

# UPDATE



## Fort Benning Regional Growth Management Plan March 2010

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### RGMP

The Fort Benning Regional Growth Management Plan (RGMP) is a major planning effort designed to assess the challenges and opportunities facing communities impacted by the Fort Benning BRAC growth and to find solutions that address these issues. The RGMP study produced a plan for the region and for each of the 10-counties within a 35 mile radius of Ft. Benning, as listed below.

For more information, go to the [RGMP website](#).

### RGMP Counties

[ALABAMA](#)  
Barbour  
Lee  
Russell

### → Ft. Benning BRAC Growth Brings Jobs

As the Chattahoochee Valley region continues to gear up for growth at Fort Benning due to Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC), job seekers are encouraged to take advantage of the many resources available to get connected to one of over 11,000 jobs coming to the area. Although some of the jobs are already here, including construction and advance personnel establishing the Maneuver Center of Excellence at Fort Benning, most of the jobs will come after the completion of BRAC-related construction on-post and before the September 15, 2011 BRAC deadline. Installation Management Command (IMCOM), Fort Benning Garrison will require in excess of 500 new Department of The Army Civilian (DAC) positions. Medical Command, Dental Command, Commissary, Army and Air Force Exchange Service (AFFES) will require additional positions.

#### Job Posting Websites:

- Civilian Personnel Online (CPOL):: <http://acpol.army.mil/employment/>
- USA Jobs: <http://www.usajobs.opm.gov/>
- Fort Benning Maneuver Center of Excellence (MCOE) employment: <https://www.benning.army.mil/mcoe/content/employment.asp> (Loads slowly - be patient)
- Army Community Service Job List: <http://www.benningmwr.com/documents/acs/joblists/JobList.xls>

#### JOB FAIR NEXT WEEK

A Career Expo is being hosted on Fort Benning on Thursday, March 25, 2010 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm at the Benning Club, 7010 Morrison Avenue, Fort Benning. CivilianJobs.com is holding this job fair for military personnel transitioning into the civilian world, but it is also open to civilians.

For more information on the job fair, call 678-819-4170 or visit: <http://civilianjobs.com/careeradvice/JobFairs.aspx>

Please forward this email to spread the word about these resources available for job seekers.

### → Another Fort Knox Town Hall is Planned

The Leaders Club in Fort Knox, Kentucky will host the seventh Information Town Hall on April 29, 2010. The Valley Partnership, in

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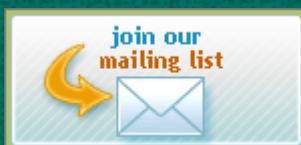
Columbus - Muscogee  
 Cusseta - Chattahoochee  
 Harris  
 Marion  
 Stewart  
 Talbot  
 Taylor

## MCOE Community Update



Each month, Fort Benning hosts a Maneuver Center of Excellence (MCOE) Update that provides BRAC information to on-post personnel and to the region's communities. These Updates are open to the public and are held the first Tuesday of each month at 3:00 pm, at the [National Infantry Museum](#).

## [MCOE Community Update](#)



in conjunction with the US Army Armor Center and School, will hold this event to welcome those transitioning to the Chattahoochee Valley due to Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC).

### Registration for this event is now closed.

Over 100 organizations from the Chattahoochee Valley have registered to attend, representing Fort Benning Agencies, Economic Development, Education, Financial, Healthcare, Real Estate and Quality of Life. More details to come as we are closer to the April 29th event.

## → [Armor & Cavalry Museum Artifacts Arrive](#)

On March 1, 2010 a convoy of 17 vehicles left Fort Knox, KY for Fort Benning carrying artifacts to be displayed at the new Armor and Cavalry Museum to be constructed in Columbus, GA. The artifacts include a number of armored vehicles, a Chaffee Light Tank, an amphibious tank, a mortar carrier, a FIST-V Fire Support Team Vehicle and a tracked landing vehicle. Traveling at a maximum speed of 40 mph, the trip took two days. More convoys will make the trip over the next few months, bringing more than 230 pieces in all. [Read the full story.](#)

## → [National Armor & Cavalry Museum Relocates to Patriot Park In Columbus, GA](#)

Major General (Ret.) George H. Harmeyer, Chairman of the National Armor and Cavalry Heritage Foundation, announced on March 2nd at the Greater Columbus Georgia Chamber of Commerce the relocation of the National Armor and Cavalry Museum to Patriot Park across the parade field from the National Infantry Museum.

### The Project:

- Raise \$75 million
- Final form will be 140,000 sq.ft.
- Additional 30,000 sq.ft. Maintenance Facility
- 5-7 years time to completion
- The National Armor and Cavalry Museum, the National Infantry Museum and Soldier Center, as well as the Company Street and the Patriot Park will create the largest museum complex in the US Army and the Southeastern United States
- The construction and continuing operations of the National Armor and Cavalry Museum will have a significant and ongoing economic, social and cultural impact on the community
- This is the Army's primary and largest collection

## → [Headlines Around the Chattahoochee Valley](#)

Check out these articles about the many good things happening in the Chattahoochee Valley:

- [Benning to Add 1,600 Jobs Due to BRAC](#)

- [Columbus and Harris County Housing Markets Uptick in 2010](#)
- [National Armor and Cavalry Museum to be built in Columbus](#)

## → LET US PROMOTE YOUR PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

Have you been wondering how your business can participate with the BRAC movement? One easy and beneficial way is to tell me about any military discounts you offer for your products or services. We will be happy to share that information and spread the word about your business FOR FREE! All you need to do is email that information to:

[lbrady@columbusgachamber.com](mailto:lbrady@columbusgachamber.com). This is a valuable way of introducing your business to those transitioning here who are in need of your products and services. It also sends a message to all those relocating to the Chattahoochee Valley that we are happy they're here and we want to welcome them in a special way.

## → Employment Opportunity: Regional Planning Specialist

Excellent opportunity for an individual with experience in urban and regional planning to join the Fort Benning Regional Growth Management team to help counties in the Chattahoochee Valley (AL/GA) continue to prepare for the population surge caused by economic development growth generated by the results of BRAC. [Click for more info](#)

## Ft. Benning [Population Estimates & Growth Timeline](#)

## BRAC Countdown



As of March 18, 2010, there are **545 days** until the September 15, 2011 deadline to complete all 2005 BRAC-directed actions.

## QUICK LINKS

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[Valley Partnership](#)  
[Fort Benning](#)  
[Small Business Contracting Information](#)  
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