

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY US ARMY INSTALLATION MANAGEMENT COMMAND 2405 GUN SHED ROAD JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO FORT SAM HOUSTON, TX 78234-1223

Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers (BOSS) Executive Summary (EXSUM) to the Sergeant Major of the Army (SMA) May 2022

DA BOSS Program:

- SSG Mackall, Army BOSS President, participated in the IMCOM Garrison Commanders Team Conference. He provided updates on the life skills program and the upcoming Soldier Showdown 4 Esports tournament scheduled for May 28, 2022
- Started the planning for the All Army BOSS Training conference (pre-decisional). Tentatively scheduled for 17-27 January 2023 at the Shades of Green, Florida.

Building Cohesive Teams:

- **Bavaria / Benelux / Leonard Wood / Lee / Sill –** Promoted and participated in Easter Egg Hunts in their local communities for Single Parents and Families.
- **Fort Sill:** Opened a new BOSS HQ in bldg. 3709 allowing Soldiers to have a place to relax and enjoy time with fellow squad members.

FIT:

- **USAG Benelux –** Hosted a Brazilian Jiu Jitsu Certification on Self Defense to promote confidence to Soldiers during stressful situations.
- Aberdeen Proving Ground: The BOSS team set up an available barracks room as a place to teach and provide indicators or behaviors contrary to the Army values teaching leaders visual signs of flags they need to look for. They are partnering with ASAP, MFLC, BH, and AWC programs available to Soldiers to teach positive behaviors and benefits of seeking assistance.

Discipline:

- **Fort Sill:** Volunteered with the local library and Special Olympics to read to children in the local community.
- **Fort Drum:** Hosted a driving course for Soldiers that did not have a driver's license, taught by professional, allowing 10 solders to become licensed drivers.

Trained:

- Fort Polk Conducted nightly beginner and advanced swimming lessons to single Soldiers.
- **USAG Natick:** Hosted a weapons safety course teaching local law to ensure understanding of Massachusetts laws, licensing, and training requirements to Soldiers.
- **Camp Casey:** Conducted a parenting from a distance class with FAP to help Single Parents with resources to support their families while being overseas.

Request SMA support on:

- Request the CSA and SMA encourage Senior Leaders to support BOSS; the program is only as strong as our Leaders investment in it is.
- Soldier Showdown 4 Esports tournament scheduled for May 28, 2022
- Request support on Mental Health Awareness and removing the stigma of getting help. We would like our senior leaders to be more vocal about normalizing promoting mental health resources for Soldier.

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