

VOLUNTEER RESOURCE PROGRAM (VRP) and YOUTH VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



Volunteer Resource Program (VRP): The opportunity to participate in MacDill's Volunteer Resource Program (VRP) is available to all active duty military, federal civilians, military and federal retirees, and family members that possess a valid Department of Defense Identification Card. The Military & Family Readiness Center (M&FRC) is the agency responsible for managing the VRP at MacDill AFB. There are approximately 15 base agencies that are currently participating in the VRP. Because this is a formal DoD program, specific forms must be accomplished in order to register. MacDill's Very Important People (MacVIP) program supports monthly incentives based on

the number of volunteer hours. We also pair with the 6 AMW to recognize our volunteers on a quarterly and annual basis. Acceptance in to an agency will be based on eligibility and an assessment done by the agency Volunteer Coordinator. A list of volunteer agencies is available upon request.

Youth Volunteers: Volunteers under the age of 18 can also participate in the VRP at MacDill AFB. Acceptance is based on regular VRP eligibility requirements and any agency-specific restrictions. Eligible youth volunteers will need to complete the same forms as adult volunteers; with the addition of a signed parental consent form.



In addition to participating in the VRP at MacDill AFB, youth volunteers may also wish to consider registering in Florida's Academic scholars program - *Bright Futures*. Participation in Bright Futures is handled separately from the VRP and is the responsibility of the student / parent. It is not necessary to be part of the VRP in order to participate in Bright Futures. However, if a youth does participate in the VRP, the volunteer

agency will be responsible for validating volunteer hours for use in *Bright Futures*. The M&FRC does not have a direct role.

The *Florida Bright Futures* Scholarship Program establishes three lottery-funded scholarships to reward Florida high school graduates for high academic achievement. For more information about *Bright Futures*, please go to <http://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org/ssfad/bf/>

Please note: the YES program has been discontinued by the Air Force Aid Society.

If you are interested in these opportunities, please contact Darrell Natoli at darrell.natoli.1@us.af.mil or call the Military & Family Readiness Center at 813-828-0145



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