***

Location: Bldg 400, Sentry Mini Mall  
Phone: 503-353-7703  
Hours: Mon-Sun 10:00-19:00

#### ***USAG Humphreys Laundry Cleaning***

Location: Bldg. 6120, NCOA, Bayonet Ave.  
Phone: 01063081358  
Mon-Fri 10:00-19:00, Sat 10:00-16:00, Closed Sunday

#### ***USAG Humphreys Launderette***

Location: Bldg 1406, American St. across from the pedestrian gate  
Hours: Mon-Fri 10:00-18:00, Closed Sat-Sun

#### ***Camp Walker The Cleaners***

Location: Bldg S-208  
Phone: 053-475-8288

Hours: Mon-Fri 10:30-19:00, Sat 10:30-18:00, Closed Sun

#### ***Camp Walker Launderette***

Location: Bldg. S-318  
Phone: 0503-364-5039  
Hours: Daily 24 Hours

#### ***Camp Casey Alteration/LDC/Souvenir***

Location: Bldg. S-1950  
Hours: Mon-Fri 10:30-18:00, Closed Sat-Sun

### **Thrift Stores**

#### ***Humphreys Painted Door Thrift Store***

Location: Bldg 118, next to Burger King and Sentry Mall.  
Parking is available at the 2ID Museum.  
Open: Tues-Thurs. & Sat. 1000-1400.

#### ***Osan Thrift Shop***

Location: Bldg: B720 (behind high school football field)  
Hours: Mon 11:00-15:00, Tue & Thurs 11:00-18:00, One Sat/Month 11:00-15:00

#### ***Daegu/Camp Walker Apple Tree Gift and Thrift***

Hours: Tues & Wed 10:00-14:00, Thurs 14:00-18:00, 1st Sat 12:00-15:00

#### ***Off-Post Thrift Stores***

Please see the Chapter 8 (Travel and Leisure), page 365 for more information about thrifting off post.

### **Framing**

Many people choose to have artwork framed in Korea due to the relatively low cost. Plastic frames are widespread so if you are offered an unbelievably low price on the framing, check the material. The F & MWR Arts and Craft Centers of every post offer custom matting and framing services for a reasonable fee, or you can frame it yourself.

### **Clothing**

Koreans are increasingly fashion-conscious, and many new cutting-edge and trendy designers are emerging. If you are a fashionista,

Korea is a great place to shop!

Women's Sizes: women who wear Large, X-Large, and plus-size have a difficult time finding clothes that fit in Korea. Some specialty shops sell imported plus-size women's clothing, however, the sizing is reflective of the country of origin.

Sizing differences: Shirt sizes are in centimeters. S, M, L, XL sizes run one to two sizes smaller, so a Korean M is often equivalent to American XS or S. Pants: are often sized by the waist measurement in centimeters or occasionally inches and are 'skinny' or 'slim' cuts.

Clothing Size Conversion Chart				
International	USA	UK	Europe	Korea
XS	4-6	6-8	32	44
S	8-10	10-12	34	55
M	12-16	14-16	36	66
L	18-20	18-20	38	77
XL	22-24	22-24	40	88
XXL	26-28	26-28	42	

Shoe sizes are typically measured in millimeters. Shoes sizes above Women's US size 8 or wide options are very limited off post. Men's sizes go up a bit higher.

## Flowers and Plants

Flower markets and nurseries are a great place to get low-cost flowers and plants. Flower markets usually open before sunrise and close around lunch time, so be sure to go early. One of the most popular flower markets is on the 3rd floor of the Express Bus Terminal in Seoul and can be accessed by express bus or subway lines 3, 7, or 9. Sharon Flower Farm is very close to USAG Humphreys and is popular with USAG Humphreys families.

Location: <https://naver.me/F0KtIRhf>

Phone: 031-656-0662.

## Additional Tips for Shopping Locally

Shopping in Korea can be slightly overwhelming at first, but with time and practice you will become a pro. When shopping, consider the fol-

lowing information.

There are thousands of stores and vendors in Korea. Check out some of the websites and Facebook pages listed in the Resources chapter and read the recommendations of others. New stores open all the time and some old favorites may move or go out of business, so ask your neighbors, colleagues, friends, and social media groups to recommend shops that cater to your interests.

Vendors can be insistent, so do not let aggressive merchants push you into buying something you do not want. But on the other hand, if you see something you like, buy it as it might not be there the next time you visit that area. Remember that often sales are final no returns. If you are shopping for Korean-made items, be sure to check that the items are actually made in Korea. Many items, especially those that seem to be very good bargains, are often imported.

Explore! The small, local markets and street vendors carry items you cannot find on-post. And wandering through the large shopping malls and department stores can be a full day outing for you and your family. See the Leisure and Travel chapter for more on shopping for fun in Korea.

Korean clothing and shoes tend to run smaller than western items. General guidelines according to many Korean vendors is Korean Large is US Small. It is important to understand that even knowing the analogous US size does not guarantee fit, as items are often cut to fit slim. We recommend that you take actual measurements with you when shopping.

Be comfortable with going back and forth with the merchants at smaller stores and markets to negotiate before agreeing on a price. The only places you cannot negotiate are box stores (e.g., Costco). If possible, browse on your first pass through a market and then return on the second pass to buy. Prior to shopping in the markets and street vendors, browse the items and prices at chain stores like Daiso, Lotte Mart, and E-Mart. This will give you a general idea of prices.

If shopping in a market where you are able to negotiate with the seller, it is usually best to pay in cash, specifically, Korean won. Many vendors will be able to accept credit card, but they may charge extra. Most places do not accept US dollars, and if they do, the exchange rate always will favor the seller.

Outside of Korean department stores, many Korean stores do not have dressing rooms. Be prepared to slip things on over your clothes or change in a makeshift dressing area that consists of a curtain that has been hung for your privacy. Many stores and vendors may not allow you to try garments on.

If you really like the items and prices at a particular store, ask for extra business cards to refer friends. Many merchants will give discounts for your word-of-mouth referrals.

Come prepared with sturdy bags or a wagon when shopping. Grocery stores and some department stores charge for shopping bags. Many stores offer an area with free boxes to box your own purchases at no cost.

With the exception of some food and flower markets, most stores do not open before 10:00. Many markets are closed on a particular weekday and large box stores are closed certain days of the month so check before you go. The months of July and August are traditionally vacation season for Koreans; be prepared for some markets and shops to close for a few days or even a week. This also occurs during Chuseok (Korean Thanksgiving holiday) and the Lunar New Year holiday.

Check the US Postal and Customs regulations prior to buying a large number of items to send to the US. The US Customs Office cracks down on illegal exports. Learn about items that are illegal to send or bring stateside.

## MARKETS

### Local Markets

The markets are a great place to purchase local fruits and vegetables, as well as other grocery options for you and your family! Below is a list of items that you will be able to find at the markets and some tips for purchasing.

- Fresh fruit and vegetables.
- Fish and Crabs
- Local honey.
- Rice cakes.
- Homemade mandu (dumplings).
- Beans, grains and millets: You can find a wide variety of beans, grains, millets (quinoa, amaranth, barleys, rice, etc).
- Teas: There are many teas available including chrysanthemum, red hibiscus, goji berry, jujubee and many more.
- Dried vegetables and fruits: These are very popular and you can find candied ginger, sweet potato, and beets. You will also be able to find and purchase dried peas, green beans, and peppers.
- Roasted seaweed.
- Hottoek, a traditional Korean sweet pancake.

### 5 Day Markets

Many smaller cities and towns in Korea have traditional 5 day markets. These markets are held every 5 days and are a great place to find fresh and affordable fruit and vegetables along with tasty treats and unique items. These markets are often referred to just by numbers, as the numbers signify the days of the month they are open. For example, the Paengseong Market near USAG Humphreys is often called the 3-8 Market because it is only open on days of the month that end in 3 or 8. (3, 8, 13, 18, 23, 28).

- 3/8 Market (Humphreys): located just down the pedestrian street, Anjeong Rodeo Street, from the pedestrian gate.
- 4/9 Market (Osan): This market is located outside of the Osan walk-through gate and happens on days that end in 4 or 9. This market has more vendors than the 3-8 market.

### Tongbok Market

Tongbok Market is open 7 days a week and is located in Pyeongtaek near AK Plaza. Take the number 20 bus toward AK Plaza, and get off the bus at the stop prior to AK Plaza. This market has a very wide selection of items including fruit, vegetables, food, fish, luggage, clothing, and much more!

### Anjeong-ri Rodeo Street

Anjeong-ri Rodeo Street (outside USAG Humphreys pedestrian gate) features a cluster of restaurants and clothes and souvenir shops. The street features Mato Festival, a multinational culture and arts festival, four times a year, alongside an arts market, experiential events, and performances.

### Sinjang-dong Shopping Mall

Sinjang-dong Shopping Mall (outside of Osan AB) features shopping and entertainment establishments. Designated as an exclusive walkway from the K-55 base to the railroad, this area allows visitors to enjoy shopping and holidays. In May-June each year, a memorial event for the designation of the Songtan Tourist Special Zone is held.

### Other Markets

#### *Dongdaemun (East Gate Market)*

The largest of the shopping markets in Seoul and possibly the most popular with both Korean and foreign shoppers, Dongdaemun is famous for a variety of wares including fabric, sweaters, lingerie, shoes, sports equipment, clothing, Korean bedding, jackets, leather items, handbags, jewelry, toys, and much more. It is located in the eastern sector of Seoul and is easily reached by taking the subway. The market is well marked on almost all Seoul roadmaps. (Dongdaemun Station, Subway Line 4, Exit 8 or 9).

### ***Banpo (Express Bus Terminal)***

Just south of the Han River, this bus terminal is the hub of all long-distance bus traffic in the Republic of Korea. It is busy on a normal day and jammed on Korean holidays. It has several floors of restaurants and interesting, inexpensive shops. There are fresh flower markets in the basement and third floor along with a huge artificial flower market. Home goods are on the third floor and Christmas and other holiday items are available seasonally. (Express Bus Terminal Station, Subway Line 3, 7, or 9).

### ***Insadong***

In downtown Seoul between the US Embassy and Pagoda Park. There are many tea shops and restaurants down some of the interesting side streets around this shopping area. On Sunday afternoons, the streets are closed to vehicle traffic and shopkeepers set up their wares in the street, along with various entertainers and artists. Insadong is a great place to get Korea souvenirs, antiques, and art. (Anguk Station, Subway Line 3 Exit 6, or Jonggak Station, Subway Line 1, Exit 3).

### ***Ssamziegil***

This cultural space in the middle of Insadong is a six floor-mall with 70 shops that are all connected by a long spiral path that leads to the Sky Park on the top floor which offers views of the streets below.

### ***Janghanpyeong and Dapsimni Antique Art Markets***

These markets consist of flea markets interspersed with fine antiques and a few nice shops with an array of traditional goods. Many furniture retailers purchase wholesale from this market. Just a short walk away you'll find another nearby antique market area known as Dapsimni. This market has three large buildings of treasures waiting to be explored. The

buildings (2-dong, 5-dong, and 6-dong) are easy to spot since the signs are in English as well as Korean. English is not spoken by many of the shopkeepers so negotiating can be challenging, using a calculator helps. Janghanpyeong Antique Art Market, Between Dapsimni (Subway Line 5, exit 4) and Janghanpyeong (Line 5) For Dapsimni Antique Art Market, Dapsimni Station (Subway Line 5, exit 2).

### ***Namdaemun (South Gate Market)***

Namdaemun is a unique cornucopia of clothing, jewelry, dishes, appliances, folk art, flowers, gift bags, stationery items, and foods. Major manufacturers' open early at 02:00 and close at 18:00. It has a large wholesale flower market that closes at 13:00. It is a good place to buy children's clothing, with many buildings selling nothing but children's clothes and shoes. For crafts, office, and art supplies, go to The Alpha Store which is located on Stationery Alley. Free shopping guide books filled with market information, detailed maps, and building numbers are available at information booths located along the market's main arteries. (Hoehyeon Station, Subway Line 4, exit 5).

### ***Noryangjin Fish Market***

This is Seoul's largest fish market. It is run by the Department of Agriculture, Forestry, and Fisheries, and houses over 700 shops selling seafood from 15 fishing ports around Korea. The market includes numerous restaurants that will cook your purchased fish for you, an auction floor, and an adjacent agricultural section. (Noryangjin Station Subway Line 1, Exit 2).

### ***Seoul Folk Flea Market (Hwanghak-dong Flea Market)***

This is Korea's oldest flea market dating all the way back to the Korean War. It has nearly 1,000 shops selling hard to find antiques along with second hand goods. Seoul Folk Flea Market is divided into seven zones; red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo and violet, the colors of rainbow. The red zone is a food court. The orange zone is for regional specialties such as squid from Ulleungdo Island, traditional crafts like crockery, and bits and bobs such as smoking pipes. The yellow zone deals with second hand vintage goods, such as typewriters, telephones etc. The green zone is for antiques, such as traditional antique furniture and art. The blue zone sells fashion accessories. The indigo zone sells clothing, paintings, calligraphy, and hanji (traditional handmade Korean paper). The violet



zone displays and sells miscellaneous goods, electronics, tools, etc. The market has many rare goods that cannot easily be found elsewhere. English is not spoken by many of the shopkeepers so negotiating can be challenging. (Sindang Station, Subway Line 2 or 6, Exit 11).

### ***Yongsan Electronics Market***

This market houses enough computers, stereos, cameras, and general electronic gadgets to keep an electronic whiz busy for months, maybe even years. Do not just shop in the main building. The entire market consists of more than two dozen buildings and the surrounding streets are packed with vendors selling thousands of electronic gadgets and gizmos. It is helpful to have a Korean speaker accompany you to the Electronics Market as most vendors speak little English. Compare prices and bargain before you buy. Remember that a brand label is just that, a label. They can be put on or taken off very easily. Check for quality and performance. Most product information is written in Korean and warranties are not valid in the US. If you live on post or are planning to take the products with you when you PCS, check that the products you want to buy are dual voltage (110/220). (Yongsan Station, Subway Line 1 or Sinyongsan Station, Subway Line 4).

## **Shopping Districts**

### ***Itaewon***

Itaewon is historically a very popular area for foreigners and has become a major shopping and entertainment destination in Seoul. Many of the vendors speak English and it is less overwhelming than some of the larger markets in Seoul. You can find clothing, shoes, travel bags, luggage, leather and eel skin goods, brass, antiques, and reproductions.

#### ***The Underground***

The Underground shopping area is a block away from McDonald's and across the alley from "The Bag Man" purse shop. There are many entrances to The Underground.

#### ***Boutique Area***

Follow the small street that leads to "The Underground." Keep walking until you pass a small tag store on the right side. (The tag store will sew your name in Korean on luggage and clothing tags while you wait

and also sells hats and ready-made luggage tags.) Once you pass the tag shop, you will see Monica's Custom Tailor shop. Turn right in front of this store. Walk down a narrow, steep alleyway, leading down hill. At the bottom of the hill, there are boutiques lining both sides of the street. Many stores are closed on Tuesdays.

### ***Hamilton Shopping Center***

There is a wide variety of stores in this four-level shopping center attached to the hotel and often is simply referred to as the "Hamilton" or the "Hamilton Hotel." The lower levels sell watches, jewelry, purses and souvenirs; the top two floors are mostly clothing, purses, and luggage.

Have a specific item in mind when shopping the lower levels, as the vendors tend to be a bit aggressive as they pressure you to buy. Take the escalator to the top level where there are also bathrooms. There is a reputable rug dealer with a nice selection of Persian rugs, who also offers rug cleaning and repair. Some shops take US dollars, but exchange rates vary from store to store.

### ***Myeong-dong***

This is one of the busiest and most fashionable shopping districts in Seoul. The narrow streets and alleys contain hundreds of clothing and accessory boutiques, shoe stores, tailors, dressmakers, huge department stores, specialty shops, and the Myeong-dong Cathedral. This district stretches for about a mile in any direction from the Myeong-dong Station, Subway line 4, so everything is within walking distance. The area is popular with teenagers and has many familiar stores such as Gap, Old Navy, H&M, and Forever 21. Some of the familiar stores even sell European-sized clothing. Myeong-dong claims to sell the biggest ice cream treat in the world at 16 inches high. There are always lines of people waiting to sample this mile-high treat even on bitterly cold winter days. During the warmer summer evenings, the streets abound with hundreds of shoppers, as vendors stay open at least until midnight.

### ***Apgujeong***

This trendy, upscale fashion district, surrounded by many luxury apartments, is located south of the Han River in Gangnam-gu. There are department stores, clothing stores, shoe shops, and boutiques as well as numerous restaurants, coffee houses, nightclubs, cinemas, theaters,

and other entertainment spots. Some stores you will recognize like The Body Shop and L'Occitane. (Apgujeong or Sinsa Stations, Subway Line 3).

### ***Edae, Sinchon, and Hongdae***

These vibrant shopping areas are very close to one another and are fast becoming the new fashionable places to shop. It has the feel of a college town due to the major universities in the area, Yonsei University, Ehwa Women's University, and Hongik University, with lots of fun little shops, hair salons, small restaurants, and live entertainment venues. (Edae, Sinchon, Hongdae and Hapjeong Stations, Subway Line 2).

## **Department Stores and Malls**

Shopping at department stores and malls is an entertaining way to learn what products are available in Korea, but it also gives you a glimpse into the Korean lifestyle. Malls feature the finest and most expensive items and department stores are a microcosm of Korean society and include grocery stores and restaurants. Most have English-speakers available to answer questions.

### **Near USAG Humphreys**

#### ***Starfield Mall Anseong***

Recently opened in fall of 2020 this mall is a convenient 15-minute drive from USAG Humphreys. Daiso, E-Mart Traders, Zara, H&M and many other stores, as well as Sports Monster and endless coffee shops and eateries are on offer. Additionally, Starfield has the Aqua Field day spa, a kids cafe and movie theater. It's easy to spend several hours here. The main mall area is also dog friendly. Use Waze or Naver to find directions to 'Starfield Mall Anseong'.

#### ***AK Plaza***

AK Plaza is a large nine-story department store located several miles from USAG Humphreys. Make sure to check out the rooftop viewing area for a great view of the city. There is also a kids cafe, multiple restaurants and cafes, and a movie theatre. It is a quick trip by car (you can find directions in Waze or Naver). You can also catch the 20 bus across

the street from the Pedestrian Gate and get off right near the entrance to the plaza. AK Plaza is attached to Pyeongtaek Station where you can access the subway and train.

## **Seoul**

### ***COEX Mall***

Everything can be found at this enormous shopping complex. In addition to the endless stores, you will find restaurants, food courts, clubs, an aquarium, and a movie theater. Be prepared for an adventure and huge crowds! There's a lot to see, so plan to spend the entire day. (Samseong Station, Subway line 2). Website: <https://www.coexcenter.com>.

### ***D-Cube City Department Store***

This nine-story indoor shopping mall has lots of great stores including H&M and Uniqlo. There are also two full floors of restaurants. You can find an information cube in English on each floor to help you navigate. There is also a Pororo Theme park on the fourth floor that is popular with young children. (Shindorim Station, Subway Line 1 or 2).

### ***Doota Mall***

Many of the shops carry European-sized clothing. Ask at the information booth on the ground floor and they will give you a slip of paper with a list of store numbers that sell the larger sizes. There is also a very nice food court on the seventh floor. (Dongdaemun Station, Line 4, Exit 8).

### ***Galleria Department Store***

This department store carries a wide variety of luxury-brand lines and has a great supermarket in the basement. (Apgujeong Station, Subway Line 3, Exit 2) Website: <https://dept.galleria.co.kr/en>

### ***I'Park Mall***

This mall houses a Multiplex containing eleven movie screens, a putt putt golf course, a skateboard, and rollerblade ramp area. There is an open-air stage within the courtyard of the complex where bands and other entertainers perform during the summer months. There are two floors exclusively for restaurants. The Living Digital store carries an assortment of electronics, furniture, and a Korean bookstore. There is also a fashion mall with shoes, clothes and accessories, nail and hair salons,

and hobby shops. The opposite end of the mall contains the I'Park Department Store and E-Mart. (Yongsan Station, Subway Line 1) Website: [www.iparkmall.co.kr](http://www.iparkmall.co.kr)

## Cheonan

### *Shinsegae/Chungcheong*

Shinsegae Department Store is considered a “family-style one-stop multi-shopping cultural space.” There are many shops on each floor including H&M and American Eagle Outfitters. There is also a 3D movie theater located on the fourth floor. Visit the large Korean food court, located in the basement or head to the McDonalds on the street level. Location: 354-1 Sinbu-dong, Dongnam-gu, Cheonan, Chungna; Website: [www.shinsegae.com/english](http://www.shinsegae.com/english).

## Warehouse and Big Box Stores

Shopping at Big Box Stores and Warehouse Stores is similar to shopping at Walmart, Target or Costco and Sam’s Club in the US. Many of these large stores have specific days that they are closed according to Korean law in order to give small and medium sized businesses a better chance to stay competitive. Usually, these stores are closed on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month but be sure to check the store’s website or Naver to confirm hours before visiting.

## Costco

US Costco cards are accepted in Korea, or you can register/renew a Korean Costco membership at a lower price. Items are geared toward the Korean shopper, so different merchandise is offered, but they do carry some Kirkland brand items. There are various Costco locations throughout Korea, but the closest to USAG Humphreys is in Cheonan. Naver: <https://naver.me/F1IMgeBs>

## E-Mart

This chain store has many locations throughout Korea. The store has everything from pet grooming items to groceries and is similar in quality to Walmart stores. You can purchase many ready-to-eat Korean food items, including already marinated bulgogi and kalbi meat, frozen items like mandu (dumplings), bread, and fresh fruit and vegetables.

## E-Mart Traders

Not to be confused with E-Mart, E-Mart Traders is a warehouse store very similar to Costco, but without the membership fee. The closest location to USAG Humphreys is at the Starfield Mall in Anseong.

## Home Plus

Homeplus is the second largest retailer in South Korea, behind E-mart. Homeplus operates both hypermarkets and its Super Express store chain and provides a home delivery shopping service. Homeplus hypermarket stores typically provide home products, clothing and electronics.

## IKEA

IKEA furniture and home accessories are practical, well designed, and affordable. They deliver throughout Korea using a third-party delivery company. When coordinating for on-post delivery make sure you understand the requirements for the person entering the installation based on the current threat level. At a minimum, all delivery persons are required to show a photo identification (many Koreans do not carry this) as well as vehicle registration documents. If the delivery person is turned away at the gate you may be charged additional money for an additional delivery. IKEA operates 4 locations in Korea: Giheung, Gwangmyeong, Goyang and DongBusan. The Giheung location is the closest to USAG Humphreys. Search “Ikea” on Naver Maps to find the closest one to you.

## DINING

There is wide variety of food choices available in Korea, especially in the areas near USFK installations and in the largest cities. With all this delicious food, both Korean and non-Korean, for you to enjoy, be sure to spend at least a few meals eating out.

### Tips for Eating Out in Korea

- Most Korean restaurants specialize in a certain type of food, so you may only see just a few things on the menu.
- Korean restaurants typically serve meals “family style.” This means that side dishes and the main dish will be brought to the

table and everyone will eat from these dishes instead of being served an individual dish or portion.

- The standard silverware at a Korean restaurant are stainless steel chopsticks and spoon. They're usually found in a box or a drawer at your table. If you need a fork, don't be afraid to ask. Scissors are provided to cut meat or noodles.
- Table service is good, but don't expect it to be overly attentive. Some restaurants offer a call button that you can press to get a server to your table, but at many restaurants, you may have to call them over to you.
- Tipping is not a custom in Korea, and can sometimes be seen as rude outside of the areas near base. If there is a tip jar at the entrance though, that is an obvious sign they are open to tips.
- For most restaurants, at the end of your meal simply take your bill (if there is one) or just yourself to the computer station, usually near the entrance, to pay on your way out.

## On-Post Dining

Fast food on-post dining is available throughout USAG Humphreys. Visit <https://www.shopmyexchange.com> follow the links to 'Find A Store,' choose your location, and easily find the listing of all AAFES concessionaires and the available eateries.

The Dragon Hill lodge on USAG Yongsan offers a variety of dining options to satisfy the tastes of their guests, from pizza to tomahawk rib-eye steak dinners. Visit [www.dragonhilllodge.com](http://www.dragonhilllodge.com) for more information.

Visit <https://daegu.armymwr.com> for dining options at USAG Daegu and <https://51fss.com> for Osan Air Base.

## Sit-Down Dining at USAG Humphreys

### *Texas Roadhouse*

Location: Downtown Shopping Area, Bldg 5711  
Phone: +82 (0)50-3357-2299 DSN: 757-2299  
Hours: Mon-Sun 11:00-21:00

### *River Bend Pub*

Location: Bldg 5904 (Golf Club on Marne Ave.)  
Phone: 0503-357-2269  
Hours: Mon-Wed 11:00-20:00, Thurs-Sun 11:00-21:00

### *The White Heron*

Location: Bldg 5904 (Golf Club on Marne Ave.)  
Phone: 0503-357-2275  
This facility features a ballroom and private rooms for rent. Call for reservations and more information.

### *The Flightline Restaurant*

Location: Bldg. 1431 (Across from Pedestrian Gate on American St.)  
Phone: 0503-354-3101 DSN: 754-3101  
Hours: Call for hours

### *The Flightline Tap Room*

Location: Bldg. 1431 (Across from Pedestrian Gate on American St.)  
Phone: 0503-354-3101 DSN: 754-3101  
Hours: Call for hours

### *First and Ten Restaurant*

Location: Bldg. 6807, Indianhead Ave.  
Phone: 0503-357-1641/0503-357-1643  
Hours: Wed-Thurs & Sun 17:00-21:00, Fri-Sat 17:00-22:00

### *Downtown Lanes Bowling Center*

Location: Downtown Bldg. 5722, Marne Ave.  
Phone: 0503-357-2266  
Hours: Mon-Thurs and Sun 11:00-21:30, Fri and Sat 11:00-22:30

### *Clyde's Kitchen (Suwon AB)*

Location: Bldg: S-2201  
Phone: 0503-388-5840  
Hours: Mon-Fri 09:00-19:00, Sat 09:00-20:00, Sun 10:30-17:30

### *Original Pancake House*

Location: Bus Terminal Bldg. 1780 (Freedom Rd.)  
Hours: Mon-Sun 06:30-21:00 (Last order is taken at 20:00)

### *MVP Restaurant Complex*

Location: Bldg 12385, Near 8th Army HQ  
Phone: 070-7597-3777  
Hours: Mon-Fri 11:00-14:00 & 16:30-21:00 Sat-Sun 11:30-21:00  
Maple Tree House, Vato's Urban Tacos, and Paulie's Brick Oven Pizzeria.

### **KATUSA Snack Bars**

KATUSA soldiers eat at these locations at a reduced rate, hence the name, but all are welcome. These restaurants serve a variety of typical Korean lunchtime dishes such as bibimbap, ramyeon, and kimchi stew. There are three located on USAG Humphreys.

#### *KATUSA Snack Bar Han-ra*

Location: Bldg 1228 Near 8th Army HQ

Phone: 031-652-9586

Hours: Mon-Fri 09:00-21:00, Sat and Holidays 09:00-20:00, Closed Sun

#### *KATUSA Snack Bar Bon-sa*

Location: American Street, Zoeckler Station

Phone: 010-4949-828

#### *KATUSA Snack Bar Keum Kang*

Location: Bldg 730 Across the Morning Calm Conference Center

(Near Army Lodging)

Hours: Sun-Fri 09:00-19:30, Closed Sat

## **Eating in the “Ville” and Delivery Off Base**

Just off base you will not only find Korean cuisine, but also a melting pot of international flavors. A wonderland of world-class restaurants is just a stone’s throw away from post in the area of the “ville” or the shopping area right outside of the Pedestrian Gate. Almost all of the restaurants in this area will accept Korean won as well as US debit and credit cards for payment.

If you prefer paying in cash there is an ATM located on post near the Pedestrian Gate that dispenses US dollars and Korean won, and there are money exchanges right outside of the gate.

To learn about local options, make sure to follow social media groups like Pyeongtaek Food & Fun: (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/71620054737>)

You can also learn about food options around you using the South of Seoul mobile app and Naver Maps. See the Leisure and Travel chapter for more on eating out off base in Korea.



Pyeongtaek Food & Fun

## **Off-Base Delivery**

Restaurants off post may offer delivery for those who live off post, depending on how far away from the restaurant you live. Your realtor can provide you with your off-post address and can help you with delivery options where you live.

## **Shuttle Delivery**

There are many food delivery apps in Korea, but most of them require you to know the Korean language and have a Korean bank account. Shuttle helps to fill this gap by offering their app and customer support in English and they allow you to pay with your American debit or credit card. Many local restaurants offer delivery through Shuttle in the USAG Humphreys, Osan Air Base, Camp Walker and Camp Henry areas. Download the app from your favorite app store.

## **Yogiyo (요기요)**

If you get handy with the translation app Papago you can manage to use this Korean app for delivery to your off-base home. There is an option to pay cash or card upon delivery, or if you get a Korean bank account you can pay with that through the app.

## **Coffee Shops**

Coffee Shops are plentiful in Korea. Many shops are independently owned but you can also find staples such as Starbucks and Coffee Bean and Tea in abundance. A wide variety of coffee as well as other hot and iced drinks, fresh baked pastries, desserts, waffles or light brunch fare can be found in most coffee shops. It is a treat for all senses and a delightful way to spend an hour or two. Simply use the purpose-built coffee cup button on Naver Maps to find cafes around you. To discover lots of wonderful new places shared on social media, join the Cafés in Korea FB Group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/207800320223162/>

## **Off-Post Vegetarian and Vegan Dining**

Honestly, it isn’t the easiest thing eating vegetarian or vegan at restaurants in Korea, but in recent years it has been getting more common that people at least understand the concepts. While dining off post you will find it helpful to know a few Korean words or use Google translate to help you speak with your server about your vegetarian options.

Join the group Vegans in Pyeongtaek for a nice community that will help you find restaurant recommendations and more:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1699808373617745>

Here is a large Korea wide group, Vegan Korea: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/60471350318>

This is another group to join that is Korea wide, Vegan-ish in Korea: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1529915583969128>

You may also find these specific Korean words/phrases helpful:

English	Korean	
Vegetable	Ya-chae	야채
I am a vegetarian	Cheo-neun Chae-shik-joo-eui ja-imnida	저는 채식주의자입니다
Vegetarian	Chae-shik-joo-ee-jah	채식주의자
Meat	Go-gee	고기
Does this have meat in it?	Ee-eum-shige go-gee-ga deuro-in-nayo?	이 음식에 고기가 들어있나요?

## RECREATION, SPORTS, AND LEISURE

### On Post Recreation

#### F & MWR

Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com>  
 Facebook: USAG Humphreys Family and F & MWR (<https://www.facebook.com/HumphreysMWR>)

F & MWR is a great resource for on-post recreational activities as well as trips and tours off post. Be sure to visit the websites listed below for information on upcoming classes, trips and tours! For more in-depth information regarding these services please visit Chapter 7 'Community Support Services'.



Humphreys MWR

#### BOSS (Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers)

Location: Bldg. 5724, Downtown Plaza  
 Phone: 0503-357-1647 DSN: 757-1647  
 Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/boss>  
 Facebook: USAG Humphreys: BOSS Official Page (<https://www.facebook.com/humphreysboss>)  
 Hours: Mon-Fri 10:00-17:00

Single and unaccompanied soldiers can get involved with the community and experience Korea through BOSS. There are a variety of volunteer opportunities as well as recreational trips available through BOSS. BOSS can also assist you with any quality-of-life issues you may be experiencing.

#### Leisure Travel Service (Discover Seoul Travel Desk)

Location: Bldg. 5711, Humphreys Downtown  
 Area Phone: 070-7597-4000  
 Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/leisure-travel-services>  
 Hours: Mon-Sun 10:00-21:00

You can purchase discounted tickets through the Leisure Travel Service. They can help with all of your travel needs including purchasing train tickets. The office also offers fax services for \$1 in Korea and \$2 if faxing outside of Korea.

#### SFC Ray E. Duke Memorial Library

Location: Bldg. P-2220, Tropic Lightning Avenue  
 Phone: 0503-357-8126 DSN: 315-757-8126  
 Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/duke-memorial-library>  
 Hours: Mon-Sat 10:00-19:00, Closed Sun

The Library has a wide range of books, DVDs, CDs, audio books, magazines, and newspapers. It offers free Wi-Fi, computers with access to the Internet, and is a great resource for homeschooling.

#### Arts and Craft Center

Location: Bldg. 5711, Downtown Plaza  
 Phone: 0503-357-2296 DSN: 315-757-2296  
 Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/arts-and-crafts-center>  
 Hours: Wed-Fri 11:00-18:30, Sun 11:00-17:00, Closed Mon-Tue

You can make pottery, paint, sew, quilt, carpentry, and do multiple crafts at the Arts and Crafts Center. It hosts a variety of classes for both adults and children and has a retail store that carries craft supplies for the classes or for you to complete your project.

### **Automotive Skills Center**

Location: Bldg. 2250, Tropic Lightning Ave.  
Phone: 0503-356-8803 DSN: 315-756-8803  
Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/automotive-skills-center>  
Hours: Mon and Thurs-Sat 10:00-19:00, Closed Tue-Wed and Sun

The Automotive Skills Center is where you can maintain and/or fix your vehicle. The facility offers a modern working environment with individual lifts, state of the art mechanical tools, and a team of qualified & trained staff ready to help. The Automotive Skills Center can also assist if you need a jumpstart, service, or tow on or off post! They also offer lot space and online listing for selling your POV.

### **Outdoor Recreation**

Location: S-110, Washington Ave.  
Phone: 0503-355-1677 DSN: 315-755-1677  
Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/outdoor-recreation>  
Hours: Tue-Sat 10:00-18:00, Closed Sun-Mon

You can rent equipment, garden plots, or take a trip with outdoor recreation.

### **Laser Tag**

Location: Tropic Lightning Avenue Bldg: 1044  
Phone: 0503-355-1677 DSN: 315-755-1677

Reservations are required to use this facility, please contact Outdoor Recreation. Suitable for all ages this activity is reasonably priced so the entire family can play. Each game costs \$2 per person, or you can purchase a punch card for multiple visits. They also take party reservations which includes an hour of laser tag play and a party room.

### **Downtown Recreation Center**

Location: Bldg 5724, Downtown area, Tropic Lightning Ave.

Phone: 0503-357-2286 DSN: 315-757-2286  
Hours: Sun-Thus 10:00-20:00, Fri-Sat 10:00-00:30

The recreation center features billiard tables, table tennis, computers, gaming systems, TVs, and more. Event rooms are available to rent for a fee. Youth must be 15 years or older or be accompanied by an adult.

### **Warrior Zone**

Location: Bldg: 6807, 5th St.  
Phone: 0503-357-1643 or 0503-357-1646 DSN: 315-757-1646  
Hours: Sun-Thurs 11:00-21:00, Fri-Sat 12:00-21:00

The Warrior Zone is a state of the art, high-tech recreation facility with gaming options and entertainment systems available for use. The warrior zone is for service members and their guests who are over the age of 18. The First and Ten restaurant is located within the warrior zone.

### **Theaters On Camp Humphreys**

#### ***Family Theater***

Location: BLDG P-5723, near Commissary on Tropic Lightning Ave.  
Phone: 070-7597-2203  
Website: <https://www.aafes.com/exchange-stores/Movie-Guide/showtimes-USAG-Humphreys-Family-Theater.htm>

#### ***Troop Theater***

Location: Bldg 6806, Off 5th St. near Sitman Gym  
Phone: 070-7597-0508  
Website: <https://www.aafes.com/exchange-stores/Movie-Guide/showtimes-USAG-Humphreys-Troop-Theater.htm>

### **Theater on Osan Airbase**

#### ***Reel Time Movie Theater***

Location: Across from BX/PX  
Phone: 050-3384-4200  
Website: <https://www.aafes.com/exchange-stores/movie-guide/showtimes-Osan-AB.htm>

## Bowling

Location: BLDG 5722 Downtown Plaza, Marne Ave.  
Phone: 0503-357-2266 DSN 757-2266  
Hours: Mon-Sun 11:00-21:00, US Holidays 1500-2100  
Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/downtown-lanes>

Downtown Lanes is the USAG Humphreys Bowling alley. It features 36 traditional lanes, a pro shop, game room, party room, snack bar, lounge, and full-service bar. Bowling is \$3.50 per game per person or \$17.50 per hour per lane (up to 5 people). Shoes are available to rent for \$3.00. Party packages are available for birthday parties, official party, team building sessions, unit functions, organization days, and Hail and Farewells.

## Parks & Pavilions on Post

All of the parks on-post are open from dusk till dawn. If you would like to reserve a picnic area or pavilion, please contact Outdoor Recreation at phone: 0503-355-1677 or DSN: 315-755-1677. The cost to rent is \$20.00.

### Beacon Hill

Located near the Anjeong-ri gate, this park has walking trails, a stream, nine pavilions and an 18-hole disc golf course.

### Canal Park

This park features a pedestrian path running East-West along the canal on Marne Avenue from the library to the golf course. In the spring-time the flowering cherry trees along the path are beautiful.

### Independence Park

Located across the street from Beacon Hill, this park has two turf baseball fields and a restroom. To reserve the field please contact Youth Sports and Fitness, located on Marne Avenue; the phone number is 0503-357-2246 DSN: 757-2246.

### Super Park

Located across the street from the USAG Humphreys Collier Fitness Center near the parking garage, Bldg 1943 & 1944. This park has a large playground structure for children ages 5-12 and another play structure

for children ages 2-5. The park also has two pavilions, six barbecue grills, a basin sink with running water, and a water fountain.

### Soldier Field

Located behind the USAG Humphreys Collier Fitness Center, this park has an all-weather volleyball court, two batting cages, two completely outfitted turf softball fields, and a turf soccer field. The park also has a gazebo, concession stand and restrooms.

## Fitness and Aquatics

### Collier Fitness Center (also known as the Super Gym) & Indoor pool

Location: BLDG 1949, Tropic Lightning Avenue  
Phone: 0503-355-1671  
DSN: 755-1671  
Operating hours are subject to change, please call for current hours.

### Sitman Fitness Center

Location: BLDG 6815, Indian Head Avenue  
Phone: 0503-357-1152 DSN: 757-1151  
Operating hours are subject to change, please call for current hours.

### Turner Functional Fitness Center

Location: BLDG 2063, Talon Street  
Phone: 0503-355-1674 DSN: 755-1674  
Operating hours are subject to change, please call for current hours.

### Zoeckler Fitness Center

Location: BLDG 1296, Double Dragon Street  
Phone: 0503-355-1679 DSN: 755-1679  
Operating hours are subject to change, please call for current hours.

### Family Fitness Room at the CAC

Location: BLDG 110, Washington Avenue  
Phone: 0503-353-3013 DSN: 753-3013  
Operating hours are subject to change, please call for current hours.

### Community Activity Center Indoor Pool

Location: Bldg. S-110, Washington Ave.



Phone: 0503-355-1672 DSN: 753-8835  
Operating hours are subject to change, please call for current hours.

### **Splish and Splash Outdoor Pool**

Location: Bldg. S-1484, American St.  
Phone: 0503-354-6412 DSN: 754-6412  
Hours: Seasonal

## **CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS**

### **Humphreys United Club**

Humphreys United Club (formerly, Souses Club) is a 501(c)3 public charity dedicated to contributing to improving and advancing quality of life on the installation and in the surrounding community. Humphreys United Club is a welcoming, diverse, inclusive, supportive, and fun community where you can build friendships and a support network as well as be engaged through events, activities, sub-clubs, and leadership and volunteer opportunities. Check out and connect with United Club on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/HumphreysUnitedClub> and website [www.humphreysunited.org](http://www.humphreysunited.org)

### **VFW**

Location: 134-72 Anjeong-ri, Paengseong-eup  
Phone: 031-691-1867  
Email: [info@vfw10223.org](mailto:info@vfw10223.org)  
Website: <http://vfw10223.org/>  
Facebook: VFW Post 10223 (<https://www.facebook.com/vfw10223/>)

The VFW post 10223 is in the "ville" or area outside of the walk-in gate. They meet on the second Saturday of the month at noon.

### **Knights of Columbus (Council #14223)**

A fraternal Catholic society that strives to assist members and their families with financial aid and offers assistance to members who are sick, disabled, and those in need. For additional information please visit their website: <https://uknight.org/CouncilSite/index.asp?CNO=14223>.

### **PWOC (Protestant Women of the Chapel)**

Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), is a fellowship of women of all ages and cultures who gather to worship, pray, learn, encourage and serve.

PWOC generally meets on Wednesday mornings at one of the Chapels on post for small group Bible studies. Visit their Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/USAGHumphreysPWOC> for more information.

### **CWOC (Catholic Women of the Chapel)**

Meets generally on post for small group Bible studies. Please email [usaghcwoc@gmail.com](mailto:usaghcwoc@gmail.com) for more information.

## **Activities and Clubs For Kids**

### **Child and Youth Services (CYS)**

USAG Humphreys Child and Youth Services (CYS) provides affordable, age-appropriate recreational and learning programs. Programs include:

- Child Development Center
- School Age Center (before and after care, school breaks)
- Middle School and Teen (6-12th Graders) located off 11th St. beside Burke Gym.
- Youth Services (SKIES instructional services instrument lessons, etc)
- School Liaison Support
- CYS Instructional Programs
- Youth Sports and Fitness
- Before/after school care
- Full, part-time or hourly child care
- Camps

To enroll your child in CYS, please contact Parent Central Services in Maude Hall to make an appointment. Phone: 0503-357-2254.

### **Scouts**

#### **Cub Scouts**

Boy Scouts of America, Asia West District, Far East Council  
<https://www.facebook.com/AsiaWestScouting>

There are many active Cub Scout packs in Korea, find information on their Facebook Pages at:

- Humphreys Cub Scouts Pack 42  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/397934164446730/user/100068128586747>
- Humphreys Cub Scout Pack 203  
<https://www.facebook.com/camphumphreyscubscouts>

- Yongsan Cub Scout Pack 89  
<https://www.facebook.com/pack89korea/>

### **Boy Scouts**

There are many active Boy Scout troops in Korea, you can find more information on their Facebook pages:

- Camp Humphreys Boy Scout Troop 88  
<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=10007605048795>
- Troop 38 & 86, Osan Air Base  
<https://www.facebook.com/ScoutsBSAOsanAirBase>
- Troop 159 and 47, Camp Humphreys, Korea  
<https://www.facebook.com/Scout-Troop-159-and-47-Camp-Humphreys-110498001145690>
- Boy Scout Troop 203, Camp Humphreys, Korea  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/721865315075426>
- Troop 80 Scouts BSA USAG Humphreys (Girls)  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2333823713356599>
- Scouts in Daegu Troop 81 & Crew 73  
<https://www.facebook.com/daeguscouts>

### **Girl Scouts**

There is an active Girl Scout Troop at USAG Humphreys.

- Email: [HumphreysGSPathways@gmail.com](mailto:HumphreysGSPathways@gmail.com)
- Facebook page: Camp Humphreys Girl Scouts  
<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100086914099052>

## **EDUCATION**

There are a variety of educational opportunities both on and off-post for service members and dependents residing in Korea.

### **On-Post Preschools**

Preschools are available both on and off post. Please be aware that space is limited, so early registration is vital to secure your child's spot.

### **Strong Beginnings**

Websites: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/hess-child-development-center>

<https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/parent-central-services>

Strong Beginnings is a pre-kindergarten program run by the Child Development Center (CDC) that focuses on language and reading, mathematics, science, computers, social studies and the arts and helps prepare children for kindergarten. Students must be 4 years of age by September 1st to qualify. Students who qualify must be enrolled in Child Youth Services (CYS) at Parent Central located in Maude Hall, Bldg 6400, 2nd Floor.

### **Sure Start**

Websites:

*West-* <https://www.dodea.edu/HumphreysWestES/Pre-School.cfm>

*Central-* <https://www.dodea.edu/HumphreysCentralES/Pre-School.cfm>

Sure Start is a free pre-kindergarten program run by DoDEA. Students must be 4 years of age by September 1 and have a parent who is E1 through E9 (or civilian equivalent) to qualify. Students who qualify must register at either Humphreys Central Elementary School, Bldg. 5120, or Humphreys West Elementary School, Bldg. 5720.

### **On Post K-12 Schools**

The USAG Humphreys community consists of two elementary schools, one middle school, and one high school. Both Osan Air Base and USAG Daegu have an elementary school and a combined middle high school. Below is the list of the schools on USAG Humphreys, Osan Air Base, and USAG Daegu. For schools on USAG Humphreys, the School Liaison Officer, located in Parent Central in the CYS Office in Maude Hall, Bldg. 6400, 2nd Floor, can provide additional information.

