



USAG Stuttgart Community Town Hall

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COL Edward “Judd” Sanford
USAG Stuttgart, Garrison Commander
U.S. Army Installation Management Command



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USAG Stuttgart Command Team

Garrison Commander



**COL Edward "Judd"
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**Deputy to the
Garrison Commander**



**Mr. Robert
Gwinner**

**Command
Sergeant Major**



**CSM Christopher
Melendez**

- **Robinson APO Postal Services:** Click and Ship is offered on RB on Thursday from 1300-1530.
- **Hiring Freeze Update:** We are still under a hiring freeze. DPW, DES, and MWR are able to hire certain positions at this time. We are also hiring for TEMP seasonal postal clerks to start ASAP and work until 30 SEP 2026.
<https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/869078900>
- **Summer Hire Program Unfunded:** Higher Headquarters has cancelled this year's Summer Hire program due to funding constraints from the Army.

Army Post Office Hours

Patch

Tuesday and Thursday

1000 - 1600

Panzer

Monday and Wednesday

1000 - 1600

Kelley

Wednesday and Friday

1000 - 1600

Robinson Barracks

Thursday

1300 - 1530

Community Mail Room Hours

Patch

Monday- Friday

1130-1300 and 1500-1730

Panzer

Monday- Friday

1130-1300 and 1500-1730

Kelley

Monday- Friday

1130-1300 and 1500-1730

Robinson Barracks

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,
Friday, (Thursday Closed)

1300 - 1530

All APOs are closed on U.S. federal holidays and weekends.



Save Time at The Post Office

Did you know you may pre-pay postage and complete customs labels before you arrive at the APO?

United States Postal Service (Purchase postage, complete customs forms.)

- <https://www.usps.com/>
- <https://www.usps.com/international/customs-forms.htm>

Shippo (may offer Priority Mail discounts on shipping.)

- <https://goshippo.com/>

Pirate Ship (may offer Priority Mail discounts.)

- <https://www.pirateship.com>

Parcels weighing more than 1 lbs. must be pre-screened and cleared by U.S. Customs before your local APO is allowed to put it on the truck.

Solution: Don't allow your mail to be held up. Complete your customs forms online **before** you arrive at the APO. Tell customs what's in your box and be descriptive, (e.g., Lego set, 3 new shirts, 3 new pots, 2 used pans)



DPW: Construction Project Updates

RB Construction Projects

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| Complete | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final Renovation Inspections of Buildings 182 & 183 • Renovation of Duplexes • Repair Sewer Lines • Repair Fitness Center 24/7 Unmanned Access • Repair Buildings 181, 184 & 187 • Renovate Area for CMR |
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| In-Progress | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Repair Roof of Building 151 • Repair Buildings 185 and 186 • Repair BOQ Building 196 |
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| Pending | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paint Stairwells in Buildings: 154-159, 164-167, 170-180, 184, 301-313 • Repair Perimeter Fencing |
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| Future | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Balcony Installation of Buildings 181-187 & 300 • Rolladen Installation |

Major Construction Projects

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- **Panzer Auto Skill Center**
 - **Start Date:** JUN 2025
 - **Percentage of Completion:** 34%
 - **Working on:**
 - Sprinkler tank, concrete floor slab
 - Completing building shell
 - **Estimated Completion:** JUL 2027
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- **Panzer Commissary & Parking Lot**
 - **Start Date:** DEC 2024
 - **Percentage of Completion:** 25%
 - **Working on:**
 - Retaining walls and parking deck 2nd phase ongoing
 - Exterior walls of building
 - Utility connections
 - **Estimated Completion:** OCT 2027
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- **New Robinson Barracks Elementary School**
 - **Start Date:** JAN 2023
 - **Percentage of Completion:** 23%
 - **Working on:**
 - Ongoing foundation work
 - **Estimated Completion:** MAY 2028





Crosswalk Safety



STOP! Let cars come to a stop



Make eye contact with the driver!

Look both ways!



Look left & right!

Cross slowly and attentively



Never run across the crosswalk!



No phone & no headphones!

Walk, don't ride!
Crosswalks are for pedestrians!



