



MEDIA ADVISORY

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MFAN to Ensure Military Families Are Represented in the Plan to End Hunger

Nonprofit included in White House Conference on Hunger, Nutrition, & Health

WASHINGTON — The [Military Family Advisory Network \(MFAN\)](#) has been invited to speak on military and veteran family food insecurity at the White House Conference on Hunger, Nutrition, and Health in Washington, D.C. today, the first event of its kind held in over 50 years.

This year's conference will bring together the public and private sectors around a coordinated [national strategy](#) to end hunger, improve nutrition and physical activity, and close the disparities surrounding them.

Shannon Razsadin, MFAN's president and executive director, will speak on a panel titled, "Nourishing Brighter Futures: Ensuring affordable food for all children and families." During this discussion, Mrs. Razsadin will share research, recommendations, and the experiences of military families facing food insecurity.

The landmark conference held in 1969 led to the creation of life changing programs like school lunches, the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC), and changes to how we label foods. MFAN recognizes that this is an historic and once-in-a-generation opportunity to end hunger in the military community, and beyond.

"Not too long ago, food insecurity wasn't acknowledged as an issue among military families. It was something that many dealt with privately, afraid of repercussions and stigma. Acknowledging this issue through official lines of effort like the White House Conference on Hunger, Nutrition, and Health will make seeking support easier for so many," said Razsadin.

What: White House Conference on Hunger, Nutrition, and Health

Panel – Brighter Futures: Ensuring affordable food for all children and families

When: Wednesday, September 28, 2022 from 11:20 a.m. – 12 p.m. ET

Where: Washington, D.C. Additional information, including an agenda and speaker roster may be found [here](#). The *Bright Futures* panel may be streamed on [YouTube](#).

Media: To schedule a virtual interview with MFAN leadership or to request more information, please email media@mfan.org.

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About MFAN: The Military Family Advisory Network (MFAN) is the authentic voice of the modern military family and the bridge that connects military families to the resources, people, and information they depend on to successfully navigate all phases of military life. Get involved at mfan.org.

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