### **Elementary Schools**

#### ***Humphreys Central Elementary***

Home of the Eagles

Location: Bldg. 5120

Phone: 0503-356-9308/9309/9310

DSN: 756-9308/9309/9310

Website: <https://www.dodea.edu/HumphreysCentralES/>

Facebook: Humphreys Central Elementary School

<https://www.facebook.com/humphreys.central.ES>

### ***Humphreys West Elementary***

Home of the Osprey

Location: Bldg. 5720  
Phone: 0503-357-2127 DSN: 545-1204  
Website: <https://www.dodea.edu/HumphreysWestES/>  
Facebook: DoDEA Humphreys West Elementary School  
<https://www.facebook.com/OspreyLeadTheWay>

### ***Osan Elementary School***

Home of the Mustangs

Location: Unit 2037, Osan Air Base  
Phone: 505-784-5368 DSN: 784-5368  
Website: <https://www.dodea.edu/OsanES/index.cfm>  
Facebook: DoDEA Osan American Elementary School  
<https://www.facebook.com/dodea.osan.american.es>

### ***Daegu Elementary School***

Home of the Dragons

Location: Unit 15623, USAG Daegu Camp George  
Phone: 0503-363-1645 DSN: 763-1645  
Website: <https://www.dodea.edu/DaeguES/index.cfm>  
Facebook: DoDEA Elementary School  
<https://www.facebook.com/daegu.AS>

## **Middle Schools**

### ***Humphreys Middle School, Grades 5-8***

Home of the Phoenix

Location: Bldg. 5301  
Phone: 0503-357-2166/2167/2168 DSN: 757-2166/2167/2168  
Website: <https://www.dodea.edu/HumphreysMS/>  
Facebook: DoDEA Humphreys Middle School  
<https://www.facebook.com/dodea.humphreys.ms>

### ***Osan Middle High School, Grades 6-12***

Home of the Cougars

Location: Unit 2037, Osan Air Base  
Phone: 0505-784-5326 DSN: 315-784-5326  
Website: <https://www.dodea.edu/OsanMHS/index.cfm>  
Facebook: DoDEA Osan Middle High School  
<https://www.facebook.com/OsanMiddleHigh>

### ***Daegu Middle High School, Grades 6-12***

Home of the Warriors

Location: Unit 15623 USAG Daegu Camp Walker  
Phone: 0503-363-6108/6109 DSN: 315-763-6108/6109  
Website: <https://www.dodea.edu/DaeguMHS/index.cfm>  
Facebook: DoDEA Middle High School  
<https://www.facebook.com/dodea.DMHS>

## **High Schools**

### ***Humphreys High School, 9-12***

Home of the Blackhawks

Location: Bldg. 5200  
Phone: 0503-356-9427 DSN: 756-9427  
Website: <https://www.dodea.edu/HumphreysHS/>  
Facebook: DODEA Humphreys High School  
<https://www.facebook.com/humphreys.HS>

## **DoDEA Registration Process**

To ensure a smooth transition for your student, please stop by your respective school to register. Bring the appropriate documents and be prepared to complete the registration packet. Each spring, each student is required to re-register for the following year but is only required to update their current information. If you will be PCSing before the school year is complete, your respective school can assist you with a smooth transition to your next duty station and school.

## **DoDEA School Registration Requirements**

A child must be:

- Four years old by September 1 to attend Sure Start.
- Five years old by September 1 to enroll in Kindergarten.
- Six years old by September 1 to attend 1st grade.

## **Required Documents**

- Date of Birth
- Dependent Status
- Active-Duty Status of Military Sponsor or Employment Status of Civilian Sponsor
- Status of Defense Contractor Sponsor and Central Billing Letter

- Status of non-DoD sponsor (other Federal Agencies)
- DoDEA Regulation 1030.1 Space-Available Notice

### **SURE Start Application**

- Verification of Civilian Employment DoDEA 602
- Verification of Military Employment DoDEA 601
- Spring Re-registration for Current Students:
- Active-Duty Status of Military Sponsor or Employment Status of Civilian Sponsor
- Status of Defense Contractor Sponsor and Central Billing Letter
- Status of non-DoD Sponsor (other Federal Agencies)
- Elementary School Students must have Proof of Current Address

### **Where to Find Required Documents**

- DoDEA Main Website: <https://www.dodea.edu/>
- DoDEA Online Registration: [www.dodea.edu/DORS](http://www.dodea.edu/DORS)
- DoDEA Pacific West: <https://www.dodea.edu/Pacific/west/>
- DoDEA Pacific Return to School Plan: <https://www.dodea.edu/Pacific/return-to-school.cfm>

### **Eligibility Documents**

The following documents may be used to verify eligibility to attend DoDEA Schools:

- Date of Birth
- Certified copy of birth certificate
- Child's passport
- Dependent Status
- Sponsor is listed as biological parent on child's birth certificate
- Dependent is listed on active-duty military sponsor's/DoD civilian's orders
- Dependent is listed on locally hired DoD Civilian's Certificate of Employment from HR
- Sponsor is named on child's Military Identification Card (ID)
- Appropriate military service form documenting that the service recognizes the child as a dependent of this member
- Approved (Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System) DEERS Registration Form
- Dependent is listed on Defense Contractor's Letter of Identification (LOI) or Letter of Agreement (LOA) and in Central Billing

Letter (CBL)

- Required Registration Packet (available at your school):
- DoDEA Form 600 Student Registration
- DoDEA Form 700 Consents and Authorizations
- DoDEA Form 700A Internet Agreement and Consent to Use IT Resources
- DoDEA Form H.1 Student Health History
- DoDEA 2942.0-M-F3 Immunization Requirements
- Recommended forms for new students
- DoDEA 620 Educational Pre-Screening Questionnaire
- DoDEA F4 ESL Home Language Questionnaire
- If the sponsor is a stepparent, and one of the above cannot be provided, the following is required:
  - Child's Birth Certificate documenting sponsor's spouse is biological parent
  - Custody documents indicating spouse has full custody of child
  - Marriage Certificate of sponsor and child's biological parent

**NOTE:** If neither the sponsor nor spouse are the biological parents of the child, court ordered custody or guardianship documents are required (power of attorney or notarized agreements between biological parents and sponsor are NOT accepted). If the court order names only the spouse as guardian or custodian of the child, the sponsor will be required to complete and sign an In Loco Parentis (ILP) affidavit (available from the school registrar).

### **Verification of Housing**

Documents that may be used for verification of housing include Housing Assignment Letter, Voucher, or RCI Lease Agreement, or Letter from the Housing Office that housing will be available and offered within 90 school days. After you register you will need to follow up with the school registrar.

For USAG Humphreys Elementary School registration, your school will be assigned once you know your housing assignment. Students who do not have housing assigned or know they will be at HCES zone can register while in quarantine and start remote learning. If they already have housing and know they are in HWES zone, they will register with HWES. Contact the elementary registrar if you have questions about enrollment: [PAC\\_HumphreysCentralES\\_Registrar@dodea.edu](mailto:PAC_HumphreysCentralES_Registrar@dodea.edu)

## Off-Post Pre-Schools

Both English-speaking and Korean immersion preschools are available off-post. Below are a few of the Pyeongtaek preschools that Humphreys parents choose for their children. For a complete list of preschools available off-post, please see the School Liaison Officer located inside Parent Central in the CYS Office in Maude Hall, Bldg. 6400, 2nd Floor.

Preschools are available both on and off post. Please be aware that space is limited, so early registration is vital to secure your child's spot.

- Angel's Montessori Preschool
- Magic Beans
- Kidsland
- Noel Daycare Center
- Brownstone Kindergarten
- Kids R Us
- Mission Baptist Academy
- KidsNote
- Seohwa School
- International Christian School Pyeongtaek, K-12
- Taeyang
- KKum Baragi
- Mustard Seed Christian Preschool
- Humphreys Daycare
- Toddler House
- The Learning Tree Daycare

## Homeschooling

It is DoDEA policy neither to encourage nor discourage DoD sponsors from homeschooling their dependents. DoDEA recognizes that homeschooling is a sponsor's right and can be a legitimate alternative form of education for the sponsor's dependents. A host nation, state, commonwealth, territory, or possession where a DoD sponsor is stationed may impose legal requirements on homeschooling practices; South Korea does not impose legal requirements on homeschooling practices. Furthermore, overseas personnel and their dependents are not subject to US state mandatory attendance statutes while in another country. For more information about DoDEA's support for homeschool students, visit [www.dodea.edu/parents/homeschooling](http://www.dodea.edu/parents/homeschooling).

cfm or [www.hslda.org](http://www.hslda.org).

Eligible homeschool students may use or receive auxiliary services, enroll in one or more DoDEA courses, and/or access gifted education, English as a Second Language, or Special Education Services consistent with existing DoDEA regulations and policies. Academic resources, such as textbooks, are available to homeschool students on the same basis as to dependents enrolled in DoDEA schools. Eligible homeschool seniors who are fully enrolled in a DoDEA High School may also participate in a DoDEA Commencement Ceremony by meeting DoDEA graduation requirements, earning a DoDEA diploma, and complying with DoDEA graduation policies and procedures.

Humphreys offers a robust Homeschool Community with both religious-based groups as well as a non-religious-based co-op. CYS provides a wide variety of courses and activities for homeschool students, including PE. For further information, please contact the School Liaison Officer located inside Parent Central of the CYS Office in Maude Hall, Bldg. 6400, 2nd Floor.

For more information on homeschooling in South Korea, see Facebook Groups listed in the Resources chapter.

## School Support Services

The School Liaison Officer helps military personnel and DoD civilian parents advocate for their students, from preschool to post-high school. They aid with issues such as PCS, varying school-to-school curriculum and requirements, and homeschooling. The School Support Services School Liaison Officer (SLO) addresses educational concerns involving military children. SSS provides assistance ranging from locating the appropriate school for your child to support during transitions to and from Humphreys as well as homeschool support. The SLO's office is located inside Parent Central in Maude Hall on the second floor.

### *School Support Services School Liaison Officer (SLO)*

Location: Maude Hall, Parent Central in the CYS Office, 2nd Floor

Phone: 0503-357-2241 DSN: 757-2241

Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/school-support-services>

Facebook: CYS Humphreys SLO

<https://www.facebook.com/HumphreysSchoolLiaisonOfficer>

## Adult Education

### On-Post Resources

The USAG Humphreys Army Education Center offers on-site classroom and distance learning college courses both at the undergraduate and graduate level through the University of Maryland Global Campus, Troy University and Embry Riddle Aeronautical University. In addition, they offer a computer lab, counseling services and a testing lab.

#### *Army Education Center*

Location: Bldg. 657, Freedom Road  
Phone: 0503-355-3600 DSN: 755-3600  
Website: <https://home.army.mil/humphreys/index.php/about/Garrison/directorate-human-resources/education-center>  
Facebook: USAG Humphreys Education Center  
<https://www.facebook.com/humphreyeducationcenter>  
Hours: Mon-Wed & Fri 08:00-17:00, Thurs 13:00-17:00

#### *University of Maryland Global Campus*

DSN: 315-755-3532  
Website: <https://asia.umgc.edu/index.cfm>  
Facebook: UMGC Korea  
<https://www.facebook.com/UMGCKOREA/>  
Registered National Testing Center for Proctored Exams

#### *Troy University*

DSN: 315-755-3534  
Website: <https://www.troy.edu/about-us/troy-support-centers/pacific-support-centers>  
Facebook: Troy University Camp Humphreys  
<https://www.facebook.com/troyuniversityhumphreys/>

#### *Embry Riddle Aeronautical University*

DSN: 315-755-3535  
Website: <https://worldwide.erau.edu/locations/camp-humphreys>

### Off-Post Education

Pyeongtaek University offers both undergraduate and graduate programs. For more information on course offerings, please visit: <https://english.ptu.ac.kr/englishindex.do>.

## Korean Language Courses

Korean language courses are available on-post through ACS and the USO. ACS occasionally streams Korean lessons on its Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/acs.humphreys>). Off-post, Korean language courses are available through the Pyeongtaek International Exchange (PIEF).

## EMPLOYMENT

Employment opportunities in Korea for spouses are limited, but with initiative and some creativity, finding paid employment is possible. The information in this section is intended to inform you about some of the specific employment requirements and restrictions in Korea, and to provide some guidance regarding resources available to help you.

There are US government, contract, corporate, and volunteer positions available. Spouses of active-duty and federal civilian employees have hiring preference upon arrival for all government positions. Employment opportunities are very competitive, so anticipate potential delays in securing a position commensurate with education and/or experience.

There are limited federal employment opportunities for US Permanent Residents. Employment opportunities on base for US Permanent Residents are limited to AAFES, DeCA, and on a case-by-case basis with Child and Youth Services.

Dependents of service members and civilian component are admitted to the Republic of Korea (ROK) under an A-3 visa. Persons in Korea under an A-3 visa are not entitled to payment for work on the Korean economy without an additional authorization from the Korean government.

## On-Post Employment

### Employment Readiness Program

The Employment Readiness Program (ERP) assists family members with resume writing, identifying employment opportunities, and preparing for a new job. The ERP sponsors job fairs several times a year to meet potential employers face-to-face. Bring clean, accurate copies of your resume and dress appropriately. More information regarding the ERP is available in the Army Community Services (ACS) section in Chapter 7: Community Support Services.

## Civilian Human Resource Agency

Facebook: CHRA Far East Military Spouse Hiring Initiative  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/491731861722384>

The Civilian Human Resources Agency (CHRA) for Military Spouses in the Far East Region is a professional group forum that provides military spouses a singular location to receive information about the federal hiring process, federal employment in the Far East Region, and for support through the Military Spouse Hiring Initiative. CHRA is part of the Department of Army leadership's vision to streamline headquarters, create more agile and responsive staffs, reduce layers of review and approval, focus on mission, and transform the Army. The establishment of CHRA enabled the Army to enhance quality of service provided to its civilian employees.

## Humphreys Area III Civilian Personnel Advisory Center

Phone: 0503-357-2007 DSN: 757-2007

The Civilian Personnel Advisory Center (CPAC) is comprised of a team of human resources professionals dedicated to supporting and empowering service members, civilian employees, families, and Veterans worldwide. The CPAC recruits, retains, and sustains a high-quality volunteer force.

## USAJOBS

USAJOBS ([www.usajobs.gov](http://www.usajobs.gov)) is the Federal Government's official source for most federal jobs and employment information. You can find opportunities in civil service, non-appropriated funds (NAF), and Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) staff. Additional information on federal employment can be found on [www.fedshirevets.gov](http://www.fedshirevets.gov).

## DoDEA Teaching Opportunities

DoDEA teaching opportunities (excluding substitute teaching) are advertised on <https://www.dodea.edu/offices/HR/vacancies.cfm>. Teaching categories and requirements to teach at a DoDEA school can be found at <https://www.dodea.edu/Offices/HR/requirements/teaching-categories-and-requirements.cfm>.

Substitute teaching positions with DoDEA are advertised on [www.usajobs.gov](http://www.usajobs.gov) and subject to a background check process that may take

two to three months. Though posted on USAJOBS, you should start the application process directly with the elementary, middle, or high school. Remember, the school where you submit your application has priority for your services.

## Army and Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES)

AAFES employment opportunities are posted directly on their website [www.applymyexchange.com](http://www.applymyexchange.com). These include positions at the Post Exchanges and various food courts. High school-aged children and older dependents interested in working as baggers may apply in person at the Commissary.

## On-Post Retail Opportunities

The on-post thrift stores on Humphreys Thrift Store and Camp Walker (The Apple Tree) hire part-time staff. For applications, inquire directly in-store.

## Other Employment Opportunities

### Home-Based Businesses

Home-based businesses (HBB) are a viable self-employment option. Examples of home-based businesses include independent consultants, individuals offering private lessons, services, or selling goods. HBBs are regulated by F & MWR, subject to written approval by the Garrison Commander, and are regulated by SOFA.

You are responsible for paying US taxes as an HBB owner. You can sell only to customers governed by the SOFA or in the US, and you cannot use APO mail to send or receive anything to do with your business. All HBBs in Korea (on post or off post) require approval.

**TIP:** Military spouse entrepreneurs can connect virtually through the Milspo Project (<http://milspoproject.org>).

## Modeling and Acting

Korean companies need people of various ages and nationalities for advertisements, television shows, and movies. Look for job postings on the Internet and Facebook and apply directly to the agencies seeking models. You may even be approached on the street if you or your children have "the look" they need. You will typically need to provide three

to five head shots and you may be asked to submit a short video. You will also need to provide size measurements (know your Korean clothing sizes and metric conversions). The modeling company will supply the necessary work visa for each shoot.

## Remote Employment

Thanks to the wonders of modern technology, remote workers can be physically located just about anywhere in the world and still meet job requirements! Here are a few resources to get you started on the remote job search:

- Mad Skills: <http://madskills.co/>
- Virtforce: <https://virtforce.us/>
- Flexjobs: <https://www.flexjobs.com/>
- Amazon: [www.amazon.jobs/en/landing\\_pages/mil-spouse](http://www.amazon.jobs/en/landing_pages/mil-spouse)
- Virtual HOH Military Spouse Professional Network: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/526701514133786>

## Volunteer Work

Volunteering is a great way to build skills or experience and increase employment marketability and network! There are a number of volunteer opportunities on base and off base. For more information on volunteer opportunities, contact the ACS Volunteer Program Coordinator. You can also directly reach out to organizations such as Humphreys United Club, the Humphreys Thrift Store, the USO, the Red Cross, or BOSS or your Soldier Family Readiness Group (SFRG).

## Visas

Dependents with A-3 visas may obtain a work permit in any of eight employment categories. These categories each have a number of qualifications applicants must meet in order to be eligible. The employment status categories are:

- *E-1 Teaching (Professor)*: This is for professors of higher education. Requirements include education and experience as a professor of higher education.
- *E-2 Foreign Language Instructor*: This category includes English teachers. Requirements include a bachelor's degree and/or relevant college level education and/or work experience.

**NOTE:** Individuals applying for the E-2 Permit must apply to teach in their first language (mother tongue) and must be ed-

ucated to a degree level. The Korean government recently imposed additional requirements including criminal record check by FBI or home state police, health certificate issued by a Korean public health office, and fingerprints.

- *E-3 Research*: This category includes those performing research in the natural sciences or in the development of industry and technology. Requirements include an invitation from a Korean public or private institution to perform work of this nature.
- *E-4 Technology Instruction*: This is for people possessing professional-level knowledge in the natural sciences, or special technical skills. Requirements include an invitation from a Korean public or private institution to perform instruction of this nature.
- *E-5 Professional Occupation*: This category includes foreign attorneys, accountants, and doctors who are certified in a foreign country and are authorized under Korean law to practice in their field in Korea.
- *E-6 Arts and Performance*: This category includes those engaged in music, the arts, literature, modeling, or other performance activities for profit.
- *E-7 Special Occupations*: This category includes such employment as designated by the Minister of Justice, including work in translation, interpretation, cultural research, etc.
- *E-8 Employed Trainee*: This category is for temporary employment for industrial training purposes.

Employment without proper permission violates Korean law. This includes teaching English to private individuals. Penalties for violation of Korean immigration law may include deportation, prosecution in Korea, fines, and levying of back taxes. A dependent with an A-3 visa may secure employment with a Korean company but the employer must then initiate the necessary paperwork with the Korea Immigration Service (an agency of the Korea Ministry of Justice) to obtain an employment permit for the dependent. The dependent may then visit a local immigration office and obtain the passport employment permit stamp. Once the dependent obtains the proper work permit, he or she may be lawfully employed on the Korean economy. Dependents employed on the Korean economy are subject to withholding of Korean income taxes from their wages in Korea.



## Additional Resources For Employment Opportunities

### Hiring Our Heroes Military Spouse Professional Network

Facebook: South Korea HOH Military Spouse Professional Network  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/MSPNSKorea>

The Hiring Our Heroes (HOH) Military Spouse Professional Network is a community for career-minded military spouses with 40+ locations worldwide and more than 11,000 members. HOH locations connect military spouses with established networks, giving them access to local business leaders, peers, mentors, and support in their career development. The South Korea chapter of the HOH Military Spouse Professional Network hosts virtual and in person networking and educational events and shares information about employment opportunities available to spouses located in South Korea.



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## RATIONS

### About Ration Control

The Ration Control Program prevents the transfer of duty-free goods to those not entitled to receive them. Active-duty military and dependents use their Department of Defense (DoD)-issued ID as their Ration Card to make AAFES or commissary purchases. Separate Ration Cards are no longer required for those with a DoD ID number whose sponsor is assigned to U.S. Forces Korea, United Nations Command, or Combined Forces Command. Individuals who do not have a DoD ID issued card that contains their DoD ID number are still required to obtain a Ration Card and show this card at the point of sale. To be enrolled in the Ration Control Program, you must first be entered into the DBIDS system. Keep your receipts for large ticket items in case questions are raised about your buying habits.

You may show a copy of your sponsor's orders stamped by the Ration Control desk at the PX or Commissary to purchase items before being enrolled in the Ration Control Program. Newly arrived permanent party personnel and their families may exceed their monthly limit by 50

percent for the first three months (does not apply to the liquor and beer limits). Regardless of arrival date, the first month is considered from the arrival date to end of that month.

Your ration card is monitored using the Command Unique Tracking System (CUTS). This system assists USFK law enforcement agencies in collecting data for inventory control and to curb black marketing. There are monthly limits on Commissary purchases in total dollars based on number of family members. There are also per day purchase limits placed on certain items (shelf limits). You can check your account 24/7 at <https://pimsk.korea.army.mil/> (NIPRNet required).

You will be given information on the current rules and regulations concerning black marketing during in-processing. Under the Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA), the US is allowed to import certain products duty-free for the Commissary and Exchange services. These products are strictly for the personal use of authorized personnel. Black marketing is the illegal sale of duty-free goods to the Korean economy and can result in severe disciplinary action. Report anyone who is engaged in this practice.

Many products are considered illegal for gift-giving to Korean Nationals. For questions regarding the sale of controlled items or gifts to personnel not authorized duty-free import privileges, contact the Ration Control Office for information on proper legal procedures. Information is also available from USFK regulations 643-1 and 60-1.

### Ration Control Office

Location: Maude Hall Bldg. 6400

Phone: 0503-357-2088 DSN: 757-2088

Website: <https://home.army.mil/humphreys/index.php/about/garrison/directorate-human-resources/deersid-cards>

Email: [latoya.n.bush.civ@army.mil](mailto:latoya.n.bush.civ@army.mil)

## PETS

### Pet Laws and Regulations

For public safety, Korea's law requires all dogs to be on a leash that is no longer than 6 feet and 6 inches. Potentially dangerous breeds of dogs (pit bulls, rottweilers, chow chows, etc.) must wear muzzles. Fines for not abiding by these are up to ₩500,000 or approximately \$500. For additional information on these new laws, please contact the installation

veterinary clinic. It is also important to ensure your dog's excrement is picked up and disposed of as general waste. Fines for not picking up after your pet may range between ₩50,000 to ₩600,000 won or approximately \$50-\$600.

Large dogs with a high prey drive must have a muzzle cover or you can be fined ₩3,000,000. Dog breeds with high prey drive are the Japanese Mastiff, American Pit Bull Terrier, American Stafford Terrier, Stafford Bull Terrier, and Rottweiler. Death or injury to a person by your dog can result in up to three years in jail or a ₩30,000,000 fine.

## Living with your Pet

Government and civilian housing policies differ as to authorization, number, and types of pets. It is very important to remember that in the event of noncombatant evacuation operations (NEO), when traveling via the Patriot Express, and on many commercial airlines, only up to two pets (domestic dog or cat only) can be shipped back to the US. When bringing your pet to Korea or adopting a pet in Korea, please do your research. Speak with the military vet regarding the rules, regulations, and costs for transporting your pets in and out of the country. You must be prepared for the financial costs and paperwork of having your pet with you.

USAG Humphreys' on-post housing allows two pets (dogs, cats, or ferrets) and up to four small, caged animals or birds and/or an aquarium not to exceed 50 gallons. If a member of your family has a service animal, discuss that with the Housing Office so they can factor that into determining your housing assignment.

Just like anywhere else, some off-post/civilian apartments allow pets, and some do not. Ask your realtor about pet allowances before signing a lease. Please check for more information regarding pet travel at: <https://8tharmy.korea.army.mil/site/newcomers/traveling-pets.asp>

A valuable source of free wisdom is also available on this FB group run by a local pet shipper and pet travel consultant, Shindogs Air: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/flyingpetskorea>

## On-Post Veterinary Services

The Humphreys VTF primarily provides preventive veterinary medical and surgical care for privately owned animals on a space available basis. There are three VTFs in Korea: USAG Humphreys, Camp Walker, and Osan Air Base. The three clinics work together to provide a range of

veterinary care services including vaccinations, lab work, x-rays and ultrasound, microchips, surgery, and health certificates. Military Vet Facilities are not emergency facilities and have limited appointments. Please note that care is limited during military training exercises. Clients are encouraged to establish a relationship with off-post veterinary clinics for urgent care and for long term medications.

Per regulation, all pets (on or off post) must be registered at your local military Veterinary Treatment Facility (VTF) within ten days of arrival or purchase. Pet owners not living on a military installation must also register (license) pets at the city hall nearest their residence. International Organization for Standardization-compatible (ISO) microchips are mandatory for all pets, on and off the military installation.

### *USAG Humphreys Veterinary Treatment Facility (VTF)*

Location: Bldg. 2260, Tropic Lightning Ave  
Phone: 0503-337-9720/9721 DSN: 737-9720 /9721  
Hours: Mon-Thur 09:00-16:00, Fri 09:30-16:00  
Closed last business day of month  
Website: <https://www.korea.amedd.army.mil/Veterinary/index.html>  
Facebook: USAG Humphreys Veterinary Services  
(<https://www.facebook.com/CampHumphreysVeterinaryServices>)

### *Osan Air Base VTF*

Location: BLDG 766  
Phone: 503-337-9820 DSN: 315-737-9820  
Hours: Mon-Fri: 09:00-12:00 & 13:00-16:00  
Closed after 13:00 on last business day of the month  
Facebook: Osan AB Veterinary Treatment Services  
(<https://www.facebook.com/OsanABVeterinaryServices>)

### *USAG Daegu – Camp Walker*

Location: BLDG #S-341  
Phone: 0503-364-4708 or DSN: 315-764-4708  
Hours: Mon-Fri: 09:00-12:00 & 13:00-16:00  
Closed after 13:00 on last  
business day of the month  
Facebook: Camp Walker Veterinary Services  
<https://www.facebook.com/CampWalkerVeterinaryServices>

## Off-Post Veterinary Services

See below for a list of off-post veterinarians in the vicinity of USAG Humphreys. You can also obtain a list from the Military VTF and by asking on some of the Facebook groups and pages. \*These are not vetted or all extensive list. You are to determine if their services/qualifications are acceptable to you. There are many Facebook Pet groups that may have other resources as well;

### **ANY PET Hospital**

Bloodwork, surgeries, x-rays, dentistry, microchipping, and health certificates.

Location: Chungnam Cheonan-si Shinbu-dong 816 Daehung Building 1F

Phone: 041-523-8275/0275

Email: hosang3@hanmail.net

### **BON Animal Medical Hospital**

Referral, Emergency, ICU, Lab Work, CT, MRI procedures: Advanced Surgery, Emergency GDV, Dystosia, RX

24-hour clinic in Suwon

Location: 114 Songjeong-ro, Jowon 1(il)-dong, Jangan-gu, Suwon, Gyeonggi-do

Phone: 031-248-8275

### **Dr. Kim's Animal Clinic**

Health certificate, vaccinations, sick call, lab work, spay/neuter Located Near Osan AB

Location: 1151, Gyeonggi-daero, Pyeongtaek-si, Gyeonggi-do

Phone: 031-665-7585

### **Hemaru Animal Hospital**

Full Emergency and Specialty Referral, ICU, Lab work, MRI, Advanced Surgery

Location: 8-6, Hwnagsaeul-ro, 319beon-gil, bundang-gu, Seongnam-si

Phone: 031-781-2992

Website: www.hamaru.co.kr

### **K&N Hospital**

Companion small animal practice across USAG Humphreys walk-in gate

Located: 113-224 Anjung-ri, Paengsung-up, Pyeongtaek-si

Phone: 031-692-7114

Osan 25 hours General Animal Hospital

Phone: 031-378-1114

### **Pet 25 hours Animal Hospital**

Emergency and after-hours service Near AK Plaza

Location: Gyeonggi-do, Pyeongtaek-si, Pyeongtaek-dong, 59-39

Phone: 031-655-6941

### **SKY**

Referral, Emergency, ICU, lab work, CT, MRI

Procedures: Advanced Surgery, Emergency GDV, Dystosia, RX

Located: 165, Dongseo-daero, Seobuk-gu, Cheonan-si

Phone: 041-415-0975

### **VIP Animal Medical Center**

24-hour Heart & Kidney, Surgical, Traditional Medicine & Rehabilitation, Radiology, Hemodialysis Centers

Located: Bangbae-dong 442-3, Seoul

Phone: 02-525-3102

### **Bliss**

Companion animal total service and limited ER

Procedures: Lab, X-ray, soft tissue & Ortho Surgery

Located: 50, Segyo 7-gil, Pyeongtaek-si

Phone: 031-666-7532

### **Corea Animal Hospital**

Vaccinations, Surgery, Health Certificates

Located: Koliadongmulbyeong-won jung-anglo 141 Pyeongtaek-si Gyeong-Gido

Phone: 031-656-0524

### **Samsung Animal Hospital**

24-hour full service clinic

Location: 1509 Deogyeond-daero Yeongtong-gu, Suwon, Gyeonggi-do

Phone: 031-206-7512

### ***Seoul National University Animal Hospital***

Referral and specialty process

Location: 1 Gwanak-ro, Gwanak-gu, Seoul

Phone: 02-880-8666/8661

Website: <http://vmth.snu.ac.dr.english.html>

### ***Raum Animal Medical Center***

24-hour emergency and referral center

Location: 20-24, Bijeon 5-ro, Pyeongtaek-si, Gyeonggi-do

Phone: 031-692-5022

For 24-hour emergency care and specialty services such as cancer treatments, non-routine surgeries, etc., Seoul National University College of Veterinary Medicine and Bon Animal Hospital are highly recommended. Your veterinarian can provide you with a referral or you can take your pet into the center for diagnosis and treatment.

## **Pet Boarding and Grooming**

### ***Humphreys Pet Care Center, The First Class Pet***

Location: Tropic Lightning Ave. BLDG P-1039

Phone: 070-7597-0513

Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/pet-care-center>

Email: [Humphreys@thefirstclasspet.com](mailto:Humphreys@thefirstclasspet.com)

Hours: Mon-Sun 09:00-18:00

### ***All Paws Osan Pet Care***

Location: Osan Boarding Kennel Bldg. 421-B

Phone: 031-661-4313 DSN: 784-4314

Website: <https://www.51fss.com/allpaws>

Email: [allpawsosan@gmail.com](mailto:allpawsosan@gmail.com)

Facebook: All Paws Osan Pet Care

(<https://www.facebook.com/AllPawsOsanPetCare>)

Hours: Mon-Sun 10:00-18:00

These kennels have large outdoor exercise areas where the dogs can run and stretch their legs during their kennel stay. Reservations can be made 60 days in advance. They can fill up quickly during the holidays and busy PCS seasons.

### ***Dogtown Club and Show Grooming***

Grooming and kennel services

Location: Pyeongtaek City Pangseong-eup Songwaha taekjl-ro 58 2F, 17688

Email: [swdogtown@naver.com](mailto:swdogtown@naver.com)

Facebook: Dogtown Club and Show Grooming

(<https://www.facebook.com/dogtownclubandshowgrooming>)

### ***The POOCH***

Grooming and kennel services Phone: 31-691-5707

Facebook: The POOCH (<https://www.facebook.com/poochesat>)

Email: [thepooch70@gmail.com](mailto:thepooch70@gmail.com)

## **Pet Travel & Shippers**

### ***Pet Airline Travel***

Kennel and transportation services between USAG Humphreys and the airport.

Location: Seoul Korea Room 201, 2nd floor, 1340-7, Gonghang-Dong, Gangseo-Gu

Phone: 010-2667-0112

Website: <https://petairline.co.kr/>

Facebook: Pet Airline (<https://www.facebook.com/PetAirline>)

Email: [jeremy@petairline.co.kr](mailto:jeremy@petairline.co.kr)

Hours: Mon-Fri 09:00-18:30, Sat 09:00-13:00

### ***The First Class Pet (Pyeongtaek)***

[www.thefirstclasspet.com](http://www.thefirstclasspet.com)

email: [gina@thefirstclasspet.com](mailto:gina@thefirstclasspet.com)

Phone: (general): 070-4101-1169

Phone (Ms. Gina Nam): 010-9794-1125

### ***Pet Airlines (Seoul)***

[www.petairline.co.kr](http://www.petairline.co.kr)

email: [jeremy@petairline.co.kr](mailto:jeremy@petairline.co.kr)

Phone: 02-2667-0112

### ***Shindogs Air***

[www.facebook.com/shindogsair](http://www.facebook.com/shindogsair)

Phone(s): 010-5119-8073 & 010-5135-8073  
Email: shindogsair@gmail.com

### **AQIS Animal Quarantine Inspection Service (Songpawon Animal Hospital)**

www.aqis.co.kr/english  
Email: AQIS@naver.com  
Phone: 02-419-7571

**NOTE:** Please contact each shipper about your specific case.

## **The Pet Care Center**

The Pet Care Center at USAG Yongsan is an official quarantine facility for the Republic of Korea. It can house up to 21 dogs and 17 cats in condo-like quarters; grooming and boarding services are also available. The staff can also pick your pet up at the airport, clear customs, and deliver it to the Pet Care Center for a fee. The Pet Care Center is not part of the VTF.

### **USAG Yongsan Pet Care Center**

Location: Bldg. 5256 (located next to Gate 13)  
Phone: 0503-336-6426 DSN: 736-6426  
Facebook: USAG Yongsan Pet Care Center  
(<https://www.facebook.com/yongsanpcc>)  
Email: gina@thefirstclasspet.com  
Hours: Mon-Fri 08:30-17:30, Sat 09:00-12:00  
Closed Sunday and Holidays

## **Dog Parks**

USAG Humphreys has some very nice dog parks. There is a small dog park by Sentry Village housing, three small dog parks by the Family Housing Towers (Taro Ave.), and a large dog park by Collier Fitness Center (Tropic Lightning Ave.) These dog parks can be used by all DoD ID card holders (living on or off post) to exercise and socialize dogs.

Please observe the "rules of petiquette" posted in the park:

- Owners must pick up and dispose of all pet waste.
- You may have up to two dogs per adult per visit.
- Owners are responsible and liable for their pets' actions; aggressive pets or pets in heat are not allowed in the park.

**NOTE:** Pets are not allowed on ball fields, tennis courts, basketball courts, or school grounds even if on a leash.

There is a dog park off post, located across from PIEF (Pyeongtaek Information Exchange Foundation) near the Oscarville apartments. Please be a good neighbor and follow posted rules.

## **Pet Adoption**

There are many ways to acquire a pet both on and off your local installation. Visit your local VTF for informational websites, maps, and directions on where to adopt a pet.

Most VTFs handle the adoption of strays and surrendered animals needing new homes including many pure breeds. Every year during the PCS season many owners find themselves struggling to get their pets home because they did not understand the true responsibilities of pet ownership. Please be sure to fully research the responsibilities and costs of pet ownership and travel before adopting a new pet to help reduce the number of pets in the already overcrowded shelters. Do not abandon your pet. Visit the USAG Humphreys VTF and pick up a flyer with current information on re-homing options.

Additional information regarding having your pets in Korea can be found at:

- Veterinary Services: <https://www.korea.amedd.army.mil/Veterinary/index.html>
- Camp Humphreys Pet Page (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/832693010165215>)

**TIP:** Please keep in mind small animals adopted in Korea such as guinea pigs, hedgehogs, fish, hamsters, etc. cannot be imported into the United States.

## **VISITORS**

Should you wish to bring visitors onto the installation, there are procedures that you must follow for your safety and the safety of those around you. Failure to comply with escort procedures will result in you and/or your sponsor being prohibited from escorting visitors for at least 90 days. There are some different scenarios for visitors. Maybe you have invited a Korean friend to your home on the installation for dinner. May-

be you have purchased a large piece of furniture and need to have it delivered to your on-post home. Or perhaps your parents want to visit from the United States. The following information will guide you through the steps you need to take to escort a visitor properly.

Force Protection and Health Protection Conditions (FPCON & HPCON) can impact the installation visitor policy. When planning for visitors, check the current FPCON & HPCON levels at your installation.

## Obtaining Installation Access for Visitors

In order to escort a visitor for one day (24-Hour Pass), your visitor must have one of the following:

- Korean Nationals must have Republic of Korea government issued ID card with photo such as: Korean ID card, Korean National Police Agency ID card, ROK Military ID card, ROK Ministry of Defense ID card, Korean passport, or Korean Driver License with the 7th digit being a 1,2,3, or 4
- Non-Korean Nationals must have a passport (to verify immigration status). After inspection, the passport will be returned, and the visitor must surrender another form of photo identification. If the visitor does not have another form of photo identification, the sponsor (escort) must surrender a photo ID that is NOT their DoD ID card.

**NOTE:** You may not escort a visitor from the list of USFK Designated Countries without an exception to policy. If you think this may apply to a potential visitor, visit your DBIDS office to review the list and procedures you need to follow for an exception to policy.

## Number of Visitors

One DoD ID cardholder may escort up to four visitors at a time. You must meet your visitor(s) outside of the installation and enter through a gate where visitors can be processed. At USAG Humphreys, for example, this would be either the Pedestrian, Yoon, or Adams Gates. You will accompany your visitor(s) into the access control point and give both your DoD ID card and your visitor's ID card to the guard on duty. You and your guest(s) will need to provide a fingerprint on a scanner and answer basic questions, such as your destination and your phone number. The guard will retain your guest's ID card and give them a pass in exchange.

You and your guest(s) will give these both to the next guard, who will scan them as you enter the installation. You **MUST** remain with your visitor(s) at all times. When it is time for your guest(s) to depart, no more than 24 hours after they entered, you must return with them to the same access control point at which they entered so that they may receive their identification back.

## Escorting a Vehicle

Check with your installation to see which gate your visitor and their vehicle need to enter. At USAG Humphreys, this would be the Adams Gate. The vehicle will park in the designated area, and you and the driver will complete the escort procedures to enter the installation, which are very similar to the 24-hour pass check-in procedures. Your visiting driver will need the following documents to bring their vehicle onto the installation: valid driver's license, proof of ownership (registration), safety inspection (on the registration), and proof of insurance. You will be asked for your ID, your destination, and your phone number. You and your visitor will leave your ID cards with the guard at the Visitor's Center. The visitor must follow you in their vehicle at all times while on the installation, and they must leave the same gate through which they entered. You will then both go into the Visitor Center to sign-out your guest and pick-up your ID cards.

## Short-Term Visitors

If you plan to have visitors who will need longer than 24-hour access (if you have family visiting and staying with you), you should begin planning several weeks out. Have your guest(s) send you a copy of their passport picture page. You will need to turn this in to DBIDS along with a completed USFK Form 82-E Application for Installation Access. If you plan to request permission for access to several installations (USAG Humphreys, Osan, and Yongsan, for example), approval takes longer than gaining access for one installation. Turn your documents in as early as you can.

## Visitor Arrival

Once your visitor arrives, you must get them onto the installation using the 24-hour pass procedures outlined above. Then you must escort your visitor to the DBIDS office on your installation, where they will be issued a Short-Term Visitor's Pass (37EK), which resembles a DoD ID card.

Your visitor will have their fingerprint captured, and their photo taken for their pass. Your visitor must retain this ID card throughout their stay. It allows them to go through any gate with you and have it scanned like a typical ID card. Once your visitor departs for home, you will turn this card back in to the DBIDS office.

### **Medical Care for Visitors**

Before they arrive, your short-term visitors should consider the potential need for medical care during their stay in Korea. Visitors will not be able to use military treatment facilities and will have to visit a Korean clinic or hospital. Before their trip, they should contact their insurance company to verify what, if any, coverage they have while traveling overseas. If they are not covered, they may want to consider travel insurance in case of an emergency, taking care to verify eligibility requirements.

If your visitor should need medical attention while they are with you in Korea, there are several options. Rest assured, the Korean hospitals in the vicinity of US military installations are accustomed to treating foreigners, and many staff members speak English. You and your visitor should consider downloading the KORHEALTH app on your smartphone. Your visitor should expect to pay cash at these clinics (and use a local pharmacy), but you can expect it to be much cheaper than you might pay for comparable services in the US.

### **NEO and Visitors**

The possibility of a Noncombatant Evacuation Operation (NEO) is always a reality for which you should be prepared. Keep in mind that there are stages leading up to a potential crisis that fall short of an actual NEO, and if there are “authorized departures” or “ordered departures,” your family or friends visiting you in Korea should return home. If you do have a visitor during a full NEO event, be assured that your visitors will be moved out of harm’s way along with your family.

If you are notified to evacuate, bring your visitors, their passports, and their bags (following the NEO bag weight guidelines) with you to the assembly point. They will be moved south with you to the reception center, where the State Department will take control of them. US citizens will be repatriated to the US. However, if your visitor is a citizen of a country other than the US or Korea, the State Department will coordinate with the appropriate embassy to get your visitor home. Please note that this does NOT apply to Korean Nationals unless they are DoD dependents.



## **CHAPTER 6** **Health Resources**

## ON POST HEALTH RESOURCES

### Important Phone Numbers

#### *Emergency*

Phone: 031-690-7911 DSN: (all installations): 911  
Off Post: 119

#### *Police*

Phone: 02-112 DSN: 112

#### *Dental (Carius Dental Treatment Facility)*

Phone (the ER): 0503-337-2273

### Non-Emergency Phone Numbers

#### *Fire*

Phone: 031-690-6173

#### *Military Police*

Phone: 0503-355-9917/8

#### *Carius Dental Treatment Facility*

Location: BLDG 3020

Phone: 0503-337-9206/9207 DSN: 737-9206/9207

#### *Child Abuse Reporting*

Phone: 0503-337-4101 DSN: 101

#### *Domestic Abuse Hotline*

Phone: 0503-337-4101 DSN: 101

#### *Appointment Line*

Phone: 0503-337-2273 DSN: 737-2273

#### *TRICARE Enrollment*

Location: (Main office) Maude Hall, BLDG 6400, 1st Floor, Room C101  
Second office also located in Hospital (see below)

Phone: 0503-337-5178/79/81/82/5676 DSN: 737-5178/79/81/82

*Cherry Blossom Seon*  
Photo by: Katie Howell



**TRICARE Management Care Division/Service Center**  
**Brian D. Allgood Army Community Hospital (BDAACH)**

Location: BLDG 3031, 2nd Floor, Room HG201  
Phone: 0503-337-1433 DSN: 737-1433

**Sexual Assault Prevention (SHARP) 24/7 Assistance**

Phone: 0503-364-5700 or 0503-357-8912 DSN: 158 or 753-8444  
From US: 011-82-503-364-5700

\*For more information on the SHARP program please see the Sharp section in this chapter.

**DoD Sexual Assault Support (SAFE) Helpline**

Phone: 877-995-5247 (US toll free)

**Suicide Prevention Hotline (Korea-Wide)**

Phone: 0808-555-118 DSN: 118

**National Suicide Hotline (US)**

Phone: 050-3322-0118

**Veteran Crisis Line**

Website: <http://www.veteranscrisisline.net/get-help/chat>

**Army Wellness Center, Bldg 587**

Phone: 050-3337-5758 DSN: 737-5758

**Additional Resources**

Other \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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Other \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**On-Post Hospital**

**Brian D. Allgood Community Hospital**

Location: BLDG 3031  
Phone (Appointment Line): 0503-337-2273 DSN: 737-2273  
Website: <https://home.army.mil/humphreys/index.php/my-usag-humphreys/all-services/BDAACH>  
Facebook: 549th Hospital Center/Brian D. Allgood Army Community Hospital (<https://www.facebook.com/549BDAACH>)  
Hours: Mon-Fri 08:00-16:30

The Brian D. Allgood Community Hospital (BDAACH), located on USAG Humphreys, is medically equipped to support 65,000 eligible beneficiaries and 5,000 inpatient admissions. BDAACH's Ambulatory Care Center can provide support for 56,300 eligible beneficiaries and 200,000 annual outpatient visits. BDAACH has expanded from its previous 38bed set-up to 68 total inpatient beds consisting of six intensive care unit (ICU) beds, 40 medical/surgical units, four operating rooms, eight labor and delivery (L&D) beds and 14 behavioral health beds. A 1,000-space parking garage along with 949 surface parking spaces support the new facility. BDAACH opened for its first patient on 15 November 2019. The hospital provides medical care to active-duty military, retirees, and their family members. DoD civilian employees, contractors, and their family members may be seen by doctors at the BDAACH based upon space availability.



**BDAACH**

To contact TRICARE while overseas, call 080-429-0880. You can get information on local providers that are covered by TRICARE, request for referral updates, and much more.

To make an appointment at one of the clinics, you need to call the central appointment line, 0503-337-2273 DSN: 737-2273. You may expect to obtain an appointment for an acute/same day care within 24 hours; open access (same calendar day); routine (7 calendar days); wellness (28 calendar days); and specialty care (28 calendar days). Retirees can call the appointment line Monday through Friday from 09:00-16:30 for a same day appointment. Non-Command Sponsored Dependents, civilian contractors, and other assigned personnel not enrolled can call the appointment line from 12:00-16:30 for a same day appointment.

### **Services Provided at the Hospital**

*Care Centers:* Women and Infant Care Unit (WICU/Labor and Delivery), Inpatient Psychiatric Services, Respiratory Therapy, Rehabilitation and Occupational Therapy, MultiCare Unit, and Sleep Center.

*Radiology:* MRI, CT, Mammography, Ultrasound, and Fluoroscopy.

*Major Specialties:* Outpatient Behavioral Health, Dermatology, Emergency Medicine, Family Medicine, Internal Medicine, OB/GYN, Pathology, Pediatrics, Surgery-General, Surgery-ENT, Surgery-Oral and Maxillofacial, Surgery-Orthopedic, and Neurology.

