

WELCOME TO MIAMI



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REPLY TO THE
ATTENTION OF

August 9, 2016

Garrison Manager

Dear New Team Member:

The United States Southern Command (USSOUTHCOM) and the United States Army Garrison-Miami welcome you and your Family to our community. Here you will find an exciting opportunity for your professional development. You and your Family will be able to enjoy one of our nation's best recreational areas. Whether you enjoy the night life, museums, and national team sports or simply lounging in the sun, beautiful Southern Florida affords you that opportunity and more.

You will find this assignment as different as it is exciting simply because of how USSOUTHCOM and its supporting team are assembled. It does not matter where your experience in the past has taken you; here some of the traditional post or base services simply do not exist. Housing is rented and much of the normal installation infrastructure is assumed by South Florida cities. However, those support services that you have every right to expect are still here – provided by your teammates within the garrison. Please feel comfortable in asking for support for the things you or your Family need. Asking will often help us help you and your family integrate more smoothly into the local community. Although we are an Army element, we are about supporting you and your family, regardless of your parent service. Enjoy the demands of your new job as you expand the boundaries of democracy within South/Central America and also enjoy your time in Miami as part of our team – as part of our family.

For additional information you may contact Army Community Service toll free at (877) 291-1604, extension 1958 or (305) 437-1958. Information is available via the internet from Military INSTALLATIONS, a feature of the Military HOMEFRONT web portal <http://www.militaryinstallations.dod.mil/pls/psgprod/f?p=MI:ENTRY:0> or at the Miami MWR website at <http://miami.armymwr.com>.

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Garrison Manager

Location:

The U.S. Southern Command and U.S. Army Garrison-Miami are located in sunny Miami-Dade County, Florida, three (3) miles west of the Miami International Airport. Because the command is not on an installation, programs and services normally on an installation are not available (commissary, Base Exchange, youth programs, library, and auto shop). The command works with the local



communities to ensure personnel have access to things programs and services typically available on a military installation. Blessed with year round mild climates and unrivaled ocean access, America's southernmost resort city is also a sought-after international recreation destination. Miami caters to action-oriented visitors from around the globe with some of the world's top golf, tennis and sporting facilities. Add sparkling waters that are a magnet for boating enthusiasts, fishermen, divers and water sports aficionados to the equation, and it is clear why Miami is often a number one choice for active travelers of all ages and skill levels. The installation's base operator is (305) 437-1000.

History:

The U. S. Southern Command (USSOUTHCOM) traces its origins to 1903, when the first U.S. Marines arrived in Panama to protect the Panama Railroad connecting the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans across the narrow waist of the Panamanian Isthmus. The Marines remained to provide security during the early construction of the Panama Canal. Today, USSOUTHCOM is the unified command responsible for all U.S. Military activities on the land mass of Latin America, south of Mexico; the waters adjacent to Central and South America; the Caribbean Sea, with its 13 island nations, European and U.S. territories; the Gulf of Mexico; and a portion of the Atlantic Ocean. On September 26, 1997, the command headquarters relocated to Miami, Florida. It is one of five geographically unified commands under the Department of Defense. The command's area of focus encompasses 32 countries (19 in Central and South America and 13 in the Caribbean) and covers about 14.5 million square miles (23.2 million square kilometers). The region represents about one-sixth of the landmass of the world assigned to regional unified commands.

Population Served:

The command is the only active duty military installation in South Florida. As such, the U.S. Army Garrison-Miami serves all personnel assigned to the command as well as reservists, National Guard, family members, retirees and DoD civilians residing in the Miami/Fort Lauderdale area.

Airport Information:

United States Southern Command (USSOUTHCOM) is located in Miami-Dade County, about 8.1 miles west from Miami International Airport in the middle of the City of Doral. Currently, there is not a military liaison or an information kiosk at the airport. Upon arrival, during duty hours, service members should contact their sponsor for assistance or the Headquarters Commandant at (305) 437-3305.

