DoD Response to COVID-19 - DoD ID Cards and Benefits

The Department of Defense (DoD) is committed to protecting the security of our nation and its people by issuing identification (ID) cards to individuals requiring access to government systems and facilities, and to eligible individuals authorized to receive Uniformed Service benefits and privileges by law.

The DoD is equally committed to the safety of its personnel and beneficiaries, including retirees and other high-risk populations. This includes ensuring continued access to healthcare and other benefits during this time of increasing precaution and restrictions in response to the Coronavirus (COVID-19).


To ensure DoD ID card offices are postured to maintain continuity of operations, and to minimize the number of non-essential required visits at DoD ID card offices, **the following guidance is in effect through June 30, 2021 for USID cards ONLY:**

**Uniformed Services ID Cards (USID)**
- If a cardholder's affiliation is unchanged, USID cards which expired on or after January 1, 2020, are authorized for continued benefit use through June 30, 2021.
- Termination of cardholder affiliation with the DoD or termination of benefit eligibility shall be verified electronically prior to confiscating an expired USID card with an expiration date on or after January 1, 2020.
- Remote USID card renewals and reissuance shall be expanded.
- Remote family member enrollment/eligibility updates are authorized.
- Remote USID card initial issuance for first-time issuance or replacement of lost/stolen ID card is authorized.
- All remotely-issued USID cards shall be issued with an expiration date not to exceed one year from the date of issuance.
- The minimum age for initial USID card issuance is increased from 10 to 14 years.
- Continued use of the Reserve USID card to obtain active duty benefits is authorized for mobilized Reservists and their eligible dependents.

The Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS) will continue to be the authoritative source to verify statutory eligibility for DoD Healthcare and other benefits.

**ID Card Office Online (IDCO)**

The IDCO web application is used to update information stored on a user's CAC, and to add and update family member information. The website also allows individuals to locate their nearest ID card facility and schedule appointments. DoD ID card facilities are keeping their hours and availability, phone lines, and websites up to date on the site locator and appointment scheduler found at: [https://idco.dmdc.osd.mil/idco/](https://idco.dmdc.osd.mil/idco/).
Some of the information compiled for Semper Fidelis comes from other sources to include experts in their respective fields, i.e., DFAS, VA and TRICARE. Content was current at the time this publication went to press. Any delays in mailing may be due to unforeseen circumstances and we apologize for the inconvenience.

NOTE: The newsletter is posted online before it is mailed.

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Semper Fidelis is published quarterly by MMSR-6 to inform retired Marines and their family members on information of interest on their rights, benefits, and privileges. Items in this newsletter do not necessarily reflect the views of the United States Marine Corps or the Department of Defense.

If you, or someone you know needs help, support is available 24/7. Service members and their families can call Military OneSource at 1-800-342-9647, or chat at militaryonesource.mil. Service members, veterans, and their loved ones can also call the Military and Veterans Crisis Line at 1-800-273-8255 and Press 1, chat at veteranscrisisline.net, or text to 838255.

The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline is available to anyone at 1-800-273-8255.
The Armed Services Blood Program (ASBP) - also known as the Military Blood Program - is the official military provider of blood products to U.S. armed forces.

As a joint operation among the military services (Army, Navy, Air Force), the ASBP:

- Provides quality blood products for service members, veterans and their families in both peace and war.
- Collects, processes, stores, distributes, and transfuses blood worldwide.
- Works closely with civilian counterparts in times of need.

Since March, over 5.3 million Americans have tested positive for COVID-19. To date, there has been no definitive treatment or vaccine; however, the Food and Drug Administration has authorized the use of COVID-19 Convalescent Plasma (CCP) as an investigational treatment for patients with COVID-19 infections.

To assist in the national response to COVID-19, the Military Health System is collecting blood and/or plasma from beneficiaries who have recovered from the illness. The ASBP encourages you to donate blood or plasma at your local Blood Donor Center (BDC) to help members of our military family who are, or who may, become seriously ill with COVID-19.

**COVID-19 Convalescent Plasma**

**What is Convalescent Plasma (CCP)?**

When a person contracts a virus, in this case, SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes the disease COVID-19, their immune system creates antibodies to fight the virus. These antibodies are found in the person's plasma, the liquid part of blood. Plasma with these infection-fighting antibodies is called "convalescent plasma." Through the blood donation process, this plasma is collected from a recovered person and transfused into a sick patient who is still fighting the virus. CCP may boost the immune system of the patient and help with the recovery process.

While it is not known for certain that the treatment will be effective, there is anecdotal evidence that suggests it might. The therapy has been approved by the Federal Drug Administration as an emergency use investigational new drug (eIND) protocol as an option to treat patients suffering from COVID-19.

**Eligibility Requirements**

1. Previously tested positive for COVID-19
2. At least 17 years of age
3. Weigh at least 110 pounds
4. You are in good health and have been symptom-free for at least 28 days.

Along with this, if you have ever been pregnant, additional testing may be needed to determine if you have developed HLA antibodies since your last pregnancy.

If you meet these criteria, contact your local Blood Donation Center (BDC) using the information found on pages 4 – 7, and schedule an appointment to donate. If you have any questions, please contact the BDC or your Patient Centered Medical Home/Medical Home Port team.

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Fort Benning, GA: Sullivan Memorial Blood Center
Address: 9231 2nd Infantry Division Road | Building 3380 | Fort Benning, GA 31905
Hours of Operation: Please call the Main Number or Donor Recruiter (706-544-0071/9427) to find out the location of the next blood drive.
Phone Numbers: Main: (706) 544-0071 | Donor Recruiter: (706) 544-9427
E-mail: frederick.s.lumzy.civ@mail.mil

Fort Bliss, TX William Beaumont Army Medical Center
Address: 2489 Ricker Road | Fort Bliss, Texas 79916
Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday: 0830-1530
Phone Numbers: Main: (915) 742-6365 | Donor Recruiter: (915) 742-5365
Platelet Donation: (915) 742-6365
E-mail: deylon.a.douglass.civ@mail.mil

Landstuhl, Germany: Armed Services Blood Bank Center
Address: Building 3738 | Armed Services Blood Bank Center - Europe | Landstuhl Regional Medical Center
Hours of Operation: Platelet apheresis donation appointments can be scheduled online or by phone.
Phone Numbers: Comm: 06371-9464-5885 | DSN: 314-590-5885
E-mail: usarmy.donateblood-europe@mail.mil

Fort Bragg, NC: Fort Bragg Blood Donor Center
Address: Bldg 8-4156 Souter Place | Fort Bragg, NC 28310
Hours of Operation: Monday-Thursday: 0730-1530 | Friday: 1100-1530 | Apheresis and Plasma donations by appointment only | Therapeutic collections (Monday and Wednesday) - call to make an appointment
Phone Numbers: Main: (910) 396-9925
E-mail: usarmy.bragg.medcom-wamc.mbx.blood4troops@mail.mil

Fort Sam Houston, TX: Akeroyd Blood Donor Center
Address: Building 1240, Harney Road | Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234
Hours of Operation: Whole Blood: 4:30 am - 11:00 am
Appointments required from 7:30 am - 11:00 am; enter Sponsor Code: ABDC
Closed weekends and federal holidays
Phone Numbers: Main: 210-295-4655 | Donor Recruiter: 210-295-4655
E-mail: Mark.T.Salcedo.civ@mail.mil

Fort Hood, TX: Robertson Blood Center
Address: Building 2250 | 761st Tank Battalion Avenue | Fort Hood, Texas 76544
Hours of Operation: 0730-1530
Phone Numbers: Main: (254) 285-5808 | Donor Recruiter: (254) 285-6702
E-mail: Ifeoma.O.Emenike.mil@mail.mil

