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USO Northwest Florida kicks off “We’ve Got Your 96” for active duty military and families during Thanksgiving holiday

PENSACOLA, FL – USO of Northwest Florida has begun planning their “We’ve Got Your Ninety-Six” events for active duty service members who will be unable to go home for the holiday weekend. Patrons can enjoy a Thanksgiving meal served by the staff at the base galley beginning at 3pm and then head to the USO centers for various food and fun throughout the long holiday weekend.

The USO centers at both NAS Pensacola and Corry Station will open at 3pm on 23 NOV, Thanksgiving Day. Dedicated volunteers and USO Northwest Florida staff will be serving smoked turkey and cranberry sliders and a pie buffet to kick off the festivities. Patrons can expect football and movies on several big screens, as well as a selfie photo station.

The festivities don’t end on Thursday. The fun will continue Friday, 24 NOV with corn hole, horseshoe, Giant Jenga and ladder ball tournaments. On Saturday, 25 NOV, service members and their families can enjoy arts and crafts, and bingo along with home cooked chili and flag football. Finally, visitors will be able to show their team spirit at Sunday’s Football-n-Wings party on 26 NOV.

It is the mission of the USO to keep service members connected to family, home and country throughout their service to the nation. Each day of this four-day event, there will be quiet areas designated for FaceTime, Skype, and phone calls home. Service members will also be encouraged to use the selfie station to take photos of themselves to share with those that miss them.

The USO is open for active duty military members and their families as well as retirees. As always, everything offered by the USO is free of charge. Visitors must show military ID to attend.

It has been the goal of the USO for over 75 years to provide a touch of home to our military. This year, USO Northwest Florida plans on hosting over 3,000 military members and their families in our Pensacola centers during the Thanksgiving holiday. USO Northwest Florida airport centers in PNS and VPS airports will also be open to accommodate traveling military families. Not only will this be an opportunity to give the troops a “home away from home,” but it also gives the community an opportunity to give back to those who give so much every day during this Thanksgiving holiday. If you would like to donate to USO Northwest Florida or volunteer, please visit www.uso.org/northwestflorida. Learn more by clicking on “Events.”

Proper credentials required to access both NAS Pensacola and Corry Station