

# Keeping military families connected through reading

Your gently used or new books are needed to help deployed soldiers get messages home to their children.

Parents and children can stay connected while separated during long deployments, through the medium of reading aloud on videotape.

To help accomplish this mission your gently used or new books are needed.

- Soldiers participating in the program will have time set aside to go to a quiet room and videotape themselves reading a book.
- The video is then transferred to DVD and mailed home to their family.



What might seem like a simple gesture is believed to ease the children's fears about their parent's absence, boost morale and reinforce parental support for the spouse at home.

If you have books you'd like to donate please contact Major Teri Williams at [teri.d.williams@us.army.mil](mailto:teri.d.williams@us.army.mil). Or you can mail the books directly to her at:

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