Fort Gordon, GA: Kendrick Memorial Blood Center
Address: Building BDC-001 | 48 Central Hospital Court | Fort Gordon, GA 30905
Hours of Operation: M-W: 0830-1500 | Thursday: 0830-1300 | Friday: 0830-1400 (by appointment only)
Phone Numbers: Main: (706) 787-2800 | Platelet Donations: (706) 787-1012 | Donor Recruiter: (706) 787-1014 | Medical Director: (706) 787-8498/0225/8142 | Chief: (706) 787-0249 | Officer in Charge: (706) 787-1007 | Non-Commissioned Officer in Charge: (706) 787-1008 | Supervisor: (706) 787-3234 | QA: (706) 787-8972
E-mail: Erin.N.Longacre.civ@mail.mil

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Tripler, HI: Tripler Army Medical Center Blood Donor Center
Address: 1 Jarrett White Road | Room 2A207 | Tripler AMC, HI 96859-5000
Hours of Operation: Monday-Thursday: 0800-1530 | Friday: 0800-1200
Phone Numbers: Main: (808) 433-6148 | Donor Recruiter: (808) 433-6699 | OIC: (808) 433-3401 | NCOIC: (808) 433-1627 | Supervisor: (808) 433-4919
E-mail: Michelle.Lele.civ@mail.mil

Fort Leonard Wood, MO: Fort Leonard Wood Blood Donor Center
Address: Building 822 | 6656 Colorado Avenue | Fort Leonard Wood, MO 65473
Hours of Operation: The Fort Leonard Wood Blood Donor Center offers blood donation appointments at the following times. Donors can also walk in to donate at the times indicated. Call (573) 596-5385 for more information.
Monday: 0800-1530 (Appointment or walk-in) | Tuesday: 0800-1530 (Appointment or walk-in) | Wednesday: 0800-1400 (Appointment or walk-in) | Thursday: Closed | Friday: Closed | Saturday: Closed | Sunday: 0800-1530 (Appointment or walk-in) | Federal Holidays - Closed | Fort Leonard Wood Training Holidays - Closed
Phone Numbers: Donor Recruiter: (573) 596-5385
E-mail: Carl.A.Norman2.civ@mail.mil

Joint Base Lewis-McChord, WA: Armed Services Blood Bank Center-Pacific Northwest
Address: 9904 East Johnson Street | Tacoma, WA 98431
Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday: 0800-1500
Phone Numbers: Main: (253) 968-1850 | Platelet Donations: (253) 968-1907 | Donor Recruiter: (253) 968-1903 | DSN: 782-1903
E-mail: Victor.L.Shermer.civ@mail.mil

Camp Lejeune, NC: Naval Hospital Camp Lejeune Blood Donor Center
Address: 100 Brewster Boulevard | Camp Lejeune NC 28547
Hours of Operation: By appointment only: We collect platelets every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 0800. We also collect O negatives and O positives every Tuesday from 0800-1300.
Phone Numbers: Main: (910) 450-3458 | Donor Recruiter: (910) 450-3456
E-mail: Wendy.L.Binder.civ@mail.mil

Great Lakes, IL: Blood Donor Processing Division, Great Lakes
Address: 3001 Green Bay Road | Building 133CA | North Chicago, IL 60064
Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday: 0700-1530
Phone Numbers: Main: (224) 610-2120/2121/2122 | Donor Recruiter: (224) 610-2116
E-mail: Jeffery.D.Diffy.civ@mail.mil

Guam: U.S. Naval Hospital Guam Blood Donor Center
Address: U.S. Naval Hospital Guam Blood Donor Center | PSC 455 Box 208 | AP 96540
Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday: 0800-1600, weekend blood drives available upon request
Phone Numbers: Main: (671) 344-9751 FAX: 671-344-9252
E-mail: ryanpatrick.v.virgino.ctr@mail.mil

Portsmouth, VA.: Naval Medical Center Portsmouth Blood Donor Center
Address: 620 John Paul Jones Circle | Portsmouth VA 23708-2111
Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday: 0700-1530
Phone Numbers: Main: (757) 610-1324 | Recruiter: (757) 953-1686 | Platelet Donations: (757) 953-1717; (757) 953-1730
E-mail: Ralph.K.Peters.civ@mail.mil

Okinawa, Japan: U.S. PACOM Armed Services Blood Bank Center
Address: PSC 482, Box 1620 | FPO, AP 96362
Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday: 0900-1400
Phone Numbers: Donor Recruiter: 011-81-98-971-9939 | DSN: 315-646-9939
E-mail: katrinamae.d.bautista.mil@mail.mil

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San Diego, CA: Naval Medical Center San Diego BDC/Camp Pendleton
San Diego
Address: 34800 Bob Wilson Dr. | San Diego, CA 92134-5000
Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday: 0700-1500
Phone-Numbers: Main: (619)-532-6650 | Recruiter: (619)-532-6650
E-mail: Doreen.Rekoski.civ@mail.mil

Camp Pendleton
Address: 200 Mercy Circle | Camp Pendleton, CA 92055
Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday: 0700-1530
Phone Numbers: Recruiter: (619)-279-0526
E-mail: Cesar.Fontanilla.civ@mail.mil

Wash., D.C.-metro area: Armed Services Blood Bank Center/Pentagon Blood Donor Center
Pentagon Blood Donor Center
Address: Pentagon | 2D-1063 | Main Concourse | Washington, DC 20310
Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday: 0800-1300 | Apheresis Platelets (appointment only)
Phone Numbers: Main: (703)-697-0153 | Donor-Recruiter: (703)-697-0153
E-mail: Jerrick.W.Alexander.civ@mail.mil

Bethesda Blood Donor Center
Address: Blood and Platelet Donation | Walter Reed National Military Medical Center | Armed Services Blood Bank Center | 8901 Wisconsin Avenue, Building 9/Arrowhead Zone | Bethesda, MD 20889
Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday: 0730-1500 | Whole blood & platelets*-collected.
*Appointments encouraged but NOT required for platelet donations.
Phone-Numbers: Main: (301)-295-1737 | Whole Blood and Apheresis Platelet Collections: (301)-295-2104 | Blood Drives in MD, DE, Western DC: (240)-271-8108 | Blood Drives in VA and Eastern DC: (202)-294-6674
E-mail: Marjore-P.-Walter.ctr@mail.mil

Keesler Air Force Base, MS: Keesler Blood Donor Center
Address: 111 G Street | Building 5901 | Keesler AFB, MS 39534
Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday: 0800-1600
Phone Numbers: Main: (228)-376-6100 | Donor-Recruiter: (228)-376-6100
E-mail: Lisa.A.Lynn4.civ@mail.mil

Lackland Air Force Base, TX: Armed Services Blood Bank Center, San Antonio, TX
Address: 59th Medical Wing | 2200 Bergquist Drive, Suite 1 | Lackland AFB, TX 78236-5300
Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday: 0800-1400 | Platelet apheresis donations by appointment.
Phone Numbers: Main: (210)-292-8100 | DSN: 554-8116 | Donor Recruiter: (210)-292-8145 | DSN: 554-8145
E-mail: Cheryl.T.Parmer.civ@mail.mil

Wright Patterson AFB, OH
Address: 88 MDG | 4881 Sugar Maple Drive | Wright Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433-5300
Hours-of-Operation: Monday-Friday: 0800-1600
Phone-Numbers: Main: (937)-257-0580 | Donor-Recruiter: (937)-656-1564
Email: evan.i.fisher.mil@mail.mil

The COVID-19 Convalescent Plasma Collection Program (CCP) is a Department of Defense effort to collect 10,000 units of convalescent plasma donated by members of the military community who have recovered from the disease. Convalescent plasma will be used to treat critically ill patients and to support the development of an effective treatment against the disease. Eligible donors should contact the Armed Services Blood Program at https://www.militaryblood.dod.mil/Donors/COVID-19andBloodDonation.aspx to find a complete list of available collection centers.