A shuttle bus is not available from the airport to USSOUTHCOM, therefore service members must have sufficient funds to take commercial transportation such as the super shuttle which costs approximately \$22, phone (305) 871-2000 or make a reservation prior to departure at their website at <http://www.supershuttle.com/en/MIAAirportShuttleMiami.html>.

Taxis cost an average of \$25-\$30. Upon exiting the terminal, an employee will direct travelers to the next taxi available or call (305) 444-4444 or (305) 777-7777 for service. All taxis have meters. Service members arriving after duty hours or weekends must coordinate the time of arrival with the respective sponsor prior to departure. The super shuttle and local taxis are available 24 hours.

Directions: From Miami International Airport (MIA), take LeJeune Road South to 836 West (Dolphin Expressway) and exit at NW 87th Avenue and N/NW 12th Street, turn left at NW 12th Street and take the first right onto NW 87th Avenue, and at NW 33rd Street turn left, USSOUTHCOM will be on the right side, just .5 miles from the intersection.

Base Transportation:

There is no base transportation on this installation.

Sponsor Request:

To request a sponsor, complete [DA Form 5434](#) and sent it to your unit's Military Personnel Office. The sponsor will meet new personnel upon request. When not met by sponsors, arriving personnel should report to the U.S. Army Garrison-Miami, Installation Services Center, Room B1020 to in-process. The Army Military Personnel Office is

open Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. The telephone number is (305) 437-1715/1717. Personnel can also report to SCJ1 in the Headquarters Building. In processing will not be completed but personnel can check in with the SCJ1. The telephone number for SCJ1 is (305) 437-1127.

If you have not yet been contacted by a sponsor and desire one to help you as you prepare for your move, please contact our Manpower and Personnel Directorate at (305) 437-1117.



Reporting to USSOUTHCOM:

When reporting for duty, personnel must report to U.S. Southern Command headquarters, 9301 NW 33rd Street, Doral, FL, 33172. If you need assistance, contact the following during duty hours:

- Army: (305) 437-1127
- Air Force: (305) 437-1113
- Marines: (305) 437-1997
- Navy: (305) 437-1103

If you arrive after hours, plan to sign in the following duty day. Don't worry about room and phone numbers at this point. You will be escorted by your sponsor, or a liaison, until proper clearance is obtained. If you have any sort of emergency situation prior to signing in, please call the Southern Command duty officer at (305) 437-4900 for assistance.

All in-processing is conducted at the SOUTHCOM headquarters, although servicing personnel and finance offices may be located as far away as Tampa, Patrick Air Force Base or Jacksonville.

The Housing Office and Army Community Service (Family Support) are in the Installation Services Center located on the installation. Army Community Service has a wealth of information on employment, volunteer opportunities and financial programs and resources.

A transportation officer is also available to assist you with arranging delivery of your household goods and pickup of your personal vehicle. You may call the U.S. Coast Guard Transportation Movement Office (TMO) directly to coordinate household goods delivery. If your last name begins with the letter A-M call (305) 278-6833; last names beginning with letters N-Z call (305) 278-6826.

Lodging/Hotel Information:

There are no Government temporary accommodations at USSOUTHCOM. Personnel on PCS or TDY to USSOUTHCOM are responsible for making their own hotel reservations, unless reservations are made by the losing installation travel office or the sponsor. Sponsors can provide listings of hotels to help make the transition to Miami and Southern Command a success.

The U.S. Army MWR established the Lodging Success Program in Miami in 1999 to help defray some of the expenses, as those hotels participating in the program offer up to 24% discount, below the per diem. The program is available for personnel on either official or unofficial travel. To use the program, call (800) GOARMY - 1, http://www.armymwr.com/travel/lodging/lodging_success.aspx.

The MWR central reservation will provide a caller with a reservation number from one of the hotels participating in the program. In the event rooms are not available, service members can stay in one of the local hotels within the vicinity to USSOUTHCOM. Stop by the Housing Office and obtain a Tax Exempt Certificate to save tax expenses.