*Other Services:* Family Medicine, Emergency Services, Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Physical Medicine, Podiatry, Behavioral Health, Occupational Health, Internal Medicine, Counseling, Pharmacy, Nutrition care, Aviation Medicine, Educational Developmental Intervention Services, Social Work, Public Health, Health Promotions, Immunizations, Laboratory, Optometry, Orthopedics, ENT, Audiology, and Urology.

*Emergency services.*

**NOTE:** BDAACH does not have a NICU.

### **Nurse Advice Line**

Phone: 080-500-4011

Website: MHSNurseAdviceLine.com

The Military Health System (MHS) Nurse Advice Line is available 24/7 by phone, web chat, and video chat to all beneficiaries.

## **Pharmacies**

Prescriptions obtained from off-post providers can be filled at the on-post pharmacy only if the prescription is written in English. You may order prescription refills using the automated telephone system. The pharmacy's busiest time is 10:00-15:00. If possible, visit the pharmacy before or after this period for faster service and shortest wait times.

There are three pharmacies located on Humphreys: BDAACH Pharmacy, Midtown Pharmacy, and Jenkins Clinic Pharmacy.

### **BDAACH Pharmacy**

Location: BLDG 3031, off Key Street

Phone: 0503-337-2070 DSN: 737-2070/2075

Automated Refill Number: 0503-337-7939 DSN: 737-7939

Hours: Mon-Fri 07:30-19:30, Sat 09:30-18:30; Lunch 12:30-1330;

Closed Sun

### **Humphreys Midtown Pharmacy SGT Kim Clinic**

Location: BLDG 6370, 11th St.

Phone: 0503-337-5028 DSN: 737-5028

Hours: Mon-Wed, Fri 08:00-16:45, Thurs 13:00-16:45; Lunch 12:00-13:00; Closed federal holidays, training holidays, and weekends

### **Humphreys MSG Jenkins Clinic Pharmacy**

Location: BLDG 555, Dr. Mary Walker Rd.

Phone: 0503-337-5633 DSN: 737-5633/5617

Hours: Mon-Wed, Fri 7:45-16:45, Thurs 13:00-16:45; Closed federal holidays, training holidays, and weekends

Outlying Pharmacy numbers and hours of operation are available on the BDAACH and KORHEATH app which is downloadable to cell phones.

## **Immunization and Disease Awareness**

### **Immunizations**

For active-duty, mandatory immunization requirements will be communicated through the Periodic Health Assessment (PHA) process. DoD family members, DoD civilians, and Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) employees should check with their medical treatment facility, healthcare provider, and/or school nurse for recent updates on immunization requirements. Family members will be screened through the Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) for overseas travel prior to departure for Korea, and guidance on any immunizations that are required or recommended prior to entering Korea will be provided during that process.

For school immunization requirements, visit the DoDEA website at [www.dodea.edu](http://www.dodea.edu).

### ***Immunization Clinic***

Location: BDAACH, 1st Floor  
Phone: 0503-337-1147 DSN: 1147

### ***COVID-19 Vaccination Center***

Call BDAACH Hospital for latest Information.

## **Diseases**

### ***Tuberculosis***

Tuberculosis (TB) is present on the Korean peninsula, and within the Asia region. To test for this disease, it is recommended to have a Purified Protein Derivative (PPD) for tuberculosis infection test prior to coming to Korea, every year while in Korea, and just prior to leaving Korea. This is mandatory for active duty servicemembers and highly recommended for all others. DoDEA and Child Youth and School Services (CYSS) require current proof of PPD testing for registration.

### ***Vector-borne Diseases***

Vector-borne diseases are similar to those in the US; diseases transmitted by mosquitoes, mites, ticks and rodents are present in Korea.

### ***Japanese Encephalitis***

Japanese Encephalitis is prevalent in the Asia region, and a vaccine is available for all active-duty, DoD family members, DoD civilians, and DoDEA employees.

### ***Virax Malaria***

Vivax Malaria is transmitted by mosquitoes and is present at relatively low levels, primarily in areas north of Seoul and near the DMZ. For protection, military personnel should use repellents on exposed skin when in malaria risk areas during hours when mosquitoes are present. As mosquitoes can also bite through clothing, DEET repellent spray can be applied to the outer garments for protection. Soldiers should use ACUs treated with permethrin during the malaria season.

### ***Mosquitos***

Common House Mosquito (*Culex pipiens*) is often found in abundance in Korea, and it is not attributed to the transmission of any disease. Populations breed in standing water making pesticide applications

less effective. Mosquitoes are more prevalent at night and they enter houses through air conditioning systems or small openings (e.g., under the door and through the drains). Bed nets, drain covers, and indoor space sprays are often effective.

## **Other On-Post Related Health Services**

### **Educational and Developmental Intervention Service (EDIS)**

Phone: 0503-337-1300 DSN: 737-130  
Email: [usarmy.humphreys.medcom-kor.mbx.edis@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.humphreys.medcom-kor.mbx.edis@mail.mil)  
Website: [https://www.edis.army.mil/?fbclid=IwAR0k7IGs1aknggibYal3w\\_0aQcwcT6ui0ktOvjiQMjyY9gpQkTudagliRc](https://www.edis.army.mil/?fbclid=IwAR0k7IGs1aknggibYal3w_0aQcwcT6ui0ktOvjiQMjyY9gpQkTudagliRc)  
Facebook: EDIS Korea (<https://www.facebook.com/EDISKorea>)  
Hours: Mon-Fri 07:30-16:00

The military medical departments provide Educational and Developmental Intervention Services (EDIS) to families and children pursuant to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) on military installations and supports services given by the Department of Defense (DoD) schools. EDIS provides Early Intervention Services to children birth to three through developmental screenings, evaluations, and family-centered services in natural environments. EDIS also provides school-based related services of occupational and physical therapy to children that are eligible. EDIS services all military communities in South Korea – areas I, II, III, & IV. The Admin Assistant answers emails with general EDIS inquiries.

### **Special Needs Accommodations Process (SNAP)**

SNAP is a team that assists in determining the safest, least restrictive, and most appropriate placement of children with special needs who wish to use Child, Youth and School Services (CYSS). The SNAP team meets weekly and works with parents to develop a care plan to ensure the child's experiences in CYSS services are safe, memorable, and successful.

Once you arrive, contact your local EFMP office to see what resources are at your disposal including: monthly support group meetings, outings, EFMP activities, and advocacy services.

### **Janz Medical Supply**

*USAG Humphreys*

Location: Sentry Mini Mall (Old PX), Bldg S400

Phone: 070-7597-7204  
Website: <https://www.janzmedicalsupply.com/aafes-camp-humphreys/>  
Facebook: Janz Medical Supply – Camp Humphreys  
(<https://www.facebook.com/janzmedhumphreys>)  
Hours: Mon-Sat 10:00-19:00, Closed Sun

#### *Osan Air Base*

Location: Osan Main Exchange, BLDG 965  
Phone: 070-7597-3123  
Website: <https://www.janzmedicalsupply.com/osan-main-exchange/>  
Facebook: Janz Medical Supply - Osan (<https://www.facebook.com/janzmedicalsupplyosan>)  
Hours: Mon-Sat 10:00-19:00, Closed Sun

Janz Medical Supply is a branch of the Janz Corporation, a US Service-Disabled Veteran Owned Small Business that is dedicated to serving medical, home health, rehabilitation, lifestyle and wellness needs. They provide durable medical equipment such as breast pumps, CPAP machines, and specialized equipment covered through insurance or to buy out of pocket.

#### **Nutrition Clinic**

Location: BDAACH, Second Floor  
Phone: 0503-337-1570 DSN: 737-1570

The Nutrition Clinic is here to see patients one on one by means of either self-referral or referred by a doctor. The Clinic offers nutrition counseling, body composition testing, and weight management counseling. The clinic also provides unit outreach to help meet servicemember nutrition and performance needs. Appointments are preferred, walk-ins may be available. Walk-ins are available for Body composition testing on Friday from 09:00-11:00.

#### **School and Sports Physicals**

School and sports physicals are provided by appointment at the Pediatrics clinic. If the patient does not have access to the clinic, physicals from off-post physicians are acceptable. Obtain the required physical form from the school or CYS and have your off-post physician complete the form in English.

#### **Women Infant Care Unit (WICU)**

Phone: 0503-337-1295 DSN: 737-1295

WICU/Labor and Delivery is the inpatient unit for childbirth. It is located at BDAACH on the 5th floor. Tours are subject to HPCON conditions. Please call for information on possibilities of scheduling a tour.

#### **Women, Infants and Children Overseas Program**

Location: Maude Hall, BLDG 6400, Second Floor, Room L209A  
Phone: 0503-357-6909 DSN: 757-6909/6106  
Email: [usarmy.Humphreys.id-pacific.list.wic@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.Humphreys.id-pacific.list.wic@mail.mil)  
Website: <https://TRICARE.mil/wic/>  
Hours: Mon-Fri 08:00-16:30

The Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) Overseas Program provides you and your family with several important benefits. WIC Overseas is a nutrition education and supplemental food program that aims to improve overall health and wellness of families by providing nutrition counseling and education, supplemental nutritious foods, breastfeeding promotion and support, and other resources that help you and your family lead healthier lives.

If you're using WIC in the US, you can continue your participation in the WIC Overseas program without having to re-qualify. Once you transfer overseas, contact your local WIC Overseas office to make arrangements to switch to WIC Overseas drafts.

To transfer cash benefits issued by the WIC program, you need to inform your local WIC office. When applicable, the facility will provide you with a WIC transfer form, WIC identification transfer card or Verification of Certification (VOC) of benefits, depending on the state you live in. Be sure to obtain your transfer of benefits documents 14 days before departing to your new duty station. USAG Humphreys information listed. Please refer to the website above for other locations.

#### **On-Post Dental Services**

Dental care on the Korean peninsula is provided by the 618th Dental Company (Area Support) Unit 15190, which is headquartered on USAG Humphreys. The primary mission of the unit is readiness of soldiers throughout the peninsula. Family member care in military clinics is limited and is on a space available basis. While there is a degree of

space-available in-house family member emergency dental care, the majority of family member care occurs through a network of Preferred Host Nation Providers.

Selected providers practice dentistry in line with US standards, maintain modern facilities, and engage in infection control and sterilization protocols in accordance with US standards and Centers of Disease Control guidance. They sometimes accept insurance in lieu of upfront payment from the patient. The DENTAC strongly encourages all sponsors to ensure coverage of their family members through participation in the TRICARE Dental Program. Check their website, <https://www.tricare.mil/TDP>, which provides up-to-date information.

*Central Dental Appointment Line: 0503-337-3368*

### **Emergency Dental Treatment**

Emergency dental treatment for active-duty servicemembers and active-duty family members is available at the appropriate clinic during clinic hours. During off-duty hours, patients should go to the nearest emergency room. The ER will call the DoD that is on-call for that day.

### **Humphreys (Area III)**

#### ***Carius Dental Treatment Facility***

Location: BLDG 3020  
Phone: 0503-337-9206/9207 DSN: 737-9206/9207  
Hours: Mon-Fri 07:30-16:30

The Carius Dental Clinic can do exams, cleanings, general dentistry, pediatric dentistry, endodontics, periodontics, and prosthodontics. Very limited orthodontics may be available on a selected basis. However, active-duty servicemembers are the first priority so many family members see off-post dentists in the preferred network.

#### ***Sgt Shin Woo Kim Dental Clinic Midtown***

Location: BLDG 6370  
Phone: 0503-337-5129/5130 DSN: 737-5129  
Hours: Mon-Wed, Fri 0830-1630; Thurs 1300-1630

#### ***Humphreys Dental Clinic***

Location: Sentry Mini Mall, BLDG S-400, Unit 15471

Phone: 070-5223-1260  
Email: [dental.humphreys@gmail.com](mailto:dental.humphreys@gmail.com)  
Hours: Mon-Sat 10:00-19:00, Closed for lunch 13:00-14:00

Humphreys Dental Clinic is a private dental clinic that bills TRICARE. It is the first private dental clinic on Humphreys. They can do exams, cleanings, general dentistry, pediatric dentistry, orthodontics, endodontics, periodontics, and prosthodontics. This clinic is located in Sentry Mini Mall.

### **Area I**

#### ***Camp Casey Dental Clinic***

Location: BLDG 808  
Phone: 0503-337-3368 DSN: 737-9011/737-9012  
Hours: Mon-Fri 07:30-16:30; Lunch 11:30-12:30  
In/Out Processing: Mon-Fri 07:30-16:00

#### ***After Hours Emergency Care***

Camp Casey Triage and Transport Center  
Phone: 0503-330-6142 DSN: 730-6142

### **Area III**

#### ***Osan Air Force Base Dental Clinic***

Location: BLDG 777  
Phone: 0505-784-2108 DSN: 764-2108  
Hours: Mon- Fri 07:00-17:00

### **Area IV**

#### ***Camp Walker Bodine Dental Clinic***

Location: BLDG 220  
Phone: 0503-337-9452 DSN: 737-9452/4791  
Hours: Mon-Fri 07:30-16:30  
Dental Exams: Active-duty: Mon-Wed & Fri;  
Walk-in only: 09:00-11:00, Thurs 13:00-15:00  
Active-Duty Family Member Space A appt only: Call Mon-Fri  
12:30-15:30

#### ***After Hours Emergency***

*Wood Medical Clinic*  
Phone: 0503-364-4057 DSN: 764-4057

### **Camp Carroll Dental Clinic**

Location: BLDG S180  
Phone: 0503-337-3368 DSN: 737-4201/4202  
Hours: Mon-Fri 09:30-16:30

*After hours emergency:* Call the Area IV Dental CQ at 010-9872-0488

## **On-Post Optical Services**

### **Optometry Clinic**

Location: BLDG 3031 (2nd floor)  
Phone: 0503-337-1464 DSN: 737-2273

BDAACH has an optometry clinic that takes active-duty members and their family members on a space available basis.

### **Optical Center**

Location: BLDG 5700 (Main PX)  
Phone: 010-4219-8805  
Hours: Mon-Sat 09:00-20:00, Sun 10:00-19:00

The Optical Center is an optometry shop in the Humphreys Post Exchange mall that accepts TRICARE and can assist with exams, glasses, fittings, and contact lens.

## **On-Post Wellness and Resilience**

### **Army Substance Abuse Program (ASAP)**

Location: BLDG 572  
Phone: 0503-355-1089/1018 DSN: 755-1089

The Army Substance Abuse Program (ASAP) provides services which are proactive and responsive to the needs of the Army's workforce and emphasizes alcohol and other drug abuse deterrence, prevention, and education. ASAP provides effective alcohol and other drug abuse prevention and education programs at all levels of command and encourages commanders to provide alcohol and drug-free leisure activities.

### **Army Wellness Center (AWC)**

Location: BLDG 578 (Across from the Education Center)  
Phone: 0503-337-5758 DSN: 737-5758  
Website: <https://phc.amedd.army.mil/organization/hpw/Pages/ArmyWellnessCenters.aspx>  
Facebook: Camp Humphreys Army Wellness Center  
(<https://www.facebook.com/CampHumphreysAWC>)  
Hours: Mon-Thur 08:00-16:00, Fri 08:00-12:00

AWC provides programs and services that improve and sustain health, performance, and readiness of the Total Army delivered by highly trained health professionals. Those eligible include active-duty military and dependents, retirees, spouses, Reserves and National Guards, DA/DOD civilians. Services include body compositions, metabolic analysis and health coaching appointments, physical fitness assessments, and general wellness and unit briefings. Individual stress management training is also available.

### **Behavioral and Mental Health Support Services**

Behavioral health (also known as mental health) services are available both on and off post through TRICARE-affiliated providers. Behavioral health clinics offer individual appointments and walk-in services for emergent situations.

**CRISIS SITUATIONS:** If you are in crisis and having thoughts of suicide, come directly to the hospital and let the front desk staff know. The Military Crisis line is also available by phone in Korea at 0808-555-118, DSN:118, or online at <https://www.veteranscrisisline.net> and <https://www.veteranscrisisline.net/get-help/chat>.

Behavioral health clinics offer individual appointments, and walk-in services for emergent behavioral health and substance use situations. They are provided through the BDAACH, and units' organic behavioral health assets. Behavioral Health provides services to active-duty service-members, Command Sponsored Family Members, DA civilian employees (space available), and military retirees and their family members.

### **Area I/II**

*Camp Casey Behavioral Health*  
Location BLDG S-802, 4th Floor (Across from Troop Medical Clinic)  
Phone: 0503-337-3708/3711 DSN: 737-3708/3711

Hours: Mon-Wed & Fri 08:00-17:00, Thurs 13:00-17:00  
After Hours Emergencies Report to the Camp Casey TMC Triage & Transport Center (TTC), Bldg. 807.

### **Area III**

*USAG Humphreys - Warrior Embedded Behavioral Health Clinic*  
Location: BLDG 7315, Indianhead Ave, across from Tomahawk DFAC  
Phone: 0503-337-5177 DSN: 737-5177  
Hours: Mon-Wed & Fri 08:00-1700, Thurs 13:00-17:00  
Population: 2ID HHBN, 2SBDE, Rotational ABCT Soldiers

*USAG Humphreys - Jenkins Embedded Behavioral Health Clinic*  
Location: BLDG 555 in Sentry Village  
Phone: 0503-337-5791 DSN: 737-5791  
Hours: Mon-Wed & Fri 07:30-17:00, Thurs 13:00-17:00  
Population: 2CAB Soldiers, 1SIG BDE

*USAG Humphreys Multi-Disciplinary (Multi-D) BH Clinic*  
Location: BDAACH 5th Floor, Key St.  
Phone: 0503-337-5668 DSN: 737-5668  
Hours: Mon-Wed & Fri 07:30-17:00  
Population: All other Soldiers and eligible civilians at USAG Humphreys and surrounding areas

After Hour Emergencies Report to emergency department and an OBH on-call provider will respond.

### **Area IV**

*Camp Walker, Bldg. 226*  
Location: BLDG 226  
Phone 0503-337-4784 DSN: 737-4784  
Hours: Mon-Fri 08:00-17:00  
Population: Active-duty

*Camp Carroll, Bldg. S-180*  
Location: BLDG S-180  
Phone 0503-337-4236 DSN: 737-4236  
Hours: Mon-Fri 08:00-17:00  
Population: Active-duty and Command Sponsored dependents on a space-available basis

After Hour Emergencies - Report to Triage & Transport Care (TTC) centers on either post

### **Child and Family Behavioral Health Services (CAFBHS)**

Phone: 0503-337-5668 DSN: 737-5668

Outpatient treatment for families is integrated into the Multi-D Behavioral Health Clinic for Area III, and the Camp Carroll Clinic for Area IV. School-based behavioral health providers are also available in select schools in Area III in coordination with Multi-D Behavioral Health Clinic.

*To report Child or Spouse Abuse*  
Phone: 0503-337-4101 DSN: 101

### **Childbirth Resources**

There are many support services around USAG Humphreys and the surrounding areas that can assist individuals and families with the birth of their child. Doulas provide non-medical, labor, breast-feeding, and postpartum support. Doulas without post access can be signed onto post for births at the hospital or for home births. Midwives are medically trained professionals who provide delivery care in both hospitals and clinics, along with specializing in natural home and water births.

For those choosing to birth off post or wanting further childbirth education, contact the TRICARE office for more information and to ensure coverage. Also see the resources listed below and research the facility. This list is not all-inclusive, nor does it serve as endorsement for any one service.

*To report Child or Spouse Abuse:*  
Phone: 0503-337-4101 DSN: 101

### **Childbirth and Parenting Classes**

Childbirth classes for expectant parents are available through the Family Advocacy Program. Contact FAP for lactation consultant availabilities. Breast pumps are available through TRICARE for both active-duty and DoD dependents. Additional information is available at <https://www.TRICARE.mil/breastpumps>.

A New Parent Support Program is also available through Family Advocacy Program. This program enhances parent and infant attachment, in-

creases knowledge of early childhood development, and provides support services to allow parents to become nurturing and capable caregivers.

### **Employee Assistance Program (EAP)**

Phone: 0503-355-1086 DSN: 755-1086

EAP is a voluntary program that offers free confidential assessments, short-term counseling, referrals, and follow-up services to eligible servicemembers and their families who have personal or work-related problems. They address issues affecting mental and emotional well-being, such as alcohol and other substance abuse, stress, grief, family problems, and psychological disorders. To help a patient schedule an appointment or to speak with the EAP coordinator.

### **Family Advocacy Program (FAP)**

Location: Bldg. 510

Phone: 0503-357-4107 DSN: 757-4107

Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/family-advocacy-program>

Hours: Mon-Fri 08:00-17:00, Closed Thurs mornings

FAP is responsible for assessing cases of Spouse or Child Abuse, to include neglect. They do assessments of abuse allegations and work with commanders to implement services to establish safety and stability. Additionally, they provide non-FAP incident related treatment for family systems and intimate partners seeking counseling.

**IMPORTANT:** To report suspected abuse or neglect, or to inquire about supportive services, please call: 0503-337-4101 DSN: 101

### **Substance Use Disorder Clinical Care (SUDCC)**

Substance use treatment is now embedded into the Outpatient Behavioral Health Clinics. For treatment services, contact your aligned outpatient behavioral health clinic.

### **Military Family Life Counselors (MFLC)**

MFLCs are master's degree-level counselors hired by each Army garrison to provide more informal counseling than that offered in Behavioral Health clinics. There are no medical records associated with

seeing an MFLC and it is completely confidential. They can meet you anywhere, except for your residence, to sit down and talk. Their counseling is usually problem-solution focused. Limitations: any domestic violence, suicidal thinking or homicidal thinking is outside their scope of practice and must be addressed through Behavioral Health. For updated numbers and points of contact you can also check the USAG Army Community Services Facebook Page: USAG Humphreys ACS (<https://www.facebook.com/acs.humphreys/>)

- **Adult Rotational: 0503-357-2599; DSN:757-2599/2598**
- **2ID Rotational (Warrior Clinic): 010-2496-6179**
- **1SIG: 010-3430-1320**
- **501st MI/524th BN: 010-7937-4135**
- **2CAB: 010-8307-7320**
- **65th Med: 010-9769-0396**
- **3 ABCT: 010-4425-7815**
- **35th ADA: 010-4299-1942**
- **8th Army: 010-5782-4219**
- **DoDEA/Elementary: 010-9511-7399**
- **DoDEA/MS: 010-7409-9646**
- **CYS: 010-4455-2120; 010-6541-9622**

### **Sexual Harassment Assault Response Prevention (SHARP)**

Report any sexual assault and harassment to the USFK Sexual Assault Response Hotline. There are two reporting options for active-duty military: Unrestricted or Restricted Reporting. Family Members aged 17 years and younger and Married Couples/Intimate Partner relationships will be assisted by the Family Advocacy Program. Army Civilians only have the Unrestricted Reporting option.



**SHARP**

Phone: 010-8685-8087 DSN: 315-755-1071

Website: <https://home.army.mil/humphreys/index.php/my-usag-humphreys/all-services/sharp#:~:text=Contact%20your%20local%20SHARP%20representative,or%200503%2D357%2D8912>

### **USFK 24/7 Sexual Assault Response Hotline**

Phone: 0503-363-5700 DSN: 763-5700 DSN: 158

From US: 011-82-503-363-5700



### ***DoD Sexual Assault Support (SAFE) Helpline***

Phone: 001-1-877-995-5247 (US toll free from Korean Cell 40)

### ***Humphreys Sexual Assault Response Coordinator (SARC)***

Phone: 010-8685-8087 DSN: 315-755-1071

Website: <https://home.army.mil/humphreys/index.php/my-usag-humphreys/all-services/sharp#:~:text=Contact%20your%20local%20SHARP%20representative,or%200503%2D357%2D8912>

### ***DoD Sexual Assault Support (SAFE) Helpline***

Phone: 877-995-5247 (US toll free)

Website: [www.safehelpline.org](http://www.safehelpline.org)

### ***Unrestricted VS Restricted Reports***

The DoD Safe Helpline is a confidential and anonymous sexual assault helpline for the DoD community. Users will receive live, one-on-one confidential help with a trained professional. The website also provides vital information about recovering from and reporting sexual assault.

The following steps apply with Unrestricted Reporting:

- The Sexual Assault Response Coordinator (SARC) or Unit Victim Advocate (UVA) is contacted.
- Command and Law Enforcement are notified.
- SARC and UVA attend to the victim's needs, provide supportive services, and coordinate follow-up care with unit and multidisciplinary services.
- Receive acute and follow-up medical care.
- Receive counseling.
- Receive legal services.

The following steps apply with Restricted Reporting (can change to Unrestricted):

- The SARC, UVA, Healthcare Provider, and/or Chaplin are contacted.
- Command and Law Enforcement are NOT notified.
- SARC and UVA attend to the victim's needs, provide supportive services, and coordinate follow up care with multidisciplinary services.
- Receive medical care.
- Receive counseling.

## **OFF-POST HEALTH RESOURCES**

**IMPORTANT:** Consult your insurance for coverage details for all off-post providers prior to making appointments.

### **TRICARE-Approved Off-Post**

The local area has numerous providers that accept TRICARE, and other insurance providers. For a more current list, or to sort by location: <https://www.tricareoverseas.com/beneficiaries/resources/provider>

For individuals who require medical care off post, there are several doctors and clinics that service the foreign community. Host Nation partnership hospitals and clinics provide the highest quality of health-care and all are accredited by the Joint Commission International or the Korean Hospital Association. Many of the medical staff speak English and a significant number were trained in America.

Providers will refer you to host nation partnership hospitals and/or clinics for the specialty care you require when the services are not available within the military system (transport and guides are provided). A staff of host nation patient liaisons assists patients as well. The Nurse Case Managers visit all our beneficiaries if they require hospitalization and conduct telephone follow-ups with the Korean healthcare team providing your medical care.

### **Referrals**

Most visits to a host nation partnership hospital or clinic begin with a referral from your Primary Care Manager (PCM) at the local Military Treatment Facility (MTF). If the needed care is not available at the MTF, a Host Nation Appointment Clerk or TRICARE Representative at your local TRICARE office will assist in making your appointment at one of our host nation partnership hospitals or medical clinics.

Usually, the Host Nation Appointment Clerk will make your appointment, schedule transportation on a TRICARE courtesy shuttles, provide you with a claim form, and any necessary medical documentation or care authorizations needed for your medical appointment. Although our Host Nation partnership hospitals and clinics accept self-referrals, it is best to work through your local TRICARE office to coordinate your care. The payment for your care at the Korean facility will depend on your TRICARE status or other insurance plan you may have.

When you call to make your appointment, TRICARE staff will advise you on your coverage and financial responsibilities.

One of the surprising things about living in Korea is the lower cost of elective procedures off-post. If you have considered Lasik eye surgery, cosmetic surgery, laser hair removal, or chiropractic care, you could save hundreds to thousands of dollars by having those procedures done here. As with any medical service, ask your community for recommendations on where to go.

For additional information on hospitals in your area please research the Navigating Korean Hospital Handbook (<https://8tharmy.korea.army.mil/site/assets/doc/newcomers/Navigating-Korean-Hospitals-Handbook-2020.pdf>).

## Off-Post Hospitals Humphreys Area

**NOTE:** Consult your insurance for coverage details for all off-post providers prior to making appointments.

### *Ajou University Medical Center*

Location: 164 Worldcup-ro, Yeongtong-gu, Suwon Gyeonggi-do  
443-380  
Phone: 031-219-4010  
Email: [ajouhospital@gmail.com](mailto:ajouhospital@gmail.com)  
Website: <http://global.ajoumc.or.kr/Eng/Index.aspx>

- Specialties: Dentistry, General Practice, Obstetrics & Gynecology, Pediatrics, Allergy & Immunology
- Languages Spoken: English (limited), Japanese, Korean, Russian

### *Dankook Hospital*

Location: (31116) 201 Manghyang-ro, Dongnam-gu, Cheonan, Chung Nam  
Phone: 041-550-7640/7641/7642/7643  
Website: <https://www.dkuh.co.kr/eng/01/01.php>  
Hours: Mon-Fri 08:30-17:30 (closed on Korean national holidays),  
Lunch break 12:00-13:00  
You can tell or show a taxi driver:  
단국 대학병원에 내려 주세요.  
(Please drop me off at Dankook Hospital)

### *Good Morning Hospital*

Location: 883 Habjung-Dong, Pyeongtaek City, Gyeonggi-do  
Phone number: 031-5182-7690/7691/7692/7693  
Email: [goodmos@hotmail.com](mailto:goodmos@hotmail.com)  
You can tell or show a taxi driver or the number 20 bus driver:  
굿모닝 병원에 내려 주세요.  
(Please drop me off at Good Morning Hospital.)

### *Hallym University Dongtan Sacred Heart Hospital*

Location: 22, Gwanpyeong-ro 170beon-gil, Dongan-gu, Anyang-si, Gyeonggi-do 14068  
Phone: 31-380-4026  
Email: [international@hallym.or.kr](mailto:international@hallym.or.kr)  
Website: [eng.hallym.or.kr](http://eng.hallym.or.kr)

- Specialties: Dentistry, General Practice, Obstetrics & Gynecology, Pediatrics, Allergy & Immunology
- Languages Spoken: Chinese, English (limited), Japanese, Korean

### *Pyeongtaek St. Mary's*

Location: 439-3 Segyo-dong, Pyeongtaek, Gyeonggi-do  
Phone: 02-2258-5745  
Email: [ihcc@catholic.ac.kr](mailto:ihcc@catholic.ac.kr)  
Website: [https://www.cmcseoul.or.kr/en.ourservices.international\\_health\\_care.sp](https://www.cmcseoul.or.kr/en.ourservices.international_health_care.sp)

### *Seoul National University Bundang Hospital*

Location: 82 Gumi-ro 173 Beon-gil, Bundang-gu, Seongnam-si Gyeonggi-do 13620  
Phone: 031-787-2042  
Email: [ihsi@snuh.org](mailto:ihsi@snuh.org)  
Website: <https://www.snuh.org/dh/en/>

- Specialties: Dentistry, General Practice, Obstetrics & Gynecology, Pediatrics, Allergy & Immunology
- Languages Spoken: Arabic, English, Korean, Russian

### *Soon Chun Hyang University Hospital Seoul*

Phone: 02-709-9158  
Website: <http://international.schmc.ac.kr/seoul/eng/index.jsp>  
Hours: Mon-Fri 09:00-17:00 & Saturday 09:00-12:00

### ***St Vincent's Hospital***

Location: 93 Jungbu Daero Paldal Gu, Suwon Gyeonggi-do 16247  
Phone: 31-249-8016  
Email: st.vincent.ru@gmail.com  
Website: <https://www.cmcvincent.or.kr/en.common.main.main.sp>  
Hours: Mon-Fri 08:00-17:00

- Specialties: Dentistry, General Practice, Obstetrics & Gynecology, Pediatrics, Allergy & Immunology
- Languages Spoken: English (limited), Korean, Russian

### ***Yonsei Dawoom Hospital***

Location: 105, Jungang-ro, Pyeongtaek-si Gyeonggi-do, 17897  
Phone: 031-651-1311  
Email: yonseidawoom@gmail.com  
Website: [www.yshospital.net](http://www.yshospital.net)

- Specialties: Imaging – Radiology, orthopedics, diagnostics, physiotherapy, general surgery of hand and neurosurgery
- Languages Spoken: English (limited), Korean

## **Off-Post Hospitals Daegu Area**

**NOTE:** Consult your insurance for coverage details for all off post providers prior to making appointments.

### ***Daegu Catholic University Medical Center***

Location: 33 Duryugongwon-ro 17-gil, Nam-gu, Daegu R 42472  
Phone: 1688-0077  
Website: [www.dcmc.co.kr](http://www.dcmc.co.kr)

- Specialties: Psychiatry, Psychology – Adult
- Languages Spoken: English (limited), Korean, Russian

### ***Daegu Fatima Hospital***

Location: 99 Ayangro, Dong-Gu, 701-600, Daegu NA 701-600  
Phone: 053-940-7520  
Website: <https://www.fatima.or.kr/eng/index.asp>

- Specialties: Psychiatry - Adult; Psychology – Adult
- Languages Spoken: English (limited), Korean

### ***Hyosung Hospital***

Location: 194, Suseong-ro, Suseong-gu, Daegu NA 42155  
Phone: 053-766-7073  
Email: in058@naver.com  
Website: <https://www.hshospital.co.kr/en/>

- Specialties: General Practice, Obstetrics & Gynecology, Pediatrics, Allergy & Immunology, Endocrinology
- Languages Spoken: English (limited), Korean, Vietnamese

### ***Keimyung University Dongsan Medical Center***

Location: 1035 Dalgubeol-daero, Dalseo-gu, Daegu  
Phone: (0)53 258 4001  
Website: <http://eng.dsmc.or.kr/eng/>

- Specialties: Psychiatry, Psychology - Adult; Psychiatry, Psychology/Behavioral Health – Pediatric
- Languages Spoken: Chinese, English (limited), Korean, Russian

### ***Kyungpook National University Chilgok Hospital***

Location: 807 Hoguk-ro, Buk-gu, Daegu NA 41404  
Phone: 53 200 2043  
Website: [eng.knumc.org](http://eng.knumc.org)

- Specialties: Psychiatry - Adult; Psychiatry, Psychology/Behavioral Health – Pediatric.
- Languages Spoken: English (limited), Korean, Russian

### ***Yeungnam University Medical Center***

Location: Hyeonchung-ro 170, Nam-gu, Daegu NA 705-717  
Phone: 053-620-3500  
Email: [international@med.yu.ac.kr](mailto:international@med.yu.ac.kr)  
Website: [https://yumc.ac.kr:8443/PageLink.do?link=yumc/12\\_english/welcome](https://yumc.ac.kr:8443/PageLink.do?link=yumc/12_english/welcome)

- Specialties: Dentistry, General Practice, Obstetrics & Gynecology, Pediatrics, Allergy & Immunology
- Languages Spoken: English (limited), Korean

## **Off-Post Dental Services**

The TRICARE Dental Office maintains a list of preferred providers in Pyeongtaek and the surrounding area. Preferred providers will file ap-

appropriate forms with TRICARE. Below are providers in Pyeongtaek, Osan, and Suwon as of the date of this publication.

Consult your insurance for coverage details or ask off-post provider for insurance information for all off-post providers prior to making appointments.

### **General Dentistry**

#### ***IVY Dental and Orthodontics Pyeongtaek***

General Dentistry and Orthodontist

Dr. JeongHwan (Jake) Kim D.M.D., M.S

Location: 2F, Capitolium, 52 Anjeongshopping-ro

Phone: 031-658-2722

E-mail: kimortho@gmail.com

Website: <https://www.ivydentalhumphreys.com/>

Hours: Mon-Fri 10:00-18:00, lunch 12:30-13:30

#### ***YK Columbia Dental***

Dr. Yun (Orthodontist) (USA trained), Dr. Kim (Dentist) (USA trained)

Location: 156 Aphujeonh-ro, Sinsa-dong, Gangnam-gu, Seoul

Phone: 02-3444-2872

Email: columbiadental@daum.net Website: [www.en.cdental.co.kr](http://www.en.cdental.co.kr)

Hours: Mon-Fri 10:00-19:00 (Lunch: 12:30-14:00), Sat 10:00-16:00

#### ***Seong-Mo Dental Clinic***

Dr. Song, Eun-Joo

Location: 4F, 36 Anjeong shopping-ro, Paengseong-eup

Phone: 031-691-9416/010-4525-4426

E-mail: silver867347@naver.com

#### ***C&I Dental Clinic***

General Dentist and Specialist Available

Dr. Cho, Eung-Kyoung (US trained and licensed)

Location: 3 Anjung Shopping-ro, Ga-dong B1, Paengseung-eup

Phone: 031-654-3368

E-mail: chodmd@naver.com

#### ***Happy Dental Clinic***

Dentistry and Orthodontics

Dr. Kim, Ji-Hoon

Location: 41-17 Pyeongtaek-dong, Pyeongtaek-si

Phone: 031-655-6543 (Korean) & 010-5171-7722 (English)

E-mail: happy-dent@daum.net

#### ***Soo Dental Clinic***

General Dentistry and Oral Surgery

Dr. Kim, Young-Soo

Location: 818-38 Seojeong-dong, Pyeongtaek-si

Phone: 031-662-6436 (English) & 031-664-6436 (Korean)

E-mail: soodental@hotmail

### **Pediatric Dentistry**

#### ***Kizwell Dental Clinic***

General Dentistry and Simple Orthodontics

Dr. Jeon, Hyung-Joon

Location: 830-6 Bijeon-dong, Pyeongtaek-si

Phone: 031-692-7582

E-mail: juni6177@daum.net

### **Orthodontist**

#### ***Beautiful Smile Orthodontic Clinic (5th floor)***

Dr. Lee, Hyun-Sook (Near the Pyeongtaek train Station)

Location: 291-10 Pyeongtaek-Dong, Pyeongtaek-Si

Phone: 031-618-2835

E-mail: prockii@yahoo.co.kr

#### ***Han Dong Hun Orthodontic Clinic***

Dr. Han, Dong-Hun

Location: 401 Chungil Bldg, 289-4 Pyeongtaek-Dong, Pyeongtaek-Si

Phone: 031-657-2112

E-mail: sunny76223@hanmail.net

#### ***Ivy Dental***

Dr. JeongHwan (Jake) Kim D.M.D., M.S

Location: Pyeongtaek-si, 2F Capitolium (Outside Pedestrian Gate)

Phone: 031-658-2722

Email: kimortho@gmail.com

#### ***Yonsei Millennium Dental Clinic***

Dr. Kim, Chong-Hyun

Location: Hyermin Tower 3F, 881-16 Osan-dong, Osan-si  
Phone: 031-373-4600  
E-mail: minsunss@hotmail.com

### ***Dankook University Dental Hospital***

Multi-providers (Professors, Pedodontist, and Orthodontist)

Location: 119 Dandae-ro, Dongnam-gu Cheonan-si,  
Choongchungnam-do  
Phone: Ms. Kim, Yoojin 041-550-0141  
E-mail: inni22@dankook.ac.kr

## **Off-Post Optical Services**

The TRICARE Office maintains a list of preferred providers in Pyeongtaek and the surrounding area. Preferred providers will file appropriate forms with TRICARE. Below are providers in Pyeongtaek, Osan, and Suwon as of the date of this publication.

Consult your insurance for coverage details or ask the off-post provider for insurance information for all off-post providers prior to making appointments.

### **Area Hospitals with Ophthalmology**

There are many local hospitals that have ophthalmology clinics as a practice specialty. Currently those include: Ajou University Medical Center, CHA Bundang Medical Center CHA University, Dankook University Hospital, Hallym University Dongtan Sacred Heart Hospital, St. Vincent's Hospital, and Seoul National University Bundang Hospital. The contact information is in the Off-Post Hospital section.

### ***Humphreys Area Optical***

*Dream Optical*

Location: In the Ville, outside the walk-in gate  
Phone: 031-691-1008

### ***Osan Area Optical***

*Ace Glasses Optical*

Location: In the SED  
Phone: 031-667-0978

### ***Sun Optical Company Limited***

Location: 45-1, Shinchang-ro, Pyongtack-city, Kyoungki-do Korea,  
459-122 (In front of Osan (K-55) Main Gate)  
Phone: 031-663-1001/1002, 031-663-2244  
Email: sunoptical@hotmail.com

## **Off-Post Wellness & Resiliency**

### **TRICARE-Approved Off-Post Providers**

The local area has numerous providers that accept TRICARE, and other insurance providers. For a more current list, or to sort by location, go to <http://www.TRICARE-overseas.com/beneficiaries/resources/provider-search> approval is relatively long and subject to approval, it also changes constantly. The following resources could be pending approval.

**NOTE:** Consult your insurance for coverage details for all off-post providers prior to making appointments.

### **Counseling and Therapy**

#### ***Adaptable Human Solution Korea Pyeongtaek Office***

Location 1: Ste 1205 Odyssey Eagle Apt, 46 Anjeongsunhwan-ro 104 beon-gil, Paengseong-eup  
Location 2: Bldg 101 Suite 2502 Lotte Castle President 109 Mapo DaeRo Mapo Gu, Seoul  
Phone: 02-749-7915  
Email: info@ahskorea.com  
Website: ahskorea.com

- Specialties: Counseling; Psychology - Adult; Psychology / Behavioral Health – Pediatric
- Languages Spoken: English, Korean

Adaptable Human Solutions works in partnership with clients to support them in meeting their goals, overcoming obstacles, and improving their experience in Korea. Their English therapy team is composed of many Western expatriates who were born, raised, and trained in the West. They are credentialed professionals who have achieved advanced degrees specific to Psychotherapy (psychologists, marriage & family therapists, and licensed counselors). Services include counseling for ad-

olescents, adults, and couples in person through offices in Seoul, Pyeongtaek, and through telehealth appointments.

### ***Seoul Counseling Center Pyeongtaek Branch***

Location 1: Suite 201, 40-15, Sinheungbukro29beon-gil, Paengseong-eup, Pyeongtaek-si

Location 2: 7th Floor, 35, Gangnam-daero 158-gil, Gangnam-gu, Seoul

Phone: 031-692-5556 (Pyeongtaek)

02-542-5553 (Seoul)

Email: support@seoulcounseling.com

Website: seoulcounseling.com

- Specialties: Counseling; Psychology – Adult
- Languages Spoken: English, Korean

Seoul Counseling Center aims to improve the lives of expats, international students, returning Koreans, and local nationals in Korea looking for new ways to overcome the challenges of life. Improving the world, one person at a time. Services include individual therapy, counseling, group and family therapy and counseling, ABA therapy and social skills training, speech therapy, addiction support, marriage counseling, and much more. They have offices in Seoul and in Pyeongtaek, each providing a different set of services.

### ***You and Me (YPCS) Pyeongtaek Office***

Location 1: 4th Floor, Yonsei Dawoom Hospital, 105, Jungang-ro, Pyeongtaek-si

Location 2: Rm 201, 8-7, Yanghwa-ro 12-gil, Mapo-Gu, Seoul

Phone: 02-6929-3014

Email: admin@ypcskorea.com

Website: www.ypcskorea.com

- Specialties: Psychology – Adult
- Languages Spoken: English, Korean

You & Me Psychological and Consultation Services (YPCSKOREA) supports and enhances your health and wellness by providing comprehensive and holistic mental health services. We strive to assist you by providing support during times of difficulties, providing advocacy when needed, facilitating problem resolution, enhancing coping skills, promoting personal growth, and supporting academic/professional

success. Services offered include counseling service, individual therapy, couples/marital therapy, family therapy, and psychological counseling, testing, and evaluations for both children and adults. They have offices in Seoul and in Pyeongtaek.

### **Other Wellness Resources**

#### ***Alcoholics Anonymous***

Phone: 02-319-5861

Email: aainkorea@gmail.com

Website: aainkorea.org

Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength, and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism.

#### ***Autism Partnership Korea***

Phone: 02-6212-0731

Website: www.autismpartnershipkr.com/en/

Email: info@autismpartnershipkr.com

Currently in Seoul, but a great resource to use! Autism Partnership, as the name suggests, believes that working and collaborating with families, schools, and all those involved is fundamental to the achievement of a child's successes. They believe through intensive behavior treatment based on the principles of Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA), one can reach amazing potential, foster meaningful relationships, and lead productive lives. They offer virtual trainings and continuing education.

### **Off-Post Chiropractic and Sports Medicine**

#### ***Create Wellness***

Phone: 031-647-0749 (Pyeongtaek)

(02) 749-4849 (Seoul)

Email: info@createwellnesscenter.com

Website: http://www.createwellnesscenter.com

Create Wellness Center specializes in a team-based approach to functional rehabilitation. The services offered include chiropractic services and evaluation, therapeutic massage, rehabilitation, life coaching, naturopathy, and yoga. In addition, they have holistic consultations that

address issues as diverse as nutrition, hormone balancing, and insomnia. Each practitioner offers a free consultation upon first visit so that you can learn more about the approach to our services and decide whether it is right for you.

### **365 Chiropractic**

Phone: 031-668-1446  
Email: drhan@365chiropractic.com  
Website: <http://365chiropractic.com>

365 Chiropractic services the community with offices in Songtan (Osan) and Anjeong (Humphreys). Their staff is trained in sports injury rehabilitation and chiropractic care including during pregnancy. They also offer massage therapy services, soft tissue mobilization using the Graston Technique®, chiro-podiatry, nutrition consulting, gait analysis, and full body adjustments.

### **Off-Post Childbirth Resources**

#### ***Morning Calm Birthing Services***

Phone: 010-4872-8051  
Email: [enquiries@morningcalmbirthing.com](mailto:enquiries@morningcalmbirthing.com)  
Website: <http://morningcalmbirthing.com>

Morning Calm offers a wide variety of birthing services. It is a legally registered childbirth service company providing resources on birthing options and centers in Korea, serving Seoul and surrounding areas.

#### ***Agitan Seun Natural Birth Center***

Location: 401-1, 3F Saeyang Chungmaru Sang-ga Naeson, 2-dong, Uiwang, Gyeonggi-do  
Phone: 010-2447-8231 and 019-447-8231

This birth center does prenatal care, postpartum care, as well as home births and birthing at their birth center. The midwife Kim Okjin or “Rosa” has been a midwife for 25 years.

#### ***Bombit Women's Hospital***

Location: 26, Pyeongchon-daero 211beon-gil, Dongan-gu, Anyang-si, Gyeonggi-do

Phone: 031-380-7300  
Website: <http://www.bombit.or.kr/>

The women’s hospital can assist with pregnancy as well as other concerns that may arise for a woman.

#### ***Esther Clinic***

Location: 1003-112 Jukejeon, Suji-gu, Yongin, Gyeonggi-do, Seoul  
Phone: 031-264-2722

This clinic offers pregnancy, childbirth services, infertility services, and well-woman services including cancer screenings and treatments.