Marines assigned to Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego in California who have tested positive for COVID-19 donated plasma at Naval Medical Center San Diego.

In support of the development of an effective treatment, The Defense Department launched a campaign in late May to collect 10,000 units of plasma from patients who have recovered from COVID-19.

"The hope is that these Marines who have tested positive and recovered from COVID-19 will have developed antibodies," said Ellyn Alcantara, a clinical nurse assigned to the medical center's blood donor center. "These antibodies could lead to developments in a treatment for COVID-19."

All of the Marines volunteered to donate their plasma with the hope that their antibodies will help others. "It makes me feel good to be a part of the solution to this pandemic," said Marine Corps Pfc. Xavier Flores, a recent donor.

Upon arriving at the donor center, the Marines were given a medical health screening to determine their donor eligibility.

Once they are cleared to donate plasma, a complete blood count and hematocrit test ensures the proportion of red blood cells in the body is optimal for donation and would have no adverse effects on the donor.

"A transfusion transmissible infection test will be performed on all donors as a part of their screening process," said Navy Lt. Therica Reynolds, the officer in charge of the medical center's Blood Donor Center. "We're trying to maximize our plasma collection and do our part for patient care."

Reynolds said apheresis — the plasma donation process — takes about an hour from the beginning of the screening process to the end of the collection. Convalescent COVID-19 plasma, or CCP, from recovered COVID-19-positive patients has been used at the medical center to help symptomatic patients recover.

"A qualified donor is eligible to donate every 28 days, and one person can potentially donate four doses, or bags, of CCP per visit," Reynolds said. "We highly encourage potential donors to make an appointment for one of our five apheresis machines. Anyone who has tested positive for COVID-19 and has recovered is encouraged to come into our [donation center] and get screened to donate."

NMCSD's mission is to prepare service members to deploy in support of operational forces, deliver high quality healthcare services and shape the future of military medicine through education, training and research. It employs more than 6,000 active duty military personnel, civilians and contractors.

Article Courtesy of: Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Jacob L. Greenberg

Sarahi Wilson, a phlebotomist assigned to Naval Medical Center San Diego, CA, draws blood from a volunteer, July 14, 2020. The medical center employs more than 6,000 active duty military personnel, civilians and contractors in Southern California. (Photo by Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class Erwin Jacob V. Miciano.)
Federal Employees Dental and Vision Program 2021 Plan Improvements

WASHINGTON, D.C. – The U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM) has selected insurance carriers to provide comprehensive, accessible and competitively priced dental and vision coverage through the Federal Employees Dental and Vision Program (FEDVIP), effective January 1, 2021. The contract term is seven (7) years.

The competitive application process allowed OPM to strengthen the FEDVIP program through increased focus on wellness and education. OPM improved quality assurance, financial reporting processes, and enhanced fraud waste and abuse (FWA) requirements. In the 2021 plan year, the number of FEDVIP dental carriers will increase from 10 to 12. The number of vision carriers will increase from 4 to 5. OPM anticipates no disruption of enrollee’s continuity of services.

Eligible individuals may enroll, cancel, or change their enrollment during the Federal Benefits Open Season this year, November 9 to December 14, 2020.

FEDVIP has 3.3 million unique enrollees. This includes 1.7 million enrollees enrolled in both programs. In total, the program provides dental and vision benefits to a total of 6.9 million Federal employees, uniformed service members, retirees and their family members. It provides comprehensive dental and vision insurance at competitive group rates with leading dental and vision carriers. FEDVIP enrollees give the program high marks for quality and value.

Phone
1-877-888-FEDS (1-877-888-3337)
TTY: 1-877-889-5680
International: +1-571-730-5942

2021 Dental Carriers
- Nationwide/International
- Aetna Dental PPO
- Delta Dental PPO
- BCBS FEP Blue Dental
- GEHA Dental PPO
- MetLife Dental PPO
- United Concordia PPO
- United Healthcare Dental PPO (New)

Regional
- Dominion Dental EPO (New)
- Emblem Health
- HealthPartners (New)
- Humana EPO/PPO
- Triple-S Salud

2021 Vision Carriers
- Nationwide/International
- Aetna Vision
- BCBS FEP Vision
- MetLife Vision (New)
- UnitedHealthcare Vision
- VSP
Starting on Jan. 1, 2021, TRICARE Select Group A retired beneficiaries must pay monthly enrollment fees in order to maintain their TRICARE health coverage. This is a change, and the first time this beneficiary group will pay enrollment fees.

“In 2021, some TRICARE beneficiaries will pay enrollment fees for the first time, a change mandated by Congress,” said Dr. Danita Hunter, director of the TRICARE Health Plan at the Defense Health Agency. “We’re communicating this well before the change is implemented so beneficiaries can be informed about the change, as well as their TRICARE plan and cost options.”

What’s happening?
Retired TRICARE Select beneficiaries will have to pay enrollment fees. This change was mandated by Congress in the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year October 1 - September 30 2017. Congress granted the Defense Health Agency a delay in implementation to calendar year 2021.

Who’s impacted?
This change only affects Group A retirees and their families enrolled in TRICARE select. You’re in Group A if your initial enlistment or appointment or that of your uniformed services sponsor began before Jan. 1, 2018. Active duty family members enrolled in TRICARE Select will experience no change, and won’t pay enrollment fees.

This applies to me. When do I need to take action?
You must set up a monthly allotment through your Department of Defense (DoD) pay center, where feasible, for your monthly payments to start on January 1, 2021. For sponsors who don’t receive funds through a DoD pay center, you can establish payments via electronic funds transfer, credit card, or debit card. Your regional contractor will soon issue instructions to set up payment.

What are the 2021 enrollment fees for TRICARE Select Group A retirees?
The enrollment fees will be collected via monthly installments from the sponsor’s military pay system where retired pay is disbursed.
- Individual plan: $12.50 per month
- Family plan: $25.00 per month

How can I stay informed and prepare for this change?
Visit the TRICARE Select Enrollment Fees page on the TRICARE website (https://www.tricare.mil/) for updates and to sign up for email alerts. TRICARE will inform you of specific actions you need to take in the coming months. Take command of your health and your health care benefits in 2020.
Armed Forces Retirement Home Accepting Applications for Residency!

The Armed Forces Retirement Home (AFRH), with locations in Washington, D.C., and Gulfport, MS, continues to welcome new residents. These healthy, vibrant and sought-after retirement communities for eligible veterans offer affordable independent living opportunities at rates that will remain unchanged through 2021.

Maintaining the health of the residents and staff during COVID-19 remains their highest priority. Thanks to multiple protections in place – including continuous COVID-19 surveillance testing, social distancing, the wearing of masks and use of hand sanitizers– the Home has experienced very few cases among residents during this extraordinary time.

To qualify to live at an AFRH, veterans are eligible from one of three main categories:

**Category 1:** 60 years of age or older and served at least 20 years on active duty, with the majority of that time spent in the enlisted ranks or as a warrant officer. Eighty five percent of our residents spent a career in the military.

Veterans who spent the majority of their service time in the enlisted ranks, but did not serve at least 20 years on active duty may be eligible.

**Category 2:** Veterans who have at least a 50% service-connected disability, or

**Category 3:** Veterans who served in a war theater (such as in Vietnam, Kuwait, Iraq and Afghanistan) and now have an injury, disease or disability.

