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Military

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**MILITARY FAMILIES
IN OUR OWN
BACKYARD.**

OPERATION: MILITARY KIDS (OMK)

**A Collaborative Effort with
America's Communities to Support
Military Kids Impacted
by the Global War on Terrorism**



Goals and Objectives of **OPERATION: MILITARY KIDS**

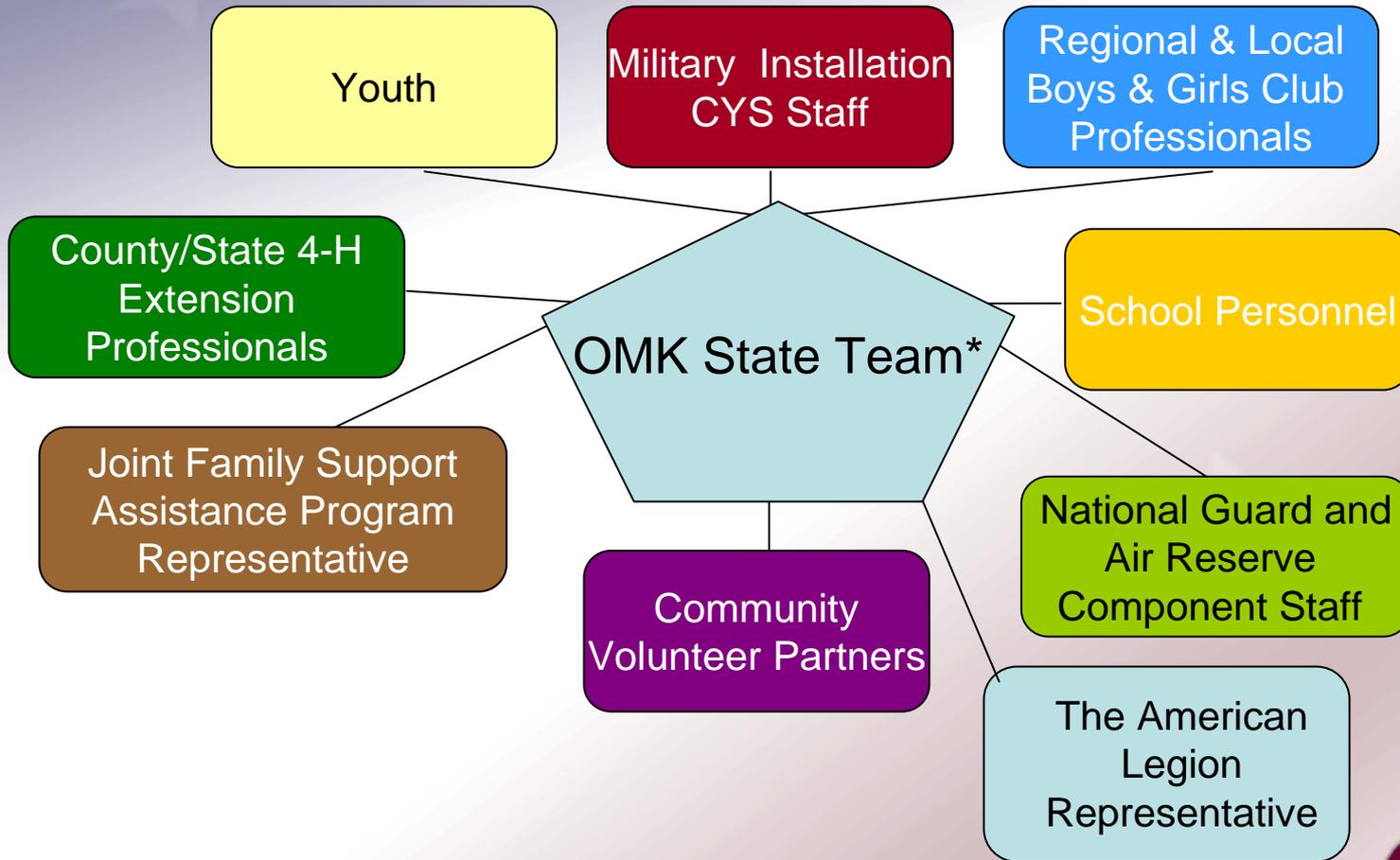
OMK GOAL: Support the military children and youth who have been or are being affected by deployment

OMK OBJECTIVES:

- Raise community awareness of military kids
- Build community capacity to deliver outreach services
- Implement outreach support services



OMK STATE TEAM



***4-H State Military Liaisons serve as OMK State Team Leaders**



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Joint Family Assistance Program Status Update

- OMK operating in 13 JFSAP Pilot states
- 9 states staffed with YPS (CO, IN, MN, NE, NH, OH, OR, TX, WV)
- 4 states are in the hiring process (AL, CA, FL, HI)
- AR coming on board as an OMK state November 1
- TN coming on board as an OMK state during the next fiscal year



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Joint Family Assistance Program

Oct 1, 2007 to date; 13 States

OMK Activities Making a Difference

- 58 Community awareness trainings reached 1581 community members
- 208 SOMK youth provided 58 presentations reaching 1802 community members
- 4271 participants interact with MTL through 72 events
- 3756 youth received Hero Packs through 64 events
- 203 Military Youth focused programs reach 9511 youth
- 39 Other Support Programs reach 1146



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Joint Family Assistance Program

Keys to Implementation

- Focus on shared mission
- Remember this is a partnership
- Establish regular communication
- Develop complimentary roles among key players
- Actively participate on state team
- Bring a spirit of cooperation, partnership, community bldg

Ongoing communication and joint planning among OMK Teams and Partners is critical to successful Local Community Support Networks!

