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Supporting Nutrition Security in Military Families Through a Multilayered Approach

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Among our nation's active-duty members and their families, an estimated 24% are food insecure.

Food Security in Focus!

Today's Facilitators



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Noelle Harden

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Today's Facilitators



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Today, we hope you will

- Understand why nutrition security is important for military families
- Explore the Spectrum of Prevention as a framework to address nutrition security through a range of complementary approaches
- Exchange ideas with others about how to support military families in accessing safe, affordable, healthy, and culturally based food



We are a team today



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We have the unique opportunity to learn from one another and create a beautiful vision of nutrition security for military families today.

Your engagement is key.



Personal reflection

What words, images or stories come to mind when you think about **nutrition security?**



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My personal reflection





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My family's reflection





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Nutrition and National Defense

Research by Hannah LeBlanc explores the deep and often invisible connections between the history of the military and modern American nutrition



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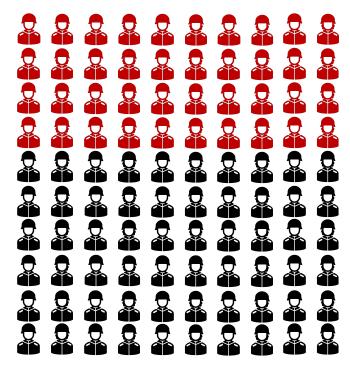
(https://news.stanford.edu/2019/01/17/historian-traces-militarys-influence-modern-american-nutrition/)



Nutrition Security and National Security

"In 1945, military leaders testified to Congress that as many as 40 percent of recruits were rejected during World War II due to malnutrition."

(2020 Council for a Strong America; https://www.strongnation.org/articles/1335-breaking-point)



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Military readiness & school lunch

1946: Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act

"It is hereby declared to be the policy of Congress, **as a measure of national security**, to safeguard the health and well-being of the Nation's children and to encourage the domestic consumption of nutritious agricultural commodities and other food, by assisting the States, through grants-in-aid and other means, in providing an adequate supply of foods and other facilities for the establishment, maintenance, operation, and expansion of nonprofit school lunch programs."

(https://www.fns.usda.gov/part-210%E2%80%94national-school-lunch-program)



Black panthers & school breakfast





Evelyn Hockstein/Washington Post via Getty

(https://www.eater.com/2016/2/16/11002842/free-breakfast-schools-black-panthers)

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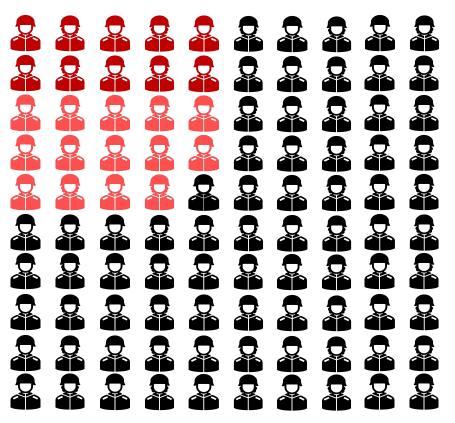
White House Conferences: 1969 & 2022



(https://www.13newsnow.com/article/news/national/military-news/military-food-insecurity/291-303f7c0b-fedf-4f75-b9ad-3dbd198f1531)



Food Insecure Active-duty Personnel



24% Food Insecurity Rate (2020)

- 14% Low Food Security
- 10% Very Low Food Security

(Food security of active duty members: Results from 2020 status of forces survey of active duty members (SOFS-A))

Of the 1 in 4 Food Insecure (2018)

- 9% used the WIC Program
- 6% visited a food pantry
- <2% used SNAP</p>

(RAND: Food Insecurity Among Members of the Armed Forces and Their Dependents; 2023)

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Food security vs nutrition security



USDA ACTIONS ON NUTRITION SECURITY

WHAT IS NUTRITION SECURITY?

Consistent access to nutritious foods that promote optimal health and well-being for all Americans, throughout all stages of life.



HOW DOES NUTRITION SECURITY
BUILD ON FOOD SECURITY?

Food security is having **enough** calories. Nutrition security is having the **right** calories.

