

## **Families/Survivors**

AFSA works to:

- Support educational and career development opportunities for military spouses;
- Ensure an adequate amount of federal funding (Impact Aid) is appropriated to assist local school districts that have large populations of military children
- Provide tax exclusions for childcare expenses;
- Improve access to healthcare for service members and their families;
- Protect funding for commissaries, base exchanges, dependent schools and family support programs;
- Allow survivors to retain VA Dependency and Indemnity Compensation (DIC) and Survivor Benefit Plan payments without an offset and allow SBP recipients to remarry after age 55 without losing their entitlement; and
- Improve voter participation in Federal elections and expedite the military mail processing of overseas ballots.