Monthly Leadership Roundtable: Recruiting and Retention

July 24, 2025



Agenda

- Program Updates and Training Opportunities
- National Membership Update: Kathy Partain, Elizabeth Limarzi
- Chapter Recruiting and Retention: Dena Kilgore
- Updated MOAA Privacy Policy Discussion: Jim Carman
- Summer 2025 Advocacy in Action Campaign: Terry Waters
- Discussion
- Closing Remarks



Program Updates

- Committee Module (CM)
 - CM, Near Real Time Report, and Do Not Contact List all up and running. Chapters advised to contact <u>chapters@moaa.org</u> with any issues.
 - Ongoing council and chapter survey on CM/NRT involvement https://forms.office.com/r/NUyWVSH4gL
- Chapter Dues Portal (Cheddar Up)
 - 64 chapters are live and 19 in process of integration
 - Requests to <u>chapters@moaa.org</u>



Program Updates

- MOAA Data Privacy Policy Rollout
 - Will provide increased chapter prospective member data
 - Detailed guidance to council and chapter leaders forthcoming
 - Clears the way for virtual pilot programs
 - Detailed discussion to follow
- August 13 Leaders Virtual Workshop (Experienced Leaders)
 - Anyone is welcome
 - Invitations this week



Help Promote TotalForce+ Conference

 A variety of social media tiles are available to download at https://moaa.photoshelter.com/galleries:







 Share posts from MOAA's social media channels: https://www.moaa.org/content/MOAA-social-media/



2025 Leader Training Workshops



Leadership Seminar Orlando, FL January 16-18 FL, Other C&C by invitation Virtual Workshop New Leaders March 5 Focused on New Chapter Leaders Central Workshop Oklahoma City, OK May 2-3 AR, CO, IA, KS, LA, MN, MO, ND, NE, NM, OK, SD, TX Virtual Workshop
Experienced Leaders
August 13
Focused on Experienced
Leaders

East Workshop Hershey, PA November 14-15 CT, DE, IL, IN, MA, MD, ME, MI, NH, NJ, NY, OH, PA, RI, VT, VA, WI, WV



2025 Roundtable Schedule

January 23 Advocacy in Action February 27 Committee Module/NRT March 27
Advocacy in Action
Logistics

April 24 Chapter Dues Pay Portal

May 29* Chapter Visit and Awards Programs June 26
General Counsel
Issues

July 24
Recruiting and
Retention

August 28 MOAA Virtual Chapters

September 25 Council and Chapter Mentorship

Oct 23 MOAA Foundation November 20*
MOAA Annual
Awards

December 18*
Year in
Review/2026
Outlook

7:00 pm EST *Adjusted from 4th Thursday to Avoid Conflict



National Membership Update

Kathy Partain, CAE Elizabeth Limarzi, CAE



350,000 Members Strong

Strength in Numbers

The Breakdown

BASIC – 46.72% Paid Membership – 53.30%

Average Age

BASIC - 55

PREMIUM - 72

LIFE - 79

Overall - 67

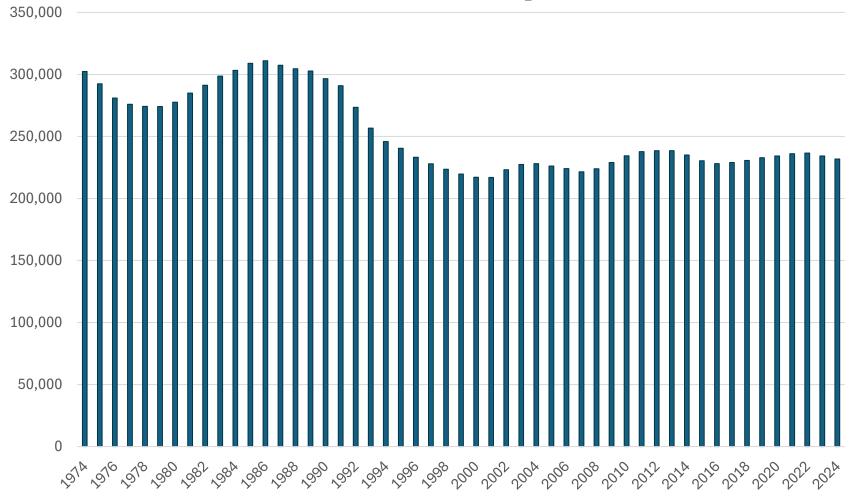


Expanding MOAA's Market Share

As the size of the officer corps fluctuates, MOAA must find ways to increase awareness within the existing population and identify effective engagement and recruitment opportunities.