Temporary Lodging Expense:

IAW JFTR Volume 1, all service members are authorized 10 days TLE within CONUS. Extensions are not authorized.

In-processing Procedures: USSOUTHCOM does not have a policy on a determined number of days authorized for in-processing. Each Directorate has its own policy. Upon in-processing, SMs must present copy of PCS orders and copy of DA Form 31, if permissive TDY was authorized at the previous duty station.

Army Personnel:

In-processing is conducted in the Military Personnel Office, 9301 NW 33rd Street, Garrison Building, Room B1020, on a walk-in basis.

Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (excluding holidays).

Service members must be in uniform to in-process. Estimated time for in-processing is 20 minutes. Incoming personnel must turn in the following documents during in-processing:

- DA Form 31 (leave form)
- TLE/1351-2/5960-BAH
- NCOER/OER (as applicable)
- SGLI and DD Form 93
- PCS Orders

In-processing checklists will be given to newcomers during in-processing. Service members have five (5) days to complete the checklist and return it to the MILPO. For additional assistance, contact the MILPO at (305) 437-1715/1717.

Navy/Marine Corps Personnel - Call (305) 437-1725 for in-processing instructions.

Air Force Personnel - Call (305) 437-2753 for in-processing instructions.

Travel Planning:

Temporary Lodging Reservations – USSOUTHCOM does not have temporary lodging as other bases have. Make sure to make lodging reservations as Miami is a tourist place all year round.

Command Sponsorship - It is very important that you are command sponsored if you are traveling with your family as Miami is an expensive place to live. If you are not command sponsored you will not receive the appropriate entitlements of command sponsorship.

Relocation Assistance:

It is imperative that all incoming personnel contact the Housing Office at (305) 437-2656/2664/2670 as soon as receiving notification of their move to USSOUTHCOM. Affordable housing is difficult to find in the Miami area and your TLE will end after 10 days. There is a Lending Closet where newly relocated personnel can borrow pots and pans, microwave, small kitchen appliances and even air mattresses for a period of 45 days. The Newcomer Orientation is a two day mandatory event of briefings pertaining to installation and community services and USSOUTHCOM mission. Army Community Service provides a tour around Miami's most important sites to familiarize service members and families with the community. The Relocation Readiness program information is available by calling (305) 437-1958 or on the Military INSTALLATIONS website at <http://www.militaryinstallations.dod.mil/MOS/f?p=MI:ENTRY:0> by searching for USSOUTHCOM/U.S. Army Garrison-Miami.



Directions:

From the Florida Turnpike (Ronald Reagan) exit at NW 41st Street (Exit 29) and go east. At NW 97th Avenue, turn right and go south, at NW 33rd Street, turn left, USSOUTHCOM is on the left side approximately 1/10 of a mile from the intersection. From 826 (Palmetto Expressway), exit at NW 36th Street (Doral Boulevard) and head west, at NW 97th Avenue, turn left and go south, at NW 33rd Street, turn right and go west for approximately 0.07 of a mile, USSOUTHCOM is on the right side. Go to the visitor's gate (second gate).

Critical Installation Information:

USSOUTHCOM is not a traditional military installation. Because the command is not on a traditional military installation, some programs and services normally on an installation may not be available. The command works with the local communities to ensure personnel have access to these programs and services typically available on a military installation.

Spouse Facebook Group:

The Facebook Group is available to spouses of personnel assigned and/or attached to USSOUTHCOM both CONUS and OCONUS. It is a forum for news, photos and questions about life as military or civilian spouses:

https://www.facebook.com/southcom?ref=br_tf#!/groups/131929440155922/

Financial Assistance:

Your first stop for discussing financial issues should be with your Financial Readiness Program Manager at the Army Community Service. The Financial Readiness Program Manager can assist with information, referral, emergency assistance and budgeting. When preparing for your permanent change of station (PCS) move, be financially prepared. Schedule an appointment with the personal financial counselor at your current installation. Members moving from overseas are reminded that COLA, OHA, and other overseas entitlements will stop. Do not spend this money if it continues in your pay since it will all be taken back once it processes in the military pay system. Stop by the Finance Office upon arrival to ensure accuracy of pay. PCS moves are expensive. You will be prepared if you plan for the payment of numerous initial expenses at your new duty station and also plan for increased out-of-pocket costs during your move.