DES: Gate Construction Projects

Project: In compliance with Unified Facility Criteria requirements, USAG Stuttgart will **enhance security posture by upgrading existing gate infrastructure**. The garrison will complete this project across all installations in phases to minimize disruptions to our community, beginning with Patch Barracks on or about **11 JUN 2026**.

Details: We expect it will take **approximately 100 days** to complete the upgrades of each installation.

We planned a partial-sequential approach across the installations to minimize disruption and reduce garrison costs for additional Contract Security Guards support and DPW managed projects.

Impact: Community members will be required to use alternate access control points (ACPs).

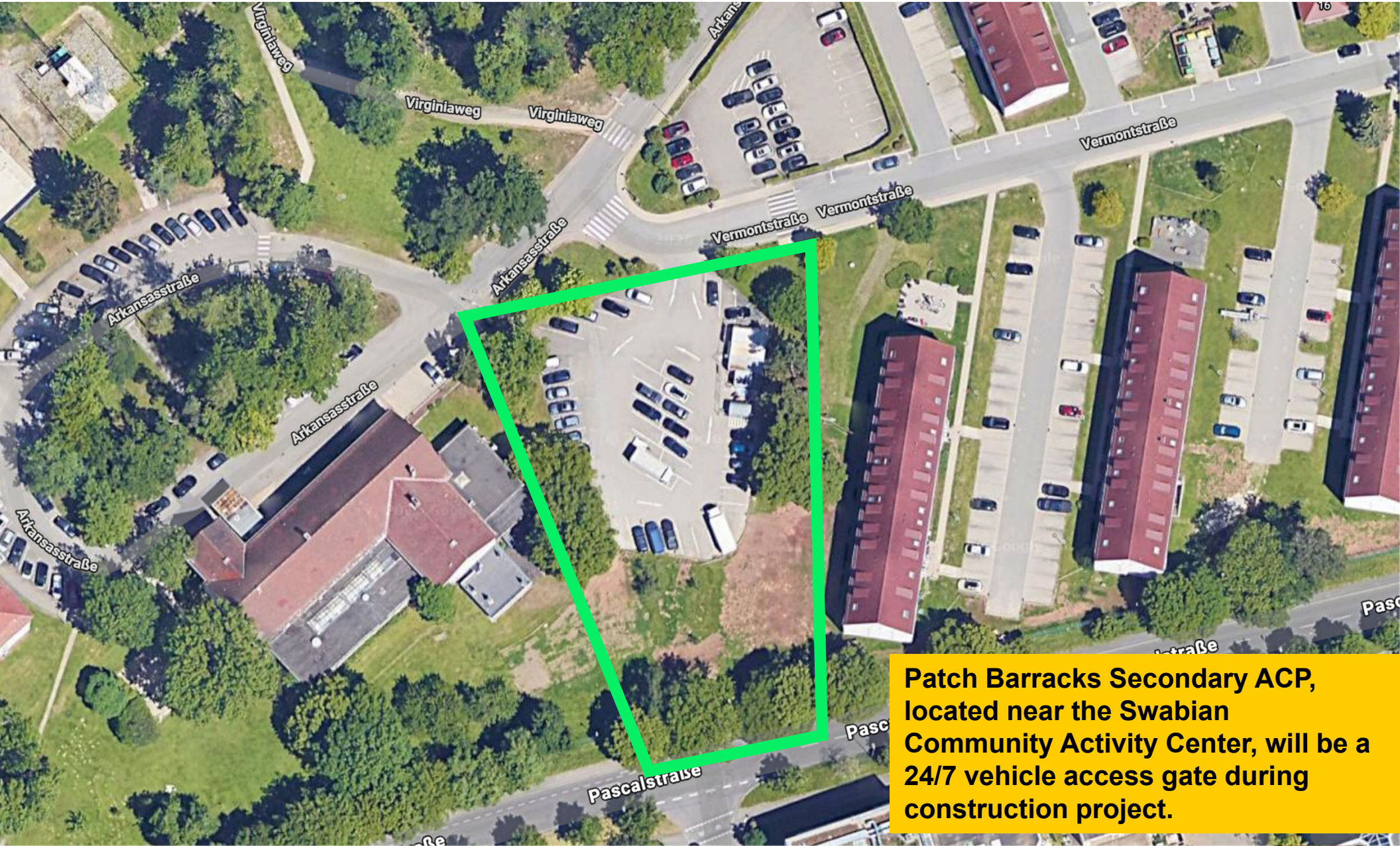
- **Change in Daily Routines:** traffic flow adjustments; alternate parking and delivery access. We are working with stakeholders to minimize disruption.
- **Slowed Access:** Electronic vetting capabilities through Defense Biometric Identification System (DIBIDS) will not be available at the alternate ACPs, individuals **must present two forms of ID** when entering through alternate gates. This is an Army mandated requirement. (AR190-13).

