



# UPDATE



## Fort Benning Regional Growth Management Plan

January 2011

### BRAC - On Time, On Target

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### RGMP

The Fort Benning Regional Growth Management Plan (RGMP) is a major planning effort designed to assess the challenges and opportunities facing communities impacted by the Fort Benning BRAC growth and to find solutions that address these issues. The RGMP study produced a plan for the region and for each of the 10-counties within a 35 mile radius of Ft. Benning, as listed below. For more information, go to the [RGMP website](#).

### RGMP Counties

[ALABAMA](#)  
Barbour  
Lee  
Russell

[GEORGIA](#)  
Columbus -Muscogee



### U.S. Armor School Relocation Fair Leaders Club, Fort Knox, Kentucky March 31, 2011

Help welcome those assigned to the Armor School at the Maneuver Center of Excellence at Fort Benning, and their families transitioning to the Chattahoochee Valley due to Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC).

The Greater Columbus Georgia Chamber of Commerce and The Valley Partnership, in conjunction with the Maneuver Center of Excellence (MCoE), will hold a U S Armor School Relocation Information Fair at Fort Knox, Kentucky on March 31, 2011.

Representation from Real Estate, Finance, Quality of Life companies (not individual agents), Chambers of Commerce, Educational and Workforce Development Organizations, and Fort Benning agencies will be available to share information about the products and services they provide.

Space is limited, so you need to sign up as soon as possible by completing and emailing or faxing the Registration Form noted below. No phone calls to register, please.

Sign up today to reserve your space!

- [REGISTRATION FORM](#)
- [FACT SHEET](#)
- [MAPS, DIRECTIONS AND ACCOMMODATIONS](#)

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Cusseta - Chattahoochee  
Harris  
Marion  
Stewart  
Talbot  
Taylor

## MCoE Community Update



Each month, Fort Benning hosts a Maneuver Center of Excellence (MCoE) Update that provides BRAC and other general information to both on-post personnel and to the region's communities. These Updates are open to the public and are held the first Tuesday of each month at 3:00 pm, at the [National Infantry Museum](#).

### [MCoE Community Update](#)



## → New Soldiers Attend Newcomer's Orientation at Fort Benning

Every Wednesday morning from 8:30 - 11:30, the newest soldiers assigned to Fort Benning attend the Newcomer's Orientation as part of their "in-processing". During this time, the military and their families are provided information about many services available on the installation and the local communities.

New on the scene are those assigned to the Armor School at the Maneuver Center of Excellence (MCoE) at Fort Benning. It is a pleasure to welcome and assist these BRAC-related soldiers relocating here from Fort Knox, Kentucky.

**For the month of December, there were a total of 479 additional soldiers plus spouses.** Many of these new arrivals will be living external to Fort Benning and living right in your neighborhoods. So be on the lookout and welcome them to the Chattahoochee Valley family!

**For the year of 2010, we welcomed over 3,000 new soldiers!**

## → Headlines Around the Chattahoochee Valley

Check out these articles about the many good things happening in the Chattahoochee Valley by clicking the headline below or by reading in our [Newsroom](#).

- [First ever Fort Benning Armor School opens](#)
- [Ft Knox 2-46 Transfer of Authority Ceremony to Ft Benning](#)
- [Harris County Sheriff on Fort Benning land acquisition study](#)
- [Fort Benning officials eye land in Harris, Talbot counties for possible expansion](#)
- [Columbus mayor takes oath of office, shares "to-do" list](#)
- [Columbus' judicial system braces for BRAC](#)
- [Benning's boost from BRAC expected to impact surrounding housing, retail sectors](#)
- [People boom from BRAC at Fort Benning about to be seen](#)
- [The Big Benning Theory](#)
- [BRAC: Road projects underway as post grows](#)
- [Columbus area counties growing faster than most in Georgia](#)

## → Let Us Promote Your Products and Services

Have you been wondering how your business can participate with the BRAC movement? One easy and beneficial way is to tell me about any military discounts you offer for your products or services. We will be happy to share that information and spread the word about your business FOR FREE! All you need to do is email that information to [Linda Brady](#). This is a valuable way of introducing your business to those transitioning here who are in need of your products and services. It also sends a message to all

those relocating to the Chattahoochee Valley that we are happy they're here and we want to welcome them in a special way.

### [Fort Benning Population Estimates & Growth Timeline](#)

### BRAC Countdown



As of January 25, 2011, there are 232 days or some eight (8) months remaining until the September 15, 2011 deadline to complete all 2005 BRAC-directed actions.

### QUICK LINKS

[RGMP Website](#)  
[Valley Partnership](#)  
[Fort Benning](#)  
[Small Business Contracting Information](#)  
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