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	FY	FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18c. Administrative Costs (FRNs, contractor support, In-person/hybrid/virtual meetings)	\$0.00	\$0.00
18d. Other (all other funds not captured by any other cost category)	\$0.00	\$0.00
18e. Total Costs	\$0.00	\$0.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.00	0.00

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

Federal statute directs the committee to submit of each year, to the Secretary of Defense recommendations on military family readiness. Recommendations, at a minimum, includes the following:1. An assessment of the adequacy and effectiveness of the military family readiness

programs and activities of the Department of Defense during the preceding fiscal year in meeting the needs and requirements of military families.² Recommendations on actions to be taken to improve the capability of the military family readiness programs and activities of the Department of Defense to meet the needs and requirements of military families, including actions relating to the allocation of funding and other resources to and among such programs and activities.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

The Council, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. § 1781a, shall be comprised of no more than 21 members appointed as follows:(a) In General.-There is in the Department of Defense the Department of Defense Military Family Readiness Council (in this section referred to as the "Council"). (b) Members.-(1) The Council shall consist of the following members: (A) The Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, who shall serve as chair of the Council and who may designate a representative to chair the council in the Under Secretary's absence. (B) The following persons, who shall be appointed or designated by the Secretary of Defense: (i) One representative of each of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Space Force, each of whom shall be a member or civilian employee of the armed force to be represented. (ii) One representative, who shall be a member or civilian employee of the National Guard Bureau, to represent both the Army National Guard and the Air National Guard. (iii) One spouse or parent of a member of each of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Space Force, two of whom shall be the spouse or parent of an active component member and two of whom

shall be the spouse or parent of a reserve component member. (C) Three individuals appointed by the Secretary of Defense from among representatives of military family organizations, including military family organizations of families of members of the regular components and of families of members of the reserve components. (D) The senior enlisted advisor from each of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Space Force, except that two of these members may instead be selected from among the spouses of the senior enlisted advisors. (E) The Director of the Office of Military Family Readiness Policy.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

The Council is required to meet at least twice per fiscal year.

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

Federal statute (10 U.S.C. § 1781a) requires the Secretary of Defense to establish this council.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

Meetings are not closed to the public unless the Department of Defense determines that items on the planned agenda meet the closed meeting provisions of 5 U.S.C. § 552b(c). Pursuant to DoD policy closed meetings can only be authorized by the DoD Sponsor (i.e., the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness), and only after consultation with the Office of the Department of Defense General Counsel.

21. Remarks

As a result of the DoD advisory committee review

directed on March 7, 2025, the committee did not meet and all members' terms of service were concluded by the Secretary of Defense on April 25, 2025.

Designated Federal Officer

Vesen L. Thompson Designated Federal Officer

Narrative Description

In accordance with Section 1781a of Title 10, U. S. Code, the Military Family Readiness Council provides independent assessment of the adequacy and effectiveness of the military family readiness programs and activities of the Department of Defense. The Council provides recommendations on how to improve these programs and activities to the Secretary of Defense of each year.

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

Checked if
Applies

- Improvements to health or safety
- Trust in government
- Major policy changes
- Advance in scientific research
- Effective grant making
- Improved service delivery
- Increased customer satisfaction
- Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements
- Other

Outcome Comments

Other not selected.

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

- None
- Unable to Determine
- Under \$100,000
- \$100,000 - \$500,000
- \$500,001 - \$1,000,000
- \$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000
- \$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000
- Over \$10,000,000
- Cost Savings Other

Cost Savings Comments

Cost saving are attributed to the use of the Virtual meetings format

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

58

Number of Recommendations Comments

The council did not meet in FY 2025.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?

79%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

A review of all 58 recommendations since the beginning of the Council showed 46 of 58 recommendations have been implemented.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?

21%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

A full review of partially implemented recommendations will be made in 2026.

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes No Not Applicable

Agency Feedback Comments

The Council provides status updates on MFRC Recommendations at follow-on open public meetings and provides information about implementation of recommendations through community outreach communications. It also works with sponsors of recommendations to develop and oversee implementation of all approved recommendations. Sponsors, DoD leaders and staff, and the public are invited to provide MFRC members with written submissions regarding the work of the Council, including recommendations and topics (focus areas) under review, throughout the year.

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

- | | |
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| Reorganized Priorities | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Reallocated resources | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Issued new regulation | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Proposed legislation | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Approved grants or other payments | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Other | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Action Comments

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

No

Grant Review Comments

None

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

- | | |
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| Contact DFO | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Online Agency Web Site | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Online Committee Web Site | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Online GSA FACA Web Site | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Publications | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Other | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Access Comments

None