**[Awardee Name] Recognized as Defense Community Champion in [Location]**

Navy Federal Credit Union and Association of Defense Communities recognize incredible individuals making a difference in defense communities.

[CITY], [STATE], [Date] – The [Association of Defense Communities](https://defensecommunities.org/) (ADC), together with [Navy Federal Credit Union](https://www.navyfederal.org/), name [Awardee Name] of [City] as a 2023-2024 Defense Community Champion.

[Awardee Name] was nominated by [Nominating Entity] for the recognition. Defense Community Champions is an awards program by the Association of Defense Communities (ADC) that aims to recognize individuals who make a difference in defense communities through deeds big and small. Defense Community Champions are leaders on base, in communities, and across local governments and industry. [Insert additional information about awardee].

“We are excited to celebrate the 2023-2024 Defense Community Champions for their contributions and dedication,” said ADC President Karen Holt. “These individuals truly represent what it means to care for and give back to your community.”

[Awardee Name] was honored in a local ceremony held on [Date of local ceremony] at [Location of local ceremony].

“We are honored for our branches to be a part of a program that recognizes and celebrates members of the defense community who are doing their part to make a difference,” said Captain Keith Hoskins (USN Retired), Executive Vice President of Branch Operations at Navy Federal. “As the world’s largest credit union, serving the military and their families, this program exemplifies one of our core values of championing community.”

[Insert quote from nominating organization about awardee].

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**About Association of Defense Communities (ADC):** ADC is the connection point for leaders from communities, states, the military and industry on community-military issues and installation management to enhance knowledge, information-sharing and best practices. With nearly 300 communities, states, regions and affiliated industry organizations as members, ADC represents every major defense community or state in the nation. To learn more, visit [defensecommunities.org](https://defensecommunities.org/).

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