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RECRUITMENT & RETENTION

1. [Politicization contributing to Americans' low trust in the military](#)
(1 Dec) Military Times, By Meghann Myers
The American public's historically low confidence in the military as a public institution is not due solely to the action of civil or uniformed military leaders, according to an annual survey from the Reagan Institute.
2. ['Be all you can be,' Army to market for new recruits with old slogan](#)
(1 Dec) Stars & Stripes, By Rose L. Thayer
The Army will launch a new advertising campaign next year that uses an old slogan to attract young audiences to the service — “Be all you can be.” While that sounds familiar to anyone who watched television in the 1980s and 1990s, the slogan best relays the “possibilities” that await a new Army recruit, said Maj. Gen. Alex Fink, chief of Army enterprise marketing.
3. [Is the Army misplacing the blame for its recruiting crisis?](#)
(1 Dec) Defense One, By Elizabeth Howe
“Propensity is low, but propensity has always been low,” Asche said. “Another one is eligibility. That's a problem, and it's definitely worthy of concern and attention. But again, eligibility has also been a perennial problem for many years.” These two factors are “red herrings that there's been attention paid to, but I don't think there's a cause of the recent crisis,” she said.
4. [Record number of students sit for career aptitude test at Air Force base in Japan](#)
(1 Dec) Stars & Stripes, By Joseph Ditzler
A record 144 students at Yokota High School recently sat for a battery of tests to discover their career potential, according to the Defense Department school system in the Pacific.
5. [Recruiting crisis? Not at Space Force](#)
(1 Dec) Defense One, By Lauren C. Williams
The youngest and smallest service says it pays to be both choosy and inclusive. Unlike its sister services, the U.S. Space Force has little trouble recruiting, according to the branch's former chief. Being small helps, as does giving opportunities to some who might get rejected by another branch. The main challenge turns out to be spotting the best talent among pools of hundreds of applicants.
6. [A positive HIV test shattered his dreams of serving in the US Army. Now he's suing](#)
(1 Dec) Time, By Jordan Gonsalves
One cold winter morning in 2008, 8-year-old Isaiah Wilkins decided to try on his mother's National Guard uniform, something he always wanted to do. She was away at training in Texas, but she kept an extra uniform at home in Temple, Georgia.
7. [Tough military recruiting environment is about much more than low unemployment, experts say](#)
(1 Dec) USNI News, By Heather Mongilio
When it comes to military recruiting, economist Beth Asch is an optimist. Asch has been studying military recruiting for almost 40 years, during which she has seen good recruiting years and bad ones. History shows that recruiting challenges can be overcome, Asch said, suggesting that the current recruiting issues are no different.



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8. [Army to use old slogan for new recruits](#)
(2 Dec) Army Times, By Jonathan Lehrfeld
The Army is planning to launch a new marketing campaign next year using an old slogan — “Be all you can be” — to attract potential recruits.
9. [Marine recruiter accused of sexually assaulting prospective recruit](#)
(2 Dec) Marine Corps Times, By Irene Loewenson
A Marine recruiter in Arkansas was arrested Friday for allegedly using his position of trust and authority to have sex with an underage prospective recruit.
10. [COVID-19 vaccine mandate is affecting recruitment, top Marine says](#)
(5 Dec) Marine Corps Times, By Irene Loewenson
The Marine Corps’ top officer acknowledged on Saturday that the Pentagon’s COVID-19 vaccine mandate has been limiting recruitment in some parts of the country.
11. [Navy lowers entrance exam requirements in bid to get more recruits](#)
(6 Dec) Navy Times, By Geoff Ziezulewicz
As the military struggles to attract new recruits, the Navy on Monday began a pilot program that will let in those who have lower scores on part of the entrance exam used to gauge a recruit’s ability to serve.
12. [US military says no 'hard data' showing vaccine mandate hurts recruiting](#)
(6 Dec) Reuters, By Phil Stewart and Idrees Ali
The U.S. military has no data to back up claims by top Republicans in Congress that the Pentagon's COVID-19 vaccine mandate is hurting recruiting, Defense Secretary Lloyd Austin said on Tuesday.
13. [How does military life affect teens? Landmark study aims to find out.](#)
(6 Dec) Military Times, By Karen Jowers
About 40,000 military members and veterans with children ages 11 to 17 are being invited to participate in a Defense Department study that looks at the health and well-being of military-connected youth and their families.
14. [Congress to direct faster review of Army recruiting fraud cases](#)
(7 Dec) Army Times, By Davis Winkie
Congress may soon set a timeline for the Army’s corrections to criminal history databases for as many as 1,900 soldiers and vets who might have been erroneously punished in a recruiting referral bonus scandal.
15. [How the Coast Guard plans to boost recruitment after years of shortfalls](#)
(7 Dec) CBS News, By Caitlin Yilek
One of the obstacles is that potential recruits don't know what the Coast Guard does.
16. [Army football alums make general more often than other officers — why?](#)
(8 Dec) Army Times, By Davis Winkie
Are West Point football players more likely to become general officers than their peers, and are they more likely to ascend into key three- and four-star roles?