Rooms are currently available at both locations with no waiting period, down payment or contract required! For eligible veterans moving into an AFRH in 2020 and 2021, the rate for independent living is 46.7% of the resident’s gross monthly income or $2,050.00, whichever is less.

All applicants must be able to live independently upon moving to the AFRH. The Home also provides advanced levels of care to our residents after they have been accepted into independent living. These include assisted living, long-term care, and memory support.

In Washington, D.C., AFRH offers residents a scenic, wooded campus just minutes from downtown - home to museums, monuments, and a host of local entertainment, sports and other cultural options. In Gulfport, MS, AFRH offers residents a beautiful view of the Gulf of Mexico, with an outdoor swimming pool, walking path to the beach, reflecting pool, art studio and modern media room.

Superior medical, dental and vision care are offered, with amenities that include: private rooms with a shower, three delicious daily meals prepared by licensed nutritionists in a modern dining facility, a wellness program and deluxe fitness center, movie theater, bowling center, numerous hobby shops, clubs, and social activities.

Services include recreational activities and resident day trips, a full-service library, barber shop, beauty salon, 24/7 security, computer center, mailboxes, ATM, campus PX/NEX and convenient transportation available to local hospitals and appointments. Residents also have access to additional services such as on-site physical and occupational therapy, in-room internet and cable TV, podiatry, and counseling.

Married couples are welcome to apply for residency at AFRH and discounts are available:
- If both individuals meet all military and other eligibility requirements in their own right, or
- If the eligible veteran completed at least 20 years of active service and married current spouse prior to military retirement.

Veterans who have been convicted of a felony or are not free of drug, alcohol, or psychiatric problems are ineligible to become a resident. For further information or to request an application, visit [https://www.afrh.gov/apply](https://www.afrh.gov/apply) or contact the Office of Public Affairs at: admissions@afrh.gov or 1-800-422-9988.
**Cancer Screening During the COVID-19 Pandemic**

At the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, elective medical procedures, including cancer screening, were largely put on hold to prioritize urgent needs and reduce the risk of the spread of COVID-19 in healthcare settings. One consequence of this has been a substantial decline in cancer screening.

As states and other authorities re-open businesses and ease restrictions, many healthcare facilities are starting to offer elective procedures again, including cancer screening. Restarting cancer screening requires careful consideration of the risks and benefits of screening, along with ensuring safety for both patients and healthcare personnel. Decisions about restarting screening depend on many factors, and they may not be the same for every person. They will likely vary by community while the pandemic continues.

**Regular cancer screening is still important**

If you had an appointment for screening that was postponed or canceled, talk to your healthcare team about when to reschedule. Your provider can discuss balancing the risks and benefits of being screened now or postponing for a later date, taking into account your personal and family history, other risk factors, and the timing of your last screening test.

It is also important to keep in mind that the focus here is on cancer _screening_. Screening tests look for cancer in people who don’t have symptoms. These tests are different from tests your doctor might order if you have signs or symptoms that could be from cancer. If you have signs or symptoms that might be from cancer, for instance, a lump in the breast or blood in the stool, you should discuss this with your provider right away, as you will need exams or tests that evaluate those particular signs and symptoms.

Your health care provider can help you determine what screening schedule and which screening tests are best for you at this time.

Five Ways to Help Reduce Your Breast Cancer Risk
1. Get to and stay at a healthy weight.
2. Be physically active and avoid time spent sitting.
3. Follow a healthy eating pattern.
4. It is best not to drink alcohol.
5. Think carefully about using hormone replacement therapy (HRT)

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**2020 Retired & Annuity Pay Dates**

To help you plan for 2020, below is a list of the days you should expect to receive your retired or annuitant pay. Retired and annuitant pay is due on the first of the month. However, if the first falls on a weekend or holiday, retirees get paid on the last business day of the prior month and annuitants get paid on the first business day of the month. For example, payment to retirees for December 2019 was paid on December 31, 2019.

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Since its inception in 1916, the Junior Reserve Officers’ Training Corps (JROTC) program has been viewed as a strong program that provides youth with much-needed skills in citizenship and leadership.

The Marine Corps Junior Reserve Officers’ Training Corps (MCJROTC) is looking for a few good men and women to serve as instructors at various high schools throughout the United States and overseas. Marines selected to serve in these positions teach MCJROTC cadets discipline, self-confidence, and leadership skills required to prepare them to meet future challenges.

Marines approved to be MCJROTC instructors upon hiring, receive a stipend from the Marine Corps and the respective school system that as a minimum, when added to retirement pay, will equal full military pay and allowances.

The Commanding General, Training and Education Command, Quantico, VA, certifies MCJROTC instructor applicants. Marines may apply for approval as a MCJROTC instructor within one year of the effective date of retirement. Marines interested in serving as MCJROTC instructors can download an instructor application at https://www.mcjrotc.marines.mil/Applications/.

MCJROTC Instructor Qualifications

**Senior Marine Instructor (SMI)**
1. Officer or Warrant Officer with at least 20 years active duty, or Temporary Early Retirement Authority (TERA) program with 15 or more years active duty, who are eligible to receive retirement pay.
2. Confirmed retirement date from Manpower Management Separation and Retirement Branch.
3. Retiring or transferring to the Fleet Marine Corps Reserve (FMCR) as an Officer with at least 20 years active service and eligible for retirement pay.
4. Bachelor's Degree.
5. Competitive military record.
6. Physically qualified according to MCJROTC standards.

**Marine Instructor (MI)**
1. Warrant Officer (without a college Degree) or SNCO with at least 20 years active duty, or Temporary Early Retirement Authority (TERA) program with 15 or more years of active duty and eligible to receive retirement pay.
2. Confirmed retirement date from Manpower Management Separation and Retirement Branch.
3. Retiring or transferring to the Fleet Marine Corps Reserve (FMCR) as a SNCO with at least 20 years active service and eligible for either retirement pay or retainer pay upon EAS.
4. High school graduate. Complete an Associate's Degree within 5 years of hire.
5. Competitive military record.

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<td>28 Oct-1 Nov 2020 Palm Springs, CA</td>
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<td>Marine Light Helicopter Squadron 267 Mag 39 GySgt Rob Catha (Ret.)</td>
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<td>(214) 534-0490</td>
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100 YEARS IN THE MAKING

**COLONEL**
- Archie D. Simpson (1941-1969)
- Carl Cooper (1942-1980)
- Louis J. Schott (1942-1980)
- Jonathan D. Mendes (1942-1980)

**LIEUTENANT COLONEL**
- William R. Croyle (1940-1980)
- William Kaenzig (1942-1968)
- James A. Feliton (1940-1963)
- Dean Ladd (1939-1980)

**MAJOR**
- Robert H. Cook (1940-1964)
- Victor D. Freudenberger (1938-1960)
- Edmund A. Nelson (1942-1980)
- J. J. McLaughlin, Jr. (1940-1967)
- Jewell W. Horning (1942-1980)

**CAPTAIN**
- David H. Rosenthal, Jr. (1940-1946)
- Burrel E. Sumner (1939-1960)

**MASTER SERGEANT**
- R. A. Anders (1946-1964)
- William T. Hall (1941-1968)
- Abraham A. Edoff (1943-1964)
- Nathan A. Gilbert (1945-1980)

**GUNNER SERGEANT**
- Manuel Roy (1939-1958)
- W. E. Knepper (1941-1961)
- Victor M. Ornelas (1943-1980)

**STAFF SERGEANT**
- I. B. Przekop (1942-1962)
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- COWDREY, CHRISTIAN B.  Apr 06/Jun 20  
- KERR, HUGH T.  Jan 85/Jul 20