USDA



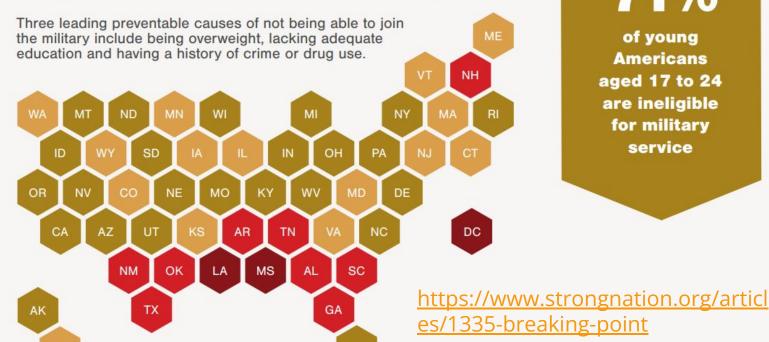
Mission Readiness Today

We must ensure that federal nutrition programs continue to provide fresh and nutritious foods for children, during the pandemic and beyond."



Admiral (Ret.) James Stavridis U.S. Navy, NATO Supreme Allied Commander, 2009-2013

Many young Americans are not eligible to join the military



71%

of young **Americans** aged 17 to 24 are ineligible for military service

PERCENT INELIGIBLE TO JOIN THE MILITARY (AGES 17-24)

75%-78%

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73%-74%

71%-72%

62%-70%

Council for a Strong America



We often focus on the individual



Alexander Hafemannon | Unsplash



When a systems approach is needed



















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(University of Minnesota Extension; https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3f9hc6FRe7chttps://extension.umn.edu/nutrition-education/systems-approaches-healthy-communities#organizations-purchase-the-program-682810)



Spectrum of Prevention

The Spectrum of Prevention

Influencing Policy & Legislation

Changing Organizational Practices

Fostering Coalitions & Networks

Educating Providers

Promoting Community Education

Strengthening Individual Knowledge & Skills

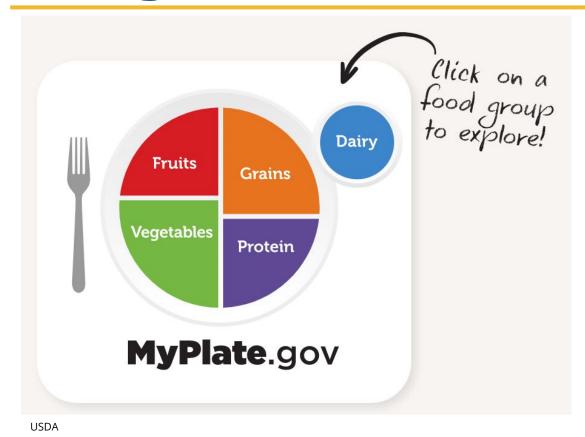
Prevention institute

(Prevention Institute;

https://www.preventioninstitute.org/tools/spectrum-prevention-0)



Strengthen Individual Knowledge & Skills





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In the chat

What could help military families have the **knowledge and skills** to make healthy choices?



Promote Community Education





Food Lilfeline; https://foodlifeline.org/militaryfamilyhunger/

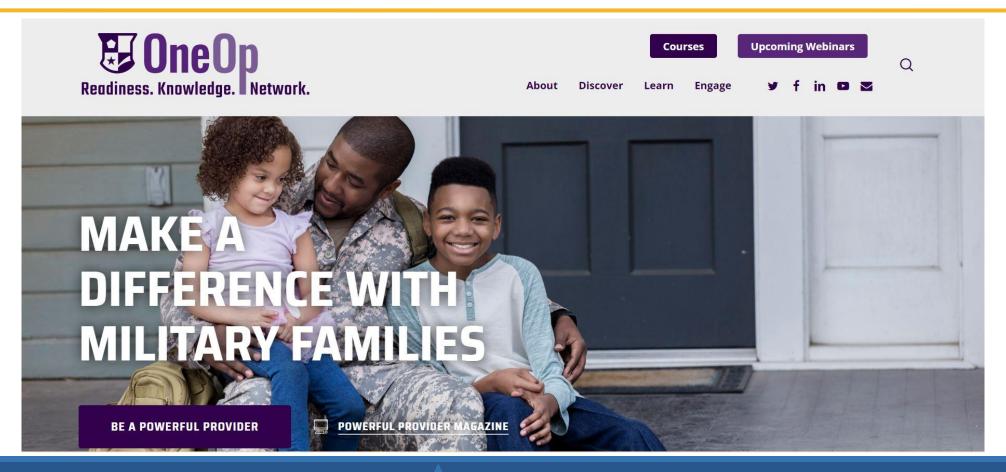


In the chat

What **community education** efforts could help military families have healthy choices?