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17. **[In competition for talent, DOD needs to learn, adapt or be left behind](#)**
(10 Dec) Military Times, By Col. Chris Karns
Competition for talent remains fierce.
 18. **[Thousands of teens are being pushed into the military's Junior ROTC](#)**
(11 Dec) New York Times, By Staff
In dozens of U.S. schools, students are being placed in the classes without having chosen them. "The only word I can think of is 'indoctrination,'" one parent said.
 19. **[JROTC textbooks offer an alternative view of the world](#)**
(11 Dec) New York Times, By Staff
Descriptions of civic life and some key historical events differ from the way they are taught in typical public school textbooks.
 20. **[Military Esports: How Gaming Is Changing Recruitment & Morale](#)**
(13 Dec) DoD News, By Katie Lange
"The big part of what we do is outreach," Navy Lt. Aaron Jones, a flight officer who ran the Navy esports program until recently, said. "Our goal is to dispel myths and rumors about the Navy and let them see that we have the same hobbies and likes that they do. We get to go into high schools and colleges and give talks to students about the opportunities in the Navy, and then we also put on tournaments."
 21. **[Too many service members leaving the military without career counseling, GAO finds](#)**
(13 Dec) Stars & Stripes, By Alison Bath
More than half of all service members leaving active duty don't attend a mandatory class designed to help them prepare for civilian life, according to a recent report by a government watchdog agency.
 22. **[Don't drag the military into politics](#)**
(13 Dec) War On The Rocks, By Kori Schake
American respect for its military is plummeting. It has dropped by 30 points in the past five years in surveys conducted by the Reagan Foundation. In their recently released poll, less than half of respondents have a great deal of trust and confidence in America's military. Unless both civilian and military leaders take corrective actions to repair the breach, this will impede recruiting, diminish unit cohesion, and damage the bond between the military and the public it serves.
 23. **[Did this recruiting ad get you \(or your dad\) to join in the 1980s?](#)**
(14 Dec) Defense News Weekly <Video>
"Freedom isn't Free" also isn't a new slogan. In the 1980s, the military used it to try to spur recruitment. Does it still hold up today?
 24. **[Addressing childhood obesity also supports US military readiness](#)**
(14 Dec) The Hill, By Bill Frist And Frank Ponds
Our childhood obesity epidemic here in the U.S. is as concerning as it is well-documented. It's no secret that obesity trends have been on the rise for the last 20 years. In fact, in 2016, 18.5 percent of youth ages 2-19 were classified as obese. And it's only getting worse.