### COLONEL
- ALLEGA, ALFRED J.  Jul 90/Jul 20  
- BAILEY, GEORGE L.  Sep 81/Jun 20  
- BEAUCHAMP, GLEN T.  Mar 81/May 20  
- BELL, MICHAEL C.  Jul 91/Jul 20  
- BLANTON, HAROLD L.  Dec 79/Jul 20  
- BOLAND, ARTHUR F.  Jul 89/Jul 20  
- CONWAY, TIMOTHY C.  Jan 03/Jul 20  
- COTI, WILLIAM A.  Jul 91/Jul 20  
- DRUM, DAVID S.  Mar 86/Jul 20  
- FERDINAND, WARREN A.  Aug 82/Feb 20  
- HAGGARD, ROBERT G.  Jul 82/Jul 20  
- HEIM, DONALD C.  Jul 85/Jul 20  
- JORDAN, JOHN E.  Mar 96/Jul 20  
- JUSTICE, WILLIAM G.  Oct 81/Jul 20  
- KELLY, LEO J.  Jul 85/Jul 20  
- KIEFNER, EDWIN K.  Sep 95/Jul 20  
- MILLS, JOHN M.  May 05/Jul 20  
- MONAHAN JR., WILLIAM W.  Oct 89/May 20  
- MUCH, HUBERT G.  Jun 94/Feb 20  
- PONSFORD, REGINALD G.  III Oct 88/Jun 20  
- RAUPP, DOUGLAS R.  Mar 05/Jul 20  
- SIMANIKAS, WILLIAM C.  Jul 79/Jul 20  
- TOLARZ, ANTHONY P.  Jul 89/Jun 20  
- WALKER, JAMES H.  Jun 82/Jul 20  
- WULF, JERRY C.  Jul 89/Jul 20

### LIEUTENANT COLONEL
- BIGELOW, K. K.  Aug 64/Jul 19  
- BOND, HENRY J.  Apr 73/May 19  
- CALDWELL, WILLIAM E.  Aug 88/Jul 20  
- DARRON, ROBERT R.  Sep 75/Mar 20  
- DELACRuz, RUFINO Aug 86/May 20  
- DIXON II, ALBERT K.  Sep 81/Jul 20  
- FRANCIS, DAVID D.  Jul 73/May 20  
- GILLON, ROBERT A.  Feb 73/Jul 20  
- GRATtan, ROLAND N.  Oct 73/Jul 20  
- HINDS JR., WILLIAM H.  Aug 93/Jul 20  
- JESSUP, FOSTER H.  Jul 80/Jul 20  
- JOHNSON, WILLIAM S.  Oct 95/May 20  
- KEENAN, JOHN M.  Sep 79/Nov 19  
- LARSON, THOMAS R.  Dec 93/Jul 20  
- MCAFEE, CARLOS K.  Jul 75/Jul 20  
- MCCLANE, GEORGE E.  Sep 66/Jul 20  
- MEIER, ERNEST U.  Jul 74/Jul 20  
- MOLNAR, CSABA S.  Jan 07/Jul 20  
- NIELSEN, WILLIAM J.  Sep 71/Jul 20  
- NORTHUP, WILLIAM E. Jun 02/May 20  
- PAGE, JAMES E.  Jun 73/Jul 20  
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- REED, DON T.  Oct 88/Jul 19  
- SCARBOROUGH, JOHN A.  Jun 14/Jul 20  
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- TURNER, DONALD G.  Jul 96/Jul 20  
- VOGT, JOHN S.  Nov 80/Jul 20  
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- BARKOVICH, MICHAEL J. Jul 77/May 20
- BELL, CHARLES H. Nov 76/Jun 20
- BEROTTE JR., WILLIAM Jul 04/May 20
- CRIMMINS, MICHAEL P. Jul 91/Jun 20
- DAVIS JR., RAYMOND S. Jul 77/May 20
- FRITSCHI, GEORGE W. Jun 71/May 19
- HALL, ROBERT C. Jul 77/Jun 20
- HARRIS, ALLEN S. Nov 67/Jun 20
- LAURENCE, REILLY J. Oct 89/Sep 19
- MARTIN, THOMAS D. Sep 86/Sep 19
- MEYERAAN, DEAN R. Jul 91/Jul 20
- MILLER, MICHAEL G. Nov 01/Jun 20
- MOYER, SAMUEL L. May 80/Jul 19
- ODOM, DANNY P. Mar 98/Jun 20
- RAMBERG, WILLIAM E. Nov 90/Jul 20
- REILLY, LAURENCE J. Oct 89/Sep 19
- ROWLEY, WILLIAM B. Jul 80/Jun 20
- SPAIR, JOSEPH Oct 02/Jun 20
- WILLIAMS, BENJAMIN L. Jul 88/Jun 20

### CAPTAIN (continued)
- VASCONCELLOS JR., RAYMOND Oct 65/May 20
- WHITE, FRED E. Sep 85/Jun 20

### FIRST LIEUTENANT
- BEADLE, CONRAD M. Aug 68/Aug 18
- CARPENTER, JAMES E. Sep 67/Jul 20
- HARWOOD, GUY B. Aug 73/May 20
- LYNCH, PATRICK J. Sep 75/Jun 20

### SECOND LIEUTENANT
- CONNACHER, JAMES T. Jan 78/Jun 20

### CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER
- SURRETT, RANDALL CWO5 Mar 98/May 20
- COSMAN, WILLIAM E. CWO4 Nov 00/Jun 20
- KUBIK, LOUIS J. CWO4 Aug 00/Jul 20
- BUSS, DENNIS J. CWO3 Jun 94/Jul 20
- DRENKHAHN, MAHLON T. CWO3 May 89/Jul 20
- GILLIS, JOHN M. CWO3 Sep 98/Jul 20
- HARTMAN, JIMMY D. CWO3 Oct 02/Jul 20
- JERROLD, JAMES E. CWO3 Mar 89/Apr 19
- OLIVER, TONY G. CWO2 Sep 96/Jun 20

### SERGEANT MAJOR
- GRAVEL, ARMAND D. Sep 10/Jul 20
- HECTOR JR., ROBERT P. Oct 94/Jul 20
- MAROVICH, PETER J. Jul 78/May 19
- MARTIN, STEPHEN Jun 04/Jul 20
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- PENNINGTON, RONALD W. Apr 91/Jul 20
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**MASTER SERGEANT (continued)**
MORENO JR, FRANCISCO Jul 88/Jun 20
PLUM, PAUL O. May 98/May 20
RAUTENKRANZ, JAMES D. Jul 00/Jun 20
REED ROBERT C. Aug 84/Jun 20
REID, DECARLOUS M. Jan 07/Jun 20
RHOADES, STEVEN R. Dec 86/Jun 20
SANCHEZ JR., REYES Sep 84/Jun 20
SHADE, MILTON E. Jul 90/Jun 20
SLOAN, ROBERT E. Dec 78/Jul 20
SMITH, CECIL M. May 85/Dec 19
TAYLOR, STANLEY W. Oct 88/May 20
THOMSON, ANDREW N. Sep 75/Jun 20
TOOLIE, LARRY C. Sep 11/Jun 20
TRUMAN JR., JAMES W. Jun 84/Jul 20
VAHLE II, CECIL D. Apr 96/Jun 20
VASSALLO, JASON R. Apr 12/Jun 20
VEST, CHARLES R. Feb 94/May 20
WHEELER, JAMES F. Jun 84/Jun 20
WILLEY, JAMES W. Sep 96/Jun 20
WILLIAMS JR., JAN A. Mar 06/Jun 20
WILSON, WALTER C. Aug 68/Apr 20
YARBROUGH, DONALD Jun 84/Jul 20