Educate Providers





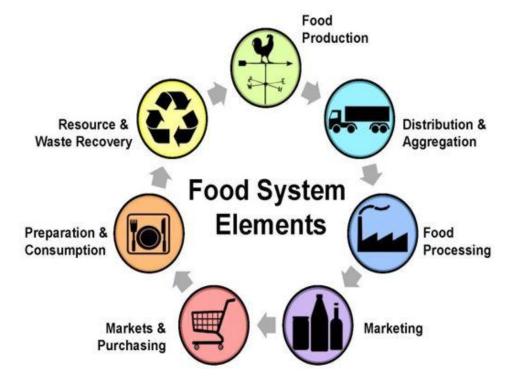
In the chat

How can **service providers** better support the nutritional security of military families?



Foster Networks & Coalitions





Center for Environmental Farming Systems

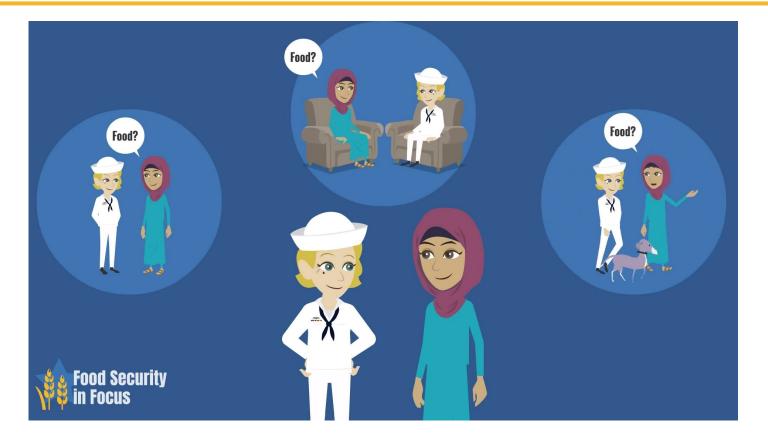


In the chat

How can members of **networks and coalitions** work together to improve nutritional security for military families?



Change Organizational Practices



(https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=eVhLUSjaZp8)



Organizational Practices: SuperShelf



SuperShelf

Transforming Food Shelves

Using a multi-step systems change process, SuperShelf works with food shelves to:

- Create a food shelf environment that is client centered, promoting and respecting individual choice
- Increase access to a variety of healthy, culturally appropriate food
- Apply behavioral economic principles promote healthy food choices
- Create an appealing environment by transforming the physical space
- Meet specific SuperShelf standards, methods, and values
- Make the healthiest choice the easiest choice for all

(UMN Extension; https://www.supershelfmn.org/)



In the chat

How can **organizations change practices** in order to better support the nutritional security of military families?



Influence Policy & Legislation







Federal

Clipartkey

(Asch, et al., 2023; https://www.rand.org/pubs/research_briefs/RBA1230-1.html)



School meals still on the policy menu

Students celebrate with Gov. Tim Walz after signing the free school meals bill at Webster Elementary in northeast Minneapolis on Friday.



MPR News | Cr: Ben Hovland



Cities, Counties, School Districts

IEWS MOORHEAD

Moorhead residents may soon be able to own backyard chickens

If the ordinance ultimately passes, Moorhead residents will have the option to keep chickens and one breed of duck within city limits.



Fargo Forum

BUSINES

Halal meat processing facility in Glyndon clears initial barrier with county approval

Moorhead school leaders discuss policy changes surrounding school lunch

The rule change will be brought up again at the next board meeting in two weeks.

NEWS FARGO

Speaker to discuss food-access issues, solutions in Fargo

NEWS FARGO

Fargo's boulevard garden program to become permanent

Final details will be voted on later to eliminate regulations and encourage participation





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How could **public policies** (local, state, and federal) better support the nutritional security of military families?

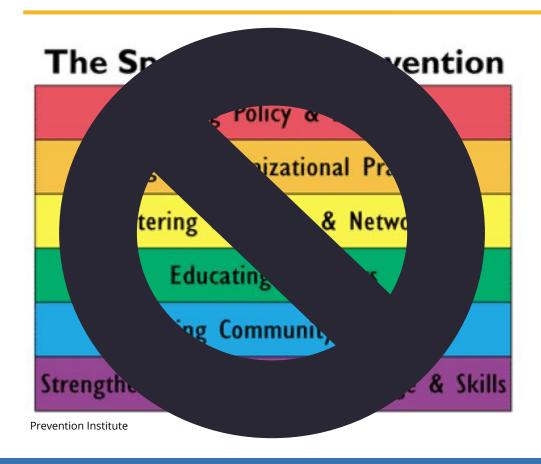


Systems Approaches for Healthy Communities





So is that it?

