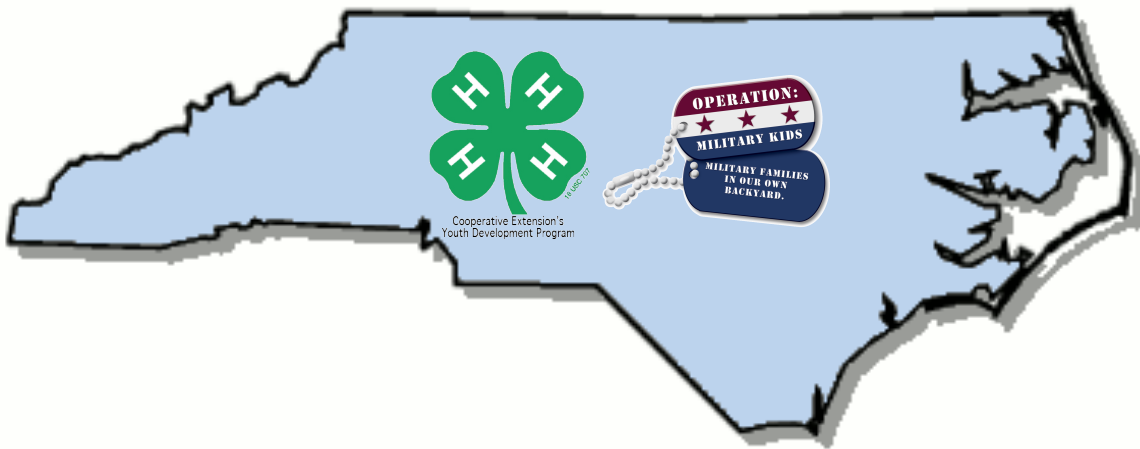


**North Carolina**  
**Operation: Military Kids**

***Hero Family Pack Wish List***

The Hero Family Pack initiative is an outreach effort of North Carolina *Operation: Military Kids* (NC OMK). Hero Family Packs contain both fun and educational material for families as well as informational material. The main purpose of the pack is to say “*Thank You*” to families of Active Duty, Guard and Reserve service members for the sacrifices that they make during the deployment cycle. The items in the packs represent the local/regional partners and the publicity generated through the distribution of the packs raises community awareness and builds support for these geographically isolated families.

Hero Family Packs can be assembled by a variety of groups: 4-H Clubs, Boys and Girls Clubs, school clubs or groups, Boy Scout and Girl Scout troops, home school groups, faith-based organizations, civic organizations, etc. The most important items included in each Hero Family Pack are personal, handwritten notes for the family receiving the Pack. The letters encourage and thank the family for their service and sacrifice. The NC OMK State Team members work with each of the service branches personnel to identify military families who should be recognized with Hero Family Pack presentations.



**Hero Family Packs are designed to be a fun, educational pick-me-up for the family.**

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## The following items are suggestions for the Hero Family Pack Collection Event:

### **Fun & Games:**

Frisbees  
Puzzles (small to fit in pack)  
Puzzle books  
Coloring books  
Scrapbook Supplies  
Small Puzzle Books  
Playing Cards  
Board games (small to fit in pack)  
Badminton combo pack  
DVD & Popcorn

### **Correspondence Supplies:**

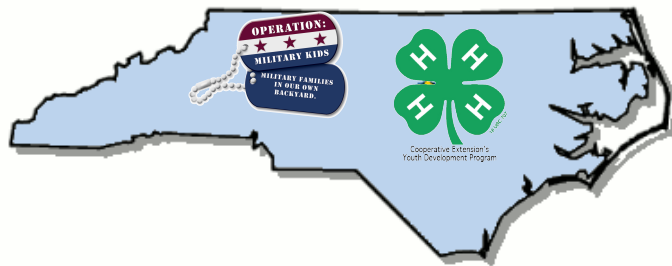
Phone cards  
Box of Stationery  
Book of 20 Stamps  
Box Plain Envelopes  
A Box of Assorted Greeting Cards

### **Resource Material:**

Reintegration (Comfort Kits)  
Local/Area Events  
Chamber of Commerce Information  
Strong Bond Material (Love Languages)  
Developmental Assets Information

### **General:**

Books\*  
Journals  
Photo Albums  
Picture Frames  
Small Scrapbooks  
Disposable Cameras  
Science Kits  
Craft Kits  
Gardening Tools/Seeds  
Cookbooks (*new*)  
School Supplies



### **Discount/ Gift Cards:**

- Wal-Mart
- Target
- CVS
- Walgreens
- Food Lion
- Harris Teeter
- Lowes Food
- REI
- IKEA
- restaurants
- gas

### **Passes/Discounts to:**

- movie
- family portraits
- zoo
- museum
- aquarium
- Christmas Tree Farm
- pumpkin patch
- hotel
- miniature golf
- bowling

*\*Age appropriate books for pleasure reading and/or as a resource to support children, teachers, and families affected by military deployment.*