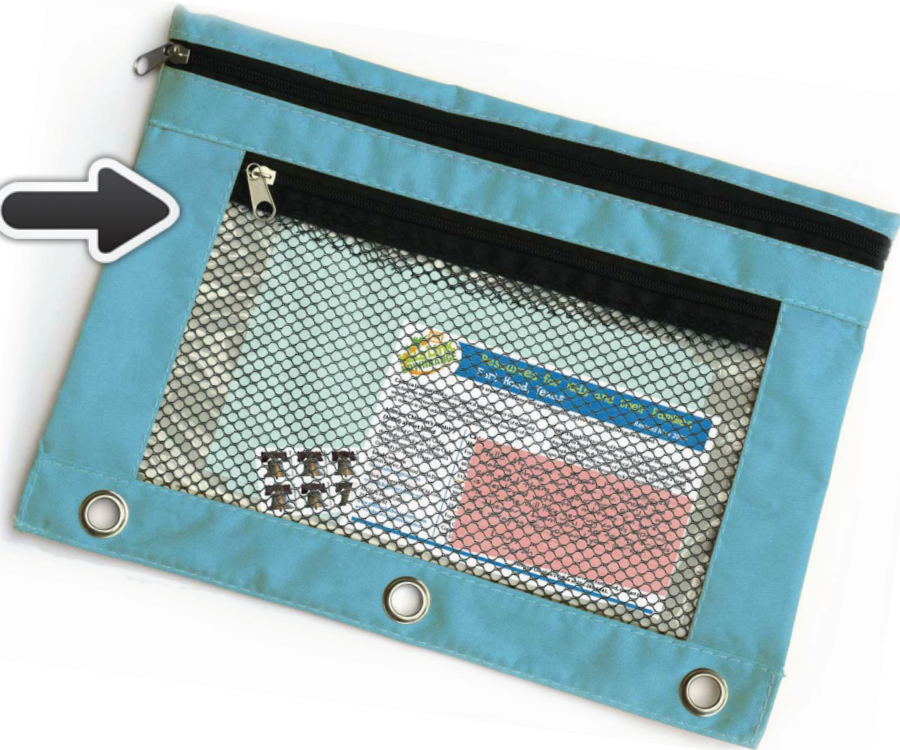




connecting military kids
with their deployed parents

this is a
KidsLink Card Kit

It includes everything military children need to communicate regularly with their deployed parents, as well as postcards for parents to write back!



About KidsLink Downrange

KidsLink Downrange is a service project created by Cadence International to help minister to the military community and involve groups and churches in this ministry of serving military personnel and their families.

KidsLink Downrange exists **to provide military children with the means to communicate regularly with their deployed parent downrange**. In military slang, downrange is a term for being deployed overseas, usually in a war zone.

Military personnel who are downrange love to get mail from home, and they especially love personal notes from their children. It is a joy and encouragement amid the long days, homesickness, and hard work.

The **Cadence** part is to build and manage the project website, coordinate with the chaplains at key deploying installations and to help distribute the card kits at the selected communities. The **group's** part is to design or assemble card kits that contain everything a military child will need to write to his or her parent throughout the year and ship to the designated location for distribution.



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How does KidsLink Downrange help others connect?

Inside each of the Card Kits is a **resource list of ministries** in the area. Also included is a **personal note** to the child from the group creating the kit and a **pre-stamped addressed response postcard** that that child completes with prayer requests to send back to the group. There is also a **Community Forum** on the site where group members can communicate with other groups. A **Facebook page** is also available where community members, church members, and parents, including the deployed parent of the kids, can join and communicate with each other.



What's in a KidsLink Card Kit?

Pictured below is everything included in a KidsLink Card Kit.

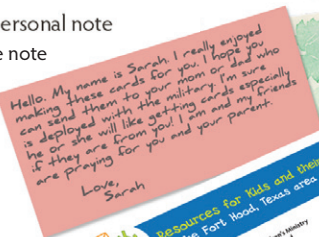


1 flat pencil case to contain everything

8 Cards with matching Envelopes:

1. Valentine's Day
2. Father's Day
3. Mother's Day
4. July 4th
5. Happy Birthday
6. My First Day of School Card
7. Happy Holidays
8. Blank inside

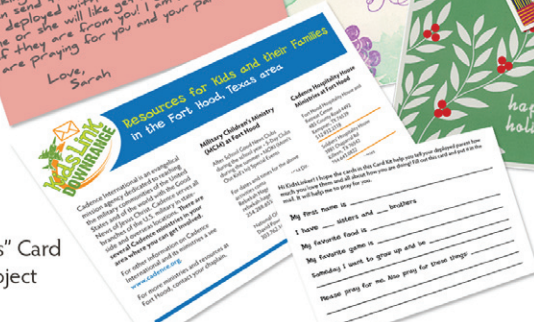
A personal note (or pre-made note from church or group)



8 First Class stamps (optional)



"Resources" Card for the project



Response Card with postcard stamp and return address



8 Postcards - Blank on 1 side (for parent to send to child)



More Information

For more information on this and future projects, please visit: www.KidsLinkOnline.org

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