

Army HR forum grows in popularity

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The Army's professional forum for human resources issues, S1Net, has reached 50,000 members, making it the most active of the 60 forums under the Battle Command Knowledge System of the Combined Arms Center at Fort Leavenworth, Kan.

S1Net was started up as a grassroots effort by a former aviation battalion S-1 to give timely human resources information to

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S-1s whose units were deployed to Iraq or Afghanistan. It began in 2003 and it is sponsored by the Office of the G-1 at the Pentagon.

According to that office, S1Net received more than 2 million mem-

ber visits in the past year seeking help or information on all manner of HR-related topics, policies, procedures, documents and tools.

The staff of S1Net includes one fulltime facilitator and 65 volunteers to assist with issues in their areas of expertise.

The Army and its institutional organizations, such as service schools and Human Resources Command, frequently use the forum to communicate new policies and information to field units.

S1Net is designed so that members can connect with other members anywhere in the world. Memberships are based on recommendations from other members. S1Net is open to soldiers, Army civilians and contractors with an Army Knowledge Online account. □