Cost of Living:

The Miami-Dade Metropolitan area is clearly a world-renown destination, each year drawing millions of tourists, international jet setters, movie stars, spring breakers, and family vacationers from all corners of the world. It's important for you to know that The cost of living is high here. The cost of rental housing is especially high here and it is common for renters to pay \$1,600 or more for a modest two-bedroom apartment and \$2,200 or more for a modest three bedroom home. You can rent cheaper at modest and safe locations as well. Very acceptable two bedroom apartments are available within the commuting distance for \$1,200-\$1,300 per month and three bedroom homes can be rented in very acceptable areas for less than \$1,800 per month. Ask your sponsor about this and use common online rental search resources to narrow your search down before you arrive.

Insurance:

Talk to your automobile insurance agent to determine the best coverage for you. Ask the insurance agent to describe to you in "layman's terms" what each category of coverage is protecting you against and for what amount. Auto insurance is expensive here. South Florida is generally recognized as having the highest auto insurance rates in the United States. Shop your coverage with reputable and well-known insurance agencies. You'll likely locate better prices through the competition. Often our long-term insurance carrier is not trying so hard to keep our business. Insurance is highly regulated, so switching policies to get a better rate is generally not a high risk undertaking. Just make sure not to have a break in coverage. The state of Florida does not require drivers to carry extensive automobile Insurance policies. Your finance company will likely require you to carry much more auto insurance than the State requires and you very well may want to do so. This is a personal decision and understanding in layman's terms what is covered and for how much will help to guide your decision on auto insurance purchase. For more information regarding Florida's insurance laws, call (800) 342-2762.

Renter's insurance is strongly recommended for residents of this community. Renter's policies are generally a very good value for money and provide protection not only against loss from theft, but also against loss from fires, and wind damage that can occur during storms. Policies are normally available through the provider of your automobile insurance and individual policies are generally available from reputable insurance companies. Check coverage amounts on new policies to make certain that you are not buying too much nor too little insurance based on the value of your belongings. Obviously, homebuyers needn't worry about renter's insurance; however you should check your homeowner's insurance policy to make certain that your coverage is sufficient.

Housing:



The U.S. Army Garrison-Miami Directorate of Public Works Housing Services Office provides assistance to eligible military personnel and their Families assigned to active duty in South Florida. The Housing Services Office assists eligible personnel in finding adequate affordable rental housing in the greater Miami Military Housing area. The office manages a limited inventory of government-leased family housing for designated key/essential personnel and

unaccompanied personnel housing for junior enlisted service members assigned to Headquarters, U.S. Southern Command and supporting organizations in Doral. The office is located in Suite B1011 on the first floor of the U.S. Army Garrison-Miami Building on the U.S. Southern Command Headquarters at 9301 NW 33rd Street, Doral, FL 33172.

For additional Housing Services Office information and contacts, call the Director of Housing Services at (305) 437-2664.

Army Housing Online Users Services (AHOUS) website:

<https://www.housing.army.mil/ByInstallation/Default.aspx?baseId=404>. Click on the link and then select "Miami (SOUTHCOM)" from the "Select Your Installation" dropdown menu.

Government Family Housing: Not available at this installation.

Government Unaccompanied Personnel Housing: It is mandatory for single service members who are “bonafide bachelors” in the grade E-5 and below to reside in Unaccompanied Personnel Housing (UPH), also known as the barracks. UPH is located approximately 4.7 miles from USSOUTHCOM Headquarters and consists of two bedrooms, two bathroom apartments, fully furnished with shared kitchen, dining room, living room, and some with a garage. UPH personnel maintain privacy in assigned bedroom and bathroom. No pets are allowed in UPH. To become familiar with the UPH complexes and to see floor plans and amenities, you can view the links at <http://www.signatoredoral.com/> and <http://www.apartmentsindoralfl.com/doral-fl-apartments.asp>.

