

# MONEY

in real life



## Put on the Cheer While Sticking to the Bottom Line

It's fun to show family, friends and guests all your installation and town have to offer. However, spending plans don't always include the extras. Here are a few tips for how to celebrate *and* keep costs down:



### Happy Birthdays

Whether it's a first or a 21st, birthdays are momentous. For a kiddo, book the base bowling alley or movie theater and keep it budget friendly with a commissary cake. Gather your buddies and make any grown-up birthday memorable with laser tag and paintball via [Morale, Welfare and Recreation](#).



### Once-in-a-Lifetime Outings

Check off your bucket list without breaking the bank at an [Armed Forces Recreation Center](#) resort.



### Go Team

Sit behind home plate or at center court. Score the best seats in the house with [Information, Tickets and Travel](#).



### Family Visits

When your spouse, children or parents visit, make it a memorable reunion. Introduce them to the area with a local excursion like renting a cabin or beach house.

As you reach new milestones and complete [service-required trainings](#), look to the [Office of Financial Readiness](#) for more information and follow @DoDFINRED on:    

