



OMB ENDOWMENT FUND FOR HEALTH & WELLNESS

FOR DISADVANTAGED AND DISABLED MILITARY CHILDREN

The OMB Endowment Fund for Health & Wellness provides financial grants and scholarships for disadvantaged and disabled military children, and functions by offering comprehensive support to address their unique challenges. Here are key areas of OMB care and the necessary support often emphasized for these children:



1. ACCESS TO MEDICAL CARE AND THERAPIES

- Ensuring military children with disabilities receive specialized medical care, therapies, and rehabilitation services tailored to their needs, such as physical therapy, occupational therapy, and speech therapy.
- Note: for Care and Support areas not already provided by a military program.
- See notes below for some National Guard exceptions.

2. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

- Offering financial aid or subsidies to help cover medical costs, therapy, specialized equipment (such as wheelchairs, juvenile therapy development helmets, or communi-

cation devices), as well as other essential services.

- Helping disadvantaged families access affordable childcare, housing assistance, or educational grants.

3. EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT

- Providing access to individualized education plans (IEPs) and special education services, along with ensuring military families have access to schools that can accommodate the specific learning needs of disabled children.
- Tutoring programs and educational support services to ensure disadvantaged military children have the resources they need to succeed academically.

4. EMOTIONAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL SUPPORT

- Providing counseling services, mental health support, and therapy to help both the children and their families cope with the emotional challenges related to military life, frequent relocations, and the additional stresses of caring for a child with disabilities.
- Building emotional resilience through peer support groups for both the children and their parents.

5. RESPITE CARE FOR FAMILIES

- Offering respite care services to give military families a break from the constant caregiving responsibilities, providing them time to rest and recharge.
- Support programs that connect caregivers with trained professionals or volunteers who can step in to provide temporary care.

6. ADVOCACY AND LEGAL SUPPORT

- Advocacy programs that help military families navigate complex systems such as limited military healthcare benefits, insurance, and to ensure that their children receive the care and services that they are entitled to.
- Legal assistance for parents advocating for their children's rights in education, healthcare, and disability services.

7. COMMUNITY AND PEER SUPPORT

- Creating community support networks where military families can connect with others facing similar challenges, offering mutual support and resources.
- Organizing events, recreational activities, and adaptive sports programs to allow disabled military children to engage socially and develop friendships in a supportive environment.

8. SPECIAL PROGRAMS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

- Providing scholarships and grants for children with disabilities to attend camps, special programs, or to further their education, giving them opportunities to thrive in areas like the arts, technology, or adaptive sports. Special remedial educational learning disabled mastery.

9. SPECIAL NEEDS ADVOCACY DURING TRANSITIONS

- Assisting families with transitioning between military bases, ensuring that services for children with disabilities continue uninterrupted during relocations.
- Partnering with military family advocates to ensure proper care and services are available wherever the family is stationed.



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These special juvenile care initiatives are crucial for fostering the well-being, growth, and potential of disadvantaged and disabled military children while offering comprehensive support to the military member and their families.

National Guard members receive no military programs assistance for this special purpose and may require specific OMB Endowment coordination & Sponsorship funding.

Referral will come from parents, the military & civilian referral pediatricians, and with Vetting by family advocacy and local unit leadership.