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## Doing Business With the Defense Finance and Accounting Service

By [Evamarie Socha](#)

### General Info about DFAS Address

1931 Jefferson Davis Highway  
Arlington, VA 22240-5291  
(703) 607-2716

[www.dfas.mil](http://www.dfas.mil)

**Founded:** 1991

**Director:** Thomas Bloom

**Employees:** 16,000

**What it does:** DFAS is the world's largest finance and accounting operation. In 2002 it handled the paychecks and entitlements of about 5.7 million military personnel, defense civilian employees, employees of the Executive Office of the President, military retirees and annuitants. It also pays defense contractors and provides business intelligence to Congress and the executive branch regarding the finance end of defense.

**Major subagencies:** DFAS has three lines of business: Military and Civilian Pay Services manages all pay issues; Commercial Pay Services pays defense contractors; and the Accounting Services provides departmental and field-level accounting and disbursing services. There are client executives that act as points of contact for each military service and defense agencies. DFAS has 26 locations worldwide.

**The Web site:** The information on doing business with DFAS is straightforward, but I just stumbled upon it. I clicked on "news" on the homepage, which took me to "What's New," where there happens to be a link to "DFAS Contracting Opportunities" ([www.dfas.mil/aso/asdindex.htm](http://www.dfas.mil/aso/asdindex.htm)). A direct link to this on the homepage would be better. However, once you get to this link, it has all the information you need, including specifics on active solicitations and small businesses. It's a good link, but it needs to be more obvious. Also, the reference library link ([www.dfas.mil/library](http://www.dfas.mil/library)) has good info on contractor

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### Contracts to watch

#### Business Management Modernization Program

**Value:** Not available

**RFP:** Not available

**Purpose:** DFAS has been holding a series of industry days covering its Business Management Modernization Program, which is for financial management services. The agency is collecting information about business enterprise architecture processes and products. DFAS wants industry's best ideas incorporated into the program as well as to prepare contractors for a competition when the time is right. The next industry day is expected in June.

#### Mechanization Of Contract Administrative Services (MOCAS) Rehost Program

**Value:** Not available

**RFP:** June

**Purpose:** MOCAS is an automated, integrated financial and contract administration system developed in the late 1960's and enhanced over the years. The system has over 8,600 authorized end users who access the system from locations worldwide. DFAS wants to migrate the system to a relational database management system that complies with Defense Information System Agency standard operating environment or model operating environment. Services include software maintenance, professional services and systems integration.

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\$11 million

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