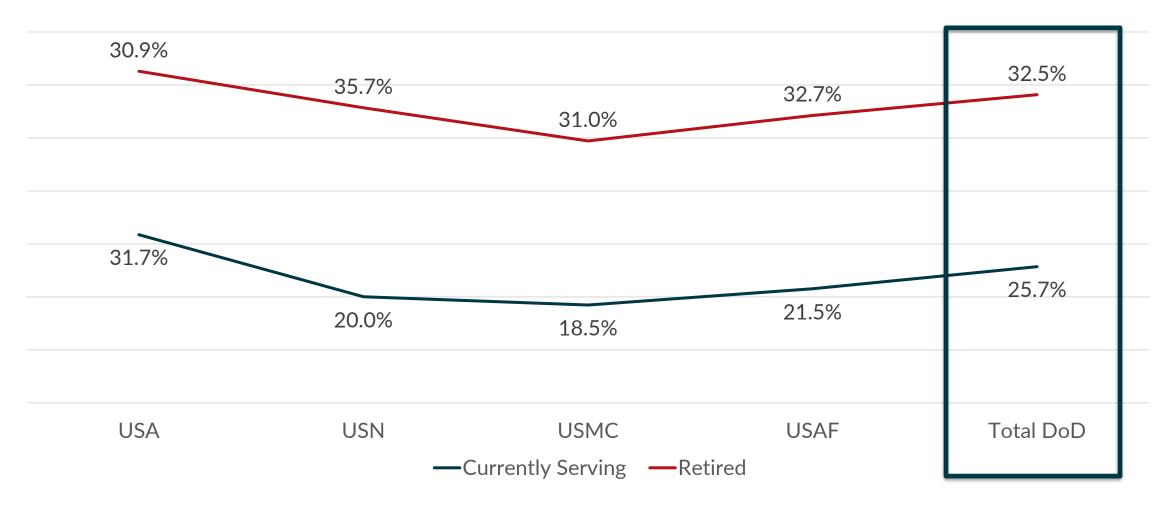


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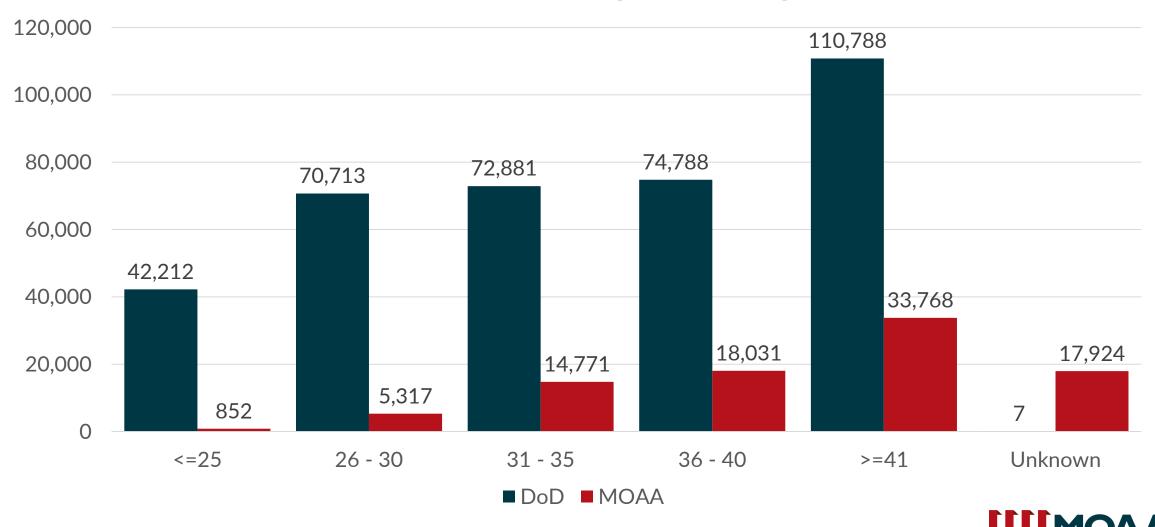


