



**DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
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Airmen, Guardians and Families,

We established the Fortify the Force Initiative Team (FFIT) at CORONA Fall 2021, which was endorsed by attendees including the Secretary of the Air Force, Undersecretary of the Air Force, Chief of Staff of the Air Force, and Chief of Space Operations. The FFIT is championed directly by the Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force and Chief Master Sergeant of the Space Force, and as your champions, we are committed to this team and its efforts.

The FFIT is a community of Airmen, Guardians, and Families, led by Airmen, Guardians, and Families. The FFIT is inclusive of all ranks and demographics across the Department of the Air Force and structured to integrate organizations passionate about resiliency and mental health efforts. Its organizational structure is built to link volunteer Airmen, Guardians and family members in the field directly to decision makers, accelerating actionable initiatives to create meaningful impact as quickly as possible.

The FFIT will establish its formal charter and organizational structure in 2022, building advisory groups and processes to create a collaborative approach to barrier analysis. As those processes are built, the team will provide mechanisms to solicit volunteers, connect with best practices, and collaborate to enhance existing efforts across the DAF. The team is distributing links to volunteer, submit initiatives, or join their advisory team; you can also connect directly at fortifytheforce@gmail.com.

We are grateful for your service, your passion, and your commitment. Together, we will accelerate meaningful initiatives to fortify our force and our families.

One Team, One Fight!

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Roger A. Towberman
Chief Master Sergeant of the Space Force

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JoAnne S. Bass
Chief Master Sergeant of the Air Force