Non-Government Housing: Most military personnel will need to secure housing from the local economy, therefore it is required that all personnel report or contact the housing office prior to renting or signing a lease contract. The Housing Services Office personnel

will brief all service members on resources available and tenant's rights. Rental properties can be found at www.homes.com. Service members must register and obtain a password prior to visiting the web page, a self-explanatory process. There is plenty housing for rent in Miami-Dade County and Broward County which consist of a combination of apartments, condominiums, townhomes and single homes. Most of the housing is located within gated communities ruled by HOAs which may require approval prior to physically moving into the rental property. It is important that prospective tenants ask the following questions to landlord or realtor prior to renting:

- (1) Does the HOA require an application, if so, what's the waiting time for approval?
- (2) Does the HOA requires an application fee or a deposit and how much?
- (3) Are pets accepted, how many, and what's the maximum size?
- (4) Are there any deposits for using the common areas, if so how much?
- (5) Does the HOA require a deposit prior to delivery of HHG, if so, how much?
- (6) Are parking spaces assigned, and how many authorized per rental unit?
- (7) Are satellite antennas authorized, if yes, does it need a HOA approval prior to installation?
- (8) How many vehicles authorized per tenant?
- (9) How many family members authorized per rental unit?

The questions above questions are not inclusive and prospective tenants should read the HOA by laws to familiarize with rules and regulations prior to renting.

IMPORTANT: Personnel renting "on the economy" should familiarize with the renters education information by visiting the USSOUTHCOM web page, listed below and include, as part of their lease agreement, the "ADDENDUM I: FORECLOSURE PROTECTIONS." This addendum protects military renters from loss of prepaid rent and security deposits in the event landlord is foreclosed.

Mobile Home/Trailer Parks: There are not trailer parks or camping grounds within the USSOUTHCOM complex. All owners of trailers or campers must find a place on the local economy. If you reside in a trailer or camper, you will be required to evacuate during hurricane season, 1 June to 30 November, as hurricanes can exceed speeds in excess of 160 MPH. The following is a link for two mobile home parks:

http://miami.citysearch.com/listings/miami/mobile_homes/56697_3756.

Household Goods:

Contact the Logistics Readiness Center-Miami point of contact at (305) 437-1967.

Army Community Service Programs:

Relocation Readiness: Designed to reduce or eliminate problems arising because of frequent moves. Services include relocation counseling, pre-arrival information, overseas orientation, Newcomer Orientation, Miami Tour, Lending Closet and services to multicultural and Waiting Families.

Employment Readiness: Designed to help service member's transition from military to civilian life and locate employment opportunities for Family members. Services include job search assistance, career assessment/counseling, job/career fairs, private and public sector job resources, pre-separation briefings, seminars and workshops. Greater Miami is an entrepreneurial community that includes small ventures, mid-sized companies, Fortune 500 corporations and European, Asian and North and South American multinationals.

Exceptional Family Member Program: A mandatory enrollment program that provides services to Families with special needs.

School Liaison Officer:

The School Liaison Officer (SLO) provides information, makes referrals, educates families and school districts, coordinates with school staff, manages partnerships between parents, school and installation and advocates for military students and their education. The SLO can be contacted by calling (305) 437-0148 or (305) 437-1141 Monday – Friday from 7:30 am – 4:30 pm.

Schools:



Children attend school in either [Broward](#) or [Miami-Dade County](#). For more information, call the School Liaison Officer at (305) 437-0148.

Child Care:

The Child Development Center operates a full day program for children 6 weeks through 5 years. A modified School Age Services program is provided for winter, spring and

summer camps. Hours of operation are Monday - Friday from 0600-1800. For more information, call (305) 437-1281/1283.

Community/City Information:

The City of Doral is located west and in the middle of Miami-Dade County, close to the Everglades in the area called South Florida. South Florida has almost everything that military personnel and Family members could want, such as nice weather, great shopping, fabulous recreation and cultural opportunities, the list is endless.

