

# **Do Your Part: State Initiative**

# 83% of military families

## believe that the U.S. will face a major conflict within the next 3–5 years.

## We aren't ready.

Blue Star Families is changing the way America supports its military because that is what it will take to support the All-Volunteer Force today and into the future.

## **Do Your Part Initiative**

Do Your Part is a multi-sector coalition of change-makers seeking to spark a movement and fulfill the Constitution's promise of providing for the common defense by focusing on these three areas: Community & Connectedness, Jobs & Economic Security, and Military & Youth Well-Being.





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## **Do Your Part: State Toolkit**

**Blue Star Families, the National Governors Association, and Cicero, a MGT Company,** have partnered to produce the Do Your Part toolkit. This state toolkit, a first-of-its-kind effort, identifies and elevates easy, high-impact solutions states and communities are **already doing in order to accelerate their adoption nationally**. These local, innovative solutions are lightening the load for military families, making it easier for service members to remain focused on their mission.

#### Core components of this project include:



Landscape analysis of all states and territories, mapping publicly available policies and programs for military families.



Impact assessment to identify innovative, high-impact solutions and optimal approaches for supporting military families.



Showcasing exemplary programs and policies across states and territories.



**User-friendly toolkit** for state policymakers and advocates to access key resources.

## What makes our approach unique?

#### **Solutions-Oriented**

- Focus on innovative and successful solutions
- Focus on positive changes
- 🖈 Impact-oriented

#### Comprehensive

Elevates solutions beyond statutory reforms:

- 🕉 Non-budgetary
- Public-private partnerships
- 🖈 Grantmaking
- Stellar implementation techniques

#### **Flexible and Accessible**

- User-friendly website and toolkit
- Search and filter by target groups and issue areas

#### Collaborative

- Complements work of Defense State Liaison Office
- Acknowledges states with innovative approaches

## We need states to do their part.

Join the movement and become a Do Your Part State today.



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