



## How Can You Help?

### Hold a Supply Drive:

The USO Dallas/Fort Worth has a list of ongoing needs for our programs, which includes the following:

- regular sized chocolate bars
- snack-sized chips
- beef jerky
- candy
- peanuts/mixed nuts
- sunflower seeds
- trail mix
- granola and/or protein bars
- cheese and/or peanut butter crackers
- chewing gum
- bottled water
- orange and apple juice
- batteries
- travel sized toiletry items

Once you have completed your supply drive, you may drop off these items at our USO DFW offices located at Terminal B14 Upper Level on the non-secure side at DFW Airport Monday-Friday from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm.

You may also schedule a drop-off time with Aneisa Watson ([awatson@uso.org](mailto:awatson@uso.org)).



## Hold a Children's Book Drive:



All service members are encouraged to visit our United Through Reading Room where they can select a book for each of their children and record themselves reading it. Our USO Volunteers will ship the DVD of the recording and the book to the children for the service members. We can only use new books because we send them as a gift to the families. You may also donate DVDs that we can burn the recordings on. Your donations will also be given to local units to help with their mobile UTR Programs.

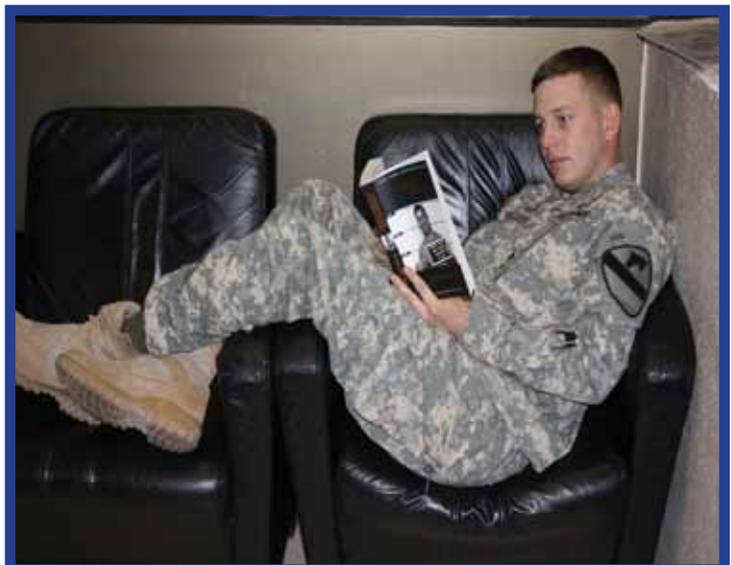
You may drop off the items to our office or contact Linda Robinson for more information ([lrobinson@uso.org](mailto:lrobinson@uso.org)).



## Hold an Adult Book Drive:

Service members and their families who come through our offices and the USO Centers are welcome to take a book with them to read. These books help time go quickly for our service members!

If you are interested in donating books, please bring them by our office or contact Marcia Griffith with questions. ([marciagriffith@aol.com](mailto:marciagriffith@aol.com))



## Sponsor a Lunch in our USO Center:

If your company or organization would like to raise money to sponsor a lunch for our service members and their families in our USO Center, then please contact Christin Baloglou (cbaloglou@uso.org). Due to security issues and space constraints, groups would not be able to actually serve the meal, but can sponsor the costs to cover the lunch. Every day we have anywhere from 200-400 service members and their families come through our Center and they would enjoy a delicious lunch. Price range is \$300-\$600. A sign will be posted in the USO Center highlighting our lunch sponsor for that day. Photos of the lunch you sponsor will be emailed to you.



## Sponsor Lunch for a week in our USO Center:

If your company or organization would like to raise money to sponsor breakfast, lunch, and dinner for an entire week at our USO Center, then costs would range from \$2,700-\$3,000. This would cover drinks, sandwiches, snacks, and ice cream for a week. If you are interested in helping cover the costs for meals so these products remain free for our service members and their families, please contact Christin Baloglou (cbaloglou@uso.org) or Aneisa Watson (awatson@uso.org).

## Give a Financial Contribution:

The USO at Dallas/Fort Worth depends on the generosity of the community to provide superior service to our service men and women. Donations can be made online at <http://affiliates.uso.org/dfw/> or mailed to:

USO DFW  
PO Box 613306  
DFW Airport, TX 75261

Additionally we are interested in opportunities to apply for grants that might provide for operational, programming or other specific needs.

For more information about giving financial contributions, please contact Rhenda White-Brunner ([rwhite-brunner@uso.org](mailto:rwhite-brunner@uso.org)).

## Donate Toys/Movies/ Gift Cards:

Any movies or video games donated will either be used at our USO Center in our lounge area, service members are free to take them, or we give them to local units. If you host a toy drive, we ask they are new so we can give them to family members and our local units as gifts.

## Donate Tickets:

We have a large military distribution list and any tickets the USO DFW receives to sporting events, concerts, movies, comedy shows, etc. all go to our local military.

If you are interested in donating tickets, contact Christin Baloglou ([cbaloglou@uso.org](mailto:cbaloglou@uso.org))





The USO DFW is always in need for regular sized candy bars as these items go quickly in our Center! Products are free for all service members and their families passing through our facility, and donating candy will help keep these items in stock.

For more information or questions, contact Aneisa Watson, [awatson@uso.org](mailto:awatson@uso.org)

### Want a USO Presence at a Special Event?

Based on the type of event, we have great volunteers who would be more than happy to set up a USO information table at organization fairs, company fairs, Veteran events, military Family Days, etc. We are always looking for ways to create awareness about the USO, our mission, and the services we provide for our troops.

If you have any questions or would like the USO at an event, contact Christin Baloglou ([cbaloglou@uso.org](mailto:cbaloglou@uso.org))



## Support Local Military Family Days:

**What is a Military Family Day?** Military Family Days are events that allow service members and families from a military unit to get together for networking, support, and fun. These events often take place prior to a deployment, after a unit has returned home, or around a holiday. Popular venues include drill halls, hangars, and community parks. Troops' families are able to familiarize themselves with what their loved one does and who they serve alongside with. Often, units will have military vehicles on display and allow family members to participate in mock military exercises, such as obstacle courses or target practice. Mainly, these morale-boosting events are a way for soldiers and their families to form connections with each other and the resources around them. The USO works with these active and reserve units in our local area to help with funding for these Family Days.

**What do the units usually request support from the USO for?** Anything from food and snacks, refreshments, bounce houses, face painting, information about USO services, funding for catering, giveaways for children, holiday decorations, cakes, and even Santa Clause outfits!

**How can I help?** Give a financial contribution to help support these Family Days. All contributions will be used to cover the costs of catering, bounce houses, drinks, etc. You can also donate gift cards, toys, games, decorations, and books to give to the units and their families. You can also give your time--sometimes units need help with the set-up or take down for their events.

For more information on Family Days and how you can help, please contact Christin Baloglou ([cbaloglou@uso.org](mailto:cbaloglou@uso.org))



If you have any questions about how to help or donate, please contact us. This is just a short list of ways to help serve our military and if you have other ideas, we would love to hear them!



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