

Dear J.D. Howard Dental,

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Hello, I wanted to thank you for sending the care package; it is ironic receiving candy from a dentist! Haha. It is always uplifting to receive care packages from back home. We all truly appreciate that people take the time to think of us.

I live in Bellingham now, married w/ a 2 ½ year old son, Jason. I've been in the Army National Guard for 15 years, I signed up when I was still @ Salem (MA) High and went to Basic Training after graduation. I am in a Finance Unit, we handle all the money and pay, it is a pretty good job. Being National Guard, we only do 1 weekend a month and 2 weeks in the summer, but this is my second deployment – I went to Afghanistan in 2005/2006 with the same unit. We have a great group of soldiers here and we all appreciate the care package that you sent.

The weather here is beginning to cool down a lot. I would compare it to September back home, kind of cool at night. The day time is probably still like July though.....always at least 80's. It has rained a few times. When I was in Afghanistan it only rained 1 or 2 times.

Thank you for your support! I hope you have a Happy Holiday!

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