#### ***GM Cheil Women's Clinic***

Location: 896 Gwangmyeong-ro, Gwangmyeong  
Phone: 02-890-2555  
Website: <http://www.gmcheil.co.kr/en.html>

This clinic offers a general pregnancy clinic as well as a high risk pregnancy clinic and postpartum services.

#### ***Shes Medi***

Location: 288 Jangdari-ro, Paldal-gu, Suwon 442-832  
Phone: 031-231-7300 or 031-231-7309  
Email: [darae87@naver.com](mailto:darae87@naver.com)  
Website: [http://shesmedi.co.kr/en/01\\_about/about01.php](http://shesmedi.co.kr/en/01_about/about01.php)

This clinic has an English-speaking staff and offers natural childbirth options. They also have an infertility center.

### **Off-Post Infertility Clinics**

Korea’s infertility clinics offer options not covered by TRICARE at a fraction of the cost of such treatments in the US. Portions of the procedure such as lab work and possible prescription may be covered by TRICARE. Contact your OBGYN for more details. Many doctors in Korea have studied abroad and speak English. Some are even certified in the US. To find out more information, ask your Primary Care Manager or OBGYN provider. Many hospitals in South Korea have infertility clinics and practices within the hospital.

For additional resources check out the Facebook group: KISS:

Korea Infertility Support System (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/KISS2013>).

## Emergency and Urgent Care

### Emergency Care Defined

Emergency care is care provided for sudden and unexpected onset of a medical or psychiatric condition or the acute exacerbation of a chronic condition that is threatening to life, limb or eyesight and requires immediate medical treatment.

If you need emergency care as defined:

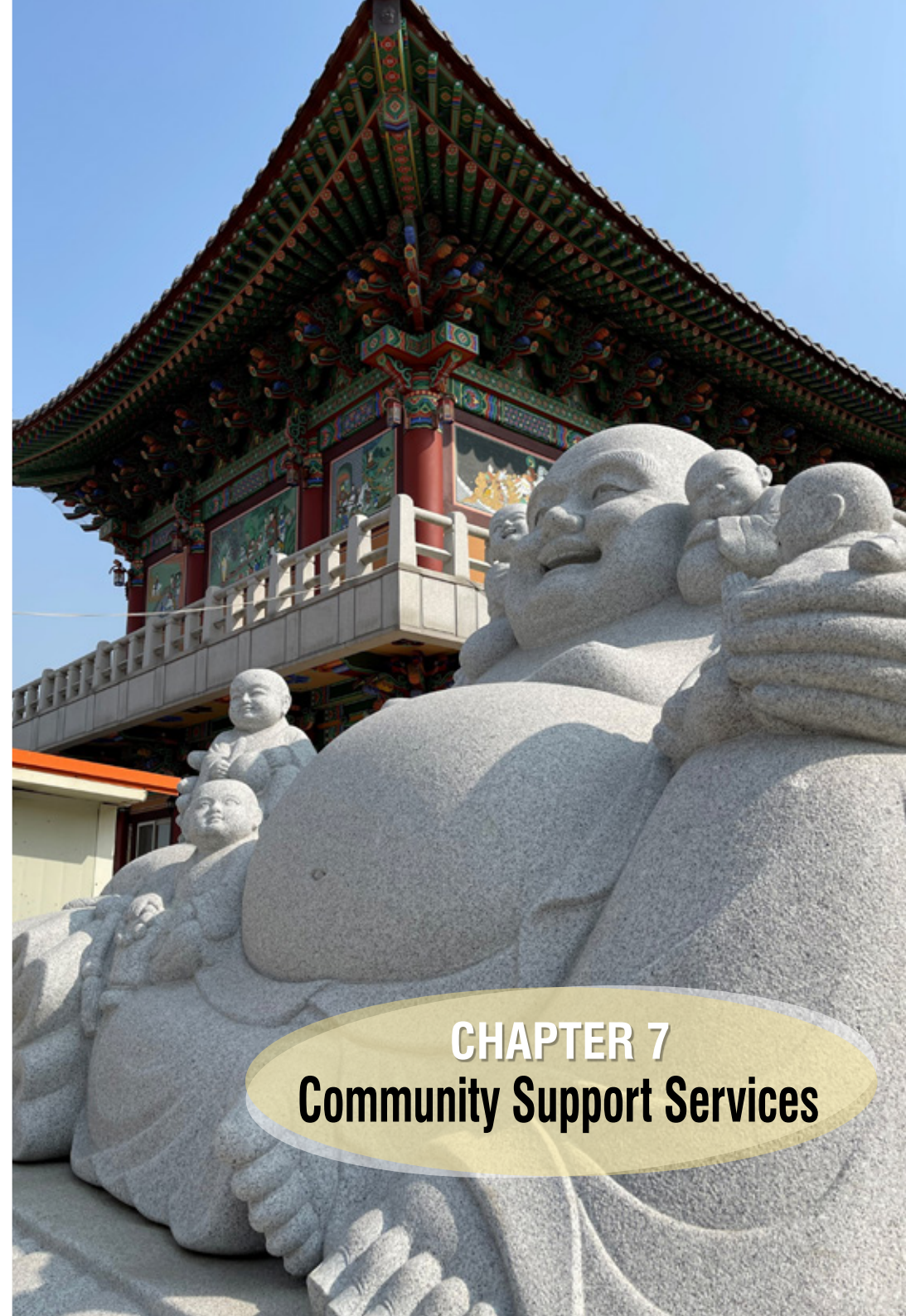
- Seek care from the nearest medical facility.
- Dial the local number for ambulance service as provided by the American Embassy, military unit, or other source.
- Have a local address and phone number available while calling. Do not hang up the phone until directed to do so by the host nation operator.
- When emergency treatment or hospitalization in a local civilian hospital is received, contact International SOS as soon as possible.

### Urgent Care Defined

Urgent care is defined as treatment for a medical or psychological condition that would cause undue discomfort to the patient or that may worsen if not treated within 24 hours. If you need urgent care in Pacific locations, International SOS can provide several valuable services. By calling them before receiving care, you can:

- Find a qualified healthcare provider.
- Avoid paying up front costs
- Avoid filing claims.
- Otherwise, expect to pay the host nation provider at the time of service. Then file a claim with your TRICARE Service Center upon return from travel.

There are many support services available to help as you transition into life in the Land of the Morning Calm. The following services are just a sample of the support services and resources available at Humphreys and surrounding areas.



## CHAPTER 7 Community Support Services



## FAMILY & MORALE, WELFARE, AND RECREATION (F & MWR)

The Family & Morale, Welfare, And Recreation (F & MWR) programs and services enable readiness and resilience for a globally responsive Army. F & MWR is a network of support and leisure services designed to serve the needs, interests and responsibilities of each individual in the Army community, as well as enhance the quality of their lives. From family, child and youth programs to recreation, sports, entertainment, travel and leisure activities, F & MWR employees worldwide strive to deliver the highest quality programs and services at each installation. For up-to-date information and how you can be engaged in a program or services, please visit your installations F & MWR website.



Humphreys MWR

### ***Humphreys F & MWR***

Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com>  
Facebook: USAG Humphreys Family and MWR  
(<https://www.facebook.com/HumphreysMWR>)

### ***Yongsan F & MWR***

Website: <https://yongsan.armymwr.com>  
Facebook: USAG Yongsan, Family & MWR  
(<https://www.facebook.com/fmwryongsan>)

### ***Casey F & MWR***

Website: <https://casey.armymwr.com>  
Facebook: Casey Family & MWR  
(<https://www.facebook.com/CaseyFMWR>)

### ***Daegu F & MWR***

Website: <https://daegu.armymwr.com>  
Facebook: Daegu Family and MWR  
(<https://www.facebook.com/DaeguMWR>)

*Buddah & Babes*  
Photo by: Robyn Connell

## Army Community Services

### Army Community Services (ACS)

Location: Maude Hall, BLDG 6400, 1st Floor

Phone: 0503-375-2363 DSN: 757-2363

Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/army-community-service>

Facebook: USAG Humphreys ACS

(<https://www.facebook.com/acs.humphreys>)

Hours: Mon-Fri 08:00-16:30 (Closed Thur Mornings)

Army Community Service (ACS) provides the community with assistance and support services to military, Department of Defense (DoD) civilians, contractors and their family members. ACS encourages you to stop by the office and see what services/programs can help you during your stay in Korea. To see a complete listing of all ACS services, classes, and programs please visit their website.

### Army Emergency Relief (AER)

Websites: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/army-community-service/army-emergency-relief>  
<https://www.armyemergencyrelief.org/>

Army Emergency Relief (AER) offers financial assistance in the form of grants and zero interest loans for rent, food, utilities, emergency travel, and other verified emergencies. AER also provides scholarships for college students and spouses.

### Army Family Action Plan (AFAP)

Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/army-community-service/armyfamily-action-plan>

The Army Family Action Plan (AFAP) is an Army-wide program that serves as a platform for Army Issues pertaining to the total Army quality of life. It gives the community a voice to relay what is going well and what is not with how the Army conducts business with all members of the Army including Active Duty, National Guard, Reserve Components, Retired Military, Family Members, Survivors and Civilian Employees. This is a volunteer-based program and is open to all individuals who care about the Army, its Families and the USAG Humphreys Community.

the history of AFAP, over 124 changes have been made to legislation, more than 176 policies and regulations have been revised and many programs and services have been improved at the Department of the Army level.

To submit an AFAP issue, utilize the Issue Management System (IMS) located on the Army Family Web Portal (AFWP).

### Army Family Team Building

Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/army-community-service/army-family-team-building>

Army Family Team Building (AFTB) was created for family members to ease the challenges associated with military life. AFTB is open to all military personnel, DoD civilians, and family members. Free classes are available on topics such as military acronyms, customs and courtesies, stress management, leadership, problem-solving, military benefits, and time management.

### Army Volunteer Corps

Website <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/army-community-service/army-volunteer-corps>

The Army Volunteer Corps Coordinator can help connect you with our over 250+ registered volunteer organizations at Humphreys. For additional information and to track your volunteer hours, please register or transform your profile to Humphreys in the Volunteer Management Information System (VMIS) on the AFWP (Army Family Web Portal). Classes are offered regarding volunteer service and to guide you on how to use the VMIS system.

### Employment Readiness Program

Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/army-community-service/employment-readiness-program>

The Employment Readiness Program (ERP) specifically addresses the employment needs of today's Military Family members by providing them with the tools they need to successfully search for and obtain employment. ERP also maintains a Resource Center inside the main ACS with well-stocked library books and DVDs on career options, résumés,

cover letters, job interviewing, federal employment, customer service training, office etiquette and entrepreneurship.

Services provided include job postings, resource library, career coaching, work shops and hiring fairs, small and home-based business counseling, and Attire for Hire. Free job skills classes include:

- Writing a Winning Résumé
- Creating Connections for Job Search Success: Networking to Get Working
- Ten Steps to a Federal Job (Basic and Advanced)
- Career Exploration & Planning
- Jumpstart Your Job Search
- How to Mobilize Your Home Business

### **Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP)**

Please see Chapter 4 for more information

### **Family Advocacy Program**

Location: BLDG 501

Phone: 0503-357-2366 DSN: 757-2366

Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/family-advocacy-program>

Hours: Mon-Fri 08:00-17:00 (Closed Thurs Mornings)

*DoD Sexual Assault Support (SAFE) Helpline*

Phone: 77-995-5247 (US toll free)

*To report Child or Spouse Abuse*

Phone: 0503-337-4101 DSN: 101

The Family Advocacy Program (FAP) provides the community with assistance and support services to military, Department of Defense civilians, contractors, and their family members. FAP directly provides or coordinates a range of services for individuals and families impacted by violence, abuse, and neglect. FAP works to reduce domestic violence through education, prevention, and training.

This program is dedicated to fostering healthy families and communities through education and outreach. FAP provides support services, training and education and crisis intervention. Services include victim advocacy support services, domestic violence, child abuse awareness

and detection, emergency child placement, child safety and education, stress management, anger management, support groups, home visitor, new parent support classes, parenting education, life skills workshops, and marriage enrichment.

Services are designed to identify and build on individual and family strengths, increase protective factors that have been found to reduce risk, and promote the safety and well-being of servicemembers and their families. FAP offers several classes including couple communication, parenting, and anger and stress management. For a full list of services and classes, visit FAP.

### *New Parent Support Program*

The New Parent Support Program (NPSP) within FAP has Home Visitors to help military parents, including expectant parents and those with children up to the ages of three, transition successfully into parenthood and provide a nurturing environment for their children. The NPSP provides a variety of services tailored to each family and parent's needs, including home visits, structured playgroups, breastfeeding support, lessons on effective and safe parenting of infants and toddlers, tips for new parents, and more.

*Contact a NPSP Home Visitor*

Phone: 0503-357-4107 or 2366 DSN: 757-4107 or 2366

### *The Victim Advocacy Program*

Whether you need immediate help in a crisis or are seeking information about counseling for emotional safety and support, FAP Domestic Abuse Victim Advocate (DAVA) and clinicians work with you to develop a plan to address unhealthy patterns of behavior or abuse in a relationship. DAVA can work with you to look at reporting options and resources that are available. The DAVA is available 24/7 through the hotline. You can access the DAVA via walk-in or hotline using the Humphreys app.

Phone: 0503-364-5997 DSN: 153

*To report Child or Spouse Abuse*

Phone: 0503-337-4101 DSN: 101

*USFK 24/7 Sexual Assault Response Hotline*

Phone: 0503-363-5700 DSN: 763-5700 DSN: 158

From US: 011-82-503-363-5700

**IMPORTANT:** If you or someone you know is a victim of sexual assault or sexual harassment, please contact the 24-hour hotline.

### **Financial Readiness Program**

Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/army-community-service/financial-readiness-program>

The Financial Readiness Program is your resource for information on money matters and offers education, counseling and support services to assist Soldiers and their Families with their financial affairs. The Financial Readiness Program can help you better understand financial topics such as, military pay, checkbook/debit card management, financial responsibility, credit reporting, debt elimination strategies, saving, investing, and budgeting.

Other financial services offered by the Financial Readiness Program include:

- Army Emergency Relief (AER): A private, nonprofit organization established to help Soldiers and their Families in emergency financial situations due to no fault of their own.
- Education Program: Offers need-based scholarships to help eligible Army Families with education costs.

### **Master Resilience Training**

ACS provides resilience training to soldiers and family members through teaching skills such as assertive communication, effective praise and active constructive responding, energy management, problem solving, goal setting, real time resilience, and character strengths.

### **Military and Family Life Consultation Program**

The Military Family Life Consultation Program (MFLC) provides confidential short term, situational, and problem-solving counseling to individuals, couples, families, and groups. Various units and schools will have their own MFLC embedded with them. For a list of current MFLCs available at Humphreys, please see the front desk of ACS.

MFLC can assist with anger management, communication, relationship issues, productivity at work, conflict resolution, parenting, and decision-making skills. MFLC is also a resource for coping with the stress of military life, including deployment stress, relocation adjustment, sad-

ness, grief and loss, homesickness, separation, building resiliency, and reintegration warrior to citizen.

If you are unable to contact MFLC, please call Military OneSource at 1-800-342-9647 or visit <https://www.militaryonesource.mil>.

### **Mobilization and Deployment**

The Mobilization, Deployment, and Support Stability Operations (MDSSO) helps support community readiness during deployments and emergencies. ACS provides Non-combatant Evacuation Operations (NEO) briefings as well as Soldier Family Readiness Group (SFRG) training.

### **Relocation Readiness**

ACS provides relocation information to military personnel and families. Support programs include newcomer orientations, welcome packets, Korean public transportation classes, English and Korean Language classes, and a lending closet for newly arriving and soon-to-be departing families.

### **Sponsorship Training**

Relocation Readiness now offers training on "Total Army Sponsorship Program" (TASP). In accordance with AR 608-1, this training is for unit sponsorship trainers, youth sponsors, and designated sponsors and covers the role of the sponsor before and after newcomer's arrival. This is available by request only. Contact ACS Office for more information.

## **Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers (BOSS)**

### **BOSS**

Location: BLDG 5724, Downtown Plaza

Phone: 050-3357-1647 DSN: 757-1647

Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/boss>

Facebook: USAG Humphreys: BOSS Official Page

(<https://www.facebook.com/humphreysboss>)

Hours: Mon-Fri 10:00-17:00

The USAG Humphreys Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers

(BOSS) program is the chance for single and unaccompanied soldiers to experience Korea and get involved in the community. BOSS offers a variety of volunteer opportunities and recreational trips around Korea. BOSS also represents the voice of the single servicemember through advocating for you by advancing quality-of-life issues on the installation and in the barracks to senior leaders on post and throughout the Army.



**BOSS**

## Child & Youth Services (CYS)

### Parent Central Registration/ Parent and Outreach Services

Location: Parent Central, Maude Hall, BLDG 6400, 2nd Floor  
Phone: 0503-357-2250/4/5/6 DSN: 757-2250/4/5/6  
Email: [usarmy.humphreys.imcom-hq.mbx.fmwrc-parent-central-services@army.mil](mailto:usarmy.humphreys.imcom-hq.mbx.fmwrc-parent-central-services@army.mil)  
Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/categories/cys-services>  
Facebook: Humphreys CYS  
(<https://www.facebook.com/HumphreysCYSS>)  
Hours: Mon, Tues, Fri 08:00-19:00, Weds 08:00-18:00,  
Thurs 12:00-17:00

\*Walk-In Hours available Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 14:00-1700, Wed 14:00-18:00 with the last patron accepted no later than 4:15 (Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri) or 5:15 (Wed) to allow sufficient processing time.

Child & Youth Services (CYS) provides quality child and youth development activities. Humphreys CYS serves children and youth from six weeks to 18 years old. Programs include the Child Development Center (CDC), Family Child Care (FCC), the School-Age Center (SAC), the Middle School & Teen Center (MST), Youth Sports & Fitness, SKIES Unlimited (instructional classes), and Outreach programs (Babysitter Course, Home Alone Course, Parents Night and Day Out). Parent and Outreach Services offers quarterly Parents Night and Day Out after-hours or weekend care for children from six weeks to 11 years old. Payment and reservations must be made in advance of the event. Dates will be advertised on the CYS Facebook page, at Parent Central, and CYS facilities. Registration is open to active-duty military personnel, DoD civilian personnel, reservists on active-duty or during inactive-duty personnel training, DoD contrac-

tors, and other eligible families as determined at registration.

To enroll in any CYS program, including the CDC, children must first be registered with CYS at Parent Central. Parent Central is located in Maude Hall, Building 6400 on the 2nd floor. An appointment to register is highly recommended.

### Child Development Center (CDC)

#### *COL Dean Hess CDC*

Location: BLDG 5410, Taro Avenue  
Phone: 0503-356-1103/1104 DSN: 756-1103/1104  
Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/hess-child-development-center>  
Hours: Mon-Fri 05:30-18:00, Closed Weekends, Identified U.S. and U.S.F.K Holidays

#### *Bang Jeong Hwan CDC*

Location: Bldg. 693, Freedom Rd.  
Phone: 0503-357-3111/3112 DSN: 757-3112  
Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/bjh-child-development-center>  
Hours: Mon-Fri 05:30-18:00, Closed Weekends, Identified U.S. and U.S.F.K Holidays

The Child Development Center (CDC) offers childcare options for children six weeks to six years old (Kindergarten). The CDC offers fulltime, hourly care (subject to availability) and before and after care for Kindergarten. Monthly childcare fees are determined on a sliding scale based on family income. Childcare spaces are offered by family priority as outlined by MilitaryChildCare.com.

#### *CPT Jennifer M. Moreno School-Age Center (SAC)*

Location: BLDG 5230, Tropic Lightning Avenue  
Phone: 0503-356-3001/300 DSN: 756-3001/3002  
Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/moreno-school-age-center>  
Hours: Mon-Fri 05:30-07:10 and 14:00-18:00 (school in session days) and 05:30-18:00 (school-off days), Closed Weekends

The School-Age Center (SAC) offers out-of-school care and activities for children in first through fifth grades. After-school activities include 4-H Clubs, Boys and Girls Club of America activities, art programs, and

fitness programs. A full-day Summer Camp program operates for ten weeks from June-August. To request for Before and After care or Summer Camp, please create an account on MilitaryChildCare.com and place a request through the website. Parents can begin their CYS registration by requesting an appointment or visiting during walk-in hours at the Parent Central Services Office. Parents will receive an offer through the website and by email from Parent Central Services indicating the subsequent steps to include attending a facility orientation at SAC, and calculating Total Family Income to determine child care fees. Hourly care is arranged directly with the facility upon successful CYS registration and attendance of an Hourly Care orientation scheduled by Parent Central.

## **Middle School & Teen Center**

### *SFC Paul R. Smith Youth Center*

Location: BLDG 6350, 11th St.

Phone: 0503-355-1077 DSN: 755-1077

Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/sfc-paul-r-smith-youth-center>

Facebook: Humphreys CYS Teen

(<https://www.facebook.com/HumphreysCYSSTeen>)

Hours: Mon-Fri 14:00-18:00, Closed Sat and Sun

The Middle School & Teen (MST) Program is designed for youth in grades 6th-12th and is in partnership with Boys & Girls Clubs of America (BGCA0, 4H, and Character Counts. Transportation is offered from the Middle School and High School to the facility after completion of registration. Healthy and nutritious snacks are served daily at 15:30 and 16:30. The MST program also offers an activity or field trip one Saturday a month. Schedules and details of these trips will be available on the Humphreys CYS Facebook page. The facility will be closed during scheduled field trips.

The MST program offers a range of positive options and environments that promote healthy development and ease youth transition to adulthood. MST programs encompass a variety of safe, supervised alternatives through activities and clubs such as Strong Empowered Women's Alliance (SEWA) and Keystone Club.

The MST Youth Center features an E-Sports Arena, High School Lounge, free Wi-Fi, a Youth Technology Lab with computers and school resources and staff that are ready to assist youth with homework. After school clubs offered include E-Sports Club, Dungeons and Dragons

Club, Career Readiness Club, and Functional Fitness Club. Youth can also enjoy video games, pool tables, table tennis, foosball, and a range of arts and crafts supplies. Eligible youth must be registered with CYS to participate in MST activities or attend the Youth Center. The registration packet is available on the Parent Central website or upon request through email from Parent Central Services.

## **School Support Services**

Location: Parent Central, Maude Hall, BLDG 6400, 2nd Floor

Phone: 0503-357-2241 DSN: 757-2241

Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/school-support-services>

School Support Services provides Army school-aged youth with educational opportunities, resources and information necessary to achieve academic success. The School Support Services School Liaison Officer (SLO) addresses educational concerns involving military children. School Support Services provides the community with assistance ranging from locating the appropriate school for your child to support during transitions to and from USAG Humphreys as well as homeschool support.

## **School Advisory Committee**

Each school on Humphreys also participates in a School Advisory Committee (SAC), which is established for each DoDEA overseas school. The SAC is comprised of parents, teachers, and other stakeholders who have a vested interest in quality education at the school. If you would like to get involved, reach out to the principal or the SLO. The committee's purpose is to advise the principal and installation commander on policies and programs within their purview, foster communications among administrators, military leaders, parents, and students, provide a coordinated process to address and resolve issues at the lowest level, and facilitate problem solving and recommend action to appropriate officials.

## **Burke CYS SKIES Center**

Location: BLDG 6317, 11th St.

Phone: 0503-357-2246 DSN: 757-2246

Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/burke-cys-skies-center>

Hours: Varies based on activities.

The Burke CYS SKIES Center offers programs for children enrolled in Humphreys CYS. Classes include various levels of dance, martial arts, gymnastics, music lessons, swim lessons, and rock climbing. Class brochures and schedules can be found at Parent Central and Burke CYS SKIES Center. All children must be registered with Humphreys CYS to participate in CYS SKIES Instructional Program classes.

### **Youth Sports & Fitness**

Location: Parent Central, Maude Hall, BLDG 6400, 2nd Floor  
Phone: 0503-357-2250/2254/2255 DSN: 757-2250/2254/2255  
Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/youth-sports>  
Hours: Mon-Fri 08:00-17:00, Thurs 12:00-17:00, Closed Sat-Sun

Youth Sports & Fitness (YSF) provides opportunities for children and youth to be engaged in fun physical activities. YSF programs use standardized programs and curricula from the National Alliance for Youth Sports, National 4-H, and Boys and Girls Clubs of America.

Sports are offered year-round. They include basketball, soccer, volleyball, baseball, softball, flag football, cheerleading, swimming, running, and a variety of other special activities for youth to develop and enhance their sports abilities. Children as young as three years old can participate in the Start Smart Soccer, Flag Football, Basketball, and T-ball. Youth Sports programs are open to youth ages five years to 15 years of age. All YSF participants must be registered with CYS at Parent Central.

### **Volunteering for CYS YSF Programs**

CYS Youth Sports & Fitness is always looking for qualified adults as coaches and assistant coaches for youth sports programs. Background checks are required for volunteers and take time to process, so plan accordingly. For more details, please contact the CYS YSF Program.

## **Health and Fitness Programs**

Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/categories/sports-and-fitness>

F & MWR has a wide variety of health and fitness options throughout Korea to keep you ready and resilient. To see a complete listing of all health and fitness programs along with their hours of operation and menus please visit their website.

## **Humphreys Area Fitness Centers**

### ***Collier Community Fitness Center***

Location: BLDG 1949, Tropic Lightning Avenue  
Phone: 050-3355-1671 DSN: 755-1671  
Hours: Mon and Wed-Fri 05:00-20:30, Tue 05:00-08:00 and 16:00-20:30, Sat 08:30-17:00, Sun 09:30-17:00

Amenities include saunas (must be 18 years or older), daily use lockers (Bring your own lock), men's and women's locker rooms, basketball/volleyball courts, 200 meter indoor running track, racquetball courts, variety of cardio equipment, group fitness classes, personal trainers (by appointment), strength and free weight equipment, plate loaded equipment, third floor multipurpose/aerobics room, stroller hours for indoor track, outdoor conex boxes to assist with training for the ACFT, indoor pool, and intramural sports.

### ***Sitman Physical Fitness Center***

Location: BLDG 6815, Indian Head Avenue  
Phone: 050-3357-1152 DSN: 757-1151  
Hours: 24-hour access (must be registered to utilize)

Amenities include cardiovascular equipment, weight room, performance area (strength, weight and functional fitness), basketball court, rock-climbing wall, climbing ropes, aerobic room, racquetball court, saunas (18 or older), lockers, fitness classes, and intramural sports.

### ***Zoekler Fitness Center***

Location: BLDG 1296, Double Dragon Street  
Phone: 050-3355-1679 DSN: 755-1679  
Hours: 24-hour access (must be registered to utilize)

Amenities include cardiovascular equipment, weight room, basketball court, rock-climbing wall, climbing ropes, aerobic room, racquetball court, 80-yard turf flag football field, 300-meter track, saunas (18 or older), lockers, ping pong table, and intramural sports.

### ***Turner Fitness Center***

Location: BLDG 2063, Talon Street  
Phone: 050-3355-1674 DSN: 755-1674

Hours: Mon-Thurs 05:00-20:30, Fri 05:00-08:00 and 16:00-20:30,  
Sat-Sun 07:00-20:30, US Holiday 08:00-20:30

Amenities include cardiovascular equipment, comprehensive weight room, multipurpose aerobics room, newly expanded and renovated performance strength and conditioning room, group fitness classes, personal Trainers (by appointment), daily use lockers, saunas (must be 18 years or older), Alpha Warrior Rig (obstacle style fitness), human performance classes, and intramural sports.

### ***Family Fitness Room***

Location: BLDG 110, Washington Avenue  
Phone: 050-3353-3013 DSN: 753-3013  
Hours: Tue-Sat 10:00-18:00, Closed Sun-Mon

Amenities include cardiovascular equipment, weight room, and play area for small children.

### ***Suwon Fitness Center & Gymnasium***

Location: BLDG 2200/2204/2132  
Phone: 031-220-6020 DSN: 788-6020  
Hours: Mon-Fri 05:00-20:00, Sat 10:00-18:00, Sun Weight Room Open (BLDG 2132)

Amenities include cardiovascular equipment, nautilus machines, issue room, basketball court, fitness room, functional fitness, weight room, free weight, crossover equipment, multi-purpose field, outdoor basketball courts, and tennis courts.

## **Pools**

### ***Humphreys Outdoor Pool***

Location: BLDG 1484, American Street  
Phone: 050-3355-0228 DSN: 755-0228  
Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/outdoor-pool>

Open seasonally. Features a tower water slide, a 50 meter pool, wading pool, kids waterplay area, splash pad, two diving boards and a small playground.

### ***Collier Indoor Pool***

Location: BLDG 1949, Tropic Lightning Avenue  
Phone: 050-3355-2676 DSN: 755-2676  
Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/indoor-pools>

Features 25 meter, 8 lane pool with depths ranging from 4 to 5 feet. Amenities include adjacent locker rooms with toilet and shower facilities, separate wet toilet areas, a sauna and family changing rooms. Please visit website for hours for recreational and lap swim.

## **Library Programs**

### **SFC Ray E. Duke Memorial Library (USAG Humphreys)**

Location: BLDG 2220, Tropic Lightning Avenue  
Phone: 050-3357-8126 DSN: 757-8126  
Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/duke-memorial-library>  
Hours: Mon-Sat 10:00-19:00, Closed Sun

The USAG Humphreys SFC Ray E. Duke Memorial Library boasts a wide range of New York Times Bestsellers, Caldecott and Newberry Award-winning children's books, military professional readings, DVDs, CDs, audiobooks, magazines, newspapers, and a free paperback swap rack. Direct and inter-library loans are available from Army libraries around Korea. There are classes, clubs, and activities for all ages as well such as writing, chess club, music Fridays, and story themed hours on Tuesdays. Amenities include WiFi access, commercial internet computers, photocopiers, homeschooling resources, and quiet study areas. Visit the website for up-to-date information and events.

### **Suwon Library**

Location: BLDG 2200, Suwon Air Base  
Phone: 031-220-5449 DSN: 788-5449  
Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/suwon-library>  
Hours: Mon-Fri 10:00-19:00, Closed Sat-Sun

The Suwon Library boasts a wide range of New York Times Bestsellers, military professional readings, DVDs, and video games. Direct and inter-library loans are available from Army libraries around Korea. Amenities include WiFi access, commercial internet computers, and photocopiers.



## Camp Carroll Library

Location: BLDG S-139, 3rd Floor, Camp Carroll

Phone: 050-3363-2432

Website: <https://daegu.armymwr.com/programs/camp-carroll-library>

Hours: Mon-Tue and Thurs-Sun 09:00-19:00, Closed Wed

The Camp Carrol Library offers many services including rentals of current bestselling authors, educational support material, E-books, inter-library loans, DVDs, video games, WIFI and print/scan/fax services. The library also offers events for children such as story time and crafts.

## Camp Walker Library

Location: BLDG S-335, 2nd Floor, Camp Walker

Phone: 050-336-2274

Website: <https://daegu.armymwr.com/programs/camp-walker-library>

Hours: Mon and Wed-Sun 09:00-19:00, Closed Tue

The Camp Walker Library offers many services including rentals of current bestselling authors, educational support material, E-books, inter-library loans, DVDs, video games, WIFI and print/scan/fax services. Kids programs include children's story time and crafts, makerspace, LEGO club, STEM workshop, origami day, and Korean calligraphy.

## Special Interest MWR Programs

### Arts and Crafts Center

Location: BLDG 5711, Downtown Plaza,

Phone: 050-3357-2296 DSN: 315-757-2295

Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/arts-and-crafts-center>

Hours: Wed-Fri 11:00-18:30, Sun 11:00-17:00, Closed Mon-Tue

The Arts and Crafts Center on USAG Humphreys can help you uncover or enhance your artistic talents whether you are a novice or expert. The center offers a variety of classes for users of all ages, custom professional framing, painting events, do-it-yourself studio hours, group events and birthday parties. Arts and craft services include custom painting, object repair, helium balloons and gas charging, heating sublimation (custom mugs, mouse pads and tiles), matting and framing, custom furniture, engraving on wood, custom

unit/organization crest or logo, and an arts and crafts supply store. To see a complete listing of all arts and craft services and classes please visit their website.

### Automotive Skills Center

Location: BLDG 2250, Tropic Lightning Avenue

Phone: 050-3356-8803 DSN: 756-8803

Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/automotive-skills-center>

Hours: Mon and Thurs-Sat 10:00-19:00, Closed Tue-Wed and Sun

The Automotive Skills Center is your resource for maintaining your vehicle, making minor and major repairs, or restoring that classic. MWR's Automotive Skills Program offers a modern working environment, complete with individual work bays, state-of-the-art mechanical tools and a team of qualified and trained staff ready to help. In order to utilize our do-it-yourself services, patrons must complete the mandatory Safety Orientation Class. Ask the front desk when the next class is to get your training. The Automotive Skills Center also offers a vehicle resale lot space and online listings for selling your Personally Owned Vehicle (POV). To see a listing of available services and prices please visit the website.

### Downtown Recreation Center

Location: BLDG 5724, Downtown Plaza

Phone: 050-3357-2286 DSN: 757-2286

Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/downtown-recreation-center>

Hours: Sun-Thu: 10:00-20:00 Fri & Sat: 10:00-22:00

The Recreation Center, located at Downtown Plaza, features many recreational activities such as billiard tables, table tennis, computers, conference room, gaming systems, TVs and more! The Downtown Recreation Center offers room rentals for your special occasion or unit party.

### Outdoor Recreation

Location: BLDG 110, Washington Avenue

Phone: 050-3355-1677 DSN: 755-1677

Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/outdoor-recreation>

Hours: Tue-Sat 10:00-18:00, Closed Sun-Mon

If you are an avid outdoors lover, complete novice or somewhere in between and would like to get out and get active in Korea's great outdoors, the Outdoor Recreation Center is the place to go. They offer gear rentals, adventure programs, park and pavilion reservations, laser tag, Warrior Adventure Quest, customized trips and more. To see rates for equipment and pavilion rentals or find information on programs, please visit their website.

### **Pet Care Center (The First Class Pet)**

Location: Bldg. P-1039 USAG Humphreys  
(Near Collier Community Fitness Center)  
Phone: 070-7597-0513,  
POC: Ms. Gina Nam, email: [Humphreys@thefirstclasspet.com](mailto:Humphreys@thefirstclasspet.com)  
Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/pet-care-center>  
Hours: Sun-Sat: 0900-1800

Services include: boarding (dogs, cats and small pets), grooming (dogs only), pet travel (dogs and cats), pet supplies (dogs and cats), and pet quarantine (dogs and cats).

### **River Bend Golf Course**

Location: BLDG 5904, Marne Avenue  
Phone: 0503-357-2287 DSN: 757-2278  
Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/river-bend-golf-course>  
Hours: Mon-Sun 07:30-17:30

The Humphreys River Bend Golf Course is the premier US Military golf course in South Korea. This state-of-the-art Par-72 course features an 18-hole championship golf course, double deck 48-stall heated driving range, 6-hole practice course, and full line Pro Shop. Relax and unwind at the River Bend Pub or grab a quick bite at the Snack Bar. The facility also features the White Heron, a ballroom and private rooms for rent, a perfect location to host an event. For rates, passes, and dining options, please visit their website.

### **SPC Ross A. McGinnis Warrior Zone & First and Ten Restaurant**

Location: BLDG 6807  
Phone: 050-3357-1643 DSN: 757-1643

Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/mcginnis-warrior-zone>

Warrior Zone Hours: Sun-Thu: 10:00-21:00 Fri & Sat: 12:00-00:30  
First & Ten Hours: Wed, Thu & Sun: 17:00-21:00 Fri & Sat: 17:00-00:30

The SPC Ross A. McGinnis Warrior Zone is a state-of-the-art high tech recreation facility centered around high-speed gaming options with a large variety of entertainment systems. This Service Member exclusive facility provides customers with a variety of activities and services for all their recreational needs. It's the perfect recreational facility for Service Members and their guest over the age of 18.

### **Social and Dining Programs**

Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/categories/social-and-dining>

The F & MWR has a wide variety of social and dining options throughout Korea. To see a complete listing of all social and dining programs along with their hours of operation and menus, please visit their website.

Dining options include:

- Catering & Event Services
- Clyde's Kitchen (Suwon Air Base)
- Downtown Lanes Bowling Center
- First and Ten Restaurant
- Flightline Tap Room
- MVP Restaurant (Maple Tree House, Vatos Urban Taco, and Paulie's Brick Oven Pizzeria)
- River Bend Golf Course
- River Bend Pub
- Texas Roadhouse

### **Lodging**

#### **USAG Humphreys Army Lodging**

Location: BLDG 121, 122 & 123  
Phone: (From US) 011-82-31-692-0825  
(From Korean Cell Phone) 031-692-0825  
Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/humphreys-army-lodging>

Reservations: <http://army.dodlodging.net/property/Camp-Humphreys>.

Staff is available 24 hours a day to accept your reservation, welcome you to the hotel and make your stay as pleasurable as possible. Pets are welcome at Humphreys Lodging with a daily fee per pet and a one-time nonrefundable deep cleaning fee of \$50. For suites, pet rooms, or special requests, fill out the Army Lodging USAG Humphreys Registration Form and email it to [usarmy.humphreys.imcom-fmwrc.mbx.lodging@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.humphreys.imcom-fmwrc.mbx.lodging@mail.mil).

### **Dragon Hill Lodge (USAG Yongsan)**

Location: USAG Yongsan  
Phone: (02)790-0016 DSN: 738-2222  
Website: <https://www.dragonhilllodge.com/>

Dragon Hill Lodge is an Armed Forces Recreation Center located in Seoul's bustling central district of Yongsan. A limited number of pet-friendly rooms are available. The hotel is located just inside USAG Yongsan Gate #1, which is a pedestrian walk-in gate and is conveniently accessible by various means of military and civilian public transportation, including taxi, bus, and subway.

### **Camp Carroll Lodge**

Location: BLDG S-100  
Phone: 0503-363-2435 DSN: 763-2435  
Website: <https://daegu.armymwr.com/programs/camp-carroll-lodge>

### **Camp Walker Lodge**

Location: BLDG S-701  
Phone: 0503-363-1492 DSN: 763-1492  
Website: <https://daegu.armymwr.com/programs/camp-walker-lodge>

### **Camp Casey Lodging**

Location: BLDG 2626  
Phone: 050-3322-0356  
DSN: 722-0356  
Website: <https://casey.armymwr.com/programs/casey-us-army-lodging>  
Reservations: <https://army.dodlodging.net/property/Camp-Casey-Lodging>

## **SUPPORT SERVICES**

### **Legal Assistance Office**

Location: Maude Hall, Bldg. 6400, 3rd Floor, Room 301  
Phone: 0503-357-2617 DSN: 757-2617  
Website: <http://8tharmy.korea.army.mil/sja/legal-services>  
Hours: Mon-Wed and Fri 09:30-16:30, Thurs 13:00-16:00, Closed Daily from 11:30-13:00, Closed weekends and all US and training holidays

USAG Humphreys Legal Assistance Office offers a wide variety of legal services in the following areas:

- Family Law: Marriage, Annulment, Legal Separation, Divorce, Financial Nonsupport, Child Custody/Visitation, Paternity, and Adoption
- Estates: Wills, Living Wills, Health Care Powers of Attorney, and Designation of Beneficiaries Under Life Insurance Policies
- Real and Personal Property: Purchase, Sale, or Rental
- Economic: Debt, Banking, Credit, and Non-Government Claims
- Civilian Administrative Issues: Immigration and Naturalization
- Military Administrative Issues: Line of Duty Investigations, Reports of Survey, Evaluation, Report Appeals, and Security Clearance Revocation
- Other Services: Notarization, Powers of Attorney, Passport and Visa Services, and Tax Services

Appointments are required to see an attorney. All other services are done on a walk-in basis.

The following individuals are eligible to receive legal assistance at the USAG Humphreys Legal Assistance Office: Active Component (AC) members of the US military and their family members; Reserve Component (RC) servicemembers serving on active-duty pursuant to orders and their family members; surviving family members of AC, RC, and retired servicemembers who would be eligible for legal assistance if the servicemember or retired member were alive; DoD civilian employees and their family members and civilian contractors if the Department of Defense is contractually obligated to provide such assistance. Contractors must provide a copy of their contract or accreditation letter to verify this obligation (not all services are available to contractors).

## Sexual Harassment and Sexual Assault

### *DoD Sexual Assault Support (SAFE) Helpline*

Phone: 877-995-5247 (US toll free)

Website: [www.safehelpline.org](http://www.safehelpline.org)

The DoD Safe Helpline is a confidential and anonymous sexual assault helpline for the DoD community. Users will receive live, one-on-one confidential help with a trained professional. The website also provides vital information about recovering from and reporting sexual assault.

### *USFK 24/7 Sexual Assault Response Hotline*

Phone: 0503-363-5700 or 0503-357-8912

DSN: 158

### *Sexual Harassment Assault Response Program (SHARP)*

#### *Humphreys Sexual Assault Response Coordinator (SARC)*

Phone: 010-8685-8087 DSN: 315-755-1071

Website: [https://home.army.mil/humphreys/index.php/my-usag-humphreys/all-services/sharp#:~:text=](https://home.army.mil/humphreys/index.php/my-usag-humphreys/all-services/sharp#:~:text=Contact%20your%20local%20SHARP%20representative,or%200503%2D357%2D8912)

[Contact%20your%20local%20SHARP%20representative,or%200503%2D357%2D8912](https://home.army.mil/humphreys/index.php/my-usag-humphreys/all-services/sharp#:~:text=Contact%20your%20local%20SHARP%20representative,or%200503%2D357%2D8912).

The SHARP program exists so that soldiers are better prepared to prevent and protect themselves and others from sexual harassment and sexual assaults by providing information and briefings. The SHARP program assists victims of sexual assault and sexual harassment 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Their goal is to eliminate sexual harassment and sexual assaults by creating a culture of respect and dignity for every member of the Army family.

Report any sexual assault and harassment to the USFK Sexual Assault Response Hotline. There are two reporting options for active-duty military: Unrestricted or Restricted Reporting. Family Members 17 y/o and younger and Married Couples/Intimate Partner relationships will be assisted by the Family Advocacy Program. Army Civilians only have the Unrestricted Reporting option.

The following steps apply with Unrestricted Reporting of sexual harassment/assault:

1. The SARC or Unit Victim Advocate (UVA) is contacted
2. Command and Law Enforcement are notified

3. SARC and UVA attend to the victim's needs, provide supportive services, and coordinate follow-up care with unit and multidisciplinary services
4. Receive acute and follow-up medical care
5. Receive counseling
6. Receive legal services

The following steps apply with Restricted Reporting of sexual harassment/assault (can change to Unrestricted):

1. The SARC, UVA, Healthcare Provider, and/or Chaplain are contacted
2. Command and Law Enforcement are NOT notified
3. SARC and UVA attend to the victim's needs, provide supportive services, and coordinate follow up care with multidisciplinary services
4. Receive medical care

## Equal Opportunity and Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO)

It is the right of all persons to work and advance on the basis of merit, ability, and potential, free from social, personal, or institutional barriers of prejudice and discrimination. At Humphreys, it is our mission to create a workplace free of discrimination, and full of diversity; where all employees are appreciated, respected, and free to cultivate their talent and perform to their fullest potential.

### *Eighth Army 24-Hour Anonymous Equal Opportunity Hotline*

Phone : 010-8520-4656 or 0503-355-2535 DSN: 755-2535

Website: <https://8tharmy.korea.army.mil/site/resource/equal-opportunity.asp>

Email: [usarmy.humphreys.8-army.mbx.eo-hotline@army.mil](mailto:usarmy.humphreys.8-army.mbx.eo-hotline@army.mil)

### *Humphreys Garrison EEO*

Phone: 0503-355-9155 or 0503-353-6527

DSN: 755-9155 (Civilian) or 753-6527 (Military)

Website: <https://home.army.mil/humphreys/index.php/my-usag-humphreys/all-services/eo#qt0:0>

### *USFK EO and EEO Policy*

Website: <https://www.usfk.mil/Resources/Publications/>

The USFK community is a safe, inclusive, and vigilant environment free of racial discrimination and bigotry. Commanders and leaders at all levels must create environments that allow individuals to speak openly and candidly about these issues without fear of reprisal. USFK remains committed to creating an environment free of discrimination, where everyone is treated with dignity and respect regardless of race, religion, color, sexual orientation, gender or national origin. We must all work together to create a safe and inclusive environment that is free of racism, bigotry and hate, and everyone knows they matter and are valued members of our community.

**Report an Incident:**

<https://www.usfk.mil/Strength-in-Diversity/Reporting/>

### Religious Support Office

Phone: 315-757-3101 DSN: 757-3101

Website: <https://home.army.mil/humphreys/index.php/about/Garrison/chaplains>

Facebook: USAG-Humphreys Religious Support Office  
(<https://www.facebook.com/HumphreysChapel>)

The Religious Support Office at Humphreys aims to provide quality religious support to USAG Humphreys and Osan while serving as a means of connection, counseling, spiritual renewal, and restoration. For a complete list of services, programs, study and fellowship groups, please visit the Religious Services website or Facebook page.

Chapels at USAG Humphreys include:

- Warrior Chapel: BLDG 6800 (Next to Express and Sitman Gym)
- Pacific Victors Chapel: BLDG 6360
- Freedom Chapel (Main Post Chapel): BLDG 695 (Next to Super Park)
- Freedom Family Life Center: BLDG 696
- Four Chaplains Memorial Chapel: BLDG 2230 (Next to Library)

### Self Help Center

Location: BLDG 1019

Phone 0503-353-7410 DSN: 753-7410

Hours: Mon-Fri 07:30-16:30, Closed for lunch 11:30-12:30

For simple repairs and improvements, you can rent tools and obtain products at the Self Help Center. They can also provide contact information for people to assist with heavy lifting or other tasks. This service is only available to residents of housing on-post.