Access Control Point	Closure Date	Reopening Date
Patch Barracks Main ACP	11 JUN 2026	13 AUG 2026
Kelley Main ACP*	TBD	TBD
Robinson Main ACP*	TBD	TBD
Panzer Housing ACP*	TBD	TBD

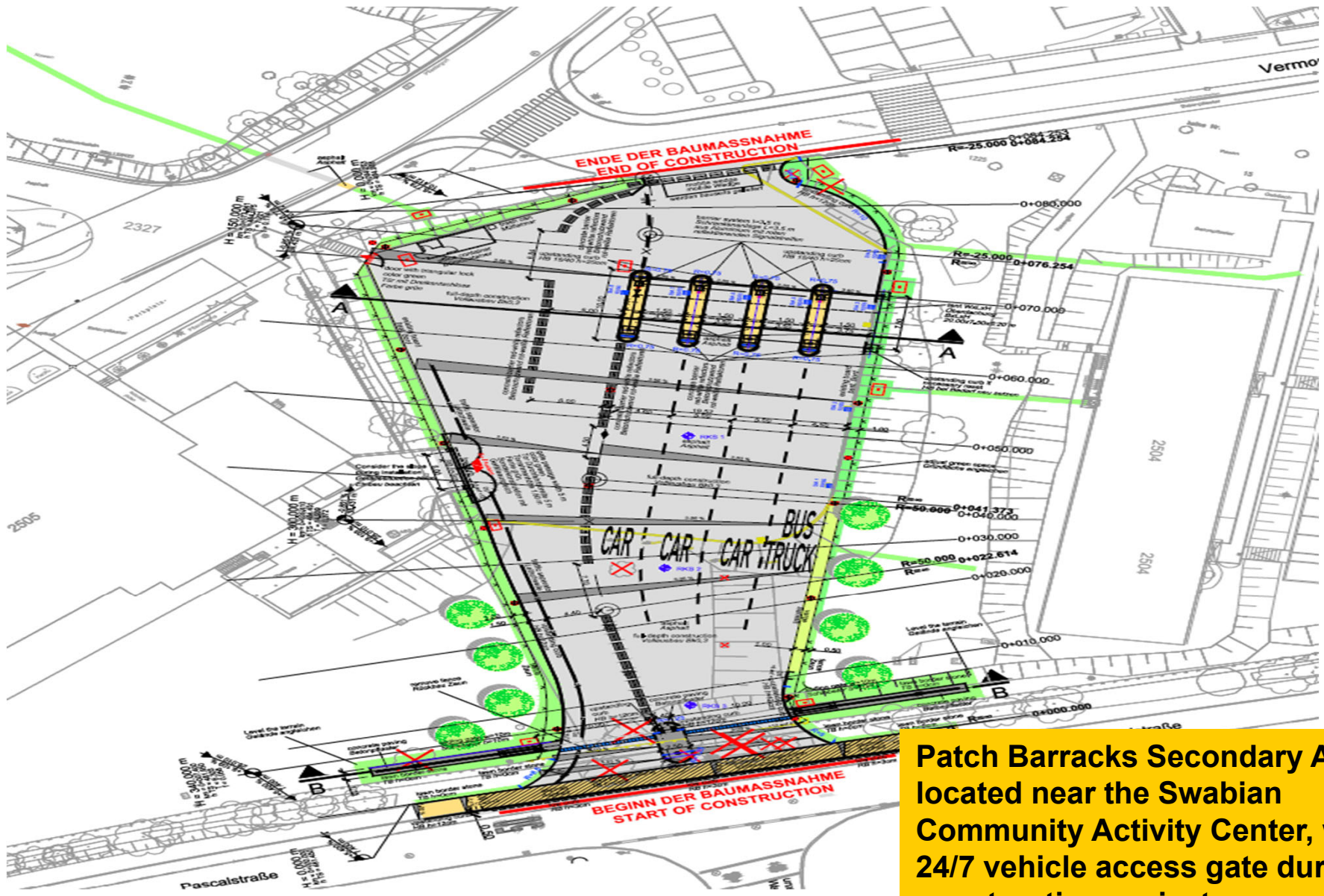
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Q: Why is this project necessary now?