MOAA's Market Share





Currently Serving by Age Band



MOAA Outreach & Schools & Awards

Outreach

- Targeted military conferences nationally
- Upcoming Events:
 - NHA
 - Tailhook
 - NGAUS
 - AFA Air Space & Cyber

Schools & Awards

- Top schools for BASIC member recruitment:
 - WOCS (Ft Novosel, AL)
 - Army OCS (Ft Moore, GA)
- 90 awards given yearly

Yearly BASICs: Approx. 2,500

Yearly PREMIUMs: Approx. 75





Academy Alumni Association Partnerships

Digital Outreach

- Targeted digital ads reach current cadets and recent graduates
- Alumni portal platforms recommend MOAA

Membership Growth (Opt-Ins)

- Clear calls-to-action in both ads and event materials
- Streamlined opt-in process for MOAA BASIC Membership

Event Presence

 Strategic participation in academy events (career fairs, commissioning week, etc.)







BASIC Membership Advertising

- Maintain core channels to provide efficient targeted reach; providing message frequency Search
 - Website ads
 - Facebook + Instagram
 - LinkedIn
- Focus on new officers/mid-grade officers during key times in market: graduations, WOCS/OCS, athletic events to put MOAA in the forefront when that audience is more likely to be active.
- Utilize larger awareness and impact media to support early prospecting efforts to an audience unfamiliar with MOAA.
 - In-App Mobile Games
 - Match Group

Drivers

USAFA Parent Membership Guide



Gift Membership Email



META & LinkedIn







Membership Opportunities

- BASIC membership for all eligible registrants
- MOAA Booth will include opportunities to:
 - Engage with the MOAA brand in fun and unexpected ways
 - Learn more about MOAA's mission and the value of membership
 - Join or upgrade membership
- Ongoing promotion throughout the conference

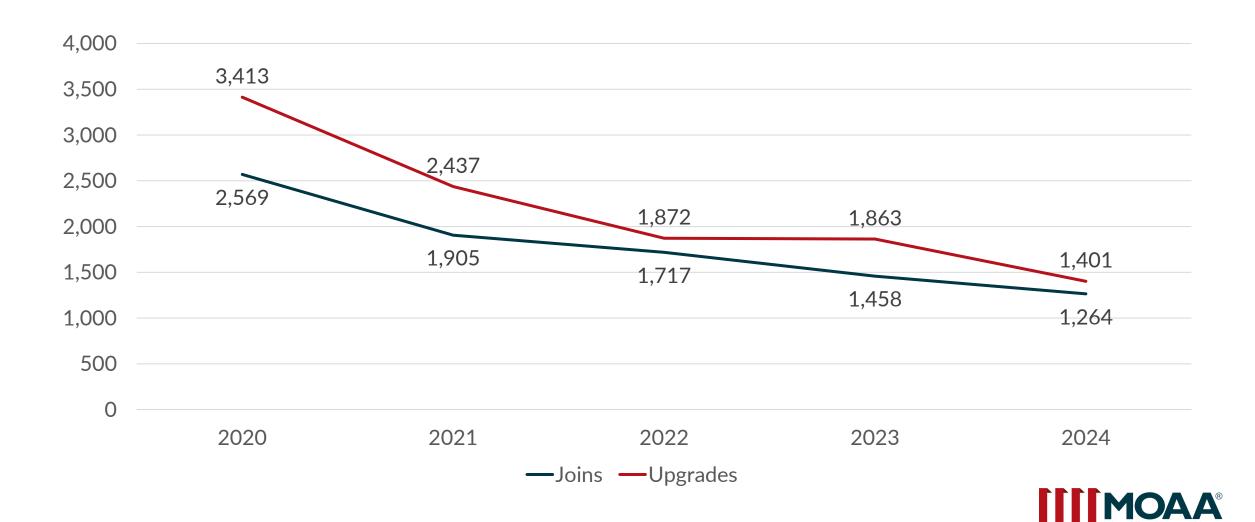


Paid Membership: Increasing **BASIC** to **PREMIUM** Conversions

With the introduction of BASIC membership, MOAA has successfully built a robust list of prospects for paid membership. BASIC members have an awareness of MOAA and have been introduced to the value MOAA provides making them an ideal audience for recruitment to PREMIUM or LIFE membership.



