

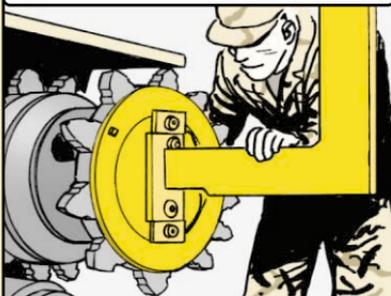
# SMART Ideas Are Money Makers

THE GOOD IDEAS OF MECHANICS CAN REDUCE WORK AND SAVE THE ARMY MONEY.

SOME IDEAS EARN CASH AWARDS.

A RECENT EXAMPLE IS A FABRICATED TOOL FOR SAFELY REPLACING FINAL DRIVE SPROCKETS ON M1-SERIES TANKS.

TWO SOLDIERS EARNED \$2,000 WHEN THEY FITTED AN OVERHEAD CRANE WITH A METAL PLATE THAT ATTACHES TO THE FINAL DRIVE SPROCKET. THE CRANE BEARS THE WEIGHT OF THE SPROCKET, SAVING SOLDIER'S BACKS AND MAKING REPLACEMENT SAFER, EASIER AND FASTER.



Name/ Location	Approved Suggestion	Recommended Award
MSG Denver Meyers, Ft Wainwright, AK	Relocation of HEMTT harness bracket	\$250
SSG Christopher Sobkowiak, Mannheim, Germany	Modification of PMCS for HEMTT rear wheel assembly removal	\$2,685
1SG Thomas Eckerson, Helena, MT	Blade lifting tool for helicopters	\$700
SFC Eric Wade SGT Donnie Parker, Ft Polk, LA	Fabricated tool for safer removal & replacement of final drive sprocket & hub on M1-series	\$2,000
CW2 Danny Taylor, Schofield Barracks, HI	Provide better material protection for the PLS hydraulic filter cover & housing base	\$500
Gary Ward, Taegu, Korea	Include torque converter adjustment procedure in TM 9-2320-280-20-2	\$250

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