The cost-of living is a little more than the national norm for a standard city, but the climate and the number of free and inexpensive recreational and cultural opportunities help to make up for it.

It is difficult to speak of South Florida without mentioning the many surrounding communities that comprise the Greater Miami area. Military people who are used to living in close knit neighborhoods will appreciate the community atmosphere. Area communities have family-friendly enclaves, complete with tree-lined streets, parks and kids on bikes. As a dynamic, multi-cultural area, Greater Miami boasts the best of many worlds. Every group has made its mark on the area. Visit Little Havana's ethnic stores, restaurants and many festivals for a cultural experience. Just minutes away from Little Havana, Coconut Grove has sidewalk cafes and shopping. For those who seek a more fast-paced evening, South Beach's ocean front district has numerous activities to keep you entertained. South Florida has it all. More information about the City of Doral can be found at its website <http://www.cityofdoral.com/>

Residents of South Florida can enjoy outdoor activities like camping, fishing, boating, water skiing, throughout the year and visit the many cities and areas of recreation within less than 20 minutes driving time. Some the areas close by are:

South Beach: The popularity of South Beach is not only in tourism but also in fashion, music and film. South Beach has recently become home to a number of film, television and print production companies, making Miami the third largest industry center in the country. The Art Deco District contains more than 800 newly restored buildings designed in a distinctive architectural style, all within a single square-mile. The famous Ocean Drive is filled with people strolling, biking, skating or just sitting at its many cafes, restaurants and bars.



Key Biscayne: Key Biscayne has two beautiful parks: Crandon Park and Bill Baggs Cape Florida State Recreation Park. Each park has beaches, bike trails and nature tours. Crandon Park has world class tennis and golf facilities. It also the University of

Miami's Marine Lab where students and faculty study the delicate ecology of Biscayne Bay and the Miami Seaquarium, home of Flipper the Dolphin, Lolita the Killer Whale and other sea creatures and exhibits.

Downtown Miami: Miami's downtown attractions reflect the city's ability to look toward the future without losing sight of the past. The Freedom Tower on Biscayne Boulevard is a monument to the city's ability to change. Built in 1924, the city's first skyscraper has housed the offices of the Miami News and has been the gateway to freedom for thousands of Cuban refugees. The ornate Gusman Center, originally built in the mid-1920s as the Olympia Theater, offers a wide selection of performing arts, from stand-up comedians to the New World Symphony. The Metro-Dade Cultural Center, with its Mediterranean plaza and cascading fountains, provides an old-world setting for Greater Miami's state-of-the-art library. A historical and fine-arts museum displays the works of world-renowned artists, past and present. The Orange Bowl is home to the University of Miami Hurricanes football team and is the site of many concerts and special events throughout the year.

Miami Beach: Once you explore the beach, discover Miami Beach's shopping, dining and pastel colored Art Deco District. The Wolfsonian Museum has a singular collection of more than 70,000 works of art. For art of a more poignant sort, visit the Holocaust Memorial, commemorating the Jewish victims and survivors of World War II. The uniquely designed lifeguard stations along the shore sport lively pastels that are synonymous with Miami Beach. The Miami Beach Preservation League offers walking, biking and in-line skating tours of the Art Deco District. Palm, Star and Hibiscus islands are just a few of the many private islands that line the Venetian and MacArthur causeways and much of the western edge of Miami Beach. Here live some of Greater Miami's wealthiest residents.

Coral Gables: Many of the buildings and districts of Coral Gables are meticulously preserved as historic landmarks. Among the more notable sites is the 1927 Coral Gables City Hall, with a distinctive mural by artist John St. John depicting scenes of the city's early days. The Douglas Road Entrance, one of several ornate street entrances to Coral Gables, reflects the Mediterranean style that dominates the city fashioned from a rock quarry. The Biltmore Hotel, completed in 1926, has been restored to its former grandeur as one of Greater Miami's premier resorts. Coral Gables is the site of the University of Miami. It is home to the Miami Hurricanes college football, baseball and basketball teams. The Lowe Art Museum, located in the University of Miami, hosts changing exhibits by both local and international artists.

