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The Carlisle Barracks Army Family Action Plan Conference will be held Nov. 18-19 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Letort View Community Center. The conference will bring members of the community together to surface issues of concern, propose possible solutions and report to USAG Carlisle Barracks senior leadership. The AFAP functions on the premise that all members of the Army are experts on Army standards of living. Operating throughout the Army, from the lowest echelons to the highest, AFAP responds to the issues these experts consider important. The backbone of the AFAP program is at the local level where AFAP delegates, representing a cross-section of the community's demographics, identify, develop and rank their concerns.

AFAP has been in operation since 1983 and 689 issues have been identified in the past 31 years. AFAP has driven 128 legislative changes, 208 Army policy and regulatory changes and 197 improved programs and services. It is also notable that 61 percent of all active AFAP issues impact all the Services. AFAP provides the "voice" for the force to elevate their concerns, and remains the preeminent means for commanders, at all levels, to seek solutions to the concerns of their communities.

The key to a successful AFAP is to have your issues submitted in time for the conference. Registration forms and Issue forms can be obtained on the ACS webpage at <http://carlislebarracks.carlisle.army.mil/acs/afap.cfm>.

The Delegate Registration Form should be returned to the AFAP Coordinator, Army Community Service, Building 632, Wright Avenue, no later than 7 November 2014. All delegates must pre-register to attend the conference.

For more information call 717-245-3684.