A: This project is part of a scheduled, force-wide effort to enhance physical security measures at U.S. Army garrisons.

Q: Will gates be completely closed for long periods?

A: We do not anticipate long-term total gate closures. Closures will be communicated through the My Army Post App and the USAG Stuttgart Facebook page. Make sure to [download the app](#) to stay informed.

Q: I am a resident of on-post housing. How will this affect me?

A: You may experience construction noise during duty hours. If scheduled work directly impacts access to your housing area, you will receive a door-hanger flyer with specific details in advance.

Q: How can I stay up to date in case there are any changes?

A: Make sure you download the My Army Post App on your phone, sign up for email alerts on StuttgartCitizen.com or follow [U.S. Army Garrison Stuttgart](#) on Facebook.

Q. Will this impact the hours of any on-post services?

A: No.

Q: I am in the process of moving. How will this affect my PCS?

A: Drivers must be sponsored and are required to enter through commercial vehicle inspection gates . We recommend coordinating with the Transportation Office to schedule pickup/drop-offs of household goods during non-peak hours. Make sure your contact information is up to date so that you may be reached, if necessary.



Gate Construction FAQs – ID Requirements


Q: Why do I need two forms of ID?

A: Entry at the alternate access control points requires two forms of photo identification as an enhanced security measure.

Q: What are the ID requirements for minors?

A: Adults with two forms of proper ID may escort children under the age of 12. Children 12-17 years old only require one form of ID.

ACCEPTED	NOT ACCEPTED
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All DoD ID cards	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> USAREUR driver's license
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Passport	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unit/Organization access badges
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> U.S. state-issued or Host Nation driver's license/ID (with picture)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NIPR/SIPR computer token cards
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Police/investigator credentials	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Club cards (SELGROS, Costco)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EU-issued ID card (Ausweis)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Name tags/uniforms
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Residence permit (Aufenthaltstitel)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Library card
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Work permit (Arbeitsgenehmigung)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Student ID/bus pass



Q: What do I do if I lose or forget my CAC, or if I only have one form of ID?

A: Report lost CACs and DoD ID Cards to the MPs. If you forget your CAC, guards will not have access to do look-ups at Patch Barracks ACPs. Adults will not be able to enter Patch Barracks without two forms of proper identification.

Q: How can I sign my visitors in?

A: Visitor passes will be issued at the K & K Gate during duty hours (0600-1800). After duty hours and on weekends, you can obtain visitor passes can from the Visitor Centers on Panzer, Kelley, or Robison Barracks.

**All adults must bring two forms of proper ID
to access Patch Barracks during the gate construction project.**



Gate Construction FAQs – Pedestrian Safety

Q: With the closure of parking spots adjacent to Building 2517 for the staging of balconies and the rerouting of the gate traffic down Arkansas Str., there are concerns for the safety of children crossing the street in that area. What measures is the garrison taking to ensure the safety of pedestrians in this area?

The garrison will implement the following to increase safety in the vicinity of Arkansas Str.:

- Increased signage along route.
- DES will place additional DACP and MP patrols, especially during peak traffic times, and a period of zero-tolerance enforcement implemented for failing to stop at crosswalks, speeding and other moving violations. They will be prepared to establish Traffic Control Points (TCPs) during peak periods to safely and efficiently move vehicles and pedestrians.
- DES and the Safety Office will look for ways to reduce risks by continuously assess traffic flow; identifying physical hazards, like parked cars and trash receptacles; and implement mitigations to improve visibility and traffic flow as needed.
- PAO and Safety will amplify a safety messaging campaign emphasizing vehicle and pedestrian safety. We will remind everyone that pedestrians must make eye contact with drivers to ensure the drivers see them and the vehicle has stopped prior to crossing any road.