### Veterans Affairs

Location: Maude Hall, BLDG 6400, 3rd Floor

Phone: 0503-357-2916 DSN: 757-2916

Website: <https://home.army.mil/humphreys/index.php/units-tenants/va-department-veterans-affairs>

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) office at Humphreys is identified as a Benefits Delivery at Discharge (BDD) Center. The USAG Humphreys BDD provides separating and retiring military members of all services the opportunity to start VA claims for service-connected disability compensation before they retire. The VA office offers information on health care, disability compensation, vocational rehabilitation, employment, home loan guaranty, survivors' benefits, and insurance.

Veterans residing on the Korean peninsula will be served by the regional office in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The correspondence address is Department of Veterans Affairs, Pittsburgh Regional Offices, 1000 Liberty Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15222. If you are already a veteran needing services in Korea, you will be directed to contact the Pittsburgh office. To schedule an appointment, stop by during office hours.

## EMBASSIES AND CONSULAR SERVICES

### US Embassy & Services

#### US Embassy Seoul

Location: 188 Sejong-daero, Jongno-gu, Seoul 110-710

Phone: 02-397-4114

Website: <https://kr.usembassy.gov/>

Facebook: US Embassy Seoul

(<https://www.facebook.com/usembassyseoul>)

Hours: Mon-Fri 08:30-17:00, Closed Sat-Sun. Routine services not available on US or Korean holidays.

## American Citizen Services

Email: [seoulinfoACS@state.gov](mailto:seoulinfoACS@state.gov)

Website: <https://kr.usembassy.gov/services/conserv-info/>

Appointments: <https://kr.usembassy.gov/services-make-an-appointment/>

The American Citizen Services section accepts applicants for US passports, adjudicates Consular Reports of Birth Abroad (CRBA) for children born to US citizen parent(s) abroad, notarizes documents, offers voting assistance, transmits benefits applications to Social Security, Veterans Affairs, and other federal agencies for action, repatriates destitute US citizens, conducts welfare and whereabouts searches, assists the family members of US citizens who die in Korea, and visits US citizens who are arrested for violating the law. For details on American Citizen Services and to download application forms, visit the American Citizen Services website. American Citizen Services at the US Embassy in Seoul are provided by appointment only. They accept cash (Korean won or US dollars) and credit cards.

## Passports

US Citizen Services encourages all US citizens, including military and dependents, to maintain a valid US passport at all times. Tourist passports are required for personal travel; official or “no-fee” passports should only be used for official travel such as PCS or TDY travel. Always hand-carry your passport when traveling. While sightseeing, keep your passport in a secure location, such as a hotel safe. If you hold a no-fee passport that contains your SOFA stamp, you will need to carry both the no-fee and tourist passports if you wish to visit a country other than the United States. You must show the no-fee passport to Korean authorities and the tourist passport to authorities in other countries (<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/passports.html>).

## Visas

While stationed in Korea, take advantage of the wonderful travel opportunities in Asia. Before traveling, check the entry requirements for each country you plan to visit. In addition to a valid passport, many countries require US citizens to purchase a visa to enter the country. Country requirements vary as some visas are obtained online, and some must be obtained at the airport upon arrival. Many countries require at least six months prior to the passport expiring and/or two blank pages. For entry requirements for your destination, visit the US Department of State’s Bureau of Consular Affairs (<http://travel.state.gov>).

## SOFA Stamps

The US Embassy does not issue Status of Forces Agreement (SOFA) stamps. Please see Chapter 1 “What to Expect When You Arrive” for more information.

## Getting Married in Korea

While consular officers at the US Embassy are not authorized to perform marriages, they can assist US citizens with the paperwork necessary for a legal marriage in Korea. There are specific marriage requirements and protocols for USFK members. It is important to consult with your Command first.

## Registering a Baby in Korea

The US Embassy strongly encourages all US citizens who have children born in Korea to apply for a Consular Report of Birth Abroad (CRBA) and passport as soon as possible after the birth of the child. A CRBA is an official record confirming that the child acquired US citizenship at birth. It is only issued at a US Embassy or Consulate overseas, and only before the child reaches 18 years of age. Remember to obtain a SOFA stamp in the baby’s passport.

## Naturalization and Immigration

The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and US Citizenship and Immigration Service (USCIS) maintain an office at US Embassy Seoul. USCIS can assist with issues such as US citizenship, naturalization, and immigration applications for non-US citizen spouses and family members.

## Staying Safe in Korea

Crime rates in Korea are low compared to the US, but don’t let your guard down. The US Embassy has received reports of US citizens who have been victims of crime ranging from petty theft to sexual assault and rape. Conversely, Americans are arrested in Korea every year for violating the laws of the Republic of Korea. Alcohol abuse is often a contributing factor. If you are a victim of a crime, first call the police by dialing 112. If you need further assistance, contact the Special Citizen Services (SCS) Unit at the US Embassy. Always travel with a buddy.

## Staying Connected

The Embassy encourages all US citizens overseas to register their

whereabouts through the Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP) and to receive the monthly newsletter and email alerts. You can also follow the Embassy on Facebook or Twitter. The US Embassy's goal is to reach all US citizens in the Republic of Korea with current security information and other important updates.

### **Passport Office at USAG Humphreys**

Location: Maude Hall, BLDG 6400, 2nd Floor, Room 201  
Phone: 0503-357-2460 DSN: 757-2460 or 755-1133  
Website: <https://home.army.mil/humphreys/index.php/about/Garrison/logistics-readiness-center/passportvisa>  
Hours: Mon-Fri 09:00-16:00, Closed Sat-Sun and Federal Holidays

The mission of the Passport Office at USAG Humphreys is to support assist DoD servicemembers, civilians, and family members in obtaining official travel documents necessary to facilitate official government travel. Appointments are required for passport applications. Walk-in services include passport pickup and questions.

### **Foreign Embassies**

Most countries maintain an embassy or consulate in Seoul. They can be very helpful in providing you with travel information for their country and will assist in any visa arrangements if you are not traveling with a group already handling details for you. The embassies will tell you of any necessary vaccinations/immunizations required for travel in their country. Do not expect foreign embassies to warn you of potential difficulties/dangers of travel in their country; most try to encourage tourism. Please visit the Department of State's Bureau of Consular Affairs website at <http://travel.state.gov> to find travel warnings, travel advisories, and entry requirements for specific countries. The library and Internet are good sources for current telephone numbers or addresses. Servicemembers need permission from their command and country-specific training from the Foreign Clearance Guide website prior to any travel abroad.

## **OTHER SUPPORT ORGANIZATIONS**

### **American Red Cross**

Location: Maude Hall, BLDG 6400, 2nd Floor  
Phone: 0503-357-2348 DSN: 757-2348  
Facebook: USAG Humphreys American Red Cross  
(<https://www.facebook.com/HumphreysARC>)  
Email: [safhumphreys@redcross.org](mailto:safhumphreys@redcross.org)  
24-hour toll free number: 877-272-7337  
Website: <http://www.redcross.org/>

The primary mission of the American Red Cross in Korea is to serve military personnel and their families, improve the quality of human life, enhance self-reliance and concern for others, and help people avoid, prepare for, and cope with emergencies. The USAG Humphreys and Brian D. Allgood Army Community Hospital both host a wide spectrum of Red Cross volunteer opportunities including leadership, administrative, and casework positions. American Red Cross services include health and safety classes such as CPR, First Aid and AED classes, instructor training, pet first aid, and disaster services. Class availability varies so be sure to check the USAG Humphreys Red Cross Facebook page.

### **Armed Forces Emergency Service (AFES)**

The Red Cross provides rapid communications between military members, DoD civilians and their families regarding death, serious illness, childcare breakdowns, birth, health and welfare reports, and other personal or family problems. Family members in the US should call their local Red Cross to request emergency message service. Your family will need your current rank, social security number, and military address for the request.

#### ***Frequently Asked Questions***

##### *How do I send a message?*

For requests between 08:00-16:00, call your installation Red Cross Office. After hours, contact the Stateside 24/7 Call Center at 1-877-272-7337 or submit a request online at <https://www.redcross.org/get-help/military-families/emergency-communication.html>. A caseworker will process your message. To expedite

service, please provide as much pertinent information related to the situation as possible (e.g., local point of contact, name and phone numbers, doctor's name and phone number, location of patient, and your 1SG's or Company Commander's name and phone numbers).

#### *What do I do if I get a message?*

For emergency messages, your First Sergeant or Staff Duty are contacted to deliver the information to you. If a non-emergency message arrives, every effort will be made to locate you in order to deliver its contents to you directly. Once you receive your message, discuss the situation with your chain of command.

#### *Will the service pay my way home?*

If you have been placed on Emergency Leave with Funded Travel Orders, the military may pay for your plane ticket. Ordinary Leave under Emergency Conditions requires that you pay for the plane ticket. Contact your chain of command regarding travel regulations for your family.

### **Leisure Travel (Discover Seoul)**

#### *USAG Humphreys*

Location: BLDG 5711, Downtown Plaza

Phone: 070-7597-4000

Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/leisure-travel-services>

#### *USAG Yongsan*

Location: BLDG 4050 (Dragon Hill Lodge)

Phone: 02-793-6665

Website: <http://www.discoverseoutours.com/>

With Leisure Travel, enjoy off-post leisure, recreational and cultural opportunities, such as discounted tickets to sports events, theme parks, concerts, theater productions, museums and sightseeing tours.

### **United Services Organization (USO)**

#### *USO Korea Area Office (Admin Only. No Center)*

Location: Bldg. P12601

Phone: 0503-355-3830 DSN: 755-3830

Website: <https://korea.uso.org/camp-humphreys-area-office>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/uso.korea>

Hours: Mon-Fri 08:00-17:00

#### *USO Humphreys – Maude Hall*

Location: Maude Hall, BLDG 6400, 1st Floor Room, H105 & P103

Phone: 0503-355-8025 DSN: 755-8025/8026

Website: <https://korea.uso.org/humphreys-maudehall>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/uso.humphreys>

Hours: Mon-Fri 08:00-16:00

#### *USO Humphreys Sentry Village*

Location: Bldg. P301

Phone: 031-651-8346

Website: <https://korea.uso.org/humphreys-sentryvillage>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/uso.humphreys>

Hours: Mon-Fri 09:00-19:00, Sat 10:00-16:00

#### *USO Osan Air Base*

Location: Bldg. 916 McPherson Center

Phone: 050-5784-0469

Website: <https://korea.uso.org/uso-osan-air-base>

Hours: Mon-Fri 09:00-19:00, Sat & US Holidays 10:00-16:00

#### *USO Camp Casey*

Location: Next to bus station, across from PX and Commissary

Phone: 050-322-0378

Hours: Mon-Fri 09:00-19:00, Sat-Sun 10:00-18:00

Website: <https://korea.uso.org/camp-casey>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/CASEYUSO>

#### *USO Camp Walker (Daegu)*

Location: Beside the Exchange, across from the Hilltop restaurants

Phone: 0363-1431

Website: <https://korea.uso.org/camp-walker-daegu>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/USO.CampWalker>

Hours: Mon-Fri 08:00-21:00, and as volunteers are available

The USO strengthens America's military service members by keeping them connected to family, home and country, throughout their service



to the nation. The USO provides many opportunities such as a lounge with free snacks and beverages, Korean language classes, cultural and sporting event trips, information and referral services, meal programs, Bob Hope Legacy Reading Program, unit support, and outreach services. USO locations offer free phone service, Wi-Fi, fax, printing, computer access, and many social activities.

## AAFES

AAFES operates many shopping centers on Humphreys. Check the website for a complete list of phone numbers and hours of operation: <https://www.shopmyexchange.com/exchange-stores/Korea/AP/Pyong-taek-si/Humphreys-Main-Exchange-1761603>.

### Post Exchange (PX)

Location: Bldg. 5700, Tropic Lightning Ave.

Phone: 82-31-646-2800

Hours: Mon-Sat 09:00-21:00, Sun 09:00-20:00

The PX is your one-stop shop for most of your needs including clothing, accessories, jewelry, shoes, luggage, pet supplies, and much more.

### Military Clothing Sales

Location: Inside of the PX (back corner)

Hours: Mon-Sat 09:00-20:00, Sun 11:00-18:00

### Alterations/Embroidery

Location: Co-located with Military Clothing Sales in the PX

Hours: Mon-Sat 09:00-20:00, Sun 10:00-19:00

Services and Stores Available at the PX Mall	
Bag & Luggage	Barber Shop
Hair Studio	Custom Shoe
Timberland	General Nutrition Centers
Nail Studio	Optical Center
Smoothie King	Starbucks

U.S. Patriot	Art & Gift Shop
Auntie Anne's	Beauty Supply
Blanket	Custom Suits
Flower & Garden	Furniture
Hobby Shop	i-Phone Accessory
KT	Style Palette
LG Electronics	LG Uplus
Military Auto Source	Men's Clothing
Nature Collection	Socks and Hats
Sports Jersey	Swarovski
Watch w/ Repair	Wood Burning
Pandora	Photo Studio
iFIX	Dunkin' Donuts
Dining	
Pizza Hut	Charley's Steak
Popeyes	Burger King
Basking-Robbins	Arby's
Manchu Wok	Taco Bell

### Express Stores and Mini Malls

Since the terms 'Shoppette' and 'Class VI' are no longer used by AAFES, the term 'Express' is used to describe a store that includes both the Shoppette and Class VI. At the Express, you will be able to find a selection of liquors and wines as well as those items you would expect at a shoppette. Troop Express is used by AAFES to describe a store that carries a limited number of household items including linens, small appliances, hardware and electronics.

Below hours are for the Express store at that location. Individual services may have different hours.

### Sentry Mini Mall/Express

Location: Bldg. 400, Washington Ave.

Hours: Mon-Thur 06:30-22:00, Fri-Sat 06:30-22:30, Sun 08:00-22:00

Location: Bldg. 6803, Indianhead Ave. and 5th St.  
Hours: Sun-Mon 06:30-22:00, Fri-Sat 06:30-24:00  
Services: Express, Hunt Brothers Pizza, LG Uplus, Cleaners, Barber Shop, Subway, Taco Bell, and Starbucks.

#### **Family Mini Mall/Express/Gas Station**

Location: Bldg. 2270, Indianhead Ave. and 11th St.  
Hours: 24 hours  
Services: Express, Hunt Brothers Pizza, Bissell Rental, Subway, Bun-D Natural Food, autoOasis Car Care Center, Smoothie King, Barber Shop, and Bike Shop.

#### **Zoeckler Mini Mall/Express/Gas Station**

Location: Bldg. 12388, Pacific Victor's Ave.  
Hours: Mon-Thur 06:00-21:00, Fri 06:00-22:00, Sat 08:00-22:00, Sun 08:00-21:00  
Services: Express, Subway, Pizza Hut, Barber Shop, Shoe Shine, Joayo Korea Palace, Don Chicken by Korea Palace, and Juicy.

#### **Other Express and Dining**

##### **Maude Hall**

Location: Bldg. 6400, Marne Ave. and 9th St.  
Services: Quiznos Subs, National Rentcar Co., LG Uplus, and H&R Block.

##### **NCO Academy**

Location: Bldg. 6120  
Services: Alterations, Barber Shop, Laundry Cleaning, Photo Shop, and Smoothie King.

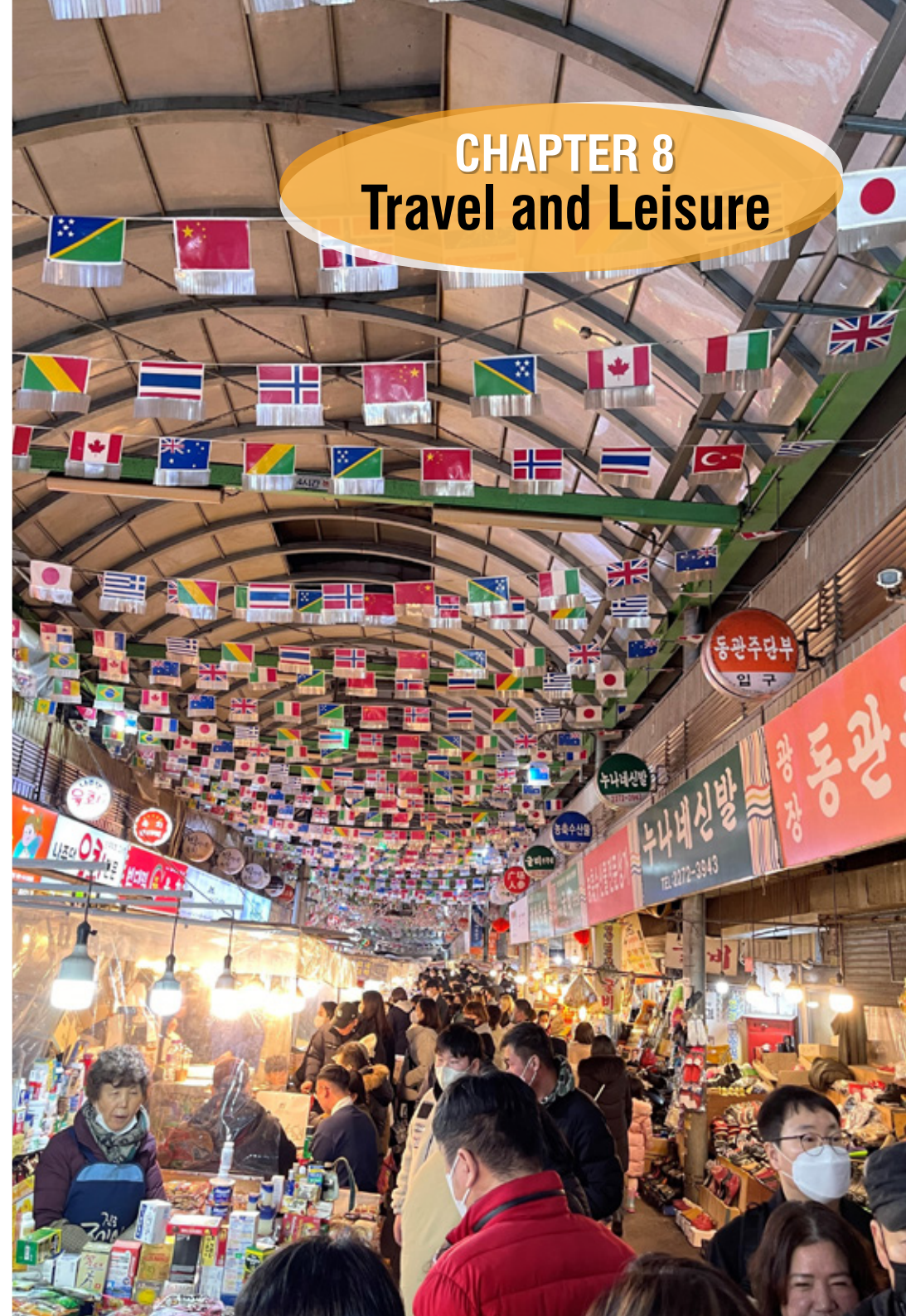
##### **Dual Food Court**

Location: Bldg. 6365, Corner of Marne Ave. and 11th St.  
Hours: Burger King: Mon-Fri 06:30-21:00, Sat-Sun 08:00-21:00  
Popeyes: Mon-Fri 10:00-21:00, Sat-Sun 11:00-21:00  
Services: Burger King and Popeyes.

##### **3rd MI Express**

Location: Bldg. 2064, Indianhead Ave. and Bobcat or Talon St.  
Hours: Mon-Fri 07:00-22:00, Sat-Sun 08:00-22:00  
Services: Express and Charley's Steak, Outside the Gate

## CHAPTER 8 Travel and Leisure



## ENJOYING KOREA

Experiencing daily life and planning leisure activities in Korea may be overwhelming at first, but once you get the hang of it, you will realize that this country has something for everyone to enjoy in each of the four seasons. On top of taking advantage of leisure opportunities on base, getting yourself outside the gate and exploring is truly the best way to make your time here in Korea memorable instead of miserable. There's so much to keep you busy it is best to plan ahead by making a personal bucket list – before you know it, your tour in Korea will be coming to an end! In the following pages we've listed many resources to help get you get out there and be active! We also give information about traveling to other countries from Korea, just in case you'd like even more adventure at some point in your tour. We've listed tons of links for additional information in this chapter. For each link we've listed the title and topic and you can google those to easily find the websites or blogs without having to type the URL.

**TIP:** We've also discovered that if you have an iPhone you can take a picture of the text and then click the links in the picture with a long press to open the websites right on your phone without having to type the URLs in. There may be the same function available with other phones but we aren't sure.

### Top Resources For Successful Exploration

#### 1330 Korea Travel Helpline

Phone: 1330

Kakao ID: 1330관광안내

FB Messenger ID: 1330Travelchatreal

Web: [https://english.visitkorea.or.kr/enu/TRV/TV\\_ENG\\_3\\_1.jsp](https://english.visitkorea.or.kr/enu/TRV/TV_ENG_3_1.jsp)

1330 Korea Travel Helpline is a one-stop 24/7 multi-lingual service for local or international travelers to Korea operated by the Korea Tourism Organization (KTO). Simply by calling 1330 on your cell phone or messaging through the 1330 Korea Travel Helpline, you can get all kinds of help planning your Korean adventures and will always have a lifeline when you are out and about as they can also help with interpretation

*Gwangjang Market*  
Photo by: Robyn Connell

and connecting you to emergency services. This is a totally free and incredibly useful service, so don't forget to use it!

## Naver Maps and Kakao Maps

Website: Naver Maps: [map.naver.com](http://map.naver.com)

Kakao Maps: [map.kakao.com](http://map.kakao.com)

These Korean map apps can be used partially in English and provide navigation by car, walking, or public transport. They both can be used in web browsers and free dedicated mobile applications. Naver Maps in particular is most robust for researching new places to visit, from eateries to water parks, etc! If you manage to get a local bank account, it is also possible to purchase certain activity tickets (often at a discount) and reserve places to stay right through the Naver Maps app. In both Kakao Maps and Naver Maps listings for places often have user uploaded photos that are very helpful for knowing what a place is like. If there is a blog related to a listing in either map app, it will be attached to the listing – it can be very helpful for you to translate these attached blogs with Papago and look at all the additional pictures.

**TIP:** General use of both map apps is similar to Google Maps, with satellite and street view imagery available. You can also search for a business location using their phone number.

**TIP:** While Naver Maps is better for researching and finding places, some people prefer Kakao Maps for finding better routes for navigation. This is because with most of the country using KakaoTalk messenger, Kakao Maps has the better ability to detect current traffic patterns and route accordingly. You can copy an address you find from Naver Maps and paste it to Kakao Maps if needed.

**TIP:** You can center your area when searching either around your current GPS location or wherever you have manually centered the map. Sometimes if there are a lot of listings in an area you are searching, not all available listings for the given area will show up because there are too many. You may need to zoom in to see all possible listings.

**NOTE:** Google Maps does not work for navigation in Korea, though you can do a limited amount of research on places to go. Please be warned that Waze is generally best used only on the US military bases, where it is quite valuable to have, as Korean map apps do not map any military bas-

es (they actually show up as blank fake fields on satellite imagery). Use of Waze and Apple Maps outside of the bases may take you on strange routes through one-lane country roads (like rice-paddy roads), fail to route you around traffic, or in the worst case take you to the completely wrong location.

## Papago

Website: <https://papago.naver.com/>

This translation app and website is preferred over Google Translate as being more accurate in Korea, having been produced by the Korean tech giant Naver. It is certainly not perfect but using this app when traveling and researching online can help you easily overcome the language barrier by allowing you to translate text, images, and voices between Korean and English. When you want to translate text you see on your phone or computer, it is super easy to take a screen shot and then use the image translation function.

**TIP:** Papago/Naver Method: Use Papago to translate any type of place you want to visit in Korea (ex: movie theater, strawberry farm, etc.) and paste the Korean into Naver or Kakao Maps, or even Instagram, to research new places you can explore! Find more Instagram advice here: <https://blog.southofseoul.net/maximizing-instagram-in-south-korea/>

**TIP:** If you have the Papago app on your iPhone you can add "Translate with Papago" as favorite "action" for images when pressing the share button (square with up arrow).

Always carry your phone's charging cable with a Korean plug. If you run out of battery it is quite normal that cafes and other businesses would be willing to let you charge your phone. Even if you forget your cable, you may have luck that they have one you can borrow. People in Korea are generally very understanding of how important having a charged phone can be!

## BBB Korea

Website: <https://www.bbbkorea.org/en/>

BBB Korea is a non-profit group dedicated to helping foreigners with communication in Korea. Basically, they have bilingual volunteers theo-

retically available 24/7 for urgent situations where you need to be able to get through the Korean/English language barrier verbally. For example, you may run into a situation when out and about where someone is trying desperately to inform you of something and Papago is just not working out, or you may end up needing to go to the closest medical help that doesn't have a translator. 1330 can be a first option for help as they do offer similar service, but if it is slow as their telephone lines can be quite busy, BBB Korea is a next option. Be sure to use this service respectfully and understand that this is a free, volunteer service not to be used for commercial purposes such as professional interpretation, document translation, tour guiding, private business work, or entertainment. Also remember to always be polite to the volunteers.

## **WEBSITES, BLOGS, AND FACEBOOK RESOURCES**

### ***Korea Tourism Organization – Visit Korea***

Website: <https://english.visitkorea.or.kr/>

This government funded website and KTO Mobile app is an extremely useful resource for exploring all things Korea.

### ***Seoul Tourism Organization – Visit Seoul***

Website: <https://english.visitseoul.net/>

### ***Daegu Tourist Information***

Website: <https://tour.daegu.go.kr/eng/index.do>

### ***Visit Busan***

Website: <https://www.visitbusan.net/en/index.do>

### ***Gwangju Tourism***

Website: <https://tour.gwangju.go.kr/eng/main.cs>

### ***Korea National Park Service***

Website: <https://english.knps.or.kr>

### ***Humphreys F & MWR (includes Suwon)***

Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com>

### ***Daegu F & MWR***

Website: <https://daegu.armymwr.com>

### ***Casey F & MWR***

Website: <https://casey.armymwr.com>

### ***Yongsan F & MWR***

Website: <https://yongsan.armymwr.com>

### ***Osan F & MWR***

Website: <https://www.51fss.com>

### ***Kunsan F & MWR***

Website: <https://www.kunsanfss.com>

### ***Chinhae Navy F & MWR***

Website: <https://www.navymwrchinhae.com>

### ***South of Seoul***

Website: <http://blog.southofseoul.net/>

A blog and app run by an expat based in Pyeongtaek alongside other volunteers including base-affiliated members, South of Seoul is a great resource for finding the best things to see, do, and eat, especially and mostly around the USAG Humphreys and Osan Air Base area.

### ***Pyeongtaek Insight***

<https://pyeongtaekinsight.blogspot.com>

This blog is managed by the Pyeongtaek International Exchange Foundation (PIEF), a government-funded organization that promotes cross-cultural exchange. They offer very popular classes, events, festivals, tours, and volunteering opportunities for those stationed at Camp Humphreys and Osan AB.

### ***Pyeongtaek International Exchange Foundation***

Website: <http://www.pief.or.kr/eng/main.do>

### ***Travel Stained***

Website: <https://travel-stained.com/asia-tourism/travel-korea/>  
Excellent collection of blogs about travel in Korea.

### ***The Soul of Seoul***

Website: <https://thesoulofseoul.net>

Seoul based blogger with excellent travel blogs for Seoul and all over Korea.

***There She Goes Again***

<https://theresheshegoesagain.org/korea-travel-guide/>

***Be Marie Korea***

<https://bemariekorea.com>

***A Fun Couple***

<https://afuncouple.com/tag/korea/>

***Pinpoint Korea***

<https://www.moonbeartravel.com>

Seoul based travel writers covering Korea from a cultural and historical viewpoint.

**TIP:** Google "Korea travel blog" or "(what you want to do) (city) Korea blog" for so many more blogs!

***USAG Humphreys F & MWR:***

<https://www.facebook.com/HumphreysMWR>

***USAG Humphreys BOSS:***

<https://www.facebook.com/humphreysboss>

***USO Humphreys:***

<https://www.facebook.com/uso.humphreys>

***Osan Outdoor Recreation:***

<https://www.facebook.com/OsanODR>

***USO Osan AB:***

<https://www.facebook.com/USOatOSAN>

***USAG Yongsan-Casey, F & MWR:***

<https://www.facebook.com/YongsanCaseyFMWR>

***Area I & II BOSS:***

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100078917022168>

***Camp Casey USO:***

<https://www.facebook.com/CASEYUSO>

***Daegu F & MWR:***

<https://www.facebook.com/DaeguMWR>

***Area IV BOSS:***

<https://www.facebook.com/BOSSAreaIV>

***USO Camp Walker:***

<https://www.facebook.com/USO.CampWalker>

***Kunsan FSS:***

<https://www.facebook.com/KunsanFSS>

***U.S. Navy Korea Fleet & Family Readiness:***

<https://www.facebook.com/KoreaFFR>

***Pyeongtaek Food & Fun:***

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/71620054737>

***PIEF:*** <https://www.facebook.com/withpief>

***Pyeongtaek Insight:***

<https://www.facebook.com/Pyeongtaek.Insight.2020>

***Facebook Groups in:***

***Daegu:***

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/indaegu>

***Daegu Info Guide:***

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/daeguinfoguide>

***Chinhae Community (Navy Base):***

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/ChinhaeCommunity>

***South Korea Travel Planning:***

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/southkoreatravelplanning>

***Travel Korea:***

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/508174596541398>

**Korea Travel Tips:**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1482394602083186>

**Korea Travel Guide:**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/koreatravelguide>

**Epic Adventures in Korea:**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/thesoulofseoulkorea>

**Tastes SEOUL Good:**

<https://www.facebook.com/tastesseoulgood>

**Pyeongtaek Travelers:**

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/167054914004260>

**Live Show/Event Ticket Booking Sites with English Option:**

*Interpark Global:*

<http://www.globalinterpark.com>

*Yes24:*

<http://ticket.yes24.com/English>

*Melon Ticket:*

<https://tkglobal.melon.com/main/index.htm?langCd=EN>

*Ticket Link:*

<http://www.ticketlink.co.kr/global/en>

**Overnight Accommodation Booking Sites in English that accept US card payment:**

*Booking:*

<https://www.booking.com>

*Agoda:*

<https://www.agoda.com>

*Expedia:*

<https://www.expedia.co.kr/en/>

*AirBnB:*

<https://www.airbnb.com>

**NOTE:** Many tour service companies and concierge services in the following section offer assistance with booking accommodations as well.

**TIP:** Get acquainted with the various types of overnight accommodations in by reading this blog:

***Blog, Korean Rooftop, Types of Korean Accommodation:***

<https://www.koreanrooftop.com/blog/types-of-korean-accommodation>

**TIP:** Use Instagram to discover amazing places and get up to date information! You can see where people are going and also follow local businesses and groups to stay in the loop.

***Blog, South of Seoul, Instagram in South Korea:***

<https://blog.southofseoul.net/maximizing-instagram-in-south-korea/>

## TRAVEL SERVICES

There are many companies that will assist you with leisure and travel in Korea. We've listed some popular services here, but please understand we can't guarantee the quality of any of their services.

**NOTE:** Many companies sell tickets and services that you don't technically need because there is a way to do the activities, make bookings and buy tickets yourself, but they do provide convenient pay options and help through language barrier issues. They also often provide a friendly group and/or guide to do activities with. Similarly, while package tours take you to places you can go on your own without a tour, the cost isn't necessarily higher if you factor in personal transportation costs, and convenience factor can be huge. We hope you try to do some things on your own or in personal groups, but it is worth giving tours a try to see what style of getting out there is best for you. Be sure to check thoroughly the details of any tour before purchase, and make sure it is clearly stated what costs are included in the price of the tour.

**TIP:** If you don't want to use travel services it is possible to get lucky with an English-speaking person picking up the phone if you call a vendor, or to have a Korean speaking friend help make reservations for you, and any prepayments or deposits to the activity, goods, transportation, or

accommodations vendors can be paid by bank deposit or bank transfer. This is why you will frequently find bank account numbers listed under company information and see individuals offering their bank account info online this is the secure way people accept cashless transfers in Korea instead of relying on services like Zelle or Venmo. You use bank deposit if you don't have a Korean bank account. This is a simple process of going to the vendor's bank and depositing won into their account number, listing your name as depositor and any other important info like reservation number in the memo section of the deposit. Find the closest bank location near you by searching their bank's name in Naver Maps. If you do go get yourself a Korean bank account you can quickly and easily use your bank's mobile app to transfer the funds to any bank account in Korea.

**TIP:** We've recently heard about a banking service called "Remitly" that may allow you to use your US cards to deposit money in Korean bank accounts for a small fee. This could be more convenient than having to go to the vendor's bank in person if you don't have a Korean bank account.

Website: <https://www.remitly.com/us/en/south-korea/pricing>

**TIP:** If you have a Namane prepaid card instead of a Korean bank account, you can pay for things online using the KB Pay->ISP option. Please see the Namane website for more information.

Website (Namane Card, Online Payment):

<https://www.namane.com/en/10-온라인-결제>

## Post Affiliated Travel Services:

**TIP:** Tours from these companies typically depart from and return to your base, making them convenient options for tourism.

### Discover Seoul

*USAG Humphreys*

Location: Downtown Plaza, Bldg. 5711

Phone: 070-7597-4000

Website: [www.discoverseoul.com](http://www.discoverseoul.com)

*USAG Yongsan-Dragon Hill Lodge*

Location: BLDG 4050

Phone: 02-793-6665

Website: [www.discoverseoul.com](http://www.discoverseoul.com)

### ***Osan ITT (Information, Tickets, & Travel)***

Location: Bldg. 924

Phone: 784-4254 DSN

Website: <https://51fss.com/itt/>

### ***Kunsan ITT (Information, Tickets, & Travel)***

Location: Bldg 1027

Phone: DSN 782-4679/5213, COM 063-470-4679

Website: <https://www.kunsanfss.com/information-tickets-travel>

### ***USAG Daegu Hana Tours***

*Camp Walker CAC Hana Tours*

Location: BLDG S-335

Phone: 763-2272 DSN or 010-7298-4688 Cell

*Camp Carroll CAC Hana Tours*

Location: BLDG S-139

Phone: 763-2219 DSN or 010-7720-1058 Cell

### ***KORIDOOR Tours***

Phone: Seoul 02-6383-2570

Phone: Pyeongteak 031-655-2570/070-4194-7142

Website: <https://www.koridoor.co.kr:5033/idx.asp>

Email: [koridoor@koridoor.co.kr](mailto:koridoor@koridoor.co.kr)

## Off-Post Travel Services

**TIP:** When booking tickets with these services be extra careful you understand their policies, especially concerning the valid use time of the tickets and refunds.

***Trazy:*** <https://www.trazy.com>

***Korea Travel Easy:*** <https://www.koreatraveleasy.com>

***Adventure Korea:*** <https://adventurekorea.com>

***Korea eTour:*** <https://www.koreaetour.com>

***One Day Korea:*** <https://www.onedaykorea.com>



**Goh Travel Korea:** <http://gostravelkorea.net>  
**When in Korea WinK Travels:** <https://www.facebook.com/WinKTravels/>  
**Plus Planner:** <https://www.facebook.com/TravelWithPlusplanner>  
**Good Times ROK:** <https://www.facebook.com/Good-Times-ROK-148989018533461/>  
**Korea Travel Mate:** <https://www.facebook.com/tour08foreignertours/>  
**Korean Tour Guide:** <https://koreantourguide.com>  
**Cultural Exchange and Volunteer in Korea:** <https://www.facebook.com/groups/cultureus>  
**Klook:** <https://guest.klook.com/en-US>  
**Trip Advisor:** <https://www.tripadvisor.com>  
**Viator (Trip Advisor Company):** <https://www.viator.com/searchResults/all?text=korea>  
**AirBnB Experiences:** <https://www.airbnb.com/s/South-Korea/experiences>  
**Get Your Guide:** <https://www.getyourguide.com/s/?q=korea>  
**Tours By Locals:** <https://www.toursbylocals.com/South-Korea-Tours>

## Concierge Services

These services charge a fee to help making bookings, shop online, and much more. Many people are very appreciative of their services and say the fee is absolutely worth it.

**TIP:** Some of these services charge by how much time it takes for them to complete a task for you. It can possibly help save you some money to research ahead and know exactly where you want to go and what you want to do and just have them make the calls to book for you.

**Wonderful:** <https://www.gowonderfully.com>  
**Butlers Korea:** <http://butlerskorea.com>  
**Parcel Beside U:** <https://parcelbesideu.oopy.io>

## LEISURE ACTIVITIES IN KOREA

The following pages are meant to show you how much you can do in Korea in your leisure time, both inside and outside the gate. Specific

places are not always mentioned as it is just too much information for one book! Finding where to do these things can require some research but use the tools we've mentioned at the beginning of this chapter, and you will be successful. Fortunately, there is a vast number of people online that have shared posts and blogs or are willing to offer their wisdom if you ask in online groups! Also, don't forget that on base organizations like F & MWR have great representatives that want to help you, and off base you can dial 1330 which is 24/7, to help you find information and navigate any confusion you run into as well.

**TIP:** Before doing any leisure activity in Korea, mentally address with yourself that you must drop expectations that the activity will be carried out the same way it is in the U.S. This doesn't have to be a bad thing at all because it can be fun and exciting to see the differences!

**NOTE:** Even though leisure and travel opportunities are vast in Korea, the language and cultural barriers can wear us down so access to all the fun can become difficult. The best advice is to take it slow and surround yourself with at least a few other people that can become your adventure buddies. Don't allow yourself to isolate and give up. Share the work of researching and planning with others so that you can share the joy of success together also! In Korea it is NOT weird to put yourself out there on social media groups or in person to new acquaintances and say, "Hey, would you like to get out there with me?" We are all in the same wacky sea in Korea, so let's share those boats instead of row it alone!

## Korean Language Learning

For optimum leisure enjoyment, as soon as you find out you will be living in Korea it is 100% recommended that you learn at minimum a few things about the Korean language.

Firstly, learn the Korean letters and their sounds. Being able to recognize the characters and their basic sounds will help you, and because the writing system was purposefully engineered to be simple, the characters are super quick to learn.

Youtube, Learn to Read Korean in 5 Minutes:  
<https://youtu.be/TE4eplsFSms>  
Free-access Website, Read Korean Letters:  
<https://readkoreanletters.com>

Next, learn at minimum how to say “hello” and “thank you”. Being able to be polite in the local language while out makes every interaction and experience better. Korean people are always super impressed and happy to hear foreigners speaking any Korean.

Blog, Memrise, Say Hello in Korean:

<https://www.memrise.com/blog/how-to-say-hello-in-korean>

YouTube, Korean Class 101, Thank You & You’re Welcome in Korean:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GFS3StqDg8g>

From there, you may want to continue your studies as a form of leisure itself. Studying Korean can be fun and the more you learn the deeper your other experiences in Korea can potentially be. On-base language classes are often offered, contact your F & MWR to find out what opportunities might be available.

Korean government-funded cultural programs, Universities, private business, and private tutors may also offer classes ranging from free to expensive the best way to find out about these opportunities is to pay attention to social media and ask around. If you can study well on your own there are tons of apps and online programs, free and paid, that may be a fun starting point as well!

### Websites for Self-Study (free and paid options)

- Talk to Me in Korean [www.talktomeinkorean.com](http://www.talktomeinkorean.com)
- How to Study Korean <https://www.howtostudykorean.com>
- 90 Day Korean <https://www.90daykorean.com>
- Korean Class 101 <https://www.koreanclass101.com>

### Language Exchange Meetings

Language exchange meetings are one way of continuing and enhancing your studies in Korean for little to no cost. The meetings are places where native speakers of different languages, or those studying the same language even, can come together in public spaces, such as cafes or libraries, and assist each other with study and practice speaking in their target language. Even if you don’t want to study a language yourself, you can attend as a fluent speaker to make friends while helping others practice English or other language you know. Depending on the meeting location, kids are often very welcome to attend with you,

which is a bonus for busy parents. Attending meetings such as these is a quick way to make local friends in Korea that can share culture and even maybe other unique adventures in Korea with you. Keep an eye out for meetings like these being advertised but do be careful that the groups you may join are not a tool for religious or cult proselytizing as this can be common and quite uncomfortable.

### Facebook Groups

*South of Seoul Language Exchange:* <https://www.facebook.com/groups/PaengseongLanguageExchange/>

*Daegu Language Exchange:*

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/103752852763>

### Parks

There are SO many parks in Korea, ranging from gorgeous national parks to pretty city parks, to tiny squares of land with just a dirty play structure, exercise equipment, and maybe somewhere to sit. Most, if not all, high-rise apartment complexes also have their own little parks that don’t restrict access as well. You can search “park” in English directly on Naver Maps to locate parks around you.

Website, Korea National Park Service: <https://english.knps.or.kr>

### Large Theme Parks

Korea has several large theme parks for riding roller coasters and filling a day with entertainment. Information about these places is easy to find online. If you have any lingering questions, remember that 1330 is there for you.

### Small Amusement Parks

There are also small amusement parks around Korea with rides like those you’d see at traveling carnivals in the states. These will pop up on Naver Maps when you search “Theme Park”, but it might be better to translate “amusement park” on Papago and search the resulting Korean to narrow the search since theme park has a broad definition in Korea. SapgyoHo Ocean Park is an area near Humphreys and Osan that has a ship you can tour next to a small amusement park.

Website, Visit Korea, SapgyoHo: [https://english.visitkorea.or.kr/enu/ATR/SI\\_EN\\_3\\_1\\_1\\_1.jsp?cid=1927800](https://english.visitkorea.or.kr/enu/ATR/SI_EN_3_1_1_1.jsp?cid=1927800)

### ***Dae Jang Geum Park***

Location: 778-1 Yongcheon-ri, Baegam-myeon, Cheoin-gu, Yongin-si  
Website: <http://djgpark.imbc.com/lang/English.html?langType=English>

Previously known as MBC Dramia, is an outdoor film set in the city of Yongin in Gyeonggi province. "The park is one of the largest open set in Korea, where historical and modern dramas, movies and commercials can be filmed. In the park, traditional Korean architecture styles and living spaces are semi-permanently built and implemented based on thorough historical research on the Three Kingdoms of Korea, Goryeo Dynasty and Joseon Dynasty. So far, numerous MBC historical dramas have been filmed here." (from the Dae Jang Geum Park website listed below). The drive is about 1.5 hours from USAG Humphreys.

### ***Suwon Hwaseong Fortress***

Website: <http://www.swcf.or.kr/english/>

A beautiful fortress completed in 1796, now a UNESCO World Heritage site, located in the city of Suwon. There are plenty of activities to enjoy: hike around the entire fortress wall, visit the palace, eat at fried chicken street, ride a trolley, try archery, ride a hot air balloon, or visit the many cafes and restaurants inside the fortress walls.

### ***Mulhyanggi Arboretum***

Location: 211, Cheonghak-ro, Osan-si

Situated in Osan City, Gyeonggi-do, is a peaceful area where you can come to relax but is surprisingly located amidst high-rise apartment buildings in the city center. There are many things to see at the arboretum including 16 themed centers, various auxiliary facilities, and 1,601 different species of plants. The Mulhyanggi Arboretum, is a great place for a leisurely walk, and takes around two hours to see in its entirety.

### ***Pyeongtaekho Tourist Complex***

Location: 159, Pyeongtaekho-gil, Hyeondeok-myeon, Pyeongtaek-si (321, Gwongwan-ri, Hyeondeok-myeon)

The Pyeongtaekho Tourist Complex is located along the Pyeongtaek waterfront. There is a walking path, parks, cafes, restaurants, and an art center. Swan paddle boats can be rented along with other water sports equipment.

### ***Sapgyoho Ocean Park***

Location: Unjeong-ri, Sinpyeong-myeon, Dangjin-si

A waterfront park with playgrounds, walking paths, seafood restaurants, cafes, and an amusement park.

### ***Anseong Farmland***

Location: 28 Daesindu-gil, Gongdo-eup, Anseong  
Website: <http://www.nhasfarmland.com/nimg/eng.pdf>

Touch, feed, and enjoy livestock experience. Children's theme park with play-grounds, gardens, and restaurants. This is also a well-known spot to see fields of seasonal flowers.

### ***Hyeonchungsa Shrine***

Location: 126, Hyeonchungsa-gil, Asan-si

Located in Asan-si, is the shrine of General Lee Sun-Shin (1545-1598). It was built in 1706, and named Hyeonchungsa Shrine the following year. In 1932 during the Japanese occupation, a treasure preservation committee was formed to protect the shrine. Afterward, the shrine was rebuilt by the government, its area greatly enlarged, and was further developed into a sacred place. Adjacent to Hyeonchungsa is Gingko Tree lane, a great spot so see beautiful fall foliage, usually around November.

### ***Bear Tree Park***

Website: <http://beartreepark.com/m22.php?lang=eng>

Botanical park featuring a black bear enclosure and a koi pond set amid diverse flowers and bonsai trees.

### ***Oeam Folk Village***

Location: 84 Oeam-ri, Songak-myeon, Asan-si Phone: 041-541-0848

Traditional mountain village with stone huts, folk art displays and a community-built canal system.

