MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR SAILORS, MARINES AND THEIR FAMILIES

The Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society has been there for Sailors, Marines, and their families since 1904. We will continue to be there each and every day, and we invite you to join us in our work.
MAKE A GIFT TODAY

We offer several ways to support our mission. No matter the size of the gift, your donation will be put to work immediately serving Marines, Sailors, and their families.

• **Donate online at www.nmcrs.org/donate:** You may choose to make a one-time donation or a monthly donation that will support the Society year-round. In addition to credit cards, payment options include PayPal and Apple Pay.

• **Donate by check:** Mail your check or money order, payable to NMCRS, Att: Development, 875 N. Randolph Street, Suite 225, Arlington, VA 22203.

• **Become part of the Anchor Circle:** By making a monthly commitment to the Society, you will provide a critical, reliable source of funding that will help sustain the work of the Society now and into the future.

• **Double your impact through a matching gift:** Many employers sponsor matching gift programs. Some companies match gifts of retirees and/or spouses, as well as those of their employees. If your company is eligible, request a matching gift form from them. Send the completed and signed form, along with your gift, to the Society, and we will do the rest. You can watch the impact of your gift be doubled, or even tripled, by the match.

• **Make a tribute gift:** You may wish to make a tribute gift to honor the birthday or special occasion of a family member or friend, or make a gift in memory of a loved one. We ask that you provide the name of the person the donation will honor or memorialize, along with contact information so we may acknowledge donations to the honoree or their family.

• **Make a gift of your stock or mutual funds:** If you have appreciated stock or mutual funds that you don’t want to sell or cash in because of the capital gains you will owe, consider donating them to the Society. You will receive a charitable deduction for the current value and avoid capital gain taxes. Please contact us for instructions on how to transfer stocks or mutual funds to the Society.
• **Create a fundraising event**: Let us know if you are planning an event or activity to help support the NMCRS mission. We are honored to be a recipient of proceeds from the event, and can work with you to provide access to an online fundraising page as well as address any questions you have.

• **Participate in the annual Active Duty Fund Drive or Retiree Appeal befitting NMCRS**: As an active duty or retired Sailor or Marine, you share an unbreakable bond with every Sea Service member who has worn the uniform. Through the Active Duty Fund Drive or Retiree Appeal, you have the chance to support your fellow Sea Service personnel and their families. You may donate through an allotment or one-time gift, via check or credit card.

• **Shop at AmazonSmile**: When you shop at smile.amazon.com and designate NMCRS as your nonprofit of choice, Amazon will make a donation to the Society.

• **Donate your vehicle**: If you have a vehicle you no longer want, consider donating it to the Society. Our partner, CARS, Inc., will walk you through the simple steps of turning your old vehicle into dollars for the Society and a tax benefit for you. Contact CARS, Inc. directly at 855-500-RIDE or visit https://nmcrs.careasy.org/HOME.html.

• **Designate a gift through your local United Way Campaign**: If you actively participate in your United Way Campaign, please consider designating your donation, or a portion of it, to NMCRS.
WHY WE GIVE

MAKE A LASTING GIFT FOR THE FUTURE

Leaving a gift to the Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society in your will, either as a direct bequest or in the form of a trust or annuity, is a powerful way to leave a legacy and demonstrate your commitment to those who are serving or have served in the Navy or Marine Corps, and their families.

There are many types of legacy gifts you might consider:

• **Bequest:** NMCRS can be named as a beneficiary in your will. You may specify that the Society receives a designated dollar amount, a percentage of your estate, or the remainder of your estate after all debts and expenses have been paid and gifts made to loved ones. NMCRS can provide standard language you may wish to include in your estate plans.

• **Charitable Gift Annuity:** You may wish to give cash, stocks, or mutual funds to the Society during your lifetime and we will pay you and/or a loved one regularly in your lifetimes. After that, the remaining funds will be used for the Society’s work.

• **Charitable Remainder Trust:** You may put cash or property into a trust and designate the Society to receive proceeds at the end of the trust’s term. In the meantime, the trust will pay income for life to you and/or a loved one.

• **Life Insurance Policy:** You may opt to designate the Society as a beneficiary of your policy.

• **Retirement Accounts:** You may have saved more money in your retirement accounts than you actually need. You may consider designating the Society as the beneficiary of your account and avoid taxes normally incurred when this asset is given to an individual.

To learn more, please contact Kate Hillas, Director, Planned Giving, at (800) 654-8364 or giving@nmcrs.org.

