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Title: Ft Riley Fisher House Fund Drive Letter

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2016 Annual Ft. Riley Fisher House Fund Drive

http://www.fisherhouse.org/index.html

http://fisherhouseinc.org/pages/fisher_who.html



The first Fisher House built outside the U.S. was dedicated in June, 2001 in Landstuhl, Germany, site of the military's only major medical center in a foreign country.

According to the Landstuhl Fisher House website, the facility's mission is to:

provide a "home away from home" for families and patients receiving medical care at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center, Landstuhl, Germany. Families served are from the US European Command, US Central Command, US Special Operations Command, US Africa Command and the 72 Embassies in Europe, Africa, and the Middle East. As of today, we are proud to have supported over 12,000 families of which more than 2,700 have come from Operation Enduring Freedom (OEF-Afghanistan) or Operation New Dawn (formerly OIF). We are also proud to say we have assisted 27 coalition countries in their families' time of need."

The annual Ft. Riley Fisher House Fund drive, sponsored by Barton Community College, is dedicated to providing much needed funds directly to the Landstuhl Fisher House located on the Landstuhl Air Force Base in Germany. The drive officially kicks off on Veterans' Day and ends on December 24th, although donations are gratefully accepted at any point!

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Barton Community College is proud to provide educational services to the Total Military Family. Please support the military students and their families. Although we cannot know the individual service members to whom our donations will directly support, there is a strong likelihood that some recipients will have a connection to Barton, and as such, are members of the Barton Community College Family.

Please send your tax deductible donation to (if making a donation via check, please make payable to "Ft. Riley Fisher House Fund"):

Ft. Riley Fisher House Fund Barton Community College ATTN: Janet Balk P.O. Box 2463 Ft. Riley, KS 66442

You can obtain pre-addressed envelopes from and drop off donations to from Janet Balk (BLDG 7656/RM 13), the Tutor Center (BLDG 7656/RM 15), Mike Cox (BLDG 7604/RM 8), or PTK VP Danielle Butenhof.

If you are interested in making a donation via a debit and/or credit card (PayPal or via Square swipe system), please contact Janet Balk (<u>balkj@bartonccc.edu</u>). Our PayPal account name is fortrileyfisherhousefund@gmail.com.



Fisher House Foundation has received an A+ rating from Charity Watch (www.charitywatch.org)