



THE
COMFORT CREW™
for Military Kids

Helping
Military Children
Handle Loss



The Helping Military Children Handle Loss Program was developed to address common issues that children ages 6 and up experience when there is a death in the family. We want military children who have suffered a loss to receive the support necessary to not only cope with their loss but thrive in the aftermath. This program aims to help military children feel connected and supported during this difficult time.

The Comfort Crew wants military kids to know they are not alone. Our mission is to provide programs and resources to help military kids and their family connect and build resiliency in the face of extraordinary challenges.

The Memory Box can be requested online at www.comfortcrew.org/resources. Once the information has been verified and approved, the Comfort Kit will be shipped directly and at no cost to the military family.

HELPING MILITARY CHILDREN HANDLE LOSS PROGRAM INCLUDES:

- A Memory Box full of resiliency building strategies: access to an animated movie to let kids know they aren't alone, a journal to express their feelings, an award-winning book, "What On Earth Do You Do When Someone Dies?", a family guidebook for parents, and a plush mouse to provide comfort and companionship..
- Follow up support every 45 days for a year following the delivery of the kit: Video on how to most effectively utilize the kit components, Survey for collecting data on our impact, coloring pages, and other recommended resources.
- Access to the Comfort Crew Academy, our new virtual learning and resiliency platform for military kids and their parents. <https://academy.comfortcrew.org>

KEY NUMBERS

- Over 6 Thousand Active Duty Members have died in war since 9/11
- 10 Thousand: Children Served
- 22: Suicides a Day of Active Duty and Veterans
- The overwhelming majority of survey participants indicated that the Memory Box was helpful (80%) and that they would recommend The Comfort Crew to a friend or family member (80%).



TESTIMONIAL

"It is an excellent source of information to assist them through this very difficult time in their life." -Harvey, SOS Support Coordinator

"It explains grief in a way that kids understand and gives parents confidence they are saying the right thing." -Parent