The information provided in this brochure is not intended as legal advice. We encourage you to consult with your attorney or financial advisor to determine which type of gift is best for your situation.
VOLUNTEER

The Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society was incorporated in 1904 with 19 volunteers. Today, more than 4,000 volunteers serve US Sailors and Marines and their families all around the world. Volunteers are the core of our existence. Volunteers define our history, maintain our relevance, maximize our resources, assure excellent service, and help shape our future. NMCRS volunteers have unique backgrounds and experiences, yet they all share a desire to support active duty and retired Sea Service families.

Volunteer roles include budget counseling, client services, case management, volunteer engagement and administration, publicity, public speaking, and workshop presenters. Volunteers are essential to the operation of our Thrift Shops.

The many benefits of volunteering include:

- Developing and maintaining skills
- Social networking and team building
- Making a positive contribution - serving Sailors, Marines, and their families
- Reviewing skills to keep resume current
- Practicing public speaking
- Learning budget/financial management
- Learning about the Navy and Marine Corps
- Giving back to the community they served
- Childcare reimbursement
- Mileage reimbursement

Our offices are located on Navy and Marine Corps bases across the United States and around the world. A few limited opportunities allow you to volunteer from home so you don’t need to be near a base.

To learn more and apply to be a volunteer, visit our Volunteer page: www.nmcrs.org/volunteering
HOW YOUR SUPPORT HELPS CARE FOR SAILORS, MARINES, AND THEIR FAMILIES

For over 100 years, the NMCRS has provided financial assistance, education, and other services to active duty and retired members of the United States Navy and Marine Corps, their eligible family members and survivors – when in need.

In supporting the NMCRS through your philanthropic donation or volunteer service, know that your time and resources will be used wisely and effectively in support of our mission.

Here’s how the Society helps Marines and Sailors in their time of need.

Financial Assistance

From everyday bills to unexpected expenses, NMCRS caseworkers are ready to provide Sailors, Marines, and their families with financial assistance and counseling. Each year, the Society works with tens of thousands of clients providing interest-free loans and grants, for a variety of needs, including but not limited to:

- Emergency transportation
- Child care expenses
- Funeral expenses
- Essential vehicle repairs
- Medical/dental bills
- Unforeseen family emergencies
- Food, rent, and utilities
- Disaster relief

In my 20 year Marine Corps career I served as Commanding Officer of both company and battalion sized units. I saw first hand that the NMCRS is the “real deal.” Both my wife and I had personal observations of Marines and Sailors who were “taken care of” by the local NMCRS. We are proud of what they stand for and all that they do.

Colonel Thomas J. Carroll USMC, Ret
Financial Education

- We provide budget counseling and financial management education to help Marines and Sailors and their spouses understand how to budget appropriately and live within their means.

- We conduct Budget for Baby® workshops for prospective parents to teach them how to plan financially for the arrival of a new baby.

- We offer an array of resources and referrals to help Sailors and Marines become fiscally responsible and achieve financial stability.

Visiting Nurses

Registered Nurses employed in our Visiting Nurse Program assist thousands of patients each year, providing:

- Free in-home visits, telehealth visits, support groups, and classes for eligible NMCRS clients

- Education on health care issues ranging from new and expectant parental concerns, infant growth and development, to adult health education and referral sources for health concerns and chronic disease management

Scholarships

Through the Society’s Education Assistance Program, we offer grants and interest-free loans for undergraduate or master’s degree programs at accredited 2- or 4-year post-secondary, technical or vocational institutions in the United States. This financial assistance is available for children of active duty, retired or deceased Sailors and Marines, and for spouses of active duty or retired Sailors and Marines. You can learn more about the scholarships and specific requirements by visiting www.nmcrs.org/education.

Thrift Shops

Society Thrift Shops enable Navy and Marine Corps families to purchase gently used uniforms, clothing and household items at a low cost. All items sold in our Thrift Shops are donated and proceeds support our programs and services. The Society operates Thrift Shops on numerous Navy and Marine Corps installations. For a list of thrift shops go to www.nmcrs.org/thriftshop.
Planned Giving Information:
Kate Hillas, Director, Planned Giving
(800) 654-8364 | giving@nmcrs.org

General Donation Inquiries:
(800) 654-8364 | giving@nmcrs.org

Program Information and Volunteer Opportunities:
www.nmcrs.org

The Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society is a 501(c)(3) public charity. Our programs are funded by charitable donations; we do not receive any funding from the Department of Defense.

www.nmcrs.org
875 N. Randolph Street, Suite 225
Arlington, VA 22203
(800) 654-8364

Photo Credits: Senior Chief Petty Officer Jayme Pastoric, Lance Cpl. Ryan Hageali and Lance Cpl. Ana Madrigal