RESOURCE GUIDE TO HELPFUL ONLINE ARMY TOOLS
MY ARMY BENEFITS HELPS SOLDIERS PLAN FOR THE FUTURE

Have questions about your benefits? MyArmyBenefits can help!

MyArmyBenefits is the official online Army resource for all federal and state benefits. Guard Soldiers can access information on a wide range of topics, including:

- Family planning
- Financial planning
- Deployment preparation
- Benefits guidance
- Retention support
- Home buying
- Tax planning and preparation
- Service Transitioning
- Retirement planning

To view the benefits available in each of the States and Territories, go to MyArmyBenefits.us.army.mil/Home/Benefit_Library/State_Territory_Benefits.html and select from either the dropdown menu or map.

Use MyArmyBenefits to plan for your future today.
Want to know what your next paycheck could look like?

The National Guard Pay Calculator allows users to calculate pay after a recent promotion or pay raise. The easy-to-use tool gives an estimated calculation based on the user’s rank, position and years of service. Department of Defense pay rates are always kept current, therefore, annual pay increases can be calculated using the tool as well.

To calculate your pay, go to NationalGuard.com/pay/calculator
Military Acronym Finder

Are you new to the Army National Guard or do you just need an Army abbreviation refresher?

MilitaryWords.com helps Soldiers find the meanings of military terms, acronyms and abbreviations. Users can search a database of more than 5,700 U.S. Department of Defense terms and 150,000 military and government acronyms and abbreviations.

Start your search today at MilitaryWords.com.
Have a Way with Words ... or Maybe Not?

ArmyWriter.com is an Army community website that provides numerous prewritten samples of evaluations, awards, descriptions and other common military writing tasks.

Soldiers can find examples and tips to assist in the writing of important military documents, including:

- NCOERs
- Character Statements
- Awards and Decorations
- Counseling References
- Letters of Recommendation

Start simplifying your writing duties by going to ArmyWriter.com.
YOUR GATEWAY TO BENEFIT INFORMATION

THE eBENEFITS WEBSITE OFFERS current and past service members, their Family members and authorized caregivers SECURE ACCESS TO INFORMATION REGARDING BENEFITS.

The site features a personalized dashboard, employment resources, online and downloadable applications for various benefits offerings and access to the National Resource Directory. Users have the option to create either a free basic account that gives limited access to various features or a free premium account that gives unlimited access to all the site has to offer.

A DS Logon is required for account registration. For more information, go to eBenefits.va.gov.

eBenefits is a service of the Department of Veterans Affairs and the Department of Defense
Military OneSource MilTax, a suite of free tax services provided by the Department of Defense, is designed exclusively to help take the hassle out of tax time for members of the military community.

MilTax offers:
- Secure and free tax preparation and e-filing software designed to leave no military service tax deduction or credit unclaimed, available mid-January through mid-October
- Easy access to tax consultants with military expertise to answer specific questions on topics like military survivor tax forgiveness, filing extensions and more
- Free in-person tax preparation and assistance at MilTax-approved Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) offices
- Quick access to other valuable services and resources such as helpful articles, financial counselors and online resources

MilTax is accessible to service members, including members of the National Guard and Reserves, immediate Family members and eligible survivors.

Army Career Tracker

Development Planning Made Easy

The Department of Defense (DoD)’s Army Career Tracker (ACT) is a convenient leadership development portal for Soldiers seeking a resource to build and track a personalized career development plan. With more than one million users, ACT integrates training and education tools in a tailored, easy-to-use website.

The ACT website offers Soldiers an avenue for tracking and planning their career progress as they move through the Soldier life cycle. Users are able to search a variety of Army education and training resources, create professional and personal goals, receive personalized advice from leaders and mentors and enroll in courses and training events.

For more information or to start using ACT to efficiently track your or your Soldiers’ career development, use your Common Access Card (CAC) or Department of Defense Self-Service Logon (DS LOGON) to log in at ACTNow.army.mil/.
milConnect is a central source for Soldiers and their Families to manage military benefits and services. The website provides a convenient self-service portal for all DoD beneficiaries, their spouses and children to access many of their personal and personnel records held in the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS).

visit MILCONNECT.DMDC.OSD.MIL/MILCONNECT/ for easy access to your benefits and records.
GoArmyEd is a one-stop location for Soldiers to manage their postsecondary education goals. With GoArmyEd, Soldiers have access to:

» Academic and career planning services

» Counseling services

» Tutoring and writing services

» Testing services (including CLEP and DANTES tests, which turn real-world knowledge and experience into college credits)

» Academic Basic Skill building courses, which help prepare Soldiers for college-level courses

Jumpstart your education goals. Create an account at GoArmyEd.com