Meet Miami-Dade County:

The Beacon Council, Miami-Dade County's Official Economic Development Partnership, has a wealth of information about the quality of life in Miami-Dade County. The website is <http://www.beaconcouncil.com/meet-miami-dade-county> and has information on communities, cost of living, culture, dining, education, healthcare, recreation, shopping and sports.

Pets:

Dogs, cats, and ferrets must be vaccinated against the rabies virus beginning at four months of age, and they must be revaccinated as directed by the vaccine manufacturer (typically, every one or three years.) Dogs must be licensed every year and must wear their tags at all times. Four dogs are allowed to live on residential property that is less than one acre, six dogs on one to two acres, and eight dogs on two acres or more. The acquisition or keeping of Pit Bull dogs are prohibited in Miami-Dade County. Depriving an animal of food, water, or adequate shelter is an act of animal cruelty. For more information see the Miami-Dade County website: <http://www.miamidade.gov/animals/>.

Registration Requirements:

Every person owning, keeping, or harboring any dog over four (4) months of age within Miami-Dade County, Florida, or bringing any dog over four (4) months of age into this County shall, within thirty (30) days of the dog entering the county, register the dog with the Department and obtain a license tag, which the dog shall wear at all times. Rabies vaccinations and licenses may be obtained from a Veterinarian or at the [Miami-Dade Animal Services shelter](#) located at: 7401 NW 74th Street, Miami, Florida 33166. Hours of operation: Monday - Friday 10 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Telephone (305) 884-1101. County/State: http://www.miamidade.gov/animals/kennel_license.asp.

Boarding Kennels:

Wags to Wishes Doggie Day Care: <http://www.wags-to-wishes.com>
Knowles Animal Clinics: <http://www.knowlesanimalclinics.com>
Brickell Animal Hospital: <http://brickellanimalhospital.com/>
General list of kennels in Miami: <http://www.findpetcare.com/se/dog-boarding-miami.htm>.

Florida Military Friendly Guide:

A summary of Sunshine State Laws, programs and benefits for active duty, National Guard and Reserve service members and Families: <http://www2.southcom.mil/usag-miami/sites/local/GM/Florida-Military-Friendly-Guide.pdf>

Command Facebook Pages:

USSOUTHCOM – https://www.facebook.com/southcom?ref=br_tf

Army Community Service –

https://www.facebook.com/southcom?ref=br_tf#!/USAGMiamiFamilySupportCenter

Family and MWR –

<https://www.facebook.com/USAGMiamiFamilySupportCenter#!/miamifmwr>

Southern Command Spouses –

https://www.facebook.com/southcom?ref=br_tf#!/groups/131929440155922/

Parent Support Group –

https://www.facebook.com/southcom?ref=br_tf#!/groups/ussouthcompares/

Military Spouse Recipe Swap –

<https://www.facebook.com/MilitarySpousesRecipeSwapPage>

Broward Spouses – <https://www.facebook.com/groups/165417533619618/>

SOC SOUTH Family Readiness Group –

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/socsouthredfam>

Conference Center of the Americas (CCA) –

<https://www.facebook.com/USSOUTHCOMCCA>

Major Commands:

U.S. Army South

U.S. Marine Forces South

U.S. Naval Forces Southern Command

U.S. Special Operations Command South

Commonly Referenced Telephone Numbers:

American Red Cross – (877) 272-7337

Army Community Service – (305) 437-2644

Child Development Center – (305) 437-1281

Child, Youth & School Services – (305) 437-1141

DEERS/ID – (305) 437-2718

Emergency Financial Assistance – (305) 437-2645

Fitness Center – (305) 437-0123

Health Clinic – (305) 437-3559

Housing Office – (305) 437-2664

Legal Office – (305) 437-1952

Leisure Travel Services – (305) 437-1595

Military Personnel Office – (305) 437-1715