



## Company H Marine Cryptologic Support Battalion

Welcome to Company H, Marine Cryptologic Support Battalion! We are pleased that you will be joining our team and family. You are joining a unit of professional, motivated, and talented Marines who take great pride in their work and Marine Corps service. We look forward to serving with you and experiencing the contributions that you will make while a part of this exceptional team of Marines.

Upon your report day, your unit sponsor will coordinate a link-up with all the Marines who will facilitate a smooth transition into the area. After initial check in, the first priority is family and/or orienting to the local San Antonio area in addition to adjusting to the extremely hot weather (June-Oct). Get yourself settled and be ready to integrate into your new mission. Several support functions are available through local military installations; please look into them as they can save you time and money. Ask for assistance from your sponsor, the chain of command, or the Family Readiness team members anytime.

If you are a single Marine under the rank of Sergeant, you should be prepared to move into the barracks. However, several variables, including barracks occupancy rates, your time in service, etc. may determine off base housing options. If you are a single Sergeant, you will be authorized to move off base, but make sure that you have checked-in, or have received guidance from company leadership *prior to* obtaining a lease or purchasing a house. If you are a Marine with authorized dependents, you will be required to check-in with the Housing Office at Joint Base San Antonio – Lackland (JBSA-L, aka “Lackland”), but will likely be authorized to secure off-base housing. Just like any other large city, there are dangerous areas to avoid. Please do the research and ask members of the unit *prior to* deciding where to reside. Traffic patterns, construction, crime rates, schools and housing costs should factor into your decision.

Take advantage of your time here as part of a supporting establishment. San Antonio has numerous quality parks, schools, universities, stores, restaurants, amusement parks, etc. and offers something beneficial for everyone. Further, we *highly encourage* you to pursue off-duty education and improve your physical fitness, as there is no better place than here, and no better time than now! We look forward to serving with you and are here for any support you or your dependents may need.

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