Helping Heroes

(NAPS)—The Department of Defense reports that 1.3 million Americans serve in the military.

If you or someone you care about is ever among them and sent overseas, you may be glad to learn about an organization that's been assisting members of the U.S. armed forces, veterans and their families since the early 1990s: the American Red Cross. It provides emergency communication services, resiliency programs and morale activities.

Military personnel and their families have a new place to turn to for support.

“We are committed to delivering critical services with a caring touch wherever and whenever they’re needed—24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year—for military members and their families at home and around the world,” said Koby Langley, senior vice president for Service to the Armed Forces at the Red Cross.

Now, the organization is expanding support for U.S. military personnel in Eastern Europe with a new office in Romania.

In addition to aiding military members and their families, the American Red Cross shelters, feeds and provides emotional support to disaster victims; supplies about 40 percent of the nation’s blood; teaches lifesaving skills; and provides humanitarian aid. A not-for-profit organization, it depends on volunteers and the generosity of the American public.

Learn More

The free Hero Care App helps members of the military and veteran communities access emergency and other Red Cross services anywhere in the world.

Go to your app store or text GETHEROCARE to 90909 to download the app. For further facts, visit www.redcross.org.