



The Military Child World Expo
The National Association For Military-Connected Children
The Home of the Military Child

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American Torchbearers Showcase to Celebrate America 250 at the Military Child World Expo

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The Military Child World Expo Foundation (MCWEF) announced the American Torchbearers Showcase, a free, public celebration honoring America's 250th anniversary, will take place as the official closing event of the Military Child World Expo.

The American Torchbearers Showcase is a family-friendly event featuring live music, performances, and presentations highlighting military-connected children, adults, and community members. Performances will include both solo and group presentations, reflecting creativity, service, and national pride.

The Showcase is designed to recognize military-connected youth and families as active contributors to the nation's story, while inviting the broader public to participate in a shared celebration of community, culture, and service.

"The American Torchbearers Showcase is about honoring the next generation alongside those who serve," said Adrienne Schaffer, Esq., (Colonel Retired), MCWEF. "As we mark America 250, this event reflects the values of unity, resilience, and belonging that military-connected children live every day."

The event is free and open to the public. While tickets are listed to manage capacity and seating, all tickets are issued at \$0.00 and guarantee entry while space allows.

Hosted in Arlington, Virginia, the Home of the Military Child, the American Torchbearers Showcase reinforces the community's role as a national gathering place for recognition, reflection, and celebration.

About the Military Child World Expo Foundation (MCWEF)

The Military Child World Expo Foundation (MCWEF) serves as the National Association for Military-Connected Children, providing national leadership, cultural stewardship, and institutional coordination on behalf of children growing up in military-connected families worldwide.

MCWEF advances its mission through a flagship national convening, the Military Child World Expo, and targeted initiatives focused on cultural identity, caregiving recognition, and belonging.

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