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25. [San Francisco mandates paid military leave for Guardsmen, reservists](#)
(21 Dec) Army Times, By Davis Winkie
Last week, the city of San Francisco became one of the first corners of the United States to require some private employers to provide a form of paid military leave to their employees who serve as part-time members of the National Guard or other reserve components of the military.
 26. [Navy suspends high-year tenure in attempt to increase retention](#)
(23 Dec) Navy Times, By Diana Stancy Correll
The Navy is suspending enlisted high-year tenure for two years — an effort aimed at increasing retention.
 27. [6 surprising things about US military boot camps](#)
(24 Dec) Business Insider, By Jake Epstein
Across the many branches of the US military, there is one constant for new recruits: a weeks-long period of basic training — "boot camp" — to prepare for the job.
 28. [Can the Army fill its ranks?](#)
(26 Dec) Army Times, By Davis Winkie
As the Army rolls along into 2023, everyone from recruiters to senior leaders to Congress are closely monitoring whether the Army will be able to shore up its recruiting and stem the end strength freefall that the service is currently experiencing.
 29. [Space Force launches slick new website to recruit guardians of tomorrow](#)
(27 Dec) Stars & Stripes, By Doug G. Ware
At just 3 years old, the youngest branch of the U.S. military hopes its flashy new website will attract new troops and overcome recruiting challenges that have plagued virtually every branch of the armed forces in recent years.
 30. [US military works to enlist recruits who have faced behavioral challenges](#)
(27 Dec) Wall Street Journal, By Nancy A. Youssef
The Pentagon accepts people previously diagnosed with conditions including ADHD if enough time has passed.
 31. [Payload deployment': Space Force launches flashy new recruiting website](#)
(28 Dec) Military.com, By Thomas Novelty
"Space is closer than you think," the new Space Force website announces, before bringing visitors to a computer-generated rocket launch pad.
 32. [Navy rolls out new incentives for sailors who refer new recruits](#)
(29 Dec) Navy Times, By Diana Stancy Correll
Amid recruiting challenges across all branches of the military, the Navy is rolling out new incentives for sailors to participate in the service's "Every Sailor is a Recruiter" program.
 33. [Air Force tries for a better year of recruiting](#)
(29 Dec) Air Force Times, By Rachel S. Cohen
Air Force recruiters again aim to bring in more than 26,000 new enlisted airmen in fiscal 2023 during what could be another tough year for military accessions.



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34. [6 ways the Army can appeal to Gen Zers and recruit more than a few good men and women](#)
(29 Dec) *Fox News*, By David Sprott and Gregory F. Treverton
The U.S. Army fell short of its enlisted recruiting goals for 2022 by 25%. A hot job market was the proximate cause, but the crisis has been years in the making. It reflects a confluence of obesity, lack of high school diplomas and accelerated mental health crises among youth. So, too, while the all-volunteer force (AVF) has been a great success on many counts, it has separated the military from wider society, leaving declining interest in military service and the Army recruiting from a smaller and smaller pool of military families.

EMPLOYMENT & INTEGRATION

35. [Can the Air Force train nearly 1,500 pilots this year?](#)
(1 Dec) *Air Force Times*, By Rachel S. Cohen
The Air Force aims to train around 1,470 new pilots in fiscal 2023, which remains a lofty goal amid an enduring shortage of flyers.
36. [The Army's Fitness Test might be revamped yet again for gender-neutral and job-specific standards](#)
(7 Dec) *Military.com*, By Steve Beynon
The Army will likely have to implement further changes to its embattled fitness test, just months after the long-in-development Army Combat Fitness Test, or ACFT, was finally rolled out, as Congress pushes for gender-neutral and potentially job-specific standards.
37. [Some new Marines aren't getting uniform items due to the supply chain](#)
(7 Dec) *Marine Corps Times*, By Hope Hodge Seck
The Marine Corps has pushed back the mandatory wear date for the new female dress blue coat and is coming up short on a handful of other items.
38. [Marines with ponytails? Corps issues new hair regs for women](#)
(7 Dec) *Defense News Weekly* <Video>
The Marine Corps literally loosened the standards with new hair grooming regulations for women, opening up several styles. Did ponytails get approved?
39. [Recruited for Navy SEALs, many sailors wind up scraping paint](#)
(9 Dec) *New York Times*, By Staff
The high failure rate of the elite force's selection course shunts hundreds of candidates into low-skilled jobs.
40. [Democrats scuttle debate over 'woke' military policies ... for now](#)
(13 Dec) *Military Times*, By Leo Shane III
House Democrats on Tuesday staved off a floor debate over "woke" military policies regarding force diversity, but likely only for a short while.
41. [More women poised to lead Marine combat platoons](#)
(13 Dec) *Defense News Weekly* <Video>
The number of women who have graduated the grueling Marine Infantry Officer Course has risen steadily in recent years, since their first female made it in 2017.