### ***World Flower Botanical Garden (Asan Botanical Gardens)***

Location: 37-37, Asanman-ro, Asan-si

Opened to the public on March 20, 2004 thanks to the Asan Garden Horticulture Association. The internationally recognized garden features over 3,000 species of flowers in a large collection of greenhouses. Floriculture flourishes here with a variety of themes and festivals set up throughout the park for visitors to fully enjoy the experience.

### ***The Independence Hall of Korea***

Location: 95 Sambang-ro, Mokcheon-eup, Dongnam-gu, Cheonan-si

Collects, preserves, displays, and researches Korean historical documents and relics from the past to the present, focusing on the independence movements of the Japanese colonial period. Composed of seven exhibition halls and a 4D theater. Gardens, ponds, children's play areas, restaurants, cafes, tram, and picnic area.

### ***Yeonmisan Nature Art Park***

Location: 98 Yeonmisangogae-gil, Useong-myeon, Gongju-si

A park in the forest with sculptures made of wood. An interactive exhibit where you can enter and climb into most of the sculptures.

### ***Museum of Youngwol Y Park***

Location: 1467-9, Songhakjucheon-ro, Jucheon-myeon,  
Yeongwol-gun, Gangwon-do.  
Website: <https://ypark.kr/>

It is located right next to the fire station in Jucheon-myeon, Yeongwol. An indoor and outdoor modern art museum with large exhibits and colorful sculptures. It also has a play space for children and a cafe. About two hours drive from USAG Humphreys.

### ***Cheongnamdae Presidential Villa***

Location: 646, Cheongnamdae-gil, Sangdang-gu, Cheongju-si

Once a private villa used by former presidents of Korea, this beautiful estate is open to the public. It has beautiful gardens, picnic areas, walking paths, and a viewing tower with unobstructed views of the region.

### ***Cheonjangho Suspension Bridge***

Website: [http://www.cheongyang.go.kr/eng/sub02\\_01\\_03.do](http://www.cheongyang.go.kr/eng/sub02_01_03.do)

A long suspension bridge with a chili pepper tower. There are outdoor sculptures of animals throughout the walking path. A beautiful area to enjoy the spring and fall colors.

## **Beaches**

Korea is surrounded by ocean on three sides, so naturally there are plenty of beaches to enjoy. These are not Hawaiian tropical paradise type beaches, but they give you a fun place to swim in the summer and their own unique beauty to enjoy year-round. To generalize, on the west side of Korea many beaches have mud-type sand and long tides. On the east there is more regular sandy type beaches. The south is a mix of different types from rocky to muddy. For finding beaches just search the English "beach" into Naver. From there you can look at the photos and blogs on each listing to get an idea of what type of beach you'd be visiting.

**TIP:** There is only one private beach on the east coast of Korea that explicitly allows off-leash dogs, called Meong Beach.

Naver Maps Link, Meong Beach:  
<https://naver.me/5zJl0qam>

Other beaches in Korea may or may not allow dogs at all, and if so, they should be on leash. A long-line may count as on leash depending on how the other people at the beach feel about it. You can contact 1330 to ask if a certain beach allows dogs on leash or not at all.

## **Caves**

There are many natural limestone caves and a few lava tube caves to explore in Korea. They are great places to visit in the summer to cool off, and even in the winter to warm up a bit, as they stay at a generally cool constant temperature. Always bring a jacket and shoes that can handle puddles.

Blog, South of Seoul, 10 Fun Caves:  
<https://blog.southofseoul.net/10-fun-caves-across-korea/>  
TripAdvisor, Hwanseongul Cave:  
[https://www.tripadvisor.com/Attraction\\_Review-g1074139-d3823684-Reviews-Hwanseongul\\_Cave-Samcheok\\_Gangwon\\_do.html](https://www.tripadvisor.com/Attraction_Review-g1074139-d3823684-Reviews-Hwanseongul_Cave-Samcheok_Gangwon_do.html)

## Nami Island

Nami Island has emerged as one of the must-visit places among Korean tourists and foreign tourists. In 2016, 1,300,000 foreign visitors from 122 countries came to the island. There is a wide variety of activities available on the island such as bicycling, art exhibits, watersports, crafts, live performances, and more. Nami Island was formed as a result of the construction of Cheongpyeong Dam in 1944. In 1965, it was purchased by a private investor who started to forest the island. A year later, tourist facilities were added to the island. In 2001, Nami Island began to expand in the areas related to the environment, arts, and culture. Nami sponsors international institutions such as UNICEF and UNESCO, providing opportunities for artists in various fields.

Blog, A Fun Couple, Nami Island: <https://afuncouple.com/nami/>

## Jeju Island

Jeju is a small island off of the southern tip of Korea which is beloved as a top vacation spot. It is sometimes called the Hawaii of Korea, but please don't go there expecting Hawaiian beaches, scenery or weather! The reference is mostly in the spirit of how Jeju is a wonderful island place to relax and vacation. It is a self-governing province of Korea, so be sure to pack your resident card (ARC/FRC) or passport and orders as if you were traveling out of country. Jeju can be reached by plane or ferry, and if you take the ferry, you can even bring your car and dogs along.

Blog, Soul of Seoul, How to Get to Jeju Island  
<https://thesoulofseoul.net/how-to-get-to-jeju-korea/>

Blog, A Fun Couple, Taking the Ferry from Mokpo to Jeju  
<https://afuncouple.com/ferry-jeju/>

Website, Visit Jeju  
<https://www.visitjeju.net/en>

## Suspension Bridges

There are a bunch of suspension bridges around Korea, and they are pretty cool to go walk across for super scenic views.

Blog, Soul of Seoul, Suspension Bridges in Korea:  
<https://thesoulofseoul.net/suspension-bridge-korea/>

## Walkabout

If cash is low, it is always fun and interesting to just take a walk around a new city, town, or village area you haven't been and have a look around. Use public transportation (see Chapter 4) to take you somewhere random and have a look as you stroll. Korea does not have specifically dangerous neighborhoods. Just be respectful of others. If you get lost call 1330 and be sure to let a friend know you will be out exploring.

YouTube, Seoul Walker:

<https://www.youtube.com/@SeoulWalker/videos>

Blog, Travel Mania Club, Daegu Alleys:

<http://travelmaniacclub.blogspot.com/2016/05/daegu-alleyway-tours-2-walking-along.html>

## Viewing Temples, Churches and Shrines

Walking around a religious center you can admire architecture, take in the beauty of its grounds, and learn more about culture and history. The majority of religious cultural sites you may visit in Korea will be Buddhist temples, but there are also Christian churches, Korean Shamanic shrines, shrines for historic figures, and even a few Mosques. When visiting places such as these keep in mind to be respectful in every way, from your behavior to your clothing. Be mindful of areas marked as not allowing photography.

Blog, Pinpoint Korea, Temple Etiquette:  
<https://www.pinpointkorea.com/temple-etiquette-korea/>

**TIP:** Many Buddhist temples in Korea offer tourists the opportunity to do what is called a "Temple Stay". You do not need to be Buddhist to enjoy these experiences!

Website: <https://eng.templestay.com>

Blog, Nick Kembel, Haedong Yonggungsa Temple by the Sea:  
<https://www.nickkembel.com/haedong-yonggungsa-temple-busan/>

Blog, Dale's Korean Temple Adventures, Buseoksa Temple:  
<http://koreantempleguide.com/buseoksa-temple-부석사-yeongju-gyeongsangbuk-do/>

## DMZ

Before planning a trip to the Demilitarized Zone (DMZ), verify that tours are operating. Base affiliated travel agencies will have convenient tours leaving departing and returning to your area, but other tour companies also offer DMZ tours. Tours can also be planned with the Joint Security Area (JSA) Tour desk USO Sentry Village. Some tours include the DMZ/JSA, 3rd Tunnel, Dora Observatory and the Dorasan Train Station. You must present a valid passport or military ID on the day of the tour. Some tours have an age limit for children. Contact the individual agencies located in the Travel Services section for specific tours, times, and prices.

## Tourist Trains

### *O-Train (Central Inland Circle Train)*

This train loops around Korea's beautiful central inland regions (Gangwon, Chungbuk, and Gyeongbuk Provinces).

### *V-Train (Baekdu-daegan Valley Train)*

Also known as the "Baby Baekho (white tiger) Train" due to its white tiger exterior, the V-train passes through the valleys of Korea's highest mountains. Regions include the areas of Gangwon and Gyeongsangbuk Provinces.

### *G-Train (West Gold Train)*

Takes passengers to destinations in seven different regions on the west coast to enjoy the sunset and views of ocean scenery of the West Sea. It is equipped with a foot bath cafe and Ondol-type cars (Korean floor heating system). It stops at major travel destinations including Boryeong and Gunsan.

### *DMZ-Train (Peace Train)*

Promotes peace, love, and unity as it allows passengers to travel through the untouched natural landscapes and some of the major attractions located near the Korean Demilitarized Zone. Runs from Seoul Station to Dorasan Station. Tourists can purchase a "DMZ Pass," which allows unlimited use of the DMZ Train.

### *S-Train (South Coast Train)*

Also known as the Namdo Sea Sightseeing Train, this train enables

tourists to enjoy the picturesque scenery of the southern coast and experience the local culture. Performances and a tea ceremony are available on the train. It operates between Busan and destinations in South Jeolla Province along the southern coast of the peninsula.

### *A-Train (Jeongseon Arirang Train)*

The name is derived from a Korean folk song (Arirang), which is listed as an Intangible Cultural Heritage by UNESCO. Tourists get panoramic views of the region's scenery through glass walls and windows. This train travels through Jeongseon Country in Gangwon Province, the northeastern region of Korea. This train offers a round trip once per day from Cheongnyangni Station in Seoul and arrives at Auraji Station in Gangwon Province.

### *Sea Train*

Sometimes called "Ocean Train," every seat on this train faces the sea so passengers enjoy the beauty of Gangeung, Donghae, and Samcheok on a 58 km route along the coastlines of Korea's famous East Sea. (82) 33-573-5473.

### *Rail Cruise Haerang*

The only hotel-style train in Korea, this rail cruise offers a chance to experience the beautiful landscape of Korea with luxurious service. (82) 1544-7755

To book the above trains use the following link:

Website: <https://www.letskorail.com/ebizbf/EbizBfAboutTouristTrain.do>

### *Yeongdong Wine Train*

*Wine on a train? Why not?*

<https://thesoulofseoul.net/wine-wine-and-more-wine/>

## UN Memorial Cemetery

Constructed in 1951, this is the only cemetery in the world dedicated to Soldiers of the United Nations and it houses the remains of UN Soldiers who gave their lives during the Korean War. Flags from 21 participating countries as well as that of the UN are hoisted. Memorials honoring the war dead and an exhibition hall are also onsite.

Website, United Nations Memorial Cemetery in Korea:

<https://www.unmck.or.kr/eng/main/>

## Royal Palaces in Seoul

There are five royal palaces in Seoul that are absolutely worth a nice stroll with your camera.

Website, Cultural Heritage Administration, Royal Palaces:

[https://english.cha.go.kr/html/HtmlPage.do?pg=/royal/RoyalPalaces\\_0.jsp&mn=EN\\_02\\_03](https://english.cha.go.kr/html/HtmlPage.do?pg=/royal/RoyalPalaces_0.jsp&mn=EN_02_03)

## Wearing Hanbok

Hanbok is the traditional Korean attire, which can be very elaborate depending upon the fabric and craftsmanship. It is still worn on official occasions and holidays such as Chuseok, weddings, and other special family gatherings. It is very popular for both Koreans and foreigners to rent Hanbok to wear at major cultural tourist locations throughout the country. In Seoul you can even get free entry into the 5 palaces if you are wearing Hanbok.

Hanbok can also be rented from higher-end rental shops that cater to the wedding and special event industry. Some spouses even do this for at least one ball while they are in Korea, which is always a treat to see. Simply search "hanbok" on Naver Maps to find locations where you can rent or even purchase your own Hanbok. Hanbok can also be made for you at your local tailor, and kid's Hanbok are often found for sale at box stores around the Korean holidays of Chuseok and Seollal. Check your thrift stores for Hanbok as well.

## The Blue House, CheongWaDae (Former Presidential Home)

As the recent president of Korea chose to live in a different compound, you have the unique opportunity to visit the previous usual presidential residence in Seoul, called the Blue House. Don't miss the chance!

## CheongNamDae Presidential Villa

Once a private villa used by former presidents of Korea, this beautiful estate is open to the public. It has beautiful gardens, picnic areas, walking paths, and a viewing tower with unobstructed views of the region.

Website, Cheongju City, CheongNamDae Presidential Villa: <https://www.cheongju.go.kr/etour/selectTurCntntsView.do?key=21872&clturCntntsCode=2&clturCntntsNo=498>

## Fortresses

Fortresses in Korea have been built for protection in mountains, camps, and cities throughout history. There are thousands of remains of them throughout the country, but only a handful are most worthwhile for checking out while having a stroll/hike. The Suwon Hwaseong Fortress is typically considered a do not miss to visit.

Website, Suwon Cultural Foundation, Suwon Hwaseong Fortress:

<http://www.swcf.or.kr/english/?p=31>

## Folk Villages

Folk villages in Korea are tourist spots that allow you to see how people lived in days before our modern times. You can learn a lot about Korean traditional culture and history, and they are typically beautiful and interesting places all year round. Some are purpose-built replicas and some are "living museums" that have been occupied for hundreds of years. The Papago/Naver method does not work well for finding Folk Villages, so you'll need to rely on websites, blogs and recommendations to find any local to you. If you use the Visit Korea website, select Travel>Regional Guide, and from that page you can search specifically for folk villages in each region.

Visit Korea Search by Region: <https://english.visitkorea.or.kr/enu/ATR/mapInformation.kto?md=enu>

Website, Seoul Hanok: <https://hanok.seoul.go.kr/front/eng/index.do>

## Festivals

Festivals in Korea are numerous and give you totally unique opportunities to experience culture and fun all over the country.

Follow the Visit Korea "Current Festivals" page to learn about larger festivals happening around the country: [https://english.visitkorea.or.kr/enu/ATR/SI\\_EN\\_3\\_2\\_2.jsp](https://english.visitkorea.or.kr/enu/ATR/SI_EN_3_2_2.jsp)

## Markets

### Traditional Markets

Traditional markets in Korea are spaces where many small business vendors come together selling any variety of goods you can think of, but most especially food ingredients including fruits, vegetables, grains, meats, etc. There will be ready-to-eat food stalls selling street food as well. In smaller towns traditional markets typically are hosted in an established location every 5-days, and vendors will travel between towns with alternate dates. More populous areas will have traditional markets that are open every or most days and night markets that will be open late and feature more food stalls. Remember to bring cash for shopping these markets.

### 5-Day Traditional Markets

Many smaller cities and towns in Korea have traditional 5-day markets. These markets are held every 5 days and are a great place to find fresh and affordable fruit and vegetables along with tasty treats and unique items. These markets are often referred to by foreigners just by numbers, as the numbers signify the days of the month they are open. For example, the Paengseong Market near USAG Humphreys is often called the 3-8 Market because it is only open on days of the month that end in 3 or 8. (3, 8, 13, 18, 23, 28). Likewise, the Songtan Market near the Osan AB walking gate is often called the 4-9 Market as it happens on days that end in 4 or 9.

### Night Markets

Many bigger cities will have markets that stay open late into the night. It is fun to visit them for the atmosphere, great food, and of course the shopping opportunities.

### Medicinal Markets

Website, Trip Advisor, Gyeongdong Oriental Medicine Market: [https://www.tripadvisor.com/Attraction\\_Review-g294197-d1962592-Reviews-Gyeongdong\\_Market-Seoul.html](https://www.tripadvisor.com/Attraction_Review-g294197-d1962592-Reviews-Gyeongdong_Market-Seoul.html)

Ginseng is Korea's traditional medicinal herb. This herb, known as the "miraculous medicine" or "Koryeo Ginseng," is believed to calm the mind and strengthen the body. There are many ginseng products including the root, tea, canned drinks, and even candy. Ginseng is costly and it is an acquired taste, so taste test before you purchase.

Geumsan, in Chungcheongnam-do, is well-known for high-quality ginseng and there are many ginseng markets in the area, as well as a Ginseng Festival that many people enjoy.

## Shopping

### Thrifting

There is something just fun about finding a good deal after sifting through tons of used goods. On base there may be a thrift store that supports your local base community and also accepts donations! Check out a few here:

- Humphreys Thrift Store:  
<https://www.facebook.com/HumphreysThriftStore>
- Osan Thrift Shop: <https://www.facebook.com/osanthriftshop>
- Apple Tree Gift & Thrift Shop (Daegu):  
<https://www.facebook.com/AppleTreeDaegu>

Thrifting is a past-time you can take up off post in Korea as well if you have the right key word, which isn't easy to figure out, so here it is: "구제." This term literally means "help" or "aid", but there is no shame in shopping at these places. If you can figure out how to enter this into Naver Maps you will be able to go treasure hunting for used and/or vintage finds anywhere in Korea. You can also just search "vintage" on Naver Maps but it won't give you as many results. Bring cash as many places may not accept cards. In many second-hand stores it is typical that you pay for your purchases by the kilogram, but shops with higher end goods will sell items individually. It is also possible to donate or even sell your quality used clothes, shoes, bags, etc. to at least some of these shops as well.

### Antique Shopping

Before you buy, spend a lot of time looking and comparing items and prices. Visit a variety of shops over a period of several weeks and ask questions. Reputable dealers will tell you if a piece has been repaired, what material is used, its origin, and age. When looking at antique pieces look for bamboo nails, tongue-in-groove joints, cutout or etched fittings, and locks. Upon purchase, ask the shop owner for a certificate of authenticity that describes the piece, lists the materials used, details its usage, and includes the measurements. Keep your receipt, the certificate, and a picture of your antique in case of damage or loss.



To find antique shops near you translate “antiques” in Papago and search the result, “골동품”, in Naver Maps. The following are a couple of great places to start shopping antiques:

- Kojeon Antique, Yongin
- Dapsimni Antique Market, Seoul
- Seoul Folk Flea Market

### **Pottery Shopping**

Pottery ranging from fine Korean art form of celadon, to kimchi pots can be purchased at pottery villages, markets, or festivals. Pottery is sold just about everywhere, but you will pay more money the closer you are to larger cities where tourists are more likely to shop. Do not rush to make a purchase, as you will probably find a similar item possibly at a discounted price. Decorative pots can also be found at the numerous pottery shops. Yeosu Pottery Village sells the blue and white dishes and various pottery (including Celadon and kimchi pots) reasonable prices. The shops in Seoul purchase their wares from villages such as Yeosu and then mark-up the price.

Eden Pottery is in Itaewon (outside of Yongsan) across the street from McDonald’s and up a little way, beneath the ABC Mart. A staircase from the street leads down to the basement store. While this shop is a little more expensive than the souvenir shops around it, the quality of the pieces surpasses others and boasts more choices. The shop owner speaks English and will tell you the background of pieces when asked.

Koryo Art Ceramics is in Anjeong-ri on the right side of the main strip, Rodeo Street. This little shop is filled to the brim and has an incredible selection. The salesperson speaks English and is happy to explain the symbolism behind the items.

Website, Koryo Ceramics: [www.koryoceramics.co.kr](http://www.koryoceramics.co.kr).

### **Jewelry Shopping**

Like most of Asia, Korea abounds with jewelry. Deal with a reputable merchant if you plan to purchase precious stones and metals and know which countries specialize in what type of precious stones in order to get the best price. Korea’s special stones are amethyst and topaz. True Korean amethyst has become very expensive, so you will find many shops selling the cheaper Brazilian amethyst. The Korean jade supply was mined out several years ago, consequently, most of the jade you see comes from other Southeast Asian countries. Merchants can, and do, make high-quality synthetic stones. Always comparison-shop before you purchase.

### **Joy Jewelry**

Located in the village by Humphreys, a short walk out of the Anjeong-ri pedestrian gate. Joy Jewelry offers a wide selection of jewelry. Jewelry repair and ring resizing is also available. Phone: 010-7276-3548

### **Jongno Jewelry Shopping Street Seoul**

Jongno Jewelry Shopping Street in Seoul is known nationwide with well over 2000 jewelry stores. Read the following blog to learn more about it and other jewelry shopping opportunities in Seoul.

## **Water Parks, Pools, and Splash Pads**

### **Base Pools:**

Humphreys Collier Pool

<https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/collier-indoor-pool>

Osan Base Pool

<https://www.51fss.com/base-pool-2/>

K-16 Indoor Pool

<https://yongsan.armymwr.com/programs/k16-pool>

Camp Carroll Aquatics

<https://daegu.armymwr.com/programs/camp-carroll-aquatics>

Camp Walker Aquatics

<https://daegu.armymwr.com/programs/camp-walker-aquatics>

Camp Hovey Indoor Swimming Pool

<https://casey.armymwr.com/programs/hovey-indoor-swimming-pool>

USAG Casey-Hovey, Hanson Outdoor Swimming Pool

<https://casey.armymwr.com/programs/hanson-outdoor-swimming-pool>

Kunsan Pool

<https://www.kunsanfss.com/pool>

Chinhae Pool

<https://www.navymwrchinhae.com/programs/2c34d2e0-d60b-440b-815c-d528b4f6046b>

Outside the gate, Korea has everything from small pools set up at farms and campsites, to huge water theme parks. There are indoor water parks, and hot spring saunas combined with indoor and outdoor water park features like lazy rivers and slides. There are numerous splash pads and inflatable water parks that pop up in the summer also. Search “water park” in English in Naver and you should find many options near and far.

**NOTE:** There is a different etiquette in Korea when it comes to enjoying these fun water places. Anywhere there is a pool you may be required to fully wash hair and body in the shower prior to swimming, and wear a swim cap or hat, for example. You may also feel uncomfortable wearing a bikini as they aren’t as commonly worn in Korea. Lifejackets may be required for kids and even adults in pool areas where you might not personally think they are necessary. Deep pools for jumping and diving into are not common.

## Kids Cafes

All over Korea there are special play place businesses for entertaining kids, often called Kid Cafes because entrance for a parent was paid by purchasing a beverage, like coffee, tea, or juice. These can range from small spaces with a few built-in trampolines and some toys, to more elaborate places with huge indoor jungle gyms, small trains to ride, and themed playrooms. There are also kid cafes dedicated to things like building Legos, playing games, and making crafts like slime. Different cafes can be geared toward different age groups. To find these type of places near you on Naver Maps you can search “KidsCafe”. This search might miss some though so keep your eye out on social media and ask around about other places people in your community might know about.

## Extracurriculars for Kids

Be sure to check out and stay informed with your base’s child and youth services organization. They offer lots of fun things for the kids to enjoy outside of school like sports and events.

Camp Humphreys CYS: <https://www.facebook.com/HumphreysCYSS>

Daegu CYS Services: <https://www.facebook.com/DaeguCYSS>

<https://daegu.armymwr.com/categories/cys-services>

Yongsan Child and Youth Services:

<https://yongsan.armymwr.com/programs/child-youth-services>

Osan Air Base Child and Youth Programs:

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100087642722134>

Osan Youth Sports: <https://www.51fss.com/youth-sports/>

Chinhae Youth Programs: <https://www.navymwrchinhae.com/programs/3f8f4264-0d40-42ab-b59f-5a47116d85c4>

## Café Culture

In Korea cafes are not just about getting a drink and pastry, they are about having experiences in beautiful and fun spaces. Let me tell you, there are SO many varieties of these experiences to have all over Korea. There are theme cafes, book cafes, nap cafes, boardgame cafes, study cafes, animal cafes, kid cafes, character cafes, escape room cafes and more. Use the Papago/Naver Maps method if you are looking for a specific type, or just use the ready-made coffee cup button on Naver Maps to see any around you.

### Facebook Groups:

Cafés in Korea: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/207800320223162>

Pyeongtaek Food and Fun: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/PyeongtaekFoodandFun/>

Good Eats in Daegu: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/272528556149563>

## Korean Alcohols

### Soju

Soju is a clear and colorless distilled alcoholic beverage popular in Korea. It is usually consumed neat. Its alcohol content varies from around 12% to 53% alcohol by volume.\*

Soju is traditionally made from the grain of rice.

\*Reference: <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Soju>

### Makgeolli (pronounced makkoli)

The milky, off-white, and lightly sparkling rice wine has a slight viscosity that tastes slightly sweet, tangy, bitter, and astringent.\*

Reference: <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Makgeolli>

### Beer

Facebook Group, The Pyeongtaek Craft Beer Society:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/pyeongtaekbeersociety>

## Wine

Visit Korea, Wine Cave, Gwangmyeongdonggul Cave (광명동굴):  
[https://english.visitkorea.or.kr/enu/ATR/SI\\_EN\\_3\\_1\\_1\\_1.jsp?cid=1998188](https://english.visitkorea.or.kr/enu/ATR/SI_EN_3_1_1_1.jsp?cid=1998188)  
Visit Korea, Wine Korea (와인코리아):  
[https://english.visitkorea.or.kr/enu/ATR/SI\\_EN\\_3\\_1\\_1\\_1.jsp?cid=1065096](https://english.visitkorea.or.kr/enu/ATR/SI_EN_3_1_1_1.jsp?cid=1065096)

## Whisky

Whisky is typically an expensive and extremely niche import in Korea enjoyed as a luxury. Recently the first single malt whisky distillery opened in Korea, and you can read about it here:

News Article, Korea Times, Korea's First Single Malt Whisky:  
[https://www.koreatimes.co.kr/www/culture/2021/09/141\\_315955.html](https://www.koreatimes.co.kr/www/culture/2021/09/141_315955.html)

## Noraebang

For places to enjoy karaoke, called noraebang in Korea, search "SingingRoom" in Naver Maps. These singing rooms are great places to enjoy time with friends, family, coworkers, or even just yourself!

## Museums

All kinds of fantastic museums can be found throughout the country. Museums you may find in your searches will range from those typical about history, science, animals, and art, but you may also discover some quirky and fun museums that will make your time in Korea especially memorable. Recommended blogs for reference:

- Korea Travel Post, Independence Hall of Korea: <https://www.koreatravelpost.com/independence-hall-of-korea-in-cheonan/>
- Klook, Quirky Seoul Museums: <https://www.klook.com/blog/quirky-museums-seoul/>
- Culture Trip, 12 Best Museums Korea: <https://theculturetrip.com/asia/south-korea/articles/12-best-museums-in-south-korea/>
- Travel Through Life, Ojukheon House Museum: <https://travelthroughlife.net/south-korea-gangneung-ojukheon-house/>

## Crafting

Pyeongtaek Activity: <https://www.facebook.com/raphaelpta>  
Art Camp (팽성예술인창작공간): <https://www.facebook.com/psartcamp>

Seoul Crafting Club: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/187298478483833>

On your base you may likely have an arts & crafts program and/or facility available. Contact your F & MWR for more info.

### *Humphreys Arts & Crafts Center:*

Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/arts-and-crafts-center>  
Location: Bldg. 5711, Downtown Plaza  
Phone: 0503-357-2296 DSN: 315-757-2296

### *K-16 Arts & Crafts Center:*

Website: <https://yongsan.armymwr.com/programs/k-16-arts-crafts-center>

### *Kunsan Arts & Crafts Center:*

Website: <https://www.kunsanfss.com/arts-crafts>

### *Unique Korean Crafts*

While you are in Korea it might be fun to take up a new crafting hobby based on traditional crafts in Korea. Learning how to make a Hanji lamp, inlay box, knotted keychain, or one of the many other crafts famously made in Korea makes for a great opportunity to give extra special souvenirs for family and friends. Keep your eye on social media and max out your sleuthing skills to find classes, instructions and supplies.

Korean Culture Center, Korean Crafts: <https://kccuk.org.uk/en/korea-online/everyday-beauty-korean-crafts/>

## Knitting/Crochet

Search "knitting" in English on Naver Maps to find places that you can buy yarn, places for classes, and maybe even a Knitting Café. Crochet isn't heavily distinguished from the concept of knitting in Korea.

Camp Humphreys Crochet & Knit:  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/503051119860188>

## Sewing

Search "sewing" and "quilt" on Naver Maps to find places related to sewing like fabric shops and places that teach sewing and quilting techniques. You might even find a sewing cafe!

Blog, We Shop From Korea, Fabric and Textile Shopping:  
<https://weshopfromkorea.com/article/fabric-and-textile-shopping-in-korea.html>

## Auto Hobby

The following are base resources for working on your mechanical project dreams.

- Camp Humphreys: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/automotive-skills-center>
- Camp Casey: <https://casey.armymwr.com/programs/auto-skills-center>
- Osan: <https://www.51fss.com/auto-hobby/>

## Reading

Base libraries are wonderful places to go and unwind with a good story, or expand your mind. The following is information about base libraries in Korea.

- Camp Humphreys, SFC Ray E. Duke Memorial Library: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/duke-memorial-library>
- Suwon Air Base Library: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/suwon-library>
- K-16 Library: <https://yongsan.armymwr.com/programs/k-16-library>
- Camp Casey Library: <https://casey.armymwr.com/programs/casey-library>
- Camp Hovey Library: <https://casey.armymwr.com/programs/hovey-library>
- Camp Walker Library: <https://daegu.armymwr.com/programs/camp-walker-library>
- Camp Carroll Library: <https://daegu.armymwr.com/programs/camp-carroll-library>
- Osan AB Library: <https://www.51fss.com/library/>
- Kunsan AB, Rosenblum Memorial Library: <https://www.kunsanfss.com/library>
- Chinhae Library: <https://www.navymwrchinhae.com/programs/d902d7eb-f23b-4cbb-a192-8891661dd68d>

## Movie Theaters

Movie Theaters in Korea are quite the modern experience. There is a wide variety of special types of comfortable seating and viewing op-

tions. Traditional snacks like popcorn are available, but there are other interesting options like dried squid you may also find. When you buy a ticket to a movie in Korea you actually buy an assigned seat. Tickets can be purchased on-site (don't forget to ask if there is a military discount), but it is often better to buy online for popular movies and times so you don't risk the show being sold out. Korean movie theater websites sell their tickets, but there is no English available and you must have a Korean bank account to pay. Concierge services will help you purchase tickets, and there is also an online movie ticket sales company especially for foreigners in Korea that can allow you to pay using an overseas card or Paypal.

Cine in Korea: <https://cineinkorea.com/wp/>

**NOTE:** English language animation movies are sometimes dubbed in Korean. Be careful when buying your ticket that any movie you want to watch will be in English or at least have English subtitles. Concierge services can also assist you with getting movie tickets.

## On-Post Movie Theaters

There are AAFES movie theaters on Camp Carroll, Camp Casey, Kunsan AB, Osan AB, and USAG Humphreys.

AAFES, Movie Guide: <https://www.aafes.com/exchange-stores/movie-guide/>  
Navy F & MWR, CFAC Theater Chinhae: <https://www.navymwrchinhae.com/programs/1e2531dd-bdf8-416a-a60c-4e0469d706b2>

## Korean Dramas and Film

Korean dramas have cult following around the world, and in recent years Korean films like "Parasite" have become world renowned. You can watch many K-dramas and films on Netflix and other streaming services but note that if you are not using a VPN to watch US Netflix the dramas will not always have English subtitles available. If you are excited to visit places in Korea where dramas and movies were filmed, you are in luck.

Korean Drama Land, K Drama Spots on One Map:  
<https://koreandramaland.com>

MBC DaeJangGeum Park:  
<https://djgpark.imbc.com/lang/about/intro.html?langType=English>

## Photography

Korea is an absolute playground for anyone into photography. Have fun out there but remember to be respectful of people. A great Korean phrase to learn is “Can I take a photo?” = “Sajeon jeek-ah do dway yo?”

As for buying cameras and lenses while you are here, the best bet for cost efficiency is to buy from someone selling used in Korea on local sales groups on FB, the base exchange, or online and shipped to your APO mailbox. There are electronics markets in Seoul and Busan that are said to have good finds on occasion, but there is also risk and hassle involved in those purchases.

Photography in Korea (PIK):

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/416369431763603>

## Traditional Korean Music

Korea has a rich history when it comes to music. If you see a performance offered in your community, it is definitely worth experiencing a show featuring traditional musical styles and instruments.

Songlines, Music of Korea: <https://www.songlines.co.uk/the-rough-guide-to-world-music/the-music-of-korea-a-rough-guide>

The following is a fusion music group featuring traditional Korean instruments. They are local to the Camp Humphreys Area and always supportive of the military community, offering free shows and experiences:

YouTube, Ensemble Su: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCVO136c8dBOashQqYR6J9w>

Instagram, Ensemble Su: [https://www.instagram.com/ensemble\\_su/](https://www.instagram.com/ensemble_su/)

## K-Pop

If you are into K-Pop you must be excited for the opportunity to catch a concert featuring your favorite idols. Take advice from the following blog to help you figure out getting tickets.

Blog, Wonderful, Tips for Buying K-Pop Concert Tickets:

<https://www.gowonderfully.com/post/tips-for-buying-k-pop-concert-tickets-in-korea>

There are also many places to visit especially for K-pop fans all over Korea.

Blog, K World Now, K-Pop Travel Destinations:

<https://www.kworldnow.com/5-k-pop-travel-destinations-in-south-korea/>

## Musical Instruments

You can purchase music supplies and some instruments from a concessionaire at the USAG Humphreys Main Exchange, but for the Korean experience a trip to Seoul is absolutely worth it. Nakwon Musical Instrument Arcade is located behind Tapgol Park (Pagoda Park) near Insadong in Seoul. This large indoor market has the widest variety and best selection of musical instruments, from piccolos to pianos and pink guitars.

Nakwon Market: <http://enakwon.com/main/about?lang=en>

## Music Lessons

It is great to reach out to those in our military communities to see if anyone teaches music or knows of a good teacher or school. From there, having a local friend or concierge service help you research is a good option.

Examples of music teachers found around Camp Humphreys using google search:

<https://www.shine-music.com>

<https://www.yejin2285.com>

<https://blog.naver.com/wavemusic17/222205529685>

## PC Bangs

PC Bangs are businesses in Korea where you can play your favorite computer games on high-end machines with super-fast internet connections. To find a PC bang near you just search “Pcroom” on Naver Maps. Make sure to use 1330 to verify if a certain PC Bang has any age restrictions.

Blog, Soul of Seoul, PC Bang: <https://thesoulofseoul.net/korean-pc-bang/>

## Recreation Centers on Base

At base recreation centers and USOs you may find all you need for an awesome gaming session, pool game, musical jam session and more.

**Camp Humphreys:**

<https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/downtown-recreation-center>

<https://korea.uso.org/humphreys-sentryvillage>

<https://korea.uso.org/humphreys-maudehall>

#### **Camp Casey:**

<https://casey.armymwr.com/programs/casey-community-activity-center>  
<https://korea.uso.org/camp-casey>

#### **Camp Hovey:**

<https://casey.armymwr.com/programs/hovey-community-activity-center>

**K-16:** <https://yongsan.armymwr.com/programs/k-16-community-activity-center>

**Osan Air Base:** <https://korea.uso.org/uso-osan-air-base>

#### **Daegu:**

<https://daegu.armymwr.com/programs/camp-carroll-community-activity-center>  
<https://korea.uso.org/camp-walker-daegu>

**Chinhae:** <https://www.navymwrchinhae.com/programs/1a24684d-64ea-426a-82f5-99e92ed1a6eb>

**Kunsan:** <https://www.kunsanfss.com/community-activity-center>

## **VR Café**

With the rise of virtual reality gaming, naturally businesses have popped up in Korea where you can rent a VR space and equipment to play. Search “VR” in Naver Map and sift through the listings till you find a good-looking place.

YouTube, Go! Billy Korean, VR Cafe: <https://youtu.be/ZiXUFWz66Fc>

## **Sports**

### **Baseball/Softball**

Watching professional baseball games in Korea is a blast, even if you aren't that into the sport. Sometimes free trips come available to go watch a game sponsored by your base or local government funded culture organizations, but if you can't find any opportunity like that you can purchase tickets yourself. Sometimes travel agencies have them for sale, or you can also use a concierge service or Korean friend to help you buy tickets in advance. Lots of people have success just buying tickets on-site as well with no problems. Here is a nice article about Korean baseball games: <https://www.kocis.go.kr/eng/webzine/202006/sub07.html>

If you'd like to practice your batting off-post there are many places you can find like batting cages and virtual baseball rooms by simply searching “baseball” in Naver Maps.

Lookout for opportunities to play offered through your F & MWR, and there may even be other teams near enough to you that you can join to be part of a local league like the ones listed below:

*Guzzlers Korea:*

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1575543149412935>

*Remember the Fallen Softball Association:*

<https://www.facebook.com/RTFSAKorea>

*Fattboyz Korea Softball:*

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/816047255493735>

*Daegu Softball :* <https://www.daegusoftball.com>

*Brew Crew Baseball:* <https://www.playbaseballinkorea.com>

### **Soccer**

If you are really into soccer it might be fun to catch a local Korean League game. Follow the K League English website for more information on when and where to watch a live game. Tickets can be bought on site at the stadiums or in advance if you have a Korean bank account and can manage the language barrier. Website: <https://www.kleague.com/schedule.do>

Camp Humphreys KORAM Soccer Club:

<https://www.facebook.com/KoramFC/>

### **Basketball**

Basketball is another sport you can enjoy watching live in Korea. Please see this blog to learn more about getting tickets to a game: <https://expatguidekorea.com/article/how-to-buy-basketball-league-tickets-in-korea.html>

### **Ice Hockey**

If you love ice hockey, you don't have to be alone in Korea. There may be games you can watch and also play.

Hockey in Korea:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/438207739551101/>

### **Tennis**

There are many places you can go to play tennis in Korea, some courts even indoor. On base inquire with your F & MWR about the lo-

cation and rules of available tennis courts. Off-base, just search “tennis” on Naver Maps and listings will pop up around you. Remember to use 1330 if you need help verifying open hours and use rules for the courts.

## Kids’ Sports

If your child loves a sport, it is likely they would be very welcome joining a local off-post kids’ league for baseball, soccer, or basketball, etc. The best way to find these opportunities is by networking with locals who can help you find available opportunities.

## Running

Running is a loved sport in Korea, and there are plenty of parks and trails to run along if you’d prefer to stay out of the streets. If you like it flat the biking trails along the rivers are perfect. If you want some hills go to the hiking trails but please be careful! There are also many races you can join from local 5ks to ultra-marathons. 1330 is a good resource for discovering where to find more info about joining races you may not have seen advertised on base or in social media.

Seoul Flyers Running Club:

<https://www.facebook.com/seoulflyersrunningclub>

FB Group Trail Running Korea:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/trailrunningkorea>

## Skydiving

Skydiving is not a super popular activity in Korea. There one drop-zone where you can go tandem skydiving. Website, Sky Dive Korea: <https://skydivekorea.com/shop/?language=eng>

## Indoor Skydiving

If you are a skydiver or anyone else that would be satisfied to just practice or experience what it is like to be in free-fall, there is also indoor skydiving in a wind tunnel you can visit.

Website, Flystation Korea: <https://flystation.kr/main/main.html>

## Paragliding

Paragliding is Korea’s favorite sky sport. You can experience paragliding in many places all over the country. Just search “paragliding” on Naver Maps and you can see the many options. Look at the listings

individually to determine which are tourist paragliding locations. Reservations are easily made through Naver Maps for many places if you have a Korean bank account, but you can also purchase reservations through tourism companies and concierge services.

Blog, Moon Bear Travel, YangPeong Paragliding Park:

<https://www.moonbeartravel.com/yangpyeong-paragliding-park/>

## Bungee Jumps

Exciting places to bungee jump can be found in many cities. Translate “bungee jumping” in Papago and search the result in Naver Maps. The following website is for a place that has not only bungee jumping but several other adrenaline adventures available.

Inje Jump: <http://www.injejump.co.kr/en/bungee-jumping/>

## Hiking / Climbing

Hiking is a culturally important activity in Korea, and it shows in the vast number of local, provincial, and national hiking trails. You can see the trails marked with distances on Naver Maps and Kakao Maps if you look around. Using the Papago/Naver Maps method with the term “hiking trail” translated will reveal listings on Naver to explore. It is very useful to look at the Korean blogs for each listing to learn more about the trails. Alltrails is an app useful for finding places to hike. The national park website is a great resource for researching the national park trails: <https://english.knps.or.kr>

**NOTE:** Be safe out there. Make sure you pack food and plenty of water. Dress for success. There are places in some Korean mountains where cell service doesn’t reach so make sure to tell others details about your hiking plans. Use 1330 to inquire about whether dogs are banned from certain trails before you go.

Camp Humphreys Hike & Bike:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/946867845796991>

Hiking in Korea (한국에서 등산):

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1509799955998479>

Climbing in Korea: <https://www.facebook.com/ClimbingInKorea/>

## Archery

Archery is a historical and culturally significant sport in Korea. Historical tourism spots sometimes have archery experiences available, like at

Suwon Hwaseong Fortress. You can search for both indoor and outdoor archery ranges near you by searching “궁도장” in Naver Maps.

The Bow Guy, Korean Archery: <https://thebowguy.com/korean-archery/>

## Marksmanship

Do you love to shoot and practice marksmanship? Although you couldn't bring your personal weapon to Korea, it doesn't mean there is no shooting fun to be had. Simply search “shooting range” in Naver Maps to find options around you. The experiences vary and will be different than you may be used to, but we think you can still have fun on these ranges.

Blog, Travel Maniac Club, Shooting Range in Daegu Korea:  
<http://travelmaniacclub.blogspot.com/2016/06/shooting-range-in-south-korea-bang-bang.html>

## Hunting

There is a pheasant hunting resort on Jeju Island open to tourists.  
Website, DaeYoo Land: [http://daeyooland.com/about\\_en.php](http://daeyooland.com/about_en.php)

Outside of this the only way to experience hunting in Korea is to join a Korean hunting club, and from there, there are extensive processes to go through for obtaining a licensed hunting weapon and hunting permits with your club.

## Rock Climbing

Rock climbing is usually enjoyed in groups or clubs that practice and do trips together. If you search “rock climbing” on Naver Maps you will find many listings for gyms where you can do indoor rock-climbing practice and training. Networking with people you meet at these gyms is a good way to get inside information about outdoor rock-climbing spots you can visit, and maybe you can even join a club.

Website, Korea On the Rocks:  
<https://www.koreaontherocks.com/home/>

## Biking

Biking in Korea is a wonderful way to get out and explore. Korea has endless kilometers of well-maintained bike paths and country roads perfect for cycling. Translating “bicycle” in Papago and searching in Naver will usually pull up stores that carry bicycles and gear. It might be worth

popping into these places to possibly meet with local bikers and maybe even find a club to join. There are also possibly base affiliated clubs to join so ask around!

Korea Cycling Community:  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/koreacyclingcommunity>  
Cycling Korea: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/cyclingkorea>  
Korea Bicycle Market:  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/bicyclemarketinkorea>  
Camp Humphreys Cycling and Multisport:  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/254695634675390>  
Talon Riders Cycling Group:  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/796409281578436>

## Mountain Biking

With so many mountainous areas in Korea it is no surprise that there are plenty of trails to enjoy on your bike. Translating “Mountain biking” in Papago and searching in Naver will usually pull up stores that carry mountain biking gear. It might be worth popping into these places to possibly meet with local mountain bikers and maybe even find a club to join.

MTBSK Mountain Bike South Korea:  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/MTBSK>  
Trail Forks, South Korea Trails:  
<https://www.trailforks.com/region/south-korea/trails/>

## BMX

There is a niche BMX scene in Korea and tracks are known to exist. Search “bmx” into Naver Maps as a jumping off point for your research.

Korea BMX, Tracks: <https://www.koreabmx.kr/45>

## Skating

Skateboarding can all be enjoyed in Korea.

Skate the ROK: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/153554003493471>

## Horse Riding

Horse riding stables are available all over Korea, from one-time experiences to lesson packages. Some stables are very fancy, and some you may feel uncomfortable for the horses' welfare. Translate “horse riding” in Papago and paste the result in Naver Maps and you will find options



near you. Amongst those options you may also find something you haven't seen before – Screen horse riding, where you get on a fake horse for a unique virtual reality experience.

Jeju Island is the most famous place for horses in Korea, so if you go there make sure to take a ride on the beach!

Jeju Tourism, Jeju Horse Riding: <https://jejutourism.wordpress.com/2017/06/14/explore-jeju-high-atop-a-handsome-horse/>  
Grace Stables: <http://www.gracestables.org>

## Scuba Diving

Scuba diving is another niche sport enjoyed in Korea. Most diving in Korea is done on the east coast and in Jeju. You can find dive centers, and dive resorts even, by searching “scuba” on Naver Maps. Call them up, or send a Kakao Message, you might find a place that is English language capable.

If you just want to practice diving skills in the pool, there is a massively deep pool (36 meters!) that will allow you to do that located right next door to the indoor skydiving center near the Everland theme park.

DeepStation:  
<https://www.facebook.com/people/deepstationkr/100078643638205/>

## Sailing

Sailing and boating for leisure is surprisingly not yet a widespread passion in Korea. There are absolutely people out there sailing for fun and competition though, so the best advice is to meet people online or at the various marinas in Korea to get the inside scoop on how you might get on a boat as crew. To find marinas with private boats, simply search “marina” in Naver and review the pictures and blogs in the listings to verify it is the right type of place.

Sail Korea: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/sailkorea/>

## Fishing

Fresh water and ocean fishing is enjoyable in Korea. Some areas are restricted for fishing so seek local knowledge or ask 1330. To find fishing supplies simply searching “fishing” in Naver Maps.

Uncle G: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/UNCLEG>

Ice fishing is also an activity you can experience in Korea, and there are even festivals for it.

Blog, Korean Tour Guide, Korean Ice Fishing:  
<https://www.koreantourguide.com/blog/korean-ice-fishing/>

Fishing cafes are also a thing in Korea. You can search “fishing cafe” on Naver Maps to find one near you.

