

## YMCA membership available for some military families

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The YMCA has a long history of supporting military service members and their families going back to the Civil War – so it was natural for us to join this initiative,” said Tom Bolin, associate executive director at the YMCA in Willmar. “During this time of conflict, it is more important than ever that we continue providing services and support to these families in the absence of a deployed spouse.”

Military families eligible for YMCA memberships include:

- All interested families of deployed National Guard and Reserves of all military branches;
- Active duty independent duty station personnel and their families; and
- Relocated spouses and family members of deployed active duty personnel.

Membership fees are underwritten by the Department of Defense.

Information about the opportunities provided by the Kandiyohi County Area Family YMCA can be found by visiting [www.kandiyymca.org](http://www.kandiyymca.org)