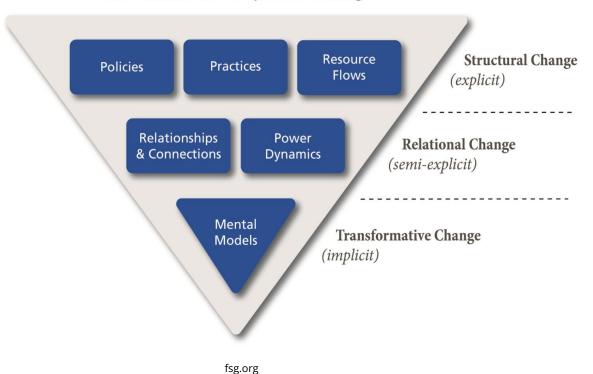


What are the **limitations** of the spectrum of prevention?



The Water of Systems Change

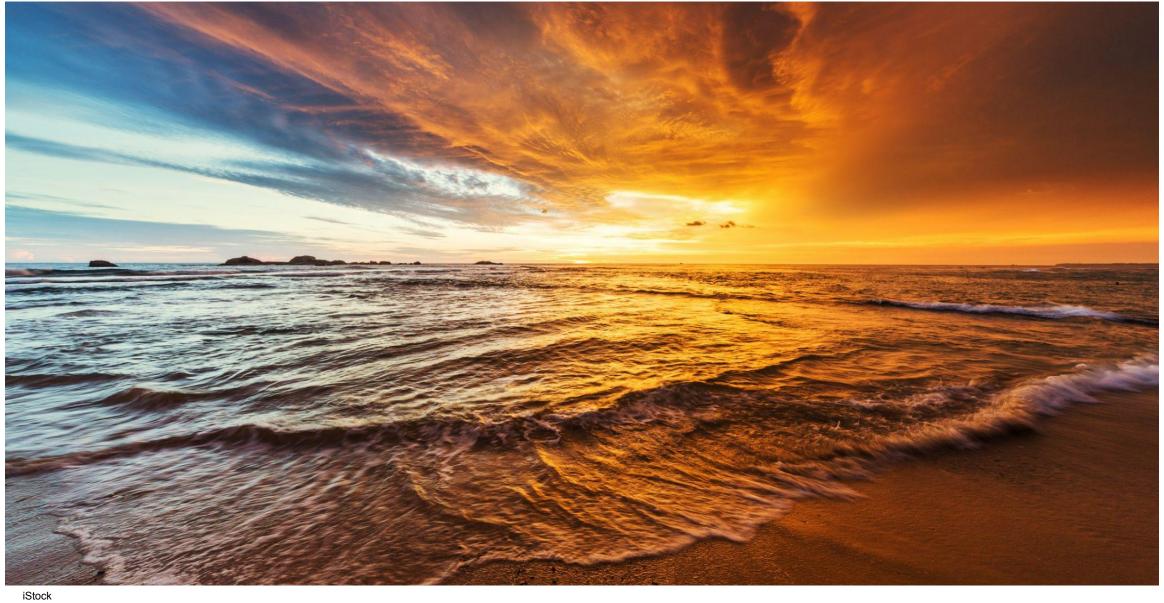
Six Conditions of Systems Change



"Real and equitable progress requires exceptional attention to the detailed and often mundane work of noticing what is invisible to many."

https://www.fsg.org/resource/water of systems change/







In the chat

How have your **mental models** shifted today? What have you learned?

What will you explore further?



Thank You!





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- 1.5 CE from the Commission for Case Manager Certification.
- 1.5 CE from the Certified Family Life Educators (National Council on Family Relations NCFR).
- 1.5 CE from the Commission on Dietetic Registration for RDNs and NDTRs
- 1.5 CE from the **Accredited Financial Counselors**
- 1.5 CE from the **Certified Personal Financial Counselors**
- 1.0 CE from the **Patient Advocate Certification Board** to Board Certified Patient Advocates (BCPA).
- 1.0 CE from the American Association for Family and Consumer Sciences for Certified in Family and Consumer Sciences (CFCS).
- 1.0 CE from the American Association for Family and Consumer Sciences for Certified Nutrition and Wellness Educators (CNWE).
- OneOp certificate of attendance available.

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Supportive Programs and Benefits to Expand Food Security for Military Families

June 7, 2023 - 11:00 am- 12:30

Dr. Angela Odoms-Young facilitates a panel discussion among expert representatives from federal agencies to explain how military families can access benefits and programs aimed at alleviating food insecurity.

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Join OneOp as we focus on expanding food security for military families and mobilizing family service professionals to work together at federal, state, and local levels.



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