

SUPPORTIVE AGENCIES TO SUPPORT OUR TROOPS

- **Air Force Aid Society** – Air Force Aid Society (<https://afas.org/>)
Reservist eligibility for an Air Force Aid Loan listed below:
Full-Time Active Guard Reserve (AGR) and Transitional Reservist (TR) on orders more than 15 days. ARTs are not eligible. (See attachment)
- **American Red Cross** – contact 1-877-272-7337 or <https://www.redcross.org/get-help/military-families/financial-assistance.html>.
Provides services members and their families with emergency aid, to include food, clothing, lodging and utilities. Eligible Reservists can also apply for an Air Force Aid Loan through the Red Cross.
- **UNMET Needs Program**
Offers government funded grants up to \$1500 for financial assistance.
www.vfw.org
866-789-6333
M-F 0815-1630 CST
- **Operation Homefront - Critical Financial Assistance**
Do you need financial assistance for overdue bills, repairs, or other critical family needs? If you are active duty, deployed, a veteran, or are wounded, ill or injured service member. Contact for eligibility.
www.operationhomefront.org
1-877-264-3968
- **USA Cares – Veterans & Family Support System**
Offers government funded grants (Max limit unknown) Application are required with 2 day turn time for decision.
EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE- Focuses on cases where the financial stress related to military services. This program pays immediate, essential bills, including Food and Utility bills.
www.usacares.org 800-773-0387 M-F 0800-1700
- **American Legion of Ohio (740) 362-7478**
A temporary financial assistance program that provides maintenance grants to assist with basic needs; shelter, food, clothing and utilities.
American Legion One Time Grant of \$1500
Available to:
 - Active duty with minor children
 - Veterans (have to be members but sponsorship may be available)

Goal is to keep families in their homes and will assist with paying rent/mortgage, utilities and families can apply for food assistance. It can also be combined with the Family Support Network Grant

Family Support Network Grant

Available to:

- Active Duty
- Reserve and ANG

\$500 that can be used for rent/mortgage, utility bills and food assistance.

The PenFed Foundation - Interest-Free Loan

Interest-Free Loans, known as Asset Recovery Kit Loans, provide a no-interest alternative to predatory lending for active duty, reserve, and National Guard military. Through Interest-Free Loans, one can borrow up to \$500 with a flat fee of \$5 and no interest for one month.

County Veterans Service Officers (CVSO) - goggle your local CVSO

Provide once a year financial assistance for eligible service members. Contact your local CVSO for eligibility requirements.

Job & Family Services Office of Unemployment Insurance Operations

- **Apply for Benefits** (See Attachment for more details)

Ohio has two ways to file an application for Unemployment Insurance Benefits:

- **Online**

File online at <http://unemployment.ohio.gov>, 24 hours/day, 7 days/week. Service may be limited during nightly system updating. Check the website for available services. Please be sure to follow the instructions. If you do not have access to a computer, visit your local library or OhioMeansJobs Center where computers are available for public use. A list of OhioMeansJobs Centers can be found at: <http://jfs.ohio.gov/owd/wioa/map.stm>.

- **Military One Source 24/7: 800-342-9647**

Military OneSource offers free confidential non-medical counseling to service members. A consultant will assess your needs and give you a referral.