**GUNNERY SERGEANT (continued)**
DUNCAN, MARTIN W. Jul 92/Jul 20
EAGLESON, LYLE D. Sep 73/Jul 20
EAST, FRANCIS W. Dec 76/Jun 20
EZELL, EUGENE A. Jun 61/Jul 20
FORSGREN, MILTON F. Jan 75/Jul 20
FRANKLIN III, WINSTON H. Sep 93/Dec 19
GOODWIN, ROBERT F. Oct 73/Dec 19
GRANT, LEROY Apr 79/Jul 20
GROMANN, BRIAN H. Jul 81/Jul 20
HICKS, JESSE A. Oct 91/Jan 20
HOTH JR., EDWARD W. Nov 90/Jun 20
HOUSE, RONNIE F. Aug 93/Jun 20
JOHNS, EUGENE P. Apr 72/Jul 20
JOHNS, RALPH I. Dec 09/Jun 20
KING, JAMES D. Dec 90/May 20
KITCHENS, ROBERT D. Jul 88/Jul 20
KUMBALEK, H. J. Dec 68/Aug 19
LAWSON, EARL G. Jan 76/May 20
LAYMAN, WILLIAM E. May 75/May 20
LEMBACH, JOHN J. Jun 01/Jun 20
LINDSAY, WILLIAM R. Oct 92/Jun 20
LUNDESTATE, STEPHEN E. Mar 01/Jun 20
MANNRING, TERRY L. Jan 90/Jun 20
MAYER, KENNETH C. May 66/Jul 20
MCCANNELL, RUTH A. Mar 74/Jul 20
MCGOWIN, STEVEN F. Nov 02/May 20
MCKINZIE, CHESTER L. Aug 93/Jun 20
MCKNIE, RANDY M. Feb 01/Jun 20
MORACCIO, PETER A. Feb 79/Jul 20
MORANT, LEANDREW J. Jun 81/Jun 20
MOSLEY, THOMAS W. Mar 74/Jul 20
NITZEL, MICHAEL P. Aug 94/Jun 20
OKADA, HAIHACHIO Jul 75/May 20
PAPAIA, GEORGE Jul 72/Jul 18
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DFAS erroneously reported Sergeant Richard D. Lee, USMC (Ret. 69) as deceased. Subsequently, Sergeant Lee’s death was erroneously listed in the April-June Semper Fidelis TAPS. We extend our apology to Sgt Lee for this error.

GUNNERY SERGEANT (continued)

PERUCCI, A. P. Aug 62/Jul 20
PETerson, ARTHUR L. Apr 97/Jul 20
PHILLIPS, ANTHONY M. Jul 09/May 19
PIEper JR., ARTHUR G. Aug 86/Jun 20
SALAs, SANTos Sep 68/Jun 20
SASKI, LARRY L. Apr 83/Mar 19
SHEarer, DONNIE L. Jun 80/Jun 20
SHIFFLER, DANIEL B. Apr 73/Jun 20
SMITH, EDWARD J. Jul 68/Jun 20
SOLIZ, EUGENe Feb 76/Jun 20
STEHNACH, STEPHEN Jan 76/Jun 20
STRACK, RICHARD E. Aug 66/Jun 20
THORNTON, THOMAS A. May 70/Mar 20
TURNER IV, WILLIAM A. Jun 99/Jun 20
UNGER, ALTON V. Sep 75/Jun 20
VETTER, ROBERT D. Dec 76/Jul 20
VOLPi, THOMAS G. Oct 04/Jun 20
WALAKOVITS, WILLIAM J. Feb 06/Jul 17
WALKER, RODNEY C. Mar 95/Jan 19
WARMAN, JOHN O. Dec 90/May 20
WAYNE, HARMOn T. Aug 69/Jul 20
WILEy, MARVIN L. Nov 01/Jun 20
WILLIAMS, JAMES P. Aug 69/Jun 20
WILSON JR., ROY L. Oct 71/May 20
WINSTON, FRANKLIN H. Sep 93/Dec 19
WISE, RAYMOND E. Jun 74/Apr 20
YENS, KENNETH L. Sep 74/May 20
ZOROLA, ISMAEL Jul 04/ Sep 18

STAFF SERGEANT (continued)

KEITH, MATTHEW B. Aug 12/Jun 20
LAMAR, DERRICK A. Mar 03/Jun 20
LOGAN, MELVIN Feb 76/Jun 20
MItCHUM, WALTER Dec 68/May 20
MORRIS, HAROLD W. Sep 61/Mar 17
PARKER, JEFFERY A. Oct 00/May 20
POWELL, ELMER L. Sep 73/Jun 20
PRICE, L. E. II Jun 69/May 20
PUTNAM, JAMES L. Jun 71/Jun 20
RYLES, CASEY Jun 87/Jun 20
SCHWAfEL, LEROY M. Aug 96/Jun 20
WATSON, ARTHUR M. Mar 94/May 20

SERGEANT

BURKE JR., HARRY J. Oct 70/Jun 20
FOX, JOSEPH L. Nov 69/Jun 20
FRYE, MARVIN H. Nov 68/Jul 20
GARCIA, GILBERTO Dec 68/Jun 20
KING, STEVEN G. Jul 69/Jun 20
LANKAUF, RAYMOND L. Jul 62/Jun 20
MCLAUGHLIN, CHARLES W. Sep 52/Jun 20
MCREYNOLDS, RICHARD D. May 68/Jun 20
MURRAY, T. H. Jun 77/Jun 20
POWERS, ANGUS O. Mar 15/Jun 20
RANTON JR., JAMES A. Feb 89/Jul 20
SIMS, W. W. Jul 69/Jun 20
TIDWELL, REX H. Aug 69/Jul 20
YANCHICK, JOHN R. Aug 98/May 20

CORPORAL

APPLEBERRY, SCOTT K. May 92/Oct 19
ASH, PAUL D. Oct 69/Jul 20
BALDREE, ARNOLD L. May 68/Jun 20
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CORBACHO, ARANGO F. Oct 68/Jul 20  
CRAWFORD, PAUL C. Feb 69/Jun 20  
DAWSON, JAMES I. Dec 68/Jul 20  
DUPONT II, CLYDE S. Oct 92/Jul 20  
DUQUETTE, RONALD A. Jan 68/Jun 20  
KIRK, DAVID T. Jul 66/Jul 20  
MAZA, JOSE L. Oct 91/Jul 20  
MCCOY, JEROME C. CPL Jul 86/Jul 20  
METIVIER, DANIEL E. Oct 92/May 20  
OLIVERI, ADAM L. Apr 12/May 20  
PETERSEN, DONALD B. Jul 68/Jun 20  
POULIOT, JULIEN T. Feb 68/Apr 20  
POWERS, KEVIN Dec 94/May 20  
SMITH, JOHN H. Nov 68/Jun 20  
STANLEY, JAMES C. Dec 67/Jul 20  
STUBITS, THERESIA K. Nov 52/Jul 20  
TARANGO, HENRY S. Jan 70/Jul 20  
URIBE, MARCUS J. Dec 12/Jul 20  
WINGER, JERRY G. Jul 67/Jul 20

**LANCE CORPORAL**

BELDERRAIN, DANIEL W. Feb 69/Jul 20  
BOWEN, ROBERT L. Dec 68/Jul 20  
BROTHERS, P. J. Oct 69/Jul 20  
CARLSON, MICHAEL C. Jan 94/Jul 20  
CURTO, MICHAEL A. Feb 72/Jul 20  
DAMRON, ROBERT E. Jul 68/Jul 20  
GUMM, DARWIN R. Aug 52/Jul 20  
HARRIS, RAYMOND A. Apr 77/Mar 19  
HEINTZ, DAVID A. Oct 67/Jul 20  
KORTUS, RYAN T. Nov 16/May 20  
LERMA, RODOLFO Sep 71/Jul 20