5-Year PREMIUM Gains Trend



PREMIUM and LIFE Campaigns

- 2025 so far:
 - Digital Campaigns: over 720 responses and close to \$162K in revenue
 - Direct Mail: over 350 responses and over \$30K in revenue
- Upcoming campaigns targeting BASICS and PREMIUMS:
 - September
 - LIFE membership invitation offer
 - October
 - Premium direct mail package
 - November
 - Veterans Day digital campaign
 - PREMIUM direct mail package
 - December
 - End of Year campaign







Paid Membership: Retaining PREMIUM Members

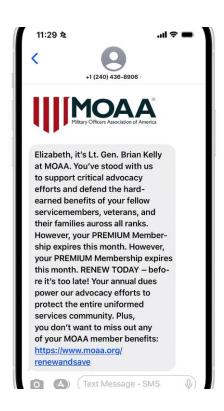
It is more cost-effective to keep a current PREMIUM member than to recruit a new one, so we are continually looking for opportunities to make improvements in this area.



Keeping More PREMIUM Members



Pre-recorded calls sent 1st month of billing



Text reminders in month of expiration



Increasing Member **Engagement and** Awareness of MOAA's Value Proposition

The more engaged members are in MOAA's programs and services, the more likely they are to retain their membership.



Strengthening MOAA Brand and Reach

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Goals: Increase overall member engagement scores annually and build brand awareness







Member Experiences

- Offer personalized, multi-channel persona experiences
- Raise awareness and drive engagement with relevant member benefits
- Drive toward upgrades/renewals with personal focus









Webinars



- Member value proposition sound career and life decisions
- Diverse topics across career, financial education, and military/veteran benefits
- Leverage new and existing partnership relationships
- Changed from ON24 to Microsoft Teams Webinar platform
- 2025 Stats (as of June 11)
 - On pace with 2024
 - 7,384 registrants/19 events
- On the horizon: Survivorship webinar in September



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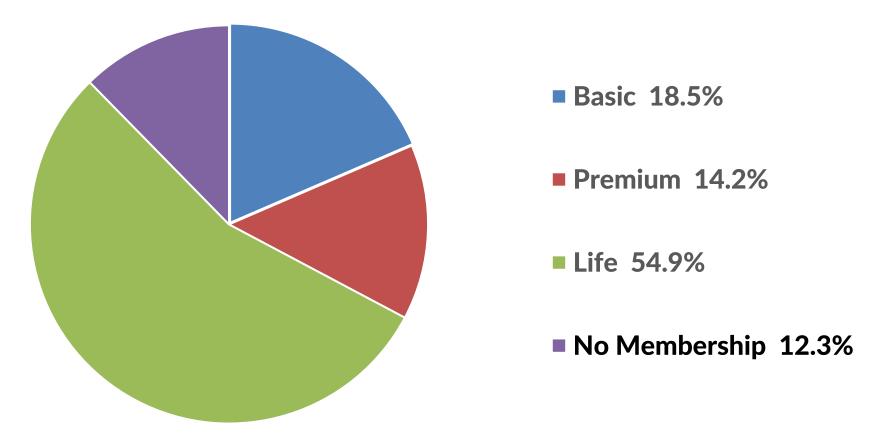


Recruiting and Retention: MOAA Councils & Chapters

Dena Kilgore, CAE



Chapter Membership Demographics



Printable Recruiting Resources

- NEW "Why Join MOAA" one-pager
- Newly revised Recruitment Guide
- MOAA Leaders Resource Manual Member Personas
- MOAA's Guide to Basic Membership
- Common Join Form
- Stakeholder Report



Online Recruiting Resources

- Videos "Never Stop Serving" chapter video, Surviving Spouse video
- Legislative Action Center
- Cheddar Up online dues payment option
- Web presence on MOAA.org
- MOAA Council & Chapter webpages
- Coming soon: new chapter locator on MOAA.org



WHY JOIN?