Q: Can you assign MPs to direct crosswalk traffic?

A: No, crossing guards are not a law enforcement task or security task.

Q: Can you put a three-way stop sign at the intersection of Arkansas and Montana Str.?

A: DES and the Safety Office are evaluating the safety of this intersection.

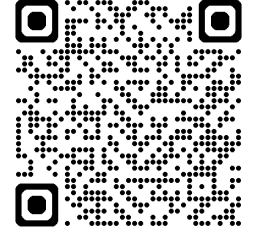
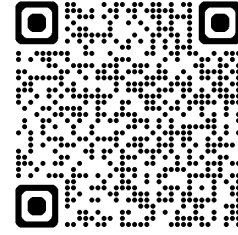
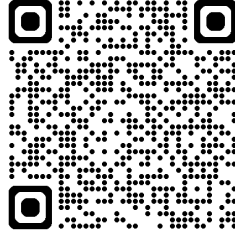
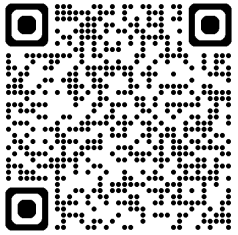
Q: What is the plan for kids who walk to school from Vermont Str.?

A: The construction will begin after school is out of session. This will reduce the number of children walking in the area in the morning.



Gate Construction Projects: More Info

More information is available on:



StuttgartCitizen.com

My Army Post App

USAG Stuttgart Facebook

AFN-GO (Radio)

AFN-NOW (TV)

Have additional questions?

Contact USAG Stuttgart Public Affairs on Facebook or by email:

usarmy.stuttgart.id-europe.list.pao@army.mil



Q: When are the barriers going to be moved heading towards the school on Patch?

A: The barriers are a current FPCON requirement and will remain for the foreseeable future.



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Interim Director of Family and MWR

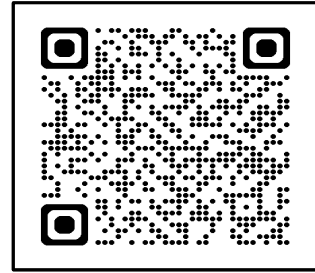


Ms. Corrie A. Schwab

Mission: Serving those who serve.

Responsibilities:

- Army Community Service (ACS)
- Child and Youth Services (CYS)
- Business Operations Division (BOD)
- Community Recreation Division (CRD)
- NAF Support Division (NSD)



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15 MAY 26

- Parents' Night Out
 - Panzer CDC/SAC

16 MAY 26

- Rock the 80's 5K
 - Patch Fitness Center

27 MAY 26

- CYS Sports & Fitness Fall Sports Registration
 - Online-Webtrac

05-07 & 12-14 JUN 26

- Dare to Dream Jr., A Disney Musical Review
 - Stuttgart Theatre Center

27 JUN 26

- U.S. Independence Day Celebration
 - Panzer Kaserne



COMMENT: Please help get AC in the Stuttgart Theatre Center on Kelley or allow the theatre to control when the heat is turned on and off. The theatre puts on great performances but is overshadowed by a lack of climate control making it very uncomfortable sometimes.

A: Kelley Theatre has a ventilation system that does not adjust rapidly to outside conditions, and DPW is working to adjust the temperature to approximately 68°F. DFMWR knows the limitations of ventilation system limitations. adjusts our theatre season to end during the summer months. Our last performance for this season will be 14 JUN 2026, and we will return in the Fall with a new line up.