## Skiing/Snowboarding

There are many places in the Northeast area of South Korea to enjoy skiing and snowboarding between late November and early March, depending on temperatures. To find ski slopes in Korea translate “skiing” in Papago and search the result in Naver Maps.

Snow Guide Korea: <https://snowguidekorea.com>  
Snowboard and Ski South Korea: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/298476453509291>

## Sledding

During the freezing weather season, about December to February, little sledding hills open up all over the place, and sledding is available at ski resorts. Translate “sledding place” on Papago and search the resulting Korean in Naver Maps to discover places around you.

**TIP:** Traditional Korean ice sledding, called Sseolmae Tagi, is fun to try out if there are any flat frozen areas around you hosting it. Sometimes rice fields will be flooded and frozen over for this purpose. Translate “sled riding” in Papago to get the Korean for searching in Naver Maps.

YouTube video of Sseolmae Tagi: <https://youtu.be/Vjb-mmmmyhyk>

## Golf

Golf is a big deal in Korea. All over Korea you will find screen-golf practice centers and driving ranges. Learn more about the success of Korean screen golf in this article: <https://www.koreaherald.com/view.php?ud=20210126000855>

To find a screen golf place to try near you just search “ScreenGolf” in Naver Maps.

There are also over 500 actual outdoor golf courses. Going to actual courses in Korea can be very expensive, but if you are an avid golfer it may well be worth the cost. Check out this list of top golf courses in Korea: <https://www.top100golfcourses.com/golf-courses/asia/south-korea>

Fortunately for USFK golfers, there are also some great courses available on our bases that are much more affordable than options outside the gate.

Camp Humphreys River Bend Golf Course:  
<https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/river-bend-golf-course>  
The Lakes at Osan Golf Course: <https://www.51fss.com/golf-course/>  
Daegu Evergreen Golf Course:  
<https://daegu.armymwr.com/programs/evergreen-golf-course>  
Camp Casey Indianhead Golf Course: <https://casey.armymwr.com/programs/casey-indianhead-golf-course>

## Bowling

Many bases in Korea are fortunate to have great bowling centers. Here are the ones we know about:

Camp Humphreys, Downtown Lanes Bowling Center:  
<https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/downtown-lanes>  
Osan Air Base, Mig Alleys Bowling Center:  
<https://www.51fss.com/mig-alleys-bowling-center/>  
Daegu, Camp Carrol Bowling Center:  
<https://daegu.armymwr.com/programs/camp-carroll-bowling-center>  
Daegu, Camp Walker, Windy City Bowl and Grill:  
<https://daegu.armymwr.com/programs/WindyCityBowl>  
Camp Hovey Bowling Center: <https://casey.armymwr.com/programs/camp-hovey-bowling-center>  
Camp Casey, Buccaneer Bowl:  
<https://casey.armymwr.com/programs/casey-buccaneer-bowl>  
Kunsan, Take it North Bowling Center:  
<https://www.kunsanfss.com/bowling-center>  
Chinhae, Golden Anchor Lanes Bowling: <https://www.navymwrchinhae.com/programs/9b6eeff3-84a6-4156-a794-8d45220dd569>

Even though there is bowling on base, it is worth trying out bowling outside the gate to see what the Korean experience is like! Just search "bowling" right in Naver Maps to find places near you.

## E-Sports

South Korea is the birthplace of E-sports, also known as professional video game playing. While in Korea you can actually even attend a competition at one of the E-sports venues in major cities. Check out the various ticketing websites like Interpark Global to find tickets to these events: <https://www.globalinterpark.com/main/categoryList?dispNo=01007&prdTp=002>

More about E-sports in Korea: <https://esportsinsider.com/2022/05/esports-around-the-world-south-korea>

## Animal Rescue Volunteering

Shelters and rescues around the country may have volunteer opportunities available for pet lovers. Please see the following FB communities for leads on how to find a way to volunteer:

Animal Rescue Korea:  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/animalrescuenetworkkorea>  
Yongin Pound Volunteers:  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2623313831331675>

## Camping

Camping is a trendy and ultra-popular pastime in Korea. Warmer parts of the year from spring to early fall is usual camping season, with summer during school breaks being the busiest camping season. Finding a campsite is as simple as searching "camping" in Naver Maps.

Thankfully there are pictures on the listings so you can easily get an idea about the sites you find. Free wild camping is also possible but be careful that you should be prepared to leave or pay a fee if someone asks you to because you might accidentally set up on private property. Use 1330 to navigate these situations if necessary. Many campsites require reservations and fees, some are free and first come first serve. To make reservations it really helps to have yourself set up with a Korean bank account that allows you to book right through Naver Maps and other Korean websites. Otherwise, you can enlist the help of Korean friends or concierge services to help you make reservations.

FB group Camping in South Korea:  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/780570858730203>

If you need to buy supplies for camping you can find shops by translating "camping goods" in Papago and searching the result in Naver Maps.

## Pensions

Pensions are basically like small scale hotels. Some are basic but many are unique and Instagram worthy. Translate the word "Pension"

and search the Korean in Naver Maps to discover options near you or your destination.

**TIP:** “Pool” translates to “수영장” in Korean. Put this word in front of the translations for “glamping” or “pension” when searching on Naver Maps to find places with pools available.

## Flower and Foliage Viewing

Bloom and autumn foliage seasons are beloved in Korea. There are often festivals related to different plants that are blooming. Bloom forecasts and hype start about a month or so beforehand. One place near Humphreys and Osan that people really enjoy for all foliage seasons is Anseong Farmland.

## Botanical Gardens

Trip Advisor, Gardens: [https://www.tripadvisor.com/Attractions-g294196-Activities-c57-t58-South\\_Korea.html](https://www.tripadvisor.com/Attractions-g294196-Activities-c57-t58-South_Korea.html)

Visit Korea, Garden of the Morning Calm (아침고요수목원): [https://english.visitkorea.or.kr/enu/ATR/SI\\_EN\\_3\\_1\\_1\\_1.jsp?cid=264212](https://english.visitkorea.or.kr/enu/ATR/SI_EN_3_1_1_1.jsp?cid=264212)

Trip Advisor, Mulhyanggi Arboretum: [https://www.tripadvisor.com/Attraction\\_Review-g790145-d4094802-Reviews-Mulhyanggi\\_Arboretum-Osan\\_Gyeonggi\\_do.html](https://www.tripadvisor.com/Attraction_Review-g790145-d4094802-Reviews-Mulhyanggi_Arboretum-Osan_Gyeonggi_do.html)

## TRAVEL OUTSIDE OF KOREA

### International Travel Services

#### Commercial Travel Office

Location: Maude Hall, Bldg 6400, Rm. D-101  
Telephone: Mon-Fri DSN: 757-2444  
Afterhours/ Weekend: 080-247-5463  
Email: [usarmy.humphreys.403-afsb.mbx.cto@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.humphreys.403-afsb.mbx.cto@mail.mil)  
Website: <https://home.army.mil/humphreys/index.php/about/Garrison/403rd/commercial-travel-office>  
Hours: Mon-Fri 09:00-16:30

US Airline Alliance, the contracted on-post leisure travel agency for international travel. The office on USAG Humphreys is located in Maude Hall and offers a full range of travel services.

### Airline Information

- American Airlines - Phone: 0503-323-8790
- Asiana Airlines - Phone: 0503-323-8790
- Delta Airlines - Phone: 0503-323-854
- Korean Air - Phone: 0503-323-8549
- United Airlines - Phone: 0503-323-8790

### Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP)

Website: <https://step.state.gov/>

Travel Smart with STEP: One of the greatest opportunities to take advantage while staying here in Korea is traveling to other countries. Register with STEP: Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP) is a free service which allows US citizens and nationals traveling abroad to enroll their trip with the nearest US Embassy or Consulate.

## Helpful Resources for Travel Outside Korea

### Government References

Due to changing world conditions, always check with the embassy and USFK to see if travel is recommended, or perhaps restricted or prohibited.

- *USFK*: <https://www.usfk.mil/>
- *US Embassy in the Republic of Korea*: <https://kr.usembassy.gov/>
- *Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Advisory*: [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)
- *World Health Organization (WHO)*: [www.who.int/en](http://www.who.int/en)
- *US Department of State*: <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/english.html>

### Driving While Abroad

An International Driving Permit (IDP) may be required to operate a vehicle in the country you are visiting. This license is only valid when used in conjunction with a valid US driver's license. An IDP may be obtained at AAA offices in the United States or

by mail via AAA. They are also available through the National Automobile Club.

- AAA: <https://www.aaa.com/vacation/idpf.html>
- *National Automobile Club Website*: <https://www.nacroadservice.com>

## Passport/Visa/Immunizations

Check your passport expiration date. Most countries require a passport to be valid for at least 6 months after you depart their country in order to enter. Check the visa requirements for the areas where you plan to travel. Consider checking with your local hospital or clinic for any concerns or vaccines you may need regarding locations you will visit.

Important Reminders:

- Always travel on a tourist passport.
- No fee passports are for Official Travel ONLY.
- Plan ahead.

## Research, Research, Research!

Once a destination has been selected, research! Utilize all the tools the Internet, social media, and personal friends have to offer. Not all places will have perfect weather for the date you may travel. Plan accordingly and either adjust your dates or change destinations. Benefit from the experiences of others. Talk with those who have traveled during their tours in Korea. Their experiences can often save you a lot of time, trouble, and money!

## Destinations

### Australia

The “Land Down Under” is a popular destination choice with travelers from Korea. There are several package tours available. It is also quite easy to book all of your accommodations and travel online. A visa is required and can be obtained online through the Australian Government’s Department of Immigration and Citizenship Electronic Travel Authority. There are a number of direct flights to Australia from Korea on Qantas, Korean Air, and Asiana Airlines. Sydney is a vibrant city and has many things to see and

do. Public transportation is reliable and easy to use. Download the Opal app and use it for buses, ferries, and trains. The Australian Naval Base is accessible with a valid US military ID, allowing for a visit to the base which is straight off the harbor. If travel plans are flexible, check into tours of the Gold Coast and the Great Barrier Reef off the coast of Cairns.

- *Travel Information*: <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages/Australia.html>
- *US Embassy*: <https://au.usembassy.gov/>
- *E Visa - Australian Government’s Department of Immigration and Citizenship Electronic Travel Authority*: <https://www.eta.immi.gov.au/ETA/etas.jsp>.
- *Australian Embassy (Korea)*: 02-2003-0100

### Cambodia

Korean Air offers direct flights into Siem Reap and the Temples of Angkor Wat. The temples of Angkor Wat date back to 800 AD and are mainly of Hindu origin with Buddhist influence in the later temples. The Cambodian people are warm and friendly, always smiling. There are many markets with affordable prices and delicious foods. Take an adventure trek and explore the wildlife in their natural habitat. Forgotten beaches make for a relaxing get away.

- *Travel Information*: <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages/Cambodia.html>
- *US Embassy*: <https://kh.usembassy.gov>

### China

You may want to put off your China travel plans until at least 2024. Some tour operators plan to start offering tours to China from the US again starting as soon as June, but it may not be a wise decision to go as soon as possible.

News Article, Washington Post, Traveling to China: <https://www.washingtonpost.com/travel/tips/china-travel-restrictions-reopening/>

- *Travel Information:* <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages/China.html>
- *Visa Information:* <http://china.usembassy-china.org.cn/u-s-citizen-services/local-resources-of-u-s-citizens/information-chinese-visas/>

## Guam/Saipan

Located off the coast of Japan in the Mariana Islands, Guam is a four and a half hour flight from Incheon International Airport. In addition to white sandy beaches and breathtaking views, Guam, a US territory, is home to two military bases where discounted tickets are available for local activities. For a more tranquil setting consider Saipan which is just an hour hop from Guam. This US Commonwealth is smaller and does not have the hustle and bustle of Guam. Both Guam and Saipan have a variety of luxury hotels and recreational activities.

*Website:* <https://www.visitguam.com/about-guam/entry-and-exit-formalities/>

## Hong Kong

Hong Kong is an amazing city with skyscrapers jutting out of the surrounding mountains and the bustling harbor down below. It's truly a shopper's paradise as imported goods enter Hong Kong duty free. Shop carefully and compare prices and quality. Always do business with reputable dealers. Look for the Hong Kong Tourism Board symbol, as it normally indicates an established merchant with a good reputation.

Upon arriving at the Hong Kong airport, pick up one of the free tourist travel kits available in the baggage claim area or download the free app offered by the Hong Kong Tourism Board. The kit contains an excellent map and a good guidebook. The Hong Kong subway can get you just about anywhere you want to go. Buy a tourist pass; it's cheaper and you won't have to wait in the long lines to pay for a ticket each time. The Fleet Arcade shopping area is located on the Hong Kong island side of the city and can be easily reached from the Admiralty Subway Stop. The United States Navy Fleet Post Office (FPO) is in the Fleet Arcade and is a full-service United States Post Office. A commercial packaging facility is located next to the FPO and makes mailing home your purchases very convenient! To use FPO services, identification is required. Payment is accepted in US dollars or by personal check (no credit cards).

If you are looking for a vacation to remind you of the US, Disneyland Hong Kong is a great option. With the least expensive prices of the Disney resorts in Asia, it is an affordable spot to treat your kids or treat yourself like a kid.

- *Travel Information:* <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages/HongKong.html>
- *Visa Requirements:* <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages/HongKong.html>

## FPO and Fleet Arcade Shopping Area

Location: Fenwick Pier, 1 Lung King St. Wan Chai (FPO is on the second floor of the Fleet Arcade)

Hours: Mon-Fri 10:00-16:00 and 10:00-18:00 Closed on Holidays and Weekends (when US ships are in port)

## India

India has a culture rich in diversity. It is comprised of many languages, religions, traditions and beliefs. This fascinating country is awe-inspiring, though first time visitors may feel overwhelmed as poverty remains a harsh reality for many residents of India. A tourist visa is required to visit this beautiful nation.

- *Travel Information:* <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages/India.html>
- *US Embassy:* <https://in.usembassy.gov/>

## Japan

Traveling to Japan from Korea is relatively inexpensive and easy when carefully planned. There are several ways of going to Japan: Commercial airlines, AMC flights from Osan, and by ferry from Busan. Try to use the US military facilities in Japan (particularly the New Sanno in Tokyo) as much as possible because Japan is the most expensive country in the world. The New Sanno Hotel has an extremely high occupancy rate, so make reservations at least six months in advance by calling or visiting their website.

If using commercial transportation while in Japan, consider buying a Japan Rail Pass while still in Seoul as they are not available inside Japan.

These passes allow unlimited travel throughout the country and are a real bargain. You may purchase them from Global Travel near City Hall or other agencies in Seoul. There is so much to see and do in Japan that you will want maximum flexibility in getting around. It is also advisable to buy a tourist subway pass (available at the New Sanno or at the airport) for easy movement in Tokyo.

Shopping in Japan can be a very expensive experience if you shop on the Japanese economy. Many Americans have found they get better value by shopping in the arcade at the New Sanno or at the bases located throughout Japan.

- *Travel Information:* <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages/Japan.html>
- *US Embassy:* <https://jp.usembassy.gov/>

### Okinawa

One of the four Ryukyu Islands, Okinawa is an easy destination for anyone wanting to use Space A from Osan to Kadena. Utilize the Osan AMC passenger terminal Facebook page for information. The climate of Okinawa is subtropical and an interesting change from Seoul. Shopping for local crafts and fine china is excellent. Be aware that Japanese taxis are expensive. Use base transportation whenever possible to get as close to your destination as possible. The most logical and inexpensive place to stay is Kadena Airbase, which has 24-hour billeting. Another option is the Camp Foster Westpac Lodge. For some family fun time try the Torii Beach Cabins. A secret of Okinawa is Okuma Resort located 50 miles North of Kadena Airbase. There is also occasionally Navy BOQ space available; you can check with the Navy Billeting office in Building 4198 before 4:00 pm.

- Kadena Airbase - 24-Hour Billeting: 011-81-98-962-100 DSN: 632-1100
- Camp Foster Westpac Lodge: 011-81-6117-45-2455 DSN: 645-2455
- Torii Beach Cabins: 011-81-611-744-4659 DSN: 644-4659
- Okuma Resort: 011-82-98-962-3102 DSN: 632-3102, Hours: 08:00-17:00

### Macau

This tiny country on the tip of China is often a destination for tourists while visiting Hong Kong. Macau is easily accessible from Hong

Kong by ferry or hydrofoil. The Portuguese heritage of Macau has its own special flair. Go to Macau, if for nothing else, to eat the uniquely flavored food and to drink the good, inexpensive wines. Gambling is also a big attraction and huge casinos line the shore. Some of these casinos boast fabulous restaurants. Excellent, inexpensive places to eat are also easily found.

- *Travel Information:* <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages/Macau.html>
- *Visa:* <https://hk.usconsulate.gov/u-s-citizen-services/local-resources-of-u-s-citizens/living-hong-kong/visas-china-elsewhere/>
- *Website:* <http://en.macautourism.gov.mo/index.php>.

### Malaysia

Malaysia is an inexpensive and marvelous place to visit. The Malaysians are friendly people, eager to visit with foreigners. English is the dominant language here, making it generally easy to communicate with everyone from the cab drivers to the shopkeepers. Kuala Lumpur is very child-friendly. There are beautiful, clean beaches throughout the country and special package tours for golfers interested in playing on the lush Malaysian courses. Eating and shopping are inexpensive, with the best buy possibly being the beautiful Selangor pewter, produced just outside Kuala Lumpur.

Johor Bahru, located across the Johor Strait from Singapore, is also another rapidly growing tourist location. Consider this as an option when planning a trip to Singapore, as hotels in Johor Bahru are less than half of the cost of hotels in Singapore. Taxis and public transport travel between Johor Bahru and Singapore daily but due to the more than 100,000 Malaysians that use the only bridge into Singapore, a lot of time can be saved by using the public transport system. Families traveling with small children are able to go to the front of the bus lines. The trip takes less than 45 minutes and will save an hour or more during heavy traffic times.

- *Travel Information:* <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages/Malaysia.html>
- *US Embassy:* <https://my.usembassy.gov/>
- *Website:* <http://www.tourism.gov.my/en/us>

## Nepal/Tibet

These ancient countries in North-Central Asia are visited by few personnel stationed in Korea. If you choose to go, be prepared for primitive living and traveling conditions along with fascinating cultures. There are travel agents who can arrange treks in the Himalayas of Nepal, but be sure to hire a reputable one and that all arrangements are made prior to departure. Visas for Nepal are purchased upon arrival; have extra passport pictures on hand for the visas.

Tourists wishing to enter Tibet must do so with a group through a travel agent who arranges for visas ahead of time. Neither Nepal nor Tibet has an embassy in Seoul, so all research must be conducted online, or via a good travel agent.

- *Travel Information (Nepal)*: <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages/Nepal.html>
- *US Embassy (Nepal)*: <https://np.usembassy.gov/>
- *Visa (Tibet)*: <https://china.usembassy-china.org.cn/u-s-citizen-services/local-resources-of-u-s-citizens/information-chinese-visas/>

## New Zealand

This wonderfully scenic country is very affordable when traveling from South Korea. Try to incorporate both the North and South Islands into your visit. The North Island offers world-class dining in Auckland, hot water beaches along the Pacific Coast Highway, mud pools and geysers, and a trip to Hobbiton and the Shire (for Lord of the Rings fans) in Rotorua. The South Island's charm is endless and includes six of New Zealand's eight "Great Walks." Stewart Island is one of the best spots to see the rare Kiwi bird. Overnight cruises allow visitors to take in the scenery or spot fur seals and bottlenose dolphins. Korean Air offers non-stop flights to Auckland from Incheon. A visa is required for New Zealand and is easily processed online.

- *Travel Information*: <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages/NewZealand.html>
- *US Embassy*: <https://nz.usembassy.gov/>
- *Visa*: <https://www.etanewzealand.com/visa-requirements/americans/>
- *Website*: <http://www.newzealand.com/int/>

## Singapore

This small island country is a truly international city, and almost every nationality is noticeably represented. Once a British colony, the English language is predominantly used. There are three additional official languages; Mandarin, Malay, and Tamil. Singapore is one of the cleanest and safest cities in the world. The island is small and public transportation is affordable as cars are strictly regulated.

Taxi costs are similar to Seoul, so don't be afraid to jump in a cab because you really don't have far to go. For a family of four, a taxi is generally cheaper than the subway. However, cab prices vary between taxi companies, so beware of deluxe taxis that will cost more.

The most popular places to stay are Clarke Quay, Marina Bay and Chinatown. Chinatown has undergone a gentrification of sorts, and has been brought back to its early 1900s colonial style. AirBnB rentals are easy to find when booking ahead. Avoid going during the Formula One race week in September, unless that is the reason for your visit. Besides road closures and large crowds downtown, hotel prices tend to be very high.

- *Travel Information*: <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages/Singapore.html>
- *US Embassy*: <https://sg.usembassy.gov/>

## Taipei, Taiwan

Taipei is Taiwan's largest city and also its capital. Check with the US Embassy before booking a trip. Some of the things to see include the National Palace Museum, Chiang Kai-shek Memorial Hall, Taipei 101 which was the world's tallest building until 2010; Wulai, which is a mountain village famous for the aboriginal village, waterfall, and hot springs; and Taroka Gorge. Popular items from Taiwan are painting reproductions, pottery and other ceramic wares, furniture, jewelry made of coral and other semi-precious stones, Hualien marble, Taiwan jade, temple carvings, hand puppets, old coins, cloison-né, and rosewood furniture.

*Travel Information*: <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages/Taiwan.html>

## Thailand

With its 800-year-old history, vast cultural attractions, exotic beaches, islands, and national parks, Thailand offers something for everyone. Not only are the Thai people very friendly and hospitable, but the country also offers an abundance of amenities. From excellent food to inexpensive quality accommodations, it is an ideal vacation spot for military families. The best buys in Thailand historically have been silk, rubies, and star sapphires. Utilize “Nancy Chandler’s map of Bangkok,” which is most helpful while visiting the busy city of Bangkok.

### Bangkok

New buildings reach for the sky around the corner from ancient temples, many of which are home to enormous images of Buddha inlaid with gold and mother of pearl. Points of interest include floating Markets, Mae Sa Elephant Camp, the Grand Palace, Wat Po, the National Museum, Nakhon Kasem, Chatuchak Weekend Market, and Pattaya beach resort.

### Chiang Mai

Chiang Mai’s reasonable cost and abundance of activities geared to the family make for a very relaxed and enjoyable vacation. The Chiang Mai cultural center has evening dinner shows; khantoke and a dance show is performed most nights with audience participation expected. The massage retreats in Chiang Mai are another popular attraction.

### Phuket

Thailand’s largest island, Phuket is famous for its beaches with Patong, Karon, and Kata offering fine accommodations for a Thai vacation. If you prefer peace and quiet, consider staying farther away from these beaches as they can be crowded and noisy. There are many water activities available. Check out the beautiful waterfalls, Ton Sai and Bang Pai. The islands off Phuket (Andaman, Similan, and Phi Phi) offer some of the best scuba diving in Southeast Asia. Phuket tends to be more expensive than other areas in Thailand because it has long been a popular tourist destination.

### Korat

If it’s the Khmer culture you are after, then head about 260 km north of Bangkok to Korat where several stunning examples of 12th century architecture dot the landscape. Plan to visit nearby Phimai, a Khmer complex constructed on a manmade river islet. Its sanctuary tower is home to stunning Khmer artistry.

## Koh Samui

This island has become a popular alternative to Phuket, and lies off the opposite coast of Thailand. Chaweng beach is the most popular area (and can become quite crowded), but there are many other beautiful beaches around the island. Koh Samui is close to Ang Thong National Marine Park, and other popular diving sites.

- *Travel Information:* <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages/Thailand.html>
- *US Embassy:* <https://th.usembassy.gov/>

## Vietnam

There are many places to see from Hanoi in the north to Saigon in the south. A visa is required for a visit to Vietnam. It must be secured before travel and will be checked before departure.

### Hanoi

A flight from Incheon Airport to the northernmost city of Hanoi is about four hours. There are many places to visit in this historically rich city. The excavations at Hanoi Citadel, floating villages, military history museums, art museums, temples, pagodas, markets, and a myriad of other tourist venues which are scattered in and around this historical city. Places of interest in Hanoi; Hoa Lo Prison, the Old Quarter, Thang Long Water Puppet Theater, Ha Long Bay, and the many caves and grottoes.

### Saigon- (Ho Chi Minh City)

Saigon teems with energy, activity, and motion and everywhere you look seems to be a meeting of traditional and modern life. Visit the Reunification Palace, formerly the Independence Palace of the South Vietnamese president that was famously stormed by tanks in 1975 and signified the fall of South Vietnam. Visit the bustling markets and tour the temples and museums of Saigon.

- *Travel Information:* <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages/Vietnam.html>
- *US Embassy:* <https://vn.usembassy.gov/>
- *Visa Website:* <https://evisa.xuatnhapcanh.gov.vn/trang-chu-ttdt>





## SPOTLIGHT ON MR. CHARLES CHONG

Written by Robyn Connell

Each year, the *DMZ to the Sea* features a section on Korean War Veterans. This year, for the 2023-2024 edition, I have decided to cast our Veteran's Story spotlight on Mr. Charles Chong, CEO of Oriental Press, Inc. This is the company, and the individual, who, for 37 years, has brought our hard work and resources to life in the form of the publication you are holding in your hands. While he did not fight in the Korean War as a soldier, he was in fact, there as a six-year-old boy, and he has an incredible story. I debated writing his story myself, but after his very generous interview, I would rather present the story he told, in his own words, even if it's a little rough in translation. I don't want to lose the spirit of HIS story, in his words.

When I originally asked him to provide a story, he sent me this:

"The reason I was so surprised as well as delighted is that in publishing *DMZ to the Sea*, which succeeded *Seoul Survivor* for the past 30 years, no one has ever wondered or asked about my contribution to the Military Community, and I confess that sometimes I've been thinking about whether I should continue this job. My relationship with the U.S. military community has been established since 1987. I did everything I could to create and supply military community media, which I believe is a very important theme and a necessary part of the U.S. military who cannot do so directly. It is because my father said, "The U.S. military is a benefactor who saved this country." As I walked my path over the past years, I have never asked for nor received a single dollar from the Korean or U.S. governments, but I have been leading Oriental Press by serving the Military Community on my own financially for many years, and even now, my "No Cost" to the military philosophy remains the same. Of course, unless I'm a rich conglomerate, I'm going to have a hard time saying, "Why?" I was asking myself "Should I continue to do this difficult job?" And then, your "Veteran's Story" remark woke up a new-found strength in me. I have always believed that the valuable sacrifice of young Americans and the help of the US are essential behind South Korea, a bare and tiny new nation at the eastern end of the Korean War in 1950, becoming the world's eighth largest economy today. The fact that during the Korean War and since then, many young people in the US have been a pillar of Korea's security and liberal democratic values on this land, and this is the reason why I must continue moving forward harder, and embrace what my father always said so that I can make a deep commitment. This year's *DMZ to the Sea* is more valuable to me than any issue, so I'll do my best for you."

Subsequently, he sent his story, as written by him:

*DMZ to the Sea* 2023-2024, after being asked by Editor Robyn Connell to prepare my "veteran story," asked me if I deserved to hear "veteran."

While pondering, what I found in the warehouse where I kept my lifetime records was the existence of *Seoul Survivor* and *DMZ to the Sea*, which I have published for the past 30 years. For me, who has taken the unusual path of serving as the only bridge for the friendship and friendship of the Korea-U.S. alliance in the U.S. military community in Korea, I was able to be courageous by judging that it was a story worth enough.

*DMZ to the Sea* took over the vein of *Seoul Survivor*, and after USFK moved to Pyeongtaek, the newly organized United Club Spouses & Civilians' Association (now Humphreys United Club) received my proposal and is set to be published for six years this year.

Based on the original edition of *Seoul Survivor* first published by Judy Bridenbaugh in 1984, the editor selected by Spouses every year was published with members' fundraising. Since 1994, my company Oriental Press has finished the 2017-2018 31st Edition in Yongsan and moved to the name of the USFK.

In the early days of *Seoul Survivor*, it was made of typewriter pamphlets, but now *DMZ to the Sea* shows the printing development process with a high-quality design on a high-end offset print, and I am very proud of it as an uncommon historical record of the Military Spouses' Community.

Moreover, while working with a new editor every year, I am deeply impressed by the way everyone makes their own talent donations



without complaints, and I have many opportunities to learn the spirit of American service and talent donation, so I will continue to publish *DMZ to the Sea* as best as my health allows.

For the past 37 years, I have kept the principle that printing is free at Military Media Business. But why around me? "Are you having a hard time with the No Cost Government Contract?" Although you may be sarcastic about whether you are a "Zaibatsu," you are a person who witnessed the sacrifice and dedication of the U.S. military in the Korean War, especially my father's words, "Don't forget to repay the grace of the United States."

In fact, the print media business I am doing is a more difficult business due to the development of SNS and, moreover, the general perception that is not very welcome by Korean society due to the specificity targeting the U.S. military.

However, although I may be teased around me, my path I chose began to repay the kindness of the U.S. military killed in the Korean War and the U.S. government, which helped Korea in times of difficulty.

Starting with *Mig Alley Flyer*, the Command Information Newsletter of Osan Air Base in 1986, I have served five newspapers and two magazines, including *Crimson Sky Newspaper*, *Pulse 65* and *United on the RoK*, on 14 contracts with the U.S. government over the past 37 years.

In addition, I have published yearly books, including *DMZ to the Sea*, *Seoul Survivor*, and *Outside the Gate-Osan Spouses*, and have never been able to use the same principles as other governments, such as *CHOSUN CHATTER – AFSC*, *NCOA* and *NAVIKOH-Tricare*.

As a child, I witnessed the actual battle between the U.S. and North Korean troops in front of my house, and I saw the terrible sight of the corpses of the People's Army at a young age of six, and my father's words, "Don't forget the spirit of sacrifice and dedication of the U.S. military," have made my way to this day.

The U.S. deployed 1.78 million soldiers to Korea during the 38-month Korean War from 1950 to 1953, and I hope that my contributions will be a small treasure to the U.S. community with indescribable gratitude for the sacrifice of more than 100,000 U.S. deaths and injuries.

The reason for the launch of the *United on the RoK* monthly magazine is that only when Military Spouses is stable and united, spouses can be properly faithful to their duties under the orders of the state.

I still have a dream.

It is the construction of a data museum that can display printed materials such as newspapers and magazines published so far. If I can set up the Charles Archives in a place where anyone can easily visit, fill it with records from the past half century or more, and leave data as a small stepping stone to deliver the history of the U.S. Forces Korea to future generations, my dream will be completed as rain.

Looking back on the past 37 years, I've had a lot of difficulties, but it's a miracle that I've done the tasks and tasks given to me without a single mistake, but I have two assistants to remember especially among the many OP members I've lived in the past.

Art Director Eric Park, who is in charge of all the design work of Oriental Press, and Joseph Shim (Shim, Jin-Taek), who has faithfully helped me for the past 20 years, understood the role and duties of the USFK better than anyone else and did their best in their work, and without them, I would not have been able to stand in the U.S. military community for so long. I sincerely thank Joseph Shim and Eric Park.

In addition, thank you to *DMZ to the Sea* 2023-2024, editor Robyn Connell, who I have known since I published 65th MED BDE's *Pulse 65* Monthly Magazine. I am more grateful for Robyn's 2023-2024 Editor's function as a person who always has a dedicated service spirit, a thorough mission, thoughtful understanding, and always caring mind.

Also, thank you Liz Stone, President for leading the 2022-2023 Humphreys United Club.

I thank the majority of the "talent donors" I have met who have made history with my father while walking my way with the teachings of "America is our benefactor, do what the U.S. military can do."

Finally, I end my Veteran Story by expressing my gratitude that I was able to work harder for the devoted patience and deep love of my partner Annette, who I trust the most.

Charles Chong, CEO  
Oriental Press Inc.

This story, this man, and his company are an important part of USFK-RoK history. For 37 years, he has given of himself to publish the resource guide that is currently *DMZ to the Sea* without collecting one penny for his efforts. He not only publishes it for free, but he also delivers the copies to all installations across the entire peninsula. He's getting older, but as long as his health allows him, he will continue to do his life's work.

Oriental Press has published the following newspapers (No Cost U.S. Government Contracts):

The Mig Alley Flyer Weekly – February 1987 – February 1990  
The Mig Alley Flyer Weekly – February 1991 September 1996  
Seoul Word Weekly – June 1992 – March 1997  
Southern Star Weekly – May 1994 – October 2002  
Morning Calm Weekly – October 2002 – March 2014  
Morning Calm Bi-Weekly – April 2014 – March 2017  
Crimson Sky Bi-Weekly – September 2009 Present

Total newspaper circulation by Oriental Press over the past 37 years is 17,961,000 copies! The newspaper printing plate size is 27.5cm wide and 39.5cm long. If you convert 17,961,000 copies issued into 39.5cm in length, the total is 7,094,595 kilometers. The circumference of the earth is about 40,120km. Therefore, when the newspapers published by Oriental Press for 37 years are placed end-to-end, it is about 7,094, 595km, which is about 177 times around the Earth.

He has prepared some additional historical facts that are quite interesting.

His annual publications of *Outside the Gate*, *Seoul Survivor* and *DMZ to the Sea* total 146,500 copies. They are hard to get your hands on, and are often "sold out."

Magazines published by Oriental Press include the discontinued *Pulse 65* magazine, and the newer and ever-popular *United on the RoK*. Because there were 235 display racks for *Pulse 65* magazine, Mr. Chong





Chong with Robyn Connell, editor

wanted to continue publishing Magazines to contribute to the US military community, but he could not find an interested organization. Thus, he approached Ms. Caitlin Ward, who had been the Humphreys United Spouses Club President the previous year, and she accepted the volunteer role as Editor. Mr. Chong believes that *United on the RoK* has a very important meaning as a link between Korean society and culture in the U.S. military and family society. Thus, he is using high-quality printing and paper and distributing the publication throughout the USFK region.

However, because the publication is not linked to any one organization, he cannot get base access for his delivery staff, so he has to drive and make the deliveries himself. He starts in Pyeongtaek and then heads to Camp Carroll, Camp Henry and Walker, Pohang, Busan & Chinhae, and Kunsan, totaling 1,000 kilometers. Once he returns from his long drive, he needs to take a few days off to regain his strength due to physical limitations. He chose this difficult path to honor his father's wishes, and to provide free media service to the U.S. military community for so long because "The U.S. military is a benefactor" but he thinks it might be time to retire.

Mr. Chong says he treasures "the traces of his past," the 37 years of USFK he's documented in his work, of which he's maintained artifacts in

his warehouse. "While I'm very proud that I've silently walked my path, I wonder if others would regard me as foolish. They would ask, should he not have spent his money and his time on himself, rather than the Soldiers, Sailors, Marines, and Airmen and their families? Even now, the fact that there are 20 million of our compatriots in North Korea who hate a world without hunger and freedom, is why my father left me with the understanding early on, of how grateful the role of the U.S. military is to South Korea. I will continue on this path until my physical strength shows me otherwise."

For 37 years, he has given of himself to publish the resource guide that is currently *DMZ to the Sea* without collecting one penny for his efforts. He not only publishes it for free, but he also delivers copies to all installations across the entire peninsula. He's getting older, but as long as his health allows him, he will continue to do his life's work.

Mr. Chong was born in Seodaemun (West Seoul) in 1944, the sixth of nine children. He served in the Korean Army from 1965-1968 during which time he served with 1st ROK Army at the Air Field on Camp Long.

After his Korean service, he attempted to join the US Army, but didn't meet the height requirements at the time. In 1984, he followed his older brother to the United States, who had previously immigrated there, and incrementally invited and sponsored his siblings. By 1987, Mr. Chong had earned enough to return to Korea and founded Oriental Press. He has been diligently serving there as the owner and operator since. Mr. Chong has 2 sons and 5 grandchildren. He has a special friend in his life, Ms. Annette, whom he regards as his most valuable soul-mate and confidant.





## CHAPTER 9 PCSing from Korea

## PCSING FROM KOREA

As your time in South Korea draws to an end and you prepare to depart from the Land of the Morning Calm at the end of your tour, try to address any unresolved issues, all unfinished, and all incomplete business before departing the peninsula. Once you leave South Korea, it can be very difficult to resolve items left unfinished, especially when you are no longer in the same time zone.

### Levy Brief

Once your Sponsor has received their RFO (Request for Orders), the official document notifying them and their unit of the upcoming PCS (Permanent Change of Station), they may attend their Garrison's Levy Brief. At USAG Humphreys, the Levy Brief is held every Wednesday at 13:00 in the Troop Theater, BLDG 6806, between the McGinnis Warrior Zone and the Troop Express. For USAG Daegu, the Levy Brief is every Wednesday at 10:00 on Camp Walker, BLDG 330, Room 315. Once your Sponsor has notified their S-1 that they have completed their Levy Brief, they will cut their orders and you can begin the process of PCSing from South Korea.

**NOTE:** The Levy Brief for USAG Humphreys and USAG Daegu has been completed online during COVID.

### PCS Checklist

#### 90 Days Before Departure From Korea

As things are ever changing, know that things may change over the course of the last 90 days you are in South Korea. Be flexible and stay informed. Check the US Embassy website ([usembassy.gov](https://usembassy.gov)) for the most current travel information, whether you are PCSing CONUS (stateside) or OCONUS (overseas including Alaska and Hawaii).

- **COVID-19:** If you are PCSing in the time of a pandemic, do your homework and verify what your new duty station will require for your arrival.
  - Will you have to quarantine upon arrival?
  - Does your airline require a PCR test before your departure?
  - Does your new country require a PCR test before you arrive in country?

*Lotte World Lake*

Photo by: Berni Martinez-Carey

- *Documents/PCS Binder:* Develop or update your PCS binder. (Tip: Turn your Noncombatant Evacuation Operations (NEO) Binder into a PCS Binder!) Here is list of documents you will want to include in your PCS Binder as well as items that need action 90 days out from your departure or once you have received your Orders:
  - Copies of your most current PCS Orders and all Amendments (10 hard copies along with a digital copy)  
Important: Ensure that all dependents' names are spelled correctly on the orders.
  - Wills (originals).
  - You can have your Will written or updated at Client Legal Services (CLS). At USAG Humphreys, CLS is located at Maude Hall, BLDG 6400, 3rd Floor. At USAG Daegu, CLS is located at Camp Henry, BLDG 1805. Please see Chapter 6 Support Services for more information on Legal.
  - Power(s) of Attorney.
  - Check expiration dates to ensure they are valid while you are in transit to your new unit. Remember, if you are assisting your Sponsor in the out-processing process, you may need a specific Power of Attorney to schedule appointments and other related PCS items.
  - Birth Certificates (originals) and all other citizenship documents.
  - Marriage Certificate (original).
  - Passports, both Tourist and Military-issued.
  - Verify expiration dates and arriving country's requirements as well as your SOFA Stamp expiration date.
  - ID Cards (verify expiration dates).
  - Driver's Licenses.
  - Verify expiration dates and arriving country's driving requirements. Can you take your Driver's Test online before arriving? Will your stateside license transfer?
  - Immunization/Medical/Dental/Vision Records (including any from civilian providers).
  - Schedule medical and dental appointments to be completed before your move. Update school and sports physicals for children so they can be enrolled in Child, Youth & School Services (CYSS) upon their arrival at the next duty station.
  - Pet Documents including travel documents and test results.
  - Verify your receiving country's pet requirements.
  - School Records.
- Notify the school's Registrar once you have orders to allow enough time to prepare records as well as notify teachers of your student's departure. Verify your school's Early Withdrawal Policy and dates).
- Shipping Inventory documents for household goods (HHG), unaccompanied air baggage (UAB) and Vehicle, including photos of your high value items and any damages to your vehicle(s).
- Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) Paperwork.
- Verify any documents required for your next duty station is completed and sent to the appropriate office.
- *Education:* If you know your future housing arrangement at your next duty station, pre-register school-aged children online.
- *Flights:* With orders, you can make your appointment with the official travel office to obtain airline tickets for the servicemember, dependents, and pets. Housing: Once you have orders, contact your off-post landlord or the housing office to schedule housing inspections and move out date. Pets: Begin speaking to your veterinarian and gathering the necessary paperwork. Please see the Pets section of this chapter for additional information as well as the "Pets Checklist."
- *Household Goods:* Determine your preferred time frame for your household goods and unaccompanied baggage shipments. With orders in hand, contact your transportation office for scheduling.
- *Insurance:* Contact your insurance provider and determine policy changes.
- *Lodging:* Make lodging reservations.
- *Personal Property:* Sort your possessions into categories: HHG, UAB, and Luggage so you are prepared and organized when your packers come for your HHG and UAB shipments.
- *Privately Owned Vehicles (POVs):* Prepare to ship your vehicle. You will be required to present proof of no outstanding recalls on your vehicle. Check now and make appointments as needed to address any recall issues, and have all routine maintenance completed before shipping.
- *Relocation Readiness:* Check with Army Community Service (ACS) in Maude Hall, BLDG 6400 at USAG Humphreys and BLDG 330 on Camp Walker at USAG Daegu, to see if the Relocation Readiness office has information or materials about your next duty

station, once you find out where you are going.

- ❑ *Souvenirs*: Purchase Korean souvenirs and gifts that you will want sent along with your HHG.
- ❑ *Tickets/Tolls*: Ensure you have no outstanding tickets or fines.
- ❑ *Timeline*: Make a tentative timeline of your move.

### 30 Days Before Departure

- ❑ *Accommodations*: Make temporary accommodation reservations for when you arrive at your next duty station. Consider any required quarantining you may have to do upon arriving.
- ❑ *CYSS*: Coordinate for your children's withdrawal dates from day-care and CYSS activities.
- ❑ *Lodging*: Verify your lodging dates with on-post lodging and cancel/adjust reservation dates as needed.
- ❑ *Mail*: Contact the postal service for a Change of Address (COA) either online or in person.
- ❑ *Utilities*: Contact your Internet provider, cell phone provider, cable provider, etc. to set up termination of services.

### 14 Days Before Departure

- ❑ *Banking*: Contact banks/credit card companies to update your address and travel status.
- ❑ *Education*: Formally withdraw children from school and pick-up school records.
- ❑ *Currency*: Change won to dollars. You can pre-roll your coins and then exchange your won for US currency at on-post banking facilities. If you are flying commercial, Incheon airport has multiple money exchanges.
- ❑ *Furniture*: Contact the furniture management office for government loaned furniture pick-up. Notify them at least three days prior to the desired pick-up date.  
Government Furniture Delivery and Pick-up: 0503-356-435 Ext. 4  
DSN: 753-4357 at USAG Humphreys and 0503-363-4589 DSN: 763-4589 at USAG Daegu.
- ❑ *Luggage*: Plan your baggage for the plane, including entertainment options and/or any treats for children.

- ❑ *Pets*: If you are traveling with pets, obtain their health certificate within 10 days of your pets' travel date.
- ❑ *Pets*: Complete pet export forms within 3 days of the travel date, at either Pyeongtaek Port or at the Incheon Airport. (See 'Pets' Section of this chapter.)
- ❑ *PCS Purge*: Use up or give away perishable or opened foods, anything in glass containers, flammable items, aerosols, etc. Check with your shipping company to determine any other items they will not ship or store.
- ❑ *Ration Cards*: Return USFK rations cards, if applicable, to the DBIDS Office (Maude Hall, BLDG 6400, Room G101) but remember that you may be denied access to the Commissary and some AAFES services once you turn in your cards.
- ❑ *Sleep Schedule*: If possible, start shifting your schedule to your next duty station by staying up as late as possible before going to bed.
- ❑ *Utilities*: Return equipment to service providers, such as modems, remote controls, extenders, or cable boxes.

### Additional Tasks

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## Personal Property

### Household Goods (HHG)

It is time to pack up your HHG! Sort your possessions into categories: Household Goods (larger-item shipment that will take an estimated 60 to 75 days to return to CONUS), UAB (the "quick ship" smaller-item shipment), luggage (items that you will pack and carry with you), and items to donate/discard. It is a great idea to make a list for each shipment and physically separate (as much as possible) the items that are in the different shipments, as sometimes things can get included where they should not. Make sure to clearly mark "borrowed government furniture" so that packers do not pack these into your HHG shipment. Physically set aside the items you will hand



carry in a closet or room that is marked off-limits to packers.

An amazing resource is the Military One Source PCS & Military Moves webpage: <https://www.militaryonesource.mil/moving-housing/moving/pcs-and-military-moves>. They have helpful tips and tricks on how to keep things a bit saner and more organized. It gives you step-by-step instructions on everything you need to do to pack up and ship out. It also provides information on how to file claims for any damage incurred during the move once you arrive at your new duty station.

Plan the dates that you want to receive your household goods at your new duty station. You will also be asked to schedule the delivery date for Non-Temporary Storage (NTS) items (items that were in storage while you were in South Korea). The items in storage will be shipped to you and may arrive much earlier than your HHG shipment will arrive.

### **Unaccompanied Baggage (UAB)**

UAB are items that you will have to live on until you leave once your HHG have been packed and shipped and when you first arrive at your new duty station. UAB will ship via air cargo and should be relatively quick. It is limited to 2,000 lbs. and cannot include furniture or major appliances. Remember that the UAB weight is part of your total HHG weight allowance. What you put in your UAB should be planned carefully, as the rest of your HHG can take two to three months in transit.