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A LEGACY OF ADVOCACY SUCCESS

Worked to establish TRICARE For Life in 2001 and to defeat multiple enrollment fee proposals since Championed a historic pay raise for junior enlisted servicemembers in 2024 Celebrated passage of the Dole Act to provide needed support to veterans and caregivers in 2024

Other legislative wins we have played a critical role in accomplishing over the years—further demonstrating why MOAA has been named a Top Lobbyist by *The Hill* 18 years in a row:

- · Modernized the GI bill for the 21st century
- Expanded benefits for veterans harmed by burn pits through the PACT Act
- Repealed the SBP-DIC Offset ('Widows' Tax')
- Enhanced protections for families residing in military housing
- Secured back pay for federal recognition of promotions
- Defeated the 'COLA minus 1 Percent' reduction in retired pay
- Halted military treatment facility downsizing
- Boosted compensation significantly for retirees with 50% VA disability or greater

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MOAA Privacy Policy

CAPT Jim Carman, CAE, USN (Ret)



Privacy Policy Update

Background:

- Multiple privacy policies in effect based on member join date
- Member privacy preferences stored in 3 different data bases

Implementation of Revised MOAA Privacy Policy:

- Outside privacy policy law experts consulted during development
- Phased implementation began on July 14
- Members to be notified of the new privacy policy and will be given the chance to opt out
- Developing guidelines for chapter communication with non-chapter affiliated national members
- Council/chapter notifications to begin after allowing members to express their communications preferences
- Anticipate a significant increase in prospective member data available to chapters after implementation complete

Advocacy in Action (AiA) Summer 2025 Campaign



Summer Advocacy in Action

- Summer AiA with launch article, landing page, and emails to advocates begin 8/7
 - Campaign information will be shared with C&C leaders early as finalized
 - Pivoting topics from Spring AiA due to lawmaker momentum

Topics:

- Major Richard Star Act Establishes concurrent receipt for Chapter 61 (medically retired) retirees.
 - Introduced as amendment to the Senate NDAA on 7/22.
- TRICARE Access to Care NDAA provides a path forward for two bills that would improve access to care.
 - Improving Access to Prenatal Care for Military Families Act Makes pregnancy a TRICARE QLE
 - TOTAL Care Act Eliminates need for OB-GYN referral (brings TRICARE Prime in line with commercial plans)
- Military Spouse Hiring Act Adds military spouses to the WOTC.
- **Messaging focus:** Supporting servicemembers and military families, is key component of mission readiness



Discussion: What strategies have worked for you?



Thank you!

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Skip's Tips

- Get to know any civilian county VSOs in your catchment area. Share chapter info: copies of newsletter or other membership materials, upcoming events, etc. Ensure the VSO knows of the MOAA Foundation crisis relief program, interest-free education grants and loans, MOAA transition webinars, etc.
- If there are county or area-wide events, offer to sponsor a portion, like providing water or dessert. See if the chapter can set up a table.
- Develop relationships with Commanders, XO's, and Senior NCOS and share these resources. In addition to supporting JROTC and ROTC award programs, make sure they're also aware.
- Do the same for Family Readiness Groups, especially if they have an off-post/out of the Reserve Center/Armory. Offer to sponsor some part of the event.

Skip's Tips

- Host an information table at job fairs, especially veterans job fairs.
- Sponsor a table at a local farmer's market.
- When advocating with elected officials mention the MOAA Foundation grant programs that demonstrate that while "MOAA is an organization of officers, it is not an organization just FOR officers."
- Councils can establish a recruiting budget line from which Chapters can get at least partial reimbursement for incurred expenses. In NYS, they provide up to \$125.
- Council leaders can offer to accompany chapters as they do the above things.