- **Key Community Events**

- 15-17 JUN 26: Vacation Bible School
 - Patch Elementary School from 0900-1200
- 18 JUN 26: Building Strong & Ready Teams
 - For MP Co, Clinic, and Garrison HQ Soldiers and Families

- **Volunteer Opportunities**

- Children's Church Teachers
- Catechists
- Worship Music Teams
- Sound Engineer
- Community Pantry

- **100% Confidential Counseling Available**

- Family Life Chaplain, Panzer Kaserne
 - Phone: +49 172-891-7987



VBS Student
Registration QR Code

S5: Commissary Consolidation Update

Background:

- **JAN 2013:** SecDef directed study of European capacity analysis and military value rating (similar to the BRAC process) to provide basis for reducing long-term expenses through infrastructure consolidations.
- **JAN 2015:** SecDef approved and announced 26 European Infrastructure Consolidation (EIC) decisions, including consolidating commissary stores at USAG Stuttgart and two other garrisons.
- **DEC 2024:** Construction began on ~\$51M Panzer Commissary project (estimated completion of OCT 2027). DeCA plans to close the existing 4 commissaries following the completion of the project.

Steps Taken:

- **AUG 2025:** GEN Langley (ret, AFRICOM) sent a memo to the DeCA Director requesting a stop to the planned closure of the Kelley Barracks Commissary
 - Although DeCA/IMCOM Europe supported the request, DeCA rejected the memo because Board of Directors were not included in routing
- **FEB 2026:** Garrison conducted impact and use survey for the Robinson Barracks Commissary and
- **MAR 2026:** Garrison submitted combined memo for GCC Commanders endorsement of DeCA requesting a stop to the planned closures of both the **Kelley and Robinson Barracks** commissaries.

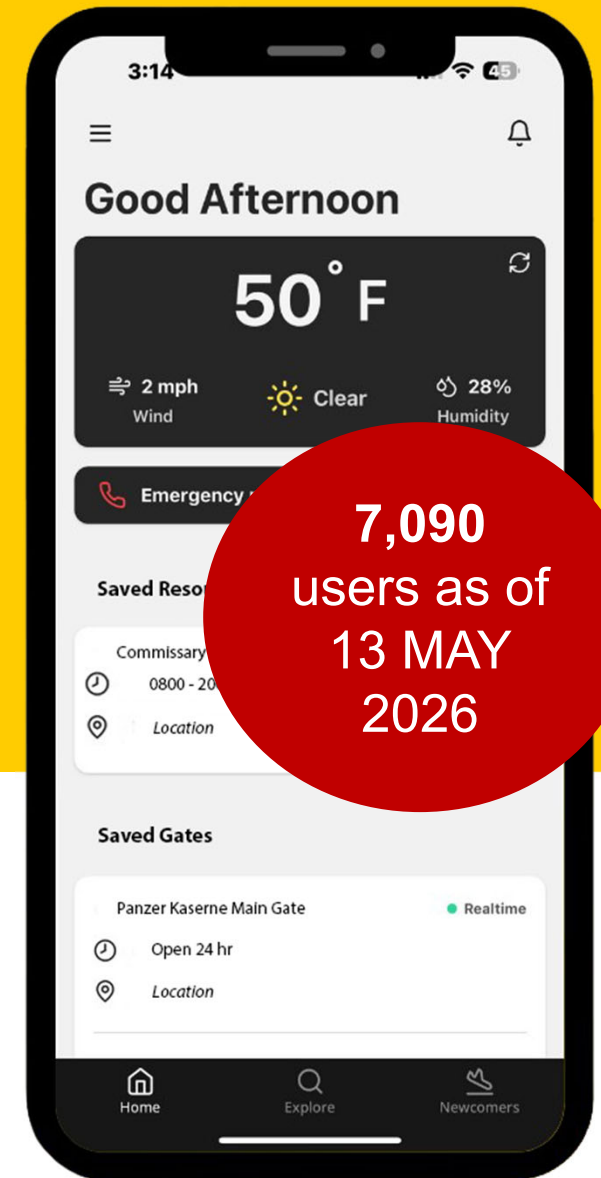
Next Steps:

- **AUG 2026:** DeCA Board of Directors will make decision at annual meeting.
- You can follow the construction of the Panzer Commissary live [here](#).