**LANCE CORPORAL (continued)**

LOOPER, GREG S. May 90/Jul 20  
MANSBACH, THOMAS C. Nov 68/Jun 20  
MASON JR., ROBERT J. May 56/Jul 20  
MERICA, WILLIAM D. Jan 70/Jul 20  
OTERO, ANGEL L. Mar 70/May 20  
PETRI, EARL V. Feb 75/Jul 20  
POWELL, GLEN W. Dec 68/May 20  
STEPSH, EDWARD O. Jan 74/May 20  
STOCKBARGER, DANIEL T. Feb 68/Jul 20  
TORTORICE, DANIEL L. Sep 70/Jul 20  
WILLIAMS, GREGORY H. Jan 69/Jul 20

**PRIVATE FIRST CLASS**

CENTILLI, DANIEL R. Nov 15/Dec 19  
DELUCIA, PAUL A. Dec 68/Apr 20  
FITZGERALD, MAURICE P. Jan 53/Apr 20  
GARCIA, MANUEL T. Jul 68/Jul 20  
GIBB, THOMAS F. Jan 71/Jul 20  
JENKINS, ROBERT J. Aug 56/Jun 20  
JOHNSON, CHARLES E. May 72/Jul 20  
JONES, ROBERT H. Aug 68/Jun 20  
LARSON JR., ALBERT A. Oct 73/Jul 20  
NEWCOMB, ROBERT H. Jul 68/Jul 20  
SPALLAS, PETER J. Nov 53/Apr 20  
TROWBRIDGE, DUANE D. Dec 51/Jul 20  
WHITE III, WALTER Dec 72/May 20

**PRIVATE**

CAITHAMER, JOHN F. May 53/Jul 20  
DELAY, JOHN T. Mar 75/Jun 20  
HOFFMAN, R. H. Feb 63/Jun 20  
MAGOON, DONALD T. Nov 00/Jun 20  
TILLMAN JR., CHARLIE D. Mar 69/Jun 20

Semper Fidelis Newsletter for Retired Marines
Steps to Take When an Annuitant Dies

ELIGIBILITY FOR SURVIVOR BENEFIT PLAN ANNUITY PAY ENDS WITH THE DEATH OF THE ANNUITANT (BENEFICIARY)

Prompt reporting of a deceased military annuitant’s death can help avoid delay and prevent possible financial hardship for the surviving family members or executors, who will be required to return any unearned payments of the decedent’s annuity pay if payment is erroneously received. ***While the VA does not provide burial benefits for annuitants, the annuitant may be eligible for burial in a military cemetery.

Follow these steps to report the death of an annuitant:

1. Call DFAS at 1-800-321-1080 to report the death and stop annuity pay.
2. Mail or fax a copy of the annuitant’s death certificate to:

DFAS - U.S. MILITARY ANNUITANT PAY
8899 E. 56th Street
Indianapolis, IN 46249-1300
Fax: 1-800-982-8459

3. Inform any financial institutions receiving payments about the death of the annuitant. (Provide a copy of the death certificate when it becomes available).

4. If applicable, contact the following agencies/departments immediately to report the death:

- Social Security Administration: 1-800-772-1213 www.ssa.gov
- Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System: 1-800-538-9552

If you believe you are the victim of an error or injustice which affects your military record, you may apply for a Correction of Military Records by completing and submitting a DD Form 149, Application for Correction of Military Record. Examples of corrections include: upgraded discharge, promotions, retired pay, household goods, pay date change, bonus, and MGIB programs. DFAS pays military members when the Board for Corrections of Naval Records (BCNR) rule in their favor. If you received a decision from the BCNR and you do not agree with it, write the Board and explain your reasoning. Reference the appropriate address on page 2 of the DD Form 149. If you would like to check the status of your request contact the BCNR directly at (703) 604-6884 (Navy/Marine Corps). If you believe DFAS paid you incorrectly for your Correction of Record, provide documentation with a handwritten signature explaining why you are protesting the amount to:

DFAS-IN
Dept. 3330, Attn: COR/Claims
8899 East 56th Street
Indianapolis, IN 46249-3300
DFAS Inquiry Line: (317) 212-6167
(Hours: 8:30 am to 3:30 pm, EST)
Steps to Take When a Retired Marine Dies

1. REPORT THE DEATH TO DFAS at 1-888-332-7411 to stop retirement pay and avoid indebtedness. If the retired Marine was receiving pay from another source due to a disability from the VA or civil service retirement from the Office of Personnel Management, contact that agency to return the payment. If you fail to do this, you will have to repay it later.

You may also report the death online at www.dfas.mil/retiredmilitary/forms.html. Additional information from DFAS is available at www.dfas.mil/retiredmilitary/survivors/Retiree-death.html.

For families located overseas, the commercial number is 216-522-5955, select option 3 to be directed to the appropriate representative.

NOTE: DFAS will forward a confirmed death listing to Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps (MMSR-6) for inclusion in an upcoming issue of this newsletter under the Taps column.

2. Within 7-10 business days after reporting the death to DFAS, you should receive a letter containing the following documents:

   a. SF1174 Claim for Unpaid Compensation of Deceased Member of the Uniformed Service
   b. Annuity account forms and instructions (if the decedent was enrolled in the Survivor Benefit Plan or the Retired Serviceman's Family Protection Plan)
   c. W-4P Withholding Certificate for Pension or Annuity Payments
   d. Direct Deposit form

Complete the forms you received with your letter and return them with a copy of the retiree’s death certificate that includes cause of death to:

Defense Finance and Accounting Service
U.S. Military Retired Pay
8899 E 56th Street
Indianapolis IN 46249-1200

If you need assistance completing your claim forms, please call 800-321-1080.

3. REPORT SURVIVOR BENEFIT PLAN ELECTION, if applicable. Designated annuitants will receive notification from DFAS if the deceased retired Marine elected SBP. If you are uncertain whether an election was made, call DFAS at 1-800-321-1080.

4. UPDATE YOUR MILITARY ID CARD. Your status has changed, and as the survivor of a deceased Marine, your ID card must be updated to reflect it due to the Marine’s death. Access your nearest ID site at https://idco.dmdc.osd.mil/idco or call HQMC (MMSR-6) at 1-800-336-4649 or (703) 784-9310 to obtain the sites closest to you.

5. NOTIFY THE SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION at 1-800-SSA-1213 (www.ssa.gov) to apply for the $255 death benefit, if applicable.

6. CONTACT THE VA at 1-800-827-1000 FOR BURIAL AND OTHER VA BENEFITS, such as VA disability payments. A copy of the sponsor’s DD 214 is required. Visit www.va.gov for more information.