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42. [Discrimination, sex assault are among barriers that prevent more women from serving in special ops forces, watchdog study says](#)
(16 Dec) Stars & Stripes, By Doug G. Ware
There are several possible reasons why less than 10% of the military's special operations forces are women – including discrimination, sexual assault and conflicting military policies, a government watchdog concluded in a study released this week.
 43. [Barriers still preventing women from joining special ops, watchdog say](#)
(19 Dec) Military Times, By Jonathan Lehrfeld
Inconsistent policies to prevent gender discrimination and sexual harassment are among the barriers to why women make up less than 10% of U.S. special operations forces, according to a government watchdog report released on Dec 15.
 44. [Why the Marines could nix gender identifiers for drill instructors](#)
(20 Dec) Marine Corps Times, By Hope Hedge Seck
A new academic report on efforts to integrate Marine Corps boot camp recommends dropping gender-specific salutations for drill instructors, but service leaders are not convinced they want to take that step.
 45. [First female Army reservist graduates infantry officer training](#)
(20 Dec) Army Times, By Todd South
A second lieutenant who serves as a scout platoon leader in her Hawaii-based Army Reserve unit is the first female Army reservist to begin her career as an infantry officer.
 46. [Navy developing smart bra, undershirt for fighter pilots](#)
(27 Dec) Military Times, By Hope Hedge Seck
The next high-speed accessory for naval aviators is being designed with women in mind.
 47. [Army special operations rethinking force structure, tech](#)
(28 Dec) Army Times, By Davis Winkie
The next year could prove pivotal for the Army's most elite forces, as ongoing experiments with force structure and how to best integrate technical expertise at the tactical level could reshape the way the service's special operations look and fight.

WELL-BEING & TREATMENT

48. [Military Health System Offers a Variety of Contraceptive Care Services](#)
(1 Dec) Health.mil, By Claudia Sanchez-Bustamante
The Military Health System offers service members and their families contraceptive care services—including access to all forms of medical and surgical contraception—for men and women.
49. [Army creates new legal office for murder, rape and other serious crime](#)
(5 Dec) Military Times, By Todd South
The Army has appointed a top military lawyer to oversee how the service prosecutes serious criminal offenses such as murder, rape and sexual assaults.



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50. [Senator vows hold on military nominees over Pentagon abortion policy](#)
(6 Dec) Defense News, By Leo Shane III and Joe Gould
A prominent Republican senator is threatening to hold up all Defense Department nominations over senior leaders' decision to provide leave and travel expenses to help troops access abortion services.
 51. [Military justice reforms at finish line after decade-long fight](#)
(7 Dec) Military.com, By Rebecca Kheel
Changes to the military justice system intended to combat sexual assault that got cut from last year's defense policy bill are poised to become law this year.
 52. [After a spike in sexual assaults on troops, is real change on the way?](#)
(7 Dec) Defense One, By Jennifer Hlad
The 2023 defense policy bill will close a prosecutorial loophole that advocates say has been preventing justice for victims of rape, harassment, and other crimes.
 53. [New military prosecutors to assume more powers from commanders under pending NDAA](#)
(7 Dec) Stars & Stripes, By Rose L. Thayer
New military prosecution offices meant to create a more transparent justice system will take more authorities in certain criminal cases from commanders such as approving expert witnesses, granting immunity and approving trial delays under reforms included in the defense budget bill.
 54. ['Broken culture' keeps troops at risk of sexual assault, advocates say](#)
(9 Dec) Defense One, By Jennifer Hlad
They wonder whether real change is possible before today's leaders age out and leave.
 55. [Canada to end military involvement in sexual misconduct probes](#)
(13 Dec) Al Jazeera, By Staff
The move is meant to make the investigation and prosecution of sexual offences more impartial.
 56. [Airmen, guardians could see revamped parental leave policy by new year](#)
(14 Dec) Air Force Times, By Rachel S. Cohen
Parents-to-be who are awaiting changes to the Department of the Air Force's parental leave policy could see that relief in the next few weeks.
 57. [12-week military parental leave benefit will be in place by next month](#)
(15 Dec) Military.com, By Thomas Novelly
All military parents will be eligible for 12 weeks of family leave following the birth or adoption of a child under a new policy set to take effect no later than Jan. 1.
 58. [Congress approves construction of 14 more military child care centers](#)
(16 Dec) Military Times, By Karen Jowers
Responding to the clarion call for more child care availability across the services, lawmakers have authorized construction of 14 more military child development centers — in addition to the two that were requested by the military services.



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59. [Army Recruits Members to Join the Army Women's Initiatives Team](#)

(20 Dec) Army.mil, By Francis Rivera

The Army is recruiting members to join the Army Women's Initiatives Team. The Women's Initiatives Team, which reports to and receives direction from the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Manpower and Reserve Affairs), allows representatives from across the Department of the Army to recommend policy, program, and resource changes to create opportunities for success in women's recruitment, retention, readiness, and advancement across the Total Army.