My Army Post App

- Army-approved and mandated for all Army Installations
- Continuously updated design and user experience
- **For Users:** Clean design, easy search function, bookmarks, GPS compatible, push notifications, user feedback, call from the app
- **For PAO:** No cost to garrison, easy to use, managers can update their own content, great support at IMCOM



USAG Stuttgart App

- **We do not update this app.**
- Removed from app stores FEB 2026.
- Tell us if there is a feature you liked that you want to see on MAPA by emailing:

usarmy.stuttgart.id-europe.list.pao@army.mil



EU Entry and Exit System (EES)



EUCOM EES Travel Checklist a/o 20 JAN 2026

Everyone always needs:

- CAC/ID card
 - Your PCS* orders to a Schengen Area country
- *uniformed military, military dependent, civilian employees, civilian dependent, if PSC orders issued

Military dependents, civilians, civilian dependents and contractors also need:

- Official Special Issuance Passport (SIP) (maroon) with SOFA stamp
--OR--
- No-Fee SIP (blue) passport with SOFA stamp
--OR--
- Tourist (blue) passport with SOFA card

+ On official travel:

All items in previous list, and:

- Your (or your sponsor's) TDY/TAD orders
- Your (or your sponsor's) NATO orders
- If applicable for country of assignment or destination

+ On unofficial travel:

All applicable items from previous lists, and:

- Tourist (blue) passport
- To be presented ONLY on entry to destination country, outside Schengen zone
- Leave authorization
- If uniformed military

DO NOT enter or exit using a kiosk or computer

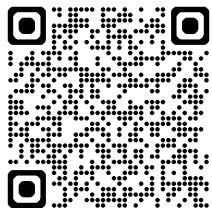
- Request assistance to use manned control points, which may include control points for diplomatic use

Present **all** documents when departing and returning to Schengen Area country of assignment

- When feasible, enter or exit from your country of assignment

When on leave travel, enter and exit your country of **destination** on your tourist (blue) passport

- If a border agent questions you, say: "I am a United States Department of War traveler assigned to duty in [country of assignment]. As such, I am authorized to stay long-term in [country of assignment] and exempt from EES requirements per the NATO Status of Forces Agreement and other applicable defense agreements."
- If a border agent registers you in EES, contact eucom.stuttgart.ecj1.mbx.eu-entry-exit-system@mail.mil with your full name, nationality, DOB, gender, and travel document information to be removed.
- Please check the Foreign Clearance Guide for any unique document requirements your country of assignment or destination may have.



<https://www.europeafrica.army.mil/Community/Employee-Resources/EES/>



Additional Questions




QUESTION: Has it been looked into to have an afterschool activity bus for the high school? Especially for those students that live on Robinson and Kelly?

I know several students who had to constantly miss the last part of practice because they worried about catching the duty bus to Robinson. An activity bus would also relieve some of the issues that people have when the duty bus is full of students.

ANSWER: At this time, there are no plans to expand the activity bus services. Providing transportation services for students within the local area presents logistical challenges, and limited funding requires us to prioritize available resources. At this time, those resources are prioritized toward means for students to get to practice in instances where practice is held off Panzer. The existing duty bus leaves Panzer for Patch and RB at 1830 (1730 is the earlier bus) and to Kelley at 1834 (1734 is the earlier bus). The school principal will work with coaches to align practice time completion and transportation as best they can.



Date	Location
19 MAY	SES – Pastries with the Principal
20 MAY	RBES – Field Day PMS – 5 th Grade Parent Night
22 MAY	No School
25 MAY	No School – Memorial Day
27 MAY	SHS – Senior’s Last Day (Clap Out)
29 MAY	SES – End of Year Awards Ceremony
2 JUN	SHS – Graduation (1800) 
3 JUN	SES – Talent Show
5 JUN	SES – Field Day
8 JUN	RBES – End of Year Picnic PES – Night of the Arts
9 JUN	Last Day of School (Early Release) SES – End of Year Clap Out



QUESTION: Why is TKS the only service provider allowed on post? Their service is subpar and in on post housing, internet doesn't even reach the whole house sometimes. Lack of availability to put routers in other rooms in the house. Options would be ideal.

QUESTION: The internet issues that have been happening more and more frequent, is that being dealt with?

ANSWER: We are aware of ongoing issues with TKS service across USAG Stuttgart installations. We are investigating this issue and will provide an update soon.

