

CKSP RESOURCES



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Commander Key Support Program



ABOUT

The U.S. Air and Space Force Commander's Key Support Program (CKSP) is an official Unit Family Readiness Program designed to enhance readiness and establish a sense of community. This Commander's program promotes partnerships with the unit, the Military & Family Readiness Center (M&FRC) and community agencies.

VISION

The Department of the Air Force Families—empowered, connected and resilient

PURPOSE

To enhance mission and family readiness and establish a sense of community as well as promote partnerships with the unit, the Military and Family Readiness Centers (M&FRC) and community helping agencies



COMMANDER'S PROGRAM

The Commander's Key Support Program and the roles and responsibilities of the KSL will look different on each installation as well as vary from one unit to the next depending on the needs of the unit and the goals of the Commander. The Commander will create a program based on what best serves the needs of his/her unit. While Commander's are responsible for establishing the roles and responsibilities of their KSL it is important understand what KSLs are and are not intended to be.

Volunteers

The Commander appoints volunteers he/she feels would best represent their unit as a KSL/KSM.

Volunteers that can be appointed include:

Spouses • Active-Duty Members • Federal Civilians • Family Members • Civilians connected to the unit.

Key Support Liaisons Are:

- Trained volunteers • Official Unit Representatives • Link between unit leadership and spouses/families • Information and referral resource • Peer to peer support system

Key Support Liaisons Are Not:

- A spouses club • Social Planner (parties, meal trains, etc.) • Fundraiser • Counselor • Babysitter

KSLs are not expected to be subject matter experts, nor should they act as counselors. KSLs should utilize referral resources such as the M&FRC, Family Advocacy Program, Chaplains, Military One Source, and Military Family Life Counselors (MFLC).

KSLs serve as an "official" unit representative, role model, and conduit of accurate information to unit spouses. When KSLs are asked to step outside of this role, the program can lose credibility and focus.