60. [Lawmaker wants answers about Coast Guard's sexual assault prosecutions following recruit case](#)

(21 Dec) Military.com, By Patricia Kime

The Coast Guard's handling of a sexual assault allegation at its Training Center Cape May, New Jersey, in 2018 has lawmakers questioning the service's commitment to investigating such crimes.

61. [Defense Department Increases Child Care Fees to Maintain Quality Child Care for Military Families](#)

(23 Dec) Immediate Release

The Defense Department implemented annual changes to the Child Development Program Fee Policy and restructured total family income categories which determine child care fees. The policy change includes fee increases necessary to ensure the department's ability to find and keep skilled child care staff and to continue providing quality care for military children.

62. [Defense Department Raises on-base child care fees](#)

(27 Dec) Military.com, By Patricia Kime

The Defense Department has raised its rates for on-base child care but also increased subsidies for

63. [New 'Women's Initiatives Team' seeking soldiers — men and women](#)

(28 Dec) Army Times, By Davis Winkie

The Army is launching a new advisory team to analyze policy and other matters in an effort to boost recruitment, retention and more for women across the service.

64. [Independent sexual assault prosecutions coming soon](#)

(29 Dec) Military Times, By Meghann Myers

The services are set to implement a huge change to the military justice system that's been about a decade in the making: the creation of an independent special victim's prosecution office, empowered to make decisions on filing charges and sending cases to trial without a unit commander's sign-off.

SERVICEWOMEN IN THE NEWS

65. [All-mom flight of Air Force F-15 fighter pilots takes to the skies](#)

(22 Dec) Task & Purpose, By David Roza

It's tough to be a mother in the military, let alone be a mother and a fighter pilot in the military. That's why it was remarkable when four fighter pilots who also happen to be moms took to the skies above Seymour Johnson Air Force Base, North Carolina in their F-15E Strike Eagles earlier this month.



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66. [**This officer is the first woman to serve as XO of a submarine**](#)
(1 Dec) Military Times, By Diana Stancy Correll
A woman is serving as the executive officer of a submarine for the first time — just over 10 years after the Silent Service opened to women. Lt. Cmdr. Amber Cowan, who joined the Navy in 2010, reported for duty to the ballistic missile submarine Kentucky, based out of Naval Base Kitsap-Bangor, Washington, as its executive officer Nov. 12.
 67. [**Aviation Soldiers Volunteer to Coach, Lead Functional Fitness**](#)
(1 Dec) DoD News, By Army Capt. Steven Wesolowski
Army 2nd Lt. Meagan M. O'Leary, platoon leader from 2nd Battalion, 149th Aviation Regiment, General Support Aviation Battalion, 36th Combat Aviation Brigade, Texas Army National Guard, shares about her initiative in helping fellow soldiers with their strength training workouts at Camp Buehring, Kuwait.
 68. [**1st female commander for NC National Guard aviation brigade hands over reins, reflects on career**](#)
(4 Dec) CBS17, By Deana Harley
Col. Michele Harper made history being the first female to hold the position.
 69. [**General Officer Announcements**](#)
(6 Dec) IMMEDIATE RELEASE
Secretary of Defense Lloyd J. Austin III announced that the president has made the following nomination: Marine Corps Brig. Gen. Lorna M. Mahlock for appointment to the grade of major general. Mahlock is currently serving as deputy director of Cybersecurity for Combat Support, National Security Agency, Fort Meade, Maryland.
 70. [**Senator demands answers surrounding August death of soldier in Germany**](#)
(7 Dec) Stars & Stripes, By Alexander Riedel
Sen. Charles Grassley has asked the Army's senior criminal investigator to provide answers about the investigation into the death of Spc. Denisha Montgomery, citing "disturbing" allegations she made weeks before her body was found in her barracks in Germany.
 71. [**Army soldier killed at Fort Campbell home was shot by estranged husband, jury rules**](#)
(9 Dec) The Charlotte Observer, By Mike Stunson
A federal jury has found an estranged husband guilty of killing his wife, an Army sergeant stationed at Fort Campbell. Brittney Silvers had been shot three times when she was found dead at Fort Campbell. Victor Silvers, Brittney's estranged husband she was in the process of divorcing, was quickly identified as a suspect.
 72. [**Meet Joy Maria Kitashima, the Marine Corps' 1st female force sergeant major**](#)
(15 Dec) Coffee or Die Magazine, By Noelle Wiehe
U.S. Marine Sgt. Maj. Joy Maria Kitashima will return to Okinawa next year, the Japanese island where her military police career began. But this time she's going to be the top enlisted advisor at III Marine Expeditionary Force.
 73. [**For the 1st time, a Black female Marine is set to be a 2-star general**](#)
(16 Dec) Marine Corps Times, By Irene Loewenson
Brig. Gen. Lorna Mahlock will make Corps history by becoming the first Black woman to serve as a two-star general in the service.