7. CONTACT THE U.S. OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT at 1-888-767-6738 if the sponsor was receiving civil service pay.
**MILITARY FUNERAL HONORS FOR BURIALS OUTSIDE ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY (ANC)**

The funeral director (preferred) or a family member can contact the HQMC Military Funeral Honors Section at (866) 826-3628 or (703) 432-9524 to request Military Funeral Honors for a veteran. The funeral director (or family member) must be able to provide the Marine's complete name, SSN, rank, status (retired or veteran), date of birth, date of death, and place of death/interment. In addition, a copy of the Marine's DD-214 needs to be provided for verification of "honorable service". If a DD-214 is not readily available, it can be requested through the National Personnel Records Center in St. Louis, MO. The following link provides additional details:

https://www.hqmc.marines.mil/Agencies/Casualty-MFPC/Funeral-Honors/

**MILITARY FUNERAL HONORS FOR BURIALS AT ANC**

A family member will need to contact ANC directly. The following link provides information on eligibility, required documents, and additional resources for scheduling and attending funerals at ANC. Marine Barracks Washington provides Military Funeral Honors for Marine burials at ANC.

http://www.arlingtoncemetery.mil/Funerals/Scheduling-a-Funeral

**Agencies Providing Aid and Assistance To Surviving Spouses**

- Arlington National Cemetery: (703) 607-8000
- Military Funeral Honors: 1-866-826-3628 or (703) 432-9524
- Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society: (703) 696-4904, [www.nmcrs.org](http://www.nmcrs.org)
- Society of Military Widows: 1-800-842-3451, [www.militarywidows.org/home.aspx](http://www.militarywidows.org/home.aspx)
- Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors: 1-800-959-8277, [www.taps.org](http://www.taps.org)

**SOME THINGS YOU WILL NEED TO DO:**
- Gather important documents for claims processing (e.g., birth certificate, will, etc.)
- Begin to make funeral and burial arrangements
- Start claim process for applicable benefits (e.g., SBP, VA life insurance, Social Security)
- Determine immediate and short-term financial needs and income sources
- Arrange for help with legal affairs of the deceased
- Notify joint account agencies (e.g., credit cards, banks, auto registration, home/auto insurance)
- Review survivor’s own legal documents for possible revision
- Obtain multiple certified death certificates (6-12 copies)

**The Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society**

No doubt your financial requirements and responsibilities are very different from when you were on active duty. The Society provides retirees a useful guide: Strategic Money and Asset Retirement Tips.

Download your free GET S.M.A.R.T. guide at: [www.myimpactwithnmcrs.org/getsmart](http://www.myimpactwithnmcrs.org/getsmart)
A

AMC PASSENGER TERMINAL:
http://www.amc.af.mil/Home/AMC-Travel-Site/

ARLINGTON NATIONAL CEMETERY:
(703) 607-8000
www.arlingtoncemetery.mil

ARMED FORCES RECREATION CENTERS:
www.armymwr.com/travel/recreationcenters/

- Edelweiss Lodge and Resort (Germany):
  (011-49) 8821-9440
- Hale Koa Hotel (Hawaii):
  1-800-367-6027

ARMED FORCES RETIREMENT HOMES (GULFPORT):
Gulfport, MS: (228) 897-4418
https://www.afrh.gov/gulfport-residents

ARMED FORCES RETIREMENT HOMES (WASHINGTON):
Washington, DC: (202) 541-7501
https://www.afrh.gov/washington-residents

AWARDS:
Marines who have been discharged, separated or retired on or before 31 December 1998 should submit their inquiry to:

National Personnel Record Center
Military Personnel Records
1 Archives Dr., St. Louis, MO 63138
Phone: (314) 801-0800

Marines who have been discharged, separated or retired on or after 1 January 1999 should submit their inquiry to:

Commandant of the Marine Corps (MMMA)
2008 Elliot Rd., Quantico, VA 22134
(703) 784-9342/9343
Fax: (703) 784-9866

B

BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS:
701 S. Courthouse Rd., Bldg. 12, Suite 1001
Arlington, VA 22204-2490
(703) 604-6884/6885; Fax: (703) 604-3437

C

CAMP LEJEUNE NOTIFICATION REGISTRY:
https://clnr.hqi.usmc.mil/clwater

COLD WAR CERTIFICATE PROGRAM:
Attn: AHRC-PDP-A, Dept. 480, USAHRC
1600 Spearhead Division Ave.
Ft. Knox, KY 40122-5408
Fax: 1-800-723-9262 or (502) 613-9510
https://www.hrc.army.mil
(Type “Cold War Certificate” in the search box)

COMBAT-RELATED SPECIAL COMPENSATION:
SECNAV CRSC Board
720 Kennon St. SE, Ste. 309; Washington, DC 20374-5030
1-877-366-2772, Fax: (202) 685-6610
CRSC@navy.mil

DD 214s:
Marines who have been discharged, separated, or retired on or before 31 December 1998:
National Personnel Records Center
1 Archives Dr., St. Louis, MO 63138
(314) 801-0800; Fax: (314) 801-9195
PR.center@nara.gov; www.archives.gov/st-louis

Marines discharged/retired/separated on or after 1 January 1999:
Commandant of the Marine Corps (MMRP)-10
2008 Elliot Rd., Quantico, VA 22134-5030
1-800-268-3710; smb.manpower.mmrp@usmc.mil

DEFENSE FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING SERVICE:
U.S. and OCONUS: (216) 522-5955, Fax: 1-800-469-6559

DFAS Special Compensation for the Severely Disabled:
P.O. Box 998011; Cleveland, OH 44199-8011
(216) 522-6170

E

E-BENEFITS: https://www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits-portal/appmanager/eb/veterans

F

FEDVIP: Office of Personnel Management’s Federal Employees Dental and Vision Insurance Program
1-877-888-FEDS (1-877-888-3337)
https://www.benefeds.com/

M

MARINE CORPS ASSOCIATION:
715 Broadway St., Quantico, VA 22134
1-866-622-1775, ext. 100, Fax: (703) 640-0162
mca@mca-marines.org

- Leatherneck Magazine
  1-800-336-0291, ext. 115; Fax: (703) 640-0823
leatherneck@mca-marines.org

- Marine Corps Gazette
  1-800-336-0291, ext. 144; Fax: (703) 630-9147
gazette@mca-marines.org
MARINE BARRACKS WASHINGTON:
8th and I, Washington, DC, www.barracks.marines.mil

MARINE CORPS HISTORY DIVISION:
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MCCS COMMUNITY SERVICES: www.usmc-mccs.org

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MEDICARE: 1-800-633-4227; www.medicare.gov

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NATIONAL MUSEUM OF THE MARINE CORPS:
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NATIONAL PERSONNEL RECORDS CENTER:
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records-center/military-personnel

NAVY LODGE WORLDWIDE RESERVATIONS CENTER:
1-800-NAVY-NN; www.navy-lodge.com

NAVY-MARINE CORPS RELIEF SOCIETY:
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1-800-654-8364; http://www.nmcrs.org

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QUANTICO NATIONAL CEMETERY:
(703) 221-2183; www.cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/quantico.asp

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SISTER SERVICE RETIREE PUBLICATIONS:
• Air Force Afterburner: http://www.retirees.af.mil/
  Library/Afterburner/

Directory Assistance Pages
• Army Echoes: https://soldierforlife.army.mil/
  retirement/echoes

• Coast Guard Evening Colors: www.uscg.mil/ppc/
  retnews

• Navy Shift Colors: www.navy.mil
  (Click “Links” and “Shift Colors”)

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION: 1-800-772-
1213, www.ssa.gov

SURVIVOR BENEFIT PLAN:
www.dfas.mil/retiredmilitary/provide/sbp.html

TRICARE: https://tricare.mil/
• East: 1-800-444-5445;
https://www.humanamilitary.com/east/
• West: 1-844-866-9378;
https://www.tricare-west.com
• Overseas: 1-888-777-8343;
https://www.tricare-overseas.com
• Health Beneficiary Counseling Assistance Coordi-
  nator: https://tricare.mil/bcadcao

TRICARE for LIFE: 1-866-773-0404;
www.tricare4u.com

TRICARE Network Pharmacy Program:
1-877-363-1303;

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UNIFORM SUPPORT CENTER: 1-800-368-4088;
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