#### ***Suggested UAB Checklist***

- Pots and pans
- Cooking utensils
- Silverware
- Plates and bowls
- Linens
- PC/Laptop, printer, and paper
- Clothing and shoes (plan for the weather at your destination for the coming two to three months)
- Small tool set (including scissors)
- Small TV/DVD player
- Cleaning supplies (e.g. mop, broom, and vacuum)
- Pro-Gear
- Phone and charging cords
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### **ACS Relocation Readiness Program**

#### *USAG Humphreys*

Location: Humphreys ACS, Maude Hall, BLDG 6400, 1st Floor

Phone: +82 (0)50-3357-2362 or +82 (0)50-3357-2372

Website: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/relocation-readiness-program>

#### *USAG Daegu*

Location: Daegu ACS, BLDG 330, Camp Walker

Phone: +82 (0)50-3363-4426

Website: <https://daegu.armymwr.com/programs/army-community-service/relocation-readiness-program>

### **Personal Property Shipping Office (PPSO) for HHG Shipment**

#### *USAG Humphreys PPPO*

Location: Maude Hall, BLDG 6400, Room K201

Phone: 0503-357-2453 & 0503-357-2448 DSN: 757-2453/2448

Email: [usarmy.humphreys.403-afsb-lrc.list.pppo@army.mil](mailto:usarmy.humphreys.403-afsb-lrc.list.pppo@army.mil)

#### *Osan AB PPSO*

Location: BLDG 635, Osan AB

Phone: 0503-384-6918 DSN: 784-6918

Email: [51lrs.outboundhhg@us.af.mil](mailto:51lrs.outboundhhg@us.af.mil)

### **“Dumping the Weight” – What to Do with All That Stuff?**

#### ***Painted Door Thrift Shop (Humphreys United Spouses Club)***

Location: BLDG 550, Freedom Road

Website: <https://www.humphreysunitedspouses.com/painted-door>

Facebook: Humphreys Thrift Shop

(<https://www.facebook.com/ThePaintedDoorThriftShop>)

Located across the street from the Education Center on Freedom Road, the Painted Door Thrift Shop gladly accepts donations of gently used items. The large shed behind the Thrift Shop is available 24-hours (with any exceptions posted on the Humphreys Thrift Shop Facebook page) for you to drop off donations anytime. Proceeds from Thrift Store sales are returned to the community through grants and scholarships.

#### ***Osan Thrift Shop (Team Osan Spouses' Club)***

Location: BLDG 720, Osan AB

Website: <http://www.teamosansc.com/thrift-shop.html>  
Facebook: Osan Thrift Shop  
(<https://www.facebook.com/osanthriftshop/>)

The donation bin (for breakables or heavy items) and the drop box (for clothing and non-breakables) are located around the side of the Osan Thrift Shop and are accessible 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The income raised through operating the Thrift Shop is given back to the Osan AB community in charitable donations and community grants.

### ***Apple Tree Gift and Thrift (Daegu Civilians' and Spouses' Club)***

Location: BLDG 240, Camp Walker  
Website: <https://daegucsclub.wixsite.com/dcsc/about-us>  
Facebook: Apple Tree Gift & Thrift Shop  
(<https://www.facebook.com/AppleTreeDaegu/>)

The Apple Tree Gift and Thrift Store is the primary source of funding for the Daegu Civilians' and Spouses' Club. Items are accepted as donations or for consignment.

### ***Donate to Local Orphanages and Charities***

Numerous facilities accept and appreciate your donations. Agape Protestant Chapel holds a bi-annual children's clothing swap in the spring and fall.

### ***On Post Yard Sale***

On USAG Humphreys, register through the Outdoor Recreation Office, BLDG 110 DSN: 315-755-1677. There is a \$10 fee to reserve your space and table; \$5 for those with PCS orders within 60 days.

### ***Facebook Groups***

There are several Facebook groups dedicated to selling and giving away items around the different posts in Korea.

### ***Privately Owned Vehicles (POV)***

Before you can do anything with your POV, you must ensure that all outstanding fines, including traffic tickets and toll violations have been paid in full.

If you need to trash or junk your vehicle, you need to coordinate with

an off-post facility to dispose of it. On the day of junking, remove the USFK window decal, and provide the Korean vehicle registration, USFK Form 207, the vehicle to be junked, and all keys that go with that vehicle to the junking facility. Check with the junking facility to see if there are any additional requirements. After the vehicle is junked, get a Certificate of Junk with the correct Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) on it. You need this to deregister your vehicle. See the deregistration checklist on the next page.

If you plan to sell your vehicle, you need both the Korean and USFK registrations, a USFK safety inspection (depending on the manufacture date of your POV), USFK Form 20-E (Bill of Sale), and USFK Form 32EK-E (Application for Cancellation of USFK POV). You must then go with the buyer to the DMV to transfer registration. Only a person that is authorized a vehicle is able to purchase it from you. There are several Facebook pages where you may list your vehicle for sale, simply search "Humphreys Car" for available pages and groups.

**NOTE:** You must sell your vehicle before you leave Korea. USFK Regulation 190-1 provides specific information on when you are authorized to give someone else a Power of Attorney to sell your vehicle. At the time of this publication the only authorized situations are: you have a short notice PCS assignment or humanitarian assignment and received less than 90 days notice; you leave on Emergency Leave and may not be returning; the member has been court-martialed and will enter confinement, or the member has been medically evacuated to the US and will not be returning.

### ***SOFA/Military Vehicle Registration Office/DMV***

Location: Maude Hall, BLDG 6400, 1st Floor  
Phone: 031-8024-5523/5516

### ***Vehicle Processing Center (VPC) - POV Shipment***

Pyeongtaek VPC (USAG Humphreys)  
Location: BLDG 7040, Corner of 11th Street and Indianhead Avenue  
Phone: 010-9135-2747 DSN: 756-8700  
*Daegu VPC for Area IV members (Camp Henry)*  
Location: BLDG 1415, Camp Henry  
Phone: 82-53-477-3326

The best vehicle shipment resource is the Vehicle Processing Center (VPC) website: [www.pcsmypov.com](http://www.pcsmypov.com). Check this website for any policy changes prior to your PCS. Below is a checklist to keep track of what you need to ship your POV.

You will need to deregister your vehicle at your DMV. Ensure you do not have any fines or tickets to pay. You cannot deregister your vehicle if fines or tickets are not settled in full. You need to go to the DMV where you registered your vehicle. There are some special instances where you might need someone else to deregister for you. The person you pick will need to fulfill certain criteria. Make sure the person you are asking has proper authorization or you will not be able to get the Special Power of Attorney (SPOAs) they will need to help you. You can get more information on SPOAs from your Client Legal Services.

**TIP:** If you purchased a new vehicle in Korea, contact your sales agent to verify their shipping procedures and your arrangements to claim the vehicle in CONUS.

### **Shipping Your POV Checklist**

In order to ship your POV, you will need:

- Official Orders (always carry several copies)
- Proof of Entitlement
- Proof of Identity
- Proof of Ownership, Title and/or Registration of the car
- If applicable, Lien Holder Shipment Authorization Letter
- If applicable, Lease Holder Shipment Authorization Letter
- Power of Attorney (if someone other than the servicemember is dropping the car off for shipment)

For further information, please visit: <https://www.pcsmypov.com>.

### **Vehicle Requirements for Shipping**

- 1/4 tank of fuel or less in the gas tank
- Clean inside and outside at the time of shipment \*See the note below\*
- Dry inside at the time of shipment
- Place wheel lock key inside glove box when applicable
- Emergency brake 100% fully functional

**NOTE:** The AAFES at USAG Humphreys offers a mobile Steam Car Wash service provider, who details/steam cleans vehicles. Call or send a text to 010-2963-2336. Multiple self-clean car washing facilities and a smaller number of automatic car washes are available in the Humphreys area and Daegu area.

### **Deregistration Checklist**

- ROK Vehicle Registration
- USFK Vehicle Registration (USFK Form 207)
- Valid DOD ID card
- USFK Form 32EK-E (Application for Cancellation of USFK POV Registration) obtained at DBIDS
- Korean License Plates
- POV Export Worksheet or Invoice
- Copy of Import Document
- Application for Temporary Plate
- Auto Insurance
- Won for Temporary Plate and Fee
- Certificate of Junk (if junking a vehicle)
- USFK Form 20-E (Bill of Sale) (if selling a vehicle)
- (If needed) Special Power of Attorney for out-processing DBIDS

### **Pets**

In general, taking your pet, cat or dog, to the US is easier than bringing them to Korea. Most animals meeting Korean requirements will meet US requirements. Korea requires a Korean Health Certificate for any pet to leave the country. These requirements apply equally to service animals, such as Seeing Eye dogs. Pet cats and dogs are subject to inspection at ports of entry. If a pet appears ill, or evidence of infectious disease is present, further examination by a licensed veterinarian (at the owner's expense) may be required and entry into the US may be denied.

Besides the US, some countries require pets to complete a Fluorescent Antibody Virus Neutralization (FAVN) test within 180 days of departure. Keep the results readily available to present upon arrival.

Remember, a FAVN is good for two years or longer, depending on where you are traveling. If completing a FAVN test in Korea, the blood sample is sent to the US for lab testing and can take four to eight weeks for the results. You can complete FAVN tests if you are 180 days prior to an anticipated PCS and have not yet received orders. An internationally approved laboratory or a competent authority of the exporting country must administer the rabies-neutralizing antibody test within 24 months prior to departure.

**TIP:** Research the country of your projected next duty station as early as possible and begin preparation six to eight months before moving. The Veterinary Treatment Facility (VTF) maintains a packet called

“International Pet Travel” that addresses all necessary actions and paperwork required to travel internationally to varying countries.

If you are going to the US, check with the vet to ensure your pet is ready for the trip and begin the paperwork listed below that is necessary for travel. The post veterinary office will also provide additional information you need for your travels. For your pet to travel with you, obtain a health certificate within ten days of your pet’s travel date. We recommend utilizing a military veterinarian, as they have the USDA endorsement required for health certificates. Additionally, you are required by Korean customs regulations to complete pet export documents. You must obtain these forms within three days of the travel date and can be completed at the Pyeongtaek Port for ₩10,000 or approximately \$10. Please note, if you are not the servicemember, you need to take your passport with you to the port to receive the Korean Health Certificate. Schedule these appointments ahead of time, once you know your pet’s travel date.

## Outbound Pet Travel Required Paperwork Checklist

### *Before Travel:*

- All dogs leaving Korea must have a microchip.

### *Within a Year of Travel:*

- Valid Rabies Vaccination Certificate within the last year. For travel you will need two original rabies certificates signed in blue ink. If the pet is young, the rabies vaccination must be 30 days prior to arrival.

### *Within Ten Days of Travel:*

- USDA Health Certificate (APHIS form 7001)
- Korean Health Certificate (obtained after your USDA 10-day Health Certificate). This certificate requires that you have an original copy of the USDA Health Certificate and Rabies Vaccine Certificate.

## Korean Export Certificate Locations

### *Pyeongtaek Port Office*

Location: 4F Pyeongtaek Sea Port Marine Center  
Waze: Pyeongtaek Port Pet Certificate 4th Floor  
Phone: 031-8053-7709  
Hours: 09:00-12:00, 13:00-18:00

### *Seoul Regional Office*

Location: 46 Deungchon-ro, 39ga-gil Gangseo-gu, Seoul  
Phone: 02-2650-0617  
Hours: 09:00-11:00, 13:00-17:00

### *Gimpo Airport Office*

Location: Gimpo Airport International, Bldg. 38 Room 171, Haneul-gil Gangseo-gu  
Phone: 02-2664-2601  
Hours: 09:00-12:00, 13:00-18:00

### *Incheon Airport Office Passenger Terminal*

Location: 3rd Floor  
Phone: 032-740-2028  
Hours: Open 7 days a week, 09:00-12:00, 13:00-18:00

## PCSing to Another OCONUS Location

In accordance with USFK PAM 600-300, you are responsible for knowing what your pet needs to exit South Korea and enter another country. Visit your VTF as soon as possible to avoid issues. Go to <https://www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/pet-travel> to learn more about your expected country’s arrival requirements.

### *USAG Humphreys VTF*

Phone: 0503-337-9720  
DSN: 737-9720

### *Osan AB VTF*

Phone: 0505-784-6614  
DSN: 784-6614

### *Camp Walker VTF*

Phone: 0503-364-4708  
DSN: 764-4708

## Pet Transportation

If you fly Patriot Express, there are a set number of pet-reservation slots available per flight. This is the most cost-effective way to travel with your pets. If you fly commercial, discuss the pet arrangements with the Travel Office as requirements vary by airline. If you need to ship your

pets separately, these are three companies that assist with pet-shipping services:

#### *Shindogs Air*

Facebook: Shindogs Air (<https://www.facebook.com/Shindogsair>)  
Email: shindogsair@gmail.com

#### *PetAirline*

Location: Western Tower B-319, 24, Jeongbalsan-ro, Ilsandong-gu,  
Goyang-si, Gyeonggi-do, 10403  
Phone: 02-2667-0112  
Website: [www.petairline.co.kr](http://www.petairline.co.kr)  
Facebook: Pet Airline (<https://www.facebook.com/PetAirline/>)  
Email: jeremy@petairline.co.kr

#### *Gina's Relocation/The First Class Pet*

Phone: 070-7597-0513 & 010-9794-1125  
Email: humphreys@thefirstclasspet.com  
Email: gina@thefirstclasspet.com  
kakaotalk: gina1125  
Website: [www.thefirstclasspet.com](http://www.thefirstclasspet.com)  
Facebook: The First Class Pet (<https://www.facebook.com/TFCPKorea>)

#### **Additional Facebook Resource**

Flying Pets Korea  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/flyingpetskorea>

**NOTE:** Pets get left behind because their families are not prepared for the financial cost of transportation to the US. Please utilize the resources in this book to assist with gathering all of the information you need to take your beloved pet back to the States with you. If you need to rehome your pet, visit your VTF for information on rehoming options.

## **EFMP**

If a family member was enrolled in EFMP before coming to Korea, their EFMP packets must be reviewed and updated before new orders can be issued. Packet updates can be coordinated via phone, and paperwork can be turned in to the Brian D. Allgood Army Community Hospital (BDAACH) (Phone: 0503-337-1283, DSN: 737-1283) to be

faxed to the EFMP office.

#### *USAG Humphreys*

Location: ACS, Maude Hall, BLDG 6400, 1st Floor  
Phone: 0503-357-2372/2363 DSN: 315-757-2363

#### *USAG Daegu*

Location: BLDG 330, 2nd Floor, Camp Walker  
Phone: 0503-363-4426. DSN: 315-763-4426

## **Lodging**

Make a tentative timeline of when you plan to vacate housing, stay in lodging, fly to your next duty station, and/or leave destination. You can reserve tentative lodging dates up to six months in advance, without any paperwork. These dates can be adjusted later, but if you wait, rooms may no longer be available. If you reside on-post, you are authorized three nights lodging prior to travel date, but you may reserve more and pay out-of-pocket. If your travel dates fall over a weekend, you can stay up to five nights. If you reside in off-post housing, you are authorized ten nights of lodging prior to departure.

#### *Humphreys Lodging Reservations*

Phone: 82 31-692-0825 DSN: 315-755-0233  
Website: <http://army.dodlodging.net/propertys/Camp-Humphreys>  
Email: [usarmy.humphreys.imcom-fmwrc.mbx.lodging@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.humphreys.imcom-fmwrc.mbx.lodging@mail.mil)

#### *Camp Walker Lodging Reservations*

Phone: 82 31-763-1492  
Website: <https://army.dodlodging.net/propertys/Camp-Walker--Camp-Henry-Lodging>  
Email: [usarmy.walker.imcom.list.usag-daegu-dfmwr-lodging@mail.mil](mailto:usarmy.walker.imcom.list.usag-daegu-dfmwr-lodging@mail.mil)

## **Housing**

You will have a Pre-Move Out Inspection so Housing can notify you of any damages to items that you need to have repaired (if possible) prior to move out to your quarters regardless if you reside off-post or on-post. A final Housing Inspection is conducted after you have vacat-

ed/cleaned the unit, when they provide your Housing Clearance Authorization.

## Housing Offices

### *USAG Humphreys*

Location: Maude Hall, BLDG 6400, 3rd Floor  
Phone: 0503-357-2647 DSN: 757-2647  
Hours: Mon-Wed, Fri 08:00-16:00, Closed for lunch 12:30-13:30,  
Thurs 09:00-16:00, Closed every 2nd Thursday of the month  
08:00-13:30.

### *USAG Daegu*

Location: BLDG 330, 1st Floor, Camp Walker,  
Phone: 0503-363-4573 DSN: 763-4573  
Hours: Weekdays, 08:00-16:00, Closed for lunch 12:00-13:00, Closed  
on weekends and Federal Holidays.

## Traffic Tickets

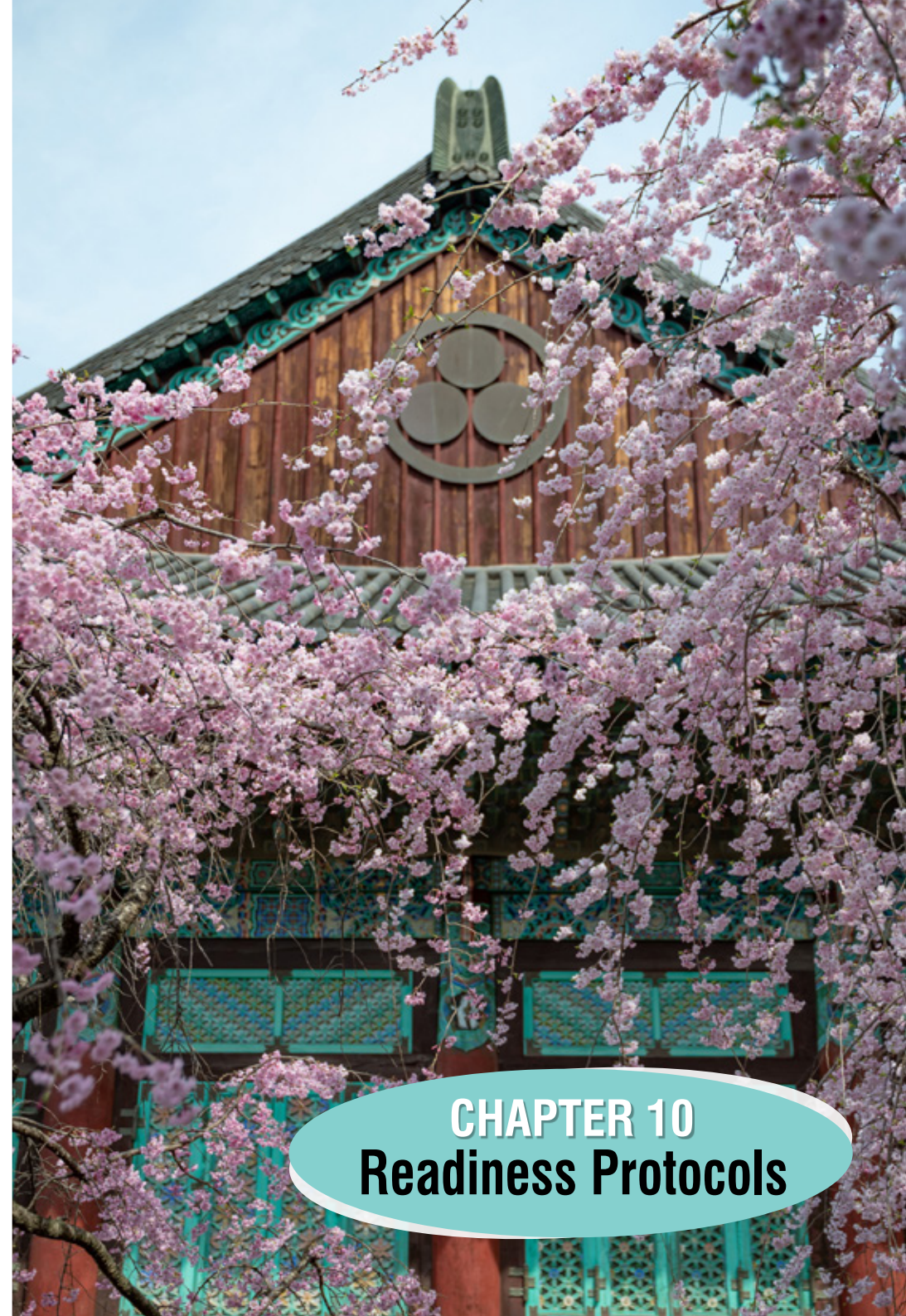
The GI Bill Pay office can check under your name and vehicle registration and ensure that your record is clear. If you received tickets in the mail, you will be required to pay all outstanding traffic fines before you can complete out-processing. Fines can be paid at the local Korean bank at their face value, or they can be paid at GI Bill Pay for an additional fee.

### *GI Bill Pay*

Location: Capitolium Building near Anjung Shopping Mall  
Room 222, 2F  
Free parking for customers.  
Website: <https://www.gibillpay.com>  
Office Phone: 031-654-4924/4925

## Post Office

You can arrange for a temporary Change of Address (COA) to a trusted friend or family member's address. When you know your new address, you can put in another COA to your new address. You must coordinate to put a hold on your mail at your mailroom as USPS does not offer online services for APO addresses. Fill out a DA Form 3955 Change of Address and Directory Card. Turn this into the post office.



# CHAPTER 10 Readiness Protocols

## Force Protection and Emergency Readiness

Korea remains a relatively safe country; however, it is important to take certain measures to ensure your safety during your stay.

US military installations are secure facilities. No one is allowed access to the post without a valid ID card. You must physically hand ID cards to the guards, so they are able to view both sides. In addition, only vehicles with proper registration decals are allowed access to the post. Authorized ID card holders may escort visitors and vehicles onto the post.

As with all US military installations on the Korean peninsula and around the world, security procedures are based upon levels of force protection conditions (FPCON). Force protection levels range from FPCON Alpha (lowest threat) to FPCON Delta (highest threat). The current FPCON level is posted at the installation buildings, facilities, and gates. The commander's channel on the American Forces Network (AFN) is a good source for learning the most current information.

Demonstrations are periodically held throughout the peninsula. Protesters demonstrate for a variety of reasons, including opposition to the US military presence in Korea. These demonstrations are sometimes held just outside the garrison gates. Military officials publicize warnings affecting those affiliated with the government on the post TV channels, Facebook pages, and radio stations (88.3 FM). National Police are always present at these demonstrations to provide additional security. Most importantly, the buddy system is highly encouraged, and is sometimes mandatory.

For more information on Force Protection, visit: <https://www.usfk.mil/Resources/Force-Protection/>

*To report suspicious activity in Humphreys Area III*

Phone: 0503-353-3111 or 3112 DSN: 753-3111 or 3112

## Health Protection Condition

The Department of Defense Public Health Emergency Management policy assigns health protection condition (HPCON) levels in response to disease outbreaks, such as the spread of COVID-19. (HPCON). Health protection levels range from HPCON Alpha (lowest threat) to HPCON Delta (highest threat). The current HPCON level is posted at the installation buildings, facilities, and gates. Commanders review and update the HPCON based on risk levels within a local community and in cooperation with local, state or host nation guidance. Military leaders and

*Gakwonsa Cascade*  
Photo by: Katie Howell

public health personnel use them to guide actions taken in response to a health threat.

As with all US military installations on the Korean peninsula and around the world, security procedures are based upon levels of health protection conditions (HPCON).

Military officials publicize information impacting HPCON levels for those affiliated with the government on the post TV channels, Facebook pages, and radio stations (88.3 FM). For those living on-post, the commander's channel on the American Forces Network (AFN) is a good source for learning the most current information.

For more information on HPCON Levels and COVID-19, visit:

- <https://phc.amedd.army.mil/topics/campaigns/covid19/Pages/HPCON.aspx>
- <https://www.defense.gov/Explore/Inside-DOD/Blog/Article/2128863/hpcon-understanding-health-protection-condition-levels/>

## Civil Defense Drills

South Korea routinely conducts nationwide civil defense drills as part of their emergency readiness plan. The start of the drill is signaled by the ROK government's Air Raid Siren System, and the exercise lasts 20 to 30 minutes. During the drill, all personnel off post are expected to comply with the directions of the Korean National Police and other ROK government officials.

## Noncombatant Evacuation Operations (NEO)

While Korea is a relatively safe location, it is important that all noncombatants be prepared to evacuate both quickly and safely. Noncombatant Evacuation Operations (NEO) are directed by the US Department of State to evacuate eligible personnel from foreign countries when their lives are endangered by war, natural disaster, or civil unrest. The US Embassy (AM-EMB) Seoul designates those authorized with evacuation assistance.

Those considered noncombatant evacuees include:

- US citizens who may be ordered to evacuate
- US government civilian employees and dependents
- US Armed Forces family members
- Designated US Armed Forces military personnel

US/non-US citizens who may be authorized assistance:

- Private US Citizens and their dependents
- Legal US Permanent Residents
- Designated Foreign National Employees of the US Government and their dependents
- Designated Foreign Nationals

Both command sponsored and non-command sponsored families are eligible for evacuation assistance from Korea. Military members and emergency essential civilian employees are not considered noncombatants and will remain in Korea until directed otherwise

## NEO Information

For more information on NEO and upcoming NEO exercises, visit: <https://8tharmy.korea.army.mil/site/families/neo.asp>

### *To Create a NEO Binder*

<https://8tharmy.korea.army.mil/site/assets/doc/resource/NEO-Binder-Presentation.pdf>

### *To View the NEO Brief*

[https://8tharmy.korea.army.mil/site/assets/doc/resource/ANNEX-A-\(NEO-101-Brief-\(English\)\).pdf](https://8tharmy.korea.army.mil/site/assets/doc/resource/ANNEX-A-(NEO-101-Brief-(English)).pdf)

### *NEO Warden*

Each unit in South Korea has an assigned NEO warden. All DoD-affiliated noncombatants must register with their NEO warden upon arrival to their unit. To help noncombatants prepare for a possible evacuation, USFK conducts a semi-annual NEO exercise called Courageous Channel. All DoD-affiliated noncombatants are required to participate in these exercises in order to rehearse evacuation procedures and to train personnel who support NEO execution. In addition to participating in Courageous Channel, each family is required to maintain a NEO kit that includes important documents, enough food and water for three days, and protective gas masks (issued by the military for each dependent). Your NEO warden will help you prepare your NEO documents and ensure you are ready for the exercise.



NEO Info



### **Gas Masks**

Sponsors are responsible for drawing a gas mask at CIF for each dependent and for training their dependents on how to use them. Masks are available for both command-sponsored and non-command sponsored military dependents, as well as US DoD civilians and dependents. They are not available for contractors or technical representatives (the corporation holding the contract must provide the masks).

### **NEO Binder Checklist**

Your NEO warden will help you prepare a NEO binder to include in your NEO kit. At a minimum, you should plan to include the following:

#### *Mandatory Items*

- Identification Cards
- Passports
- Family Care Plan (single and dual military parents)
- Prepared Forms

#### *Recommended Items (Hard to Replace Items)*

- Birth, marriage, and adoption certificates
- Naturalization certificate
- Powers of attorney
- Will
- Insurance policies
- Checkbook, credit cards, financial records
- Vehicle registration and title
- Social security cards
- Tax returns
- Medical records

### **NEO Kit**

Each person is allowed one airline carry-on and one checked bag with a combined total weight of no more than approx. 66 pounds. Each family member (including infants) should have a NEO kit prepared and available in the event of an evacuation. It should include:

- Food and water for three days
- 30 days of medications including prescriptions
- Protective/gas masks
- Blanket

- Change of clothes (warm)
- Toiletries and towel
- Baby Items
- Feminine hygiene items
- First aid kit
- Battery operated radio
- Flashlight
- Batteries
- Limited Cash (~\$100-200)
- Comfort item for children
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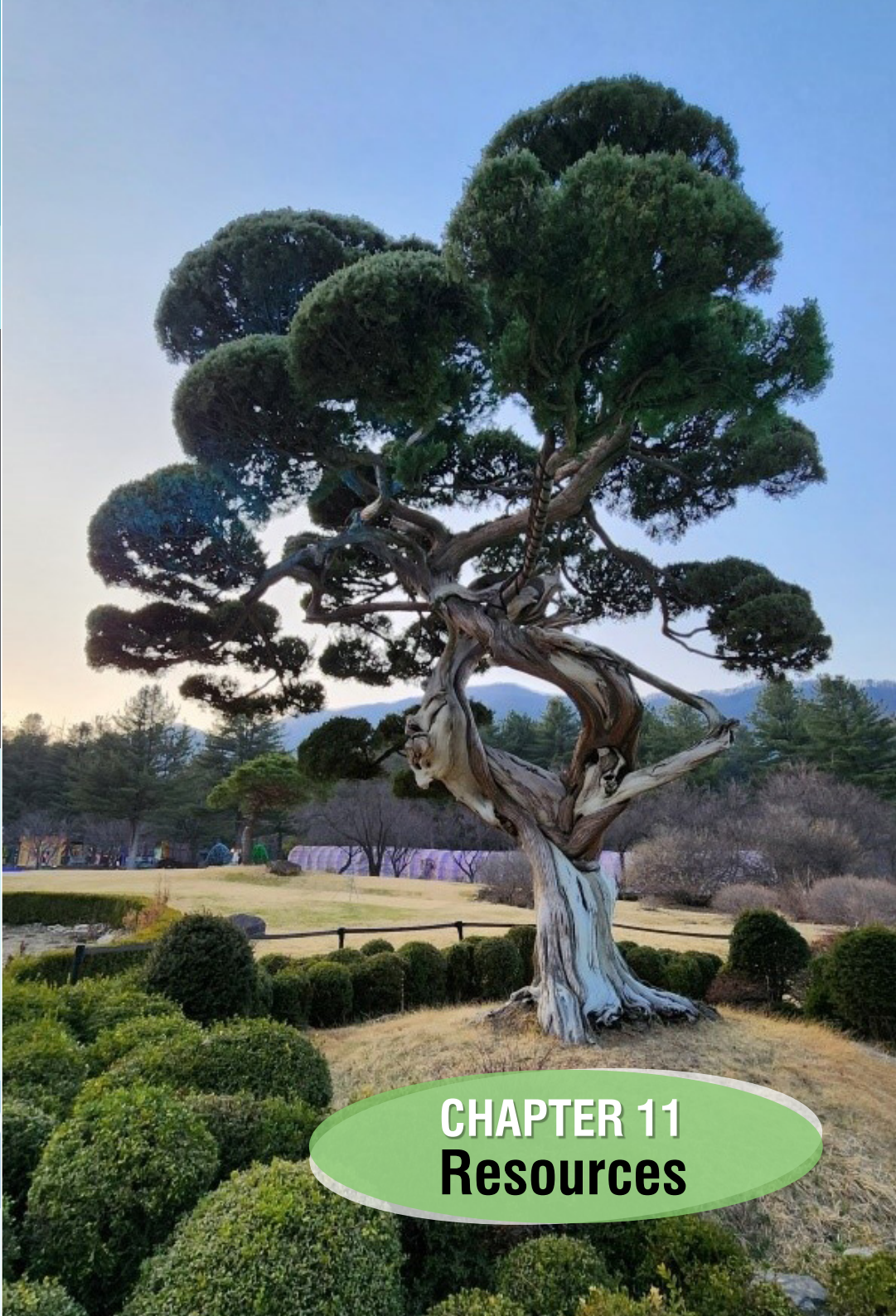
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**CHAPTER 11  
Resources**

## Community Resource list with links to Websites

### Official Camp Humphreys Facebook pages

- U.S. Army Garrison Humphreys (Camp Humphreys) <https://www.facebook.com/usaghumphreys>
- USAG Humphreys ACS <https://www.facebook.com/acs.humphreys>
- USAG Humphreys Exceptional Family Member Program <https://www.facebook.com/groups/850801219422532>
- USAG Humphreys F & MWR <https://www.facebook.com/HumphreysMWR>

### Helpful Resources

- (D.O.D Affiliated) All Newcomers: <https://home.army.mil/humphreys/index.php/my-usag-humphreys/newcomers>
- (Non-Affiliated) All Newcomers: <https://blog.southofseoul.net/us-military-virtual-welcome-packet/>
- Eighth Army Families: <https://8tharmy.korea.army.mil/site/newcomers/index.asp>
- 2nd Infantry Division (2ID) Families: <https://www.2id.korea.army.mil/Newcomers/>
- SOCKOR Families: <https://www.socom.mil/sockor>
- USAF Families: <https://www.osan.af.mil/Newcomers/>
- US Navy Families: [https://www.cnic.navy.mil/Regions/cnfk/installations/cfa\\_chinhae/ffr/welcome\\_ aboard/Getting-Here/](https://www.cnic.navy.mil/Regions/cnfk/installations/cfa_chinhae/ffr/welcome_ aboard/Getting-Here/)
- US Marine Families: <https://www.marfork.marines.mil/>
- UN Command Families: <https://www.unc.mil/>
- USO: USO Korea <https://korea.uso.org/> , USO Humphreys <https://www.facebook.com/uso.humphreys>

### Housing ON and OFF Post

#### On-Post Housing

- Camp Humphreys New Family Housing Towers <https://www.facebook.com/groups/785697884829059>
- Camp Humphreys Old Housing Resident Group - UNOFFICIAL <https://www.facebook.com/groups/HumphreysOldHousing>
- Chinook Housing Tower (5103) -Camp Humphreys

*Millenium Juniper in the Garden of Morning Calm*

Photo by: Leslie Burton Preddy

- <https://www.facebook.com/groups/614797085600306>
- Camp Humphreys AFH Towers: Patton, Pershing, and Abrams  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/356652088368383>
- Camp Humphreys AFH Towers: Britton, Espinoza and Thompson  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/600613751550866>

### Off-Post Housing

- Camp Humphreys Off Post Housing Community Information  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/413232299395161>

## Humphreys Schools/ DODEA Pages

### Facebook pages

- USAG Humphreys School Liaison Officer and School Support Services  
<https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/school-support-services>
- DoDEA USAG Humphreys Community  
<https://www.dodea.edu/Pacific/west/USAGHumphreys/index.cfm>
- DODEA Humphreys West Elementary School  
<https://www.facebook.com/OspreyLeadTheWa>
- DoDEA Humphreys West Elementary School, School Advisory Committee  
<https://www.dodea.edu/HumphreysWestES/getInvolved.cfm>
- DoDEA Humphreys West Elementary School PTSO  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1705777073064720>
- DODEA Humphreys Central Elementary School  
<https://www.facebook.com/humphreys.central.ES>
- DoDEA Humphreys Central Elementary School, School Advisory Committee  
<https://www.dodea.edu/HumphreysCentralES/getInvolved.cfm>
- DoDEA Humphreys Central Elementary School PTSO  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/humphreyscentralesptso>
- DODEA Humphreys Middle School  
<https://www.facebook.com/dodea.humphreys.ms>
- DoDEA Humphreys Middle School, School Advisory Committee  
<https://www.dodea.edu/HumphreysMS/getInvolved.cfm>
- DODEA Humphreys Middle School PTSO  
<https://www.facebook.com/DODEAHumphreysMiddleSchoolPTSO>
- DODEA Humphreys High School

- <https://www.facebook.com/humphreys.HS>
- DoDEA Humphreys High School, School Advisory Committee  
<https://www.dodea.edu/HumphreysHS/getinvolved.cfm>
- DoDEA Humphreys High School Blackhawks PTSO  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1365295090673379/>

### Humphreys Homeschool Networks

- Humphreys Homeschool Group  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/191600224218275/>
- Humphreys Area Homeschool Co-op  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/thehahc>

## Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, and Boy Scouts

- Camp Humphreys Girl Scouts Parent Group  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/245281882529271/>
- Humphreys Cub Scouts Pack 42  
<https://www.facebook.com/humphreyspack42>
- Camp Humphreys Boy Scout Troop 88  
<https://www.facebook.com/Camp-Humphreys-Boy-Scout-Troop-88-111792553513302>
- Scout troop 159 and 47 Camp Humphreys  
<https://www.facebook.com/Scout-Troop-159-and-47-Camp-Humphreys-110498001145690>
- Boy Scout Troop 203, Camp Humphrey's, Korea  
<https://www.facebook.com/humphreysboyscouts>
- USAG Humphreys Cub Scout Pack 203 – Tiger Den  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/687685828859206>
- USAG Humphreys Cub Scouts Pack 203 - Bear Den  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/387769262809711/>

## Child Care Services

- CDC: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/hess-child-development-center>
- School Age Center: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/moreno-school-age-center>
- Teen Center: <https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/sfc-paul-r-smith-youth-center>
- Need a babysitter?, petsitter? (Humphreys and Osan area)  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/334516089948323>

## Spouse Support Networks / Community

- Humphreys United Club Facebook  
<https://www.facebook.com/HumphreysUnitedClub>
- Humphreys United Club Website  
<https://www.humphreysunited.org>
- Team Osan Spouses Club  
<https://www.facebook.com/TeamOsanSpousesClub>
- Daegu Civilian & Spouses Club  
<https://www.facebook.com/DaeguSpouses>
- Camp Humphreys/Osan Spouses with NO CHILDREN  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/255631652007395>
- Humphreys Area Bulletin Board!  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/450864632933406>
- USAG Humphreys Spouses Page  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1115859929318180/>
- Camp Humphreys Support Group  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/125396324784855>
- Humphreys Diverse Abilities Support Group  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1618917738400767>
- Osan AB Spouses  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/132356246790904>
- Humphreys KR Support Page For POC  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/884535735398733>
- Esposas Militares Latinas en Osan AB & Camp Humphreys  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/osanhumphreyslatspouses>
- Parents of Teens at Humphreys  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/224591575784060>
- Humphreys Lost and Found  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/370734330736577>
- Humphreys Home Based Business and Community Partners in Korea  
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- Camp Humphreys Small Business  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1068605053874690>
- Camp Humphreys Humans  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/camphumphreys>
- Civilian Employees/Contractors  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1843006535966724>

## Financial Services

- Camp Humphreys All Things Finance (Stocks, RealEstate, Side Hustles, Crypto)  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1125971534643375>
- Personal Finance for U.S. Military Service Members and Families  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/militarypersonalfinance>

## Transportation

- USAG Humphreys Transportation - With Bus Routes  
<https://home.army.mil/humphreys/index.php/about/Garrison/afsbn/transportation>
- USAG Humphreys Schools Bus  
<https://www.dodea.edu/humphreyscentrales/transportation.cfm>  
Phone: 0503-355-1230 / DSN Phone: 315-755-1230
- Lost During My PCS  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/lostduringmypcs>
- PCS Like A Pro  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/785711195281631>

## Foreign Registration Card

- Instructions PDF  
<https://8tharmy.korea.army.mil/sja/assets/doc/visa/Alien-Registration-Card-170829.pdf>
- Appointment Creation Instructions  
[https://8tharmy.korea.army.mil/sja/assets/doc/visa/Korean\\_Immigration\\_On-Line\\_Appointment\\_Instructions.pdf](https://8tharmy.korea.army.mil/sja/assets/doc/visa/Korean_Immigration_On-Line_Appointment_Instructions.pdf)
- Application Form (Report Form)  
<https://www.hikorea.go.kr/board/BoardApplicationListR.pt#this>  
Work and Volunteering Opportunities
- United Service Organizations (USO):  
*Volunteer*  
<https://korea.uso.org/support/interested-in-volunteering>  
*Careers*  
<https://uso.hrmdirect.com/employment/job-openings.php?search=true&>
- Army Volunteer Corps  
[https://www.armyfamilywebportal.com/VMIS\\_Volunteer\\_Tutorial\\_Videos](https://www.armyfamilywebportal.com/VMIS_Volunteer_Tutorial_Videos)

<https://olms.armyfamilywebportal.com/course/index.php?categoryid=20>

- Job Postings | ERP | Humphreys  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/erpjobposting/>
- Osan AB Spouses Home Businesses  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/osanhomebusiness/>
- Hiring Our Heroes South Korea- HOH Military Spouse Professional Network (Private Group)  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/MSPNSKorea/?ref=share&mibextid=NSMWBT>
- ACS Facebook  
<https://www.facebook.com/acs.humphreys>  
ACS Website  
<https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/army-community-service>
- Army and Air Force Exchange Services (AAFES)  
<https://www.aafes.com/Applymyexchange/>
- Military Spouse Education and Opportunities (MySECO)  
<https://myseco.militaryonesource.mil/portal/msep/jobs>
- Employment Readiness Program, ACS  
<https://humphreys.armymwr.com/programs/army-community-service/employment-readiness-program>
- USA Jobs  
<https://www.usajobs.gov/>
- DoDEA Jobs  
<https://www.dodea.edu/Offices/HR/vacancies.cfm>
- Off Post Employment: Must obtain VISA (Eight Employment Visa Categories)  
<https://www.usfk.mil/Resources/Civilian-Employment/>

### **Cultural/Religious/Political Communities**

- USAG-Humphreys Religious Support Office  
<https://www.facebook.com/HumphreysChapel>
- Agape Humphreys: USAG Humphreys Contemporary Service  
<https://www.facebook.com/AgapeHumphreys>
- USAG Humphreys PWOC  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/CampHumphreysPWOC>
- USAG Humphreys Combined Chapel Choir  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/408969870787039>
- USAG Humphreys CWOC (Catholic Women of the Chapel)  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/humphreyscwoc>

- Hawaii Guam Pacific Islander Ohana of Humphreys  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/352142662603434/>
- Asians & Pacific Islanders On Peninsula  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/499432311169698>
- Osan AB Area Hispanic/Latino Community  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/335225057371838>

### **LGBTQIA+ Support**

- S.A.G.E (Sexual-Orientation and Gender Equality for LGBTQ+)  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/3226189407614786>
- Modern Military Association of America – Voice of the LGBTQ+ Military and Veteran Community  
<https://modernmilitary.org/>
- Modern Military Association of America Korea  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/mmaakorea/>

### **Sports/Fitness**

- Humphreys MWR Fitness  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/HumphreysMWRFitness>
- No Excuse Mom Camp Humphreys, South Korea  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/noexcusemomcamphumphreys>
- Camp Humphreys Striking/Boxing/Muay Thai/Cobra Kai Striking  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/947542912681295>
- Hiking in Korea  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1509799955998479/>

### **Community Private Organizations/Clubs**

- Seoul | Girl Gone International  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/GGISeoul>
- American Legion Facebook  
[https://www.facebook.com/Paul-E-Finn-Memorial-Post-37-South-Korea-971666479604688/?view\\_public\\_for=971666479604688](https://www.facebook.com/Paul-E-Finn-Memorial-Post-37-South-Korea-971666479604688/?view_public_for=971666479604688)
- Humphreys United Club Facebook  
<https://www.facebook.com/HumphreysUnitedClub>
- Humphreys United Club Website  
<https://www.humphreysunited.org/>
- Team Osan Spouses Club

- <https://www.facebook.com/TeamOsanSpousesClub>  
Daegu Civilian & Spouses Club  
<https://www.facebook.com/DaeguSpouses>

### Indoor Clubs/Hobbies

- Humphreys MWR website  
<https://humphreys.armymwr.com/>
- USAG Humphreys MWR Library FB Group  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/humphreysmwrlibrary/>
- Ms Lee's Osan Salsa  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/257876941082279>
- Camp Humphrey's Salsa  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/547337915785057>
- Starbucks Korea Coffee Lounge  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1492231184606897>
- USFK D.o.D. South Korea Starbucks Lovers  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/621525826378082>
- Osan & Humphreys Beauty Group  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/OsanHumphreysBeauty/>
- Camp Humphreys Home Decor  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/652498511890486>
- Camp Humphreys Crafters  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/186565788490219>
- USAG Humphreys Crochet & Knit  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/503051119860188>
- Bakers of Humphreys and Osan  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/4481722581862586>

### Outdoor Clubs/Hobbies

- Humphreys MWR website  
<https://humphreys.armymwr.com/>
- USAG Humphreys MWR Library FB Group  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/humphreysmwrlibrary/>
- Hiking in Korea  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1509799955998479/>
- Angler Uncle.g Camp Humphreys (Fishing in Korea for foreigners)  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/UNCLEG>
- Camp Humphreys Hike & Bike  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/946867845796991>

- Doin' Stuff With Robyn & Dana  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/366113411436331>
- Camp Humphreys Rocks  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/544026016736716>
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### Food, Exploration/Travel

- USAG Humphreys and Yongsan Discover Seoul Tours (Korea Wide Travel)  
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- Osan AB Information, Tickets, & Travel  
<https://www.51fss.com/information-tickets-travel/>
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<https://www.facebook.com/withpief/>
- Pyeongtaek Insight Facebook  
<https://www.facebook.com/Pyeongtaek.Insight.2020/>

## Pet Information /Sitters

- Camp Humphreys Veterinary Activity  
<https://phcp.health.mil/Commands/Public-Health-Activity-Korea/Camp-Humphreys/>
- Flying Pets Korea - Free Advice From Shindogs Air  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/flyingpetskorea>
- Shindog Air  
<https://www.facebook.com/Shindogsair>
- Rats & Other Exotic Pets In Korea-Rescue And Community  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/299479674539248>
- The First Class Pet  
<https://www.facebook.com/TFCPKorea>
- Camp Humphreys Pet Page  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/832693010165215>
- Camp Humphrey's Dog Park Meet Ups  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1946402768829745>
- Animal Rescue Network Korea  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/animalrescuenetworkkorea>
- Dogs of Camp Humphreys & Osan  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/197099829186139>
- Rebel Rescue South Korea  
<https://www.facebook.com/RebelRescueSK>
- Homeward Bound Osan  
<https://www.facebook.com/HomewardBoundOsan>

## Applications

- KakaoTalk
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- Naver Map- GPS
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