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74. [Black female Air Force pilot receives historic Distinguished Flying Cross](#)
(17 Dec) Defense News Weekly <Video>
Capt. Rhea McFarland became one of Air Force's first Black female airmen to receive the Distinguished Flying Cross for actions in Afghanistan.
 75. [Toys for Tots gave a toy bunny to a girl in need. She became a Marine.](#)
(20 Dec) Marine Corps Times, By Irene Loewenson
Mariela Peña knew that one day, like those Toys for Tots reservists, she wanted to drive trucks for the Marines.
 76. [San Diego VA medical center renamed in honor of Army nurse killed in Afghanistan](#)
(20 Dec) San Diego Union-Tribune, By Greg Moran
Capt. Jennifer Moreno, a San Diego native, was killed in 2013 in Afghanistan while coming to the aid of fellow soldiers injured in an explosives attack.
 77. [Soldier who says she was unjustly arrested as AWOL released from jail](#)
(28 Dec) Army Times, By Jonathan Lehrfeld
An Army reservist says she was wrongfully arrested for being absent without leave after armed officers stormed her home at gunpoint while her children watched in panic. Sgt. 1st Class Shantaya Williams, 44, from Grand Prairie, Texas, was reportedly nursing her 1-year-old on Nov. 30 when authorities broke down her door and took her into custody.
 78. [A woman-led Marine Corps Silent Drill Platoon](#)
(28 Dec) Marine Corps Times, By Irene Loewenson
Capt. Kelsey M. Hastings assumed command of the Silent Drill Platoon in November.
 79. [Houston post office to be renamed to honor Army Spc. Vanessa Guillén](#)
(29 Dec) Military.com, By Patricia Kime
A Houston post office will soon bear the name of a woman who became the face of the #MeToo movement for the U.S. armed services.

WOMEN VETERANS

80. [Marine vet gets Lakers crowd hopped up by chugging from prosthetic](#)
(1 Dec) Marine Corps Times, By Irene Loewenson
Marine veteran Annika Hutsler wasn't even sure she was going to the Lakers-Pacers basketball game on Monday until the morning of the game. It turns out sitting at the game as an mere bystander wasn't in Hutsler's cards either. By drinking beer out of her prosthetic leg while featured on the jumbotron, drawing huge cheers from the crowd, she became the official "Fan of the Game."
81. [This Marine vet means business — a \\$1 million cleaning business](#)
(11 Dec) Military Times, By Dave Lubach
Marine Corps veteran Matisa Ullrich credits her time in the service for her success with her cleaning business.



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82. [Dead Navy officer likely to be removed from Arlington Cemetery](#)
(13 Dec) American Military News, By Justin Cooper
The cremated remains of a former Navy lieutenant, executed in 1993 for the brutal murder of a female officer, are likely to be removed from Arlington National Cemetery, according to a provision quietly tucked into the military's budget for next year. Lt. Andrew Chabrol was executed via electric chair for the 1991 kidnap, rape and murder of Petty Officer 2nd Class Melissa Harrington, who had reported him for sexual harassment.
83. [VA employee sues department over new abortion policy](#)
(14 Dec) Military Times, By Leo Shane III
A Veterans Affairs health care employee working in Texas sued the department Wednesday over its new abortion policy, saying the change violates her religious beliefs as well as state law.
84. [Tyler Perry will tell the story of an all-Black, all-female WWII battalion in a new movie](#)
(15 Dec) Military.com, By James Barber
Tyler Perry has announced plans to make "Six Triple Eight," a movie about the only all-black, all-female battalion to serve during World War II. Perry wrote the screenplay and will direct the picture for Netflix.
85. [Tyler Perry to direct film on WWII's only all-Black, all-female unit](#)
(19 Dec) Military Times, By Sarah Sicard
The legendary 6888th Central Postal Directory Battalion — the only all-Black, all-female unit deployed during World War II — will soon have its day on the silver screen.