

## Wounded Warriors/ Exceptional Family Members Waiver Process

## **Wounded Warriors**

Wounded Warriors (WW) living in a Marine Corps Public Private Venture (PPV) housing unit who consume significant amounts of electricity as a direct result of their unique circumstances may request a waiver from participation in RECP. If approved, the sponsor (lease signatory) must agree that he/she is not eligible for a credit payment should their monthly electricity/gas usage be less than the lower end of the monthly usage buffer.

Waivers will be granted on a case-by-case basis (see process below). The Military Housing Office (MHO) Director along with the Property Manager (PM) have the authority to approve a waiver, but they do not have the authority to deny a request. If the MHO Director and PM cannot come to an agreement, the request will be forwarded to Marine Corps Installation Command and the Managing Member for resolution.

## **Exceptional Family Members**

Registered Exceptional Family Members (EFM) members living in privatized housing units who consume significant amounts of electricity as a direct result of their unique circumstances may request a waiver from participation in the RECP. If approved, the sponsor (lease signatory) must agree that he/she is not eligible for a credit payment from the PM should their monthly electricity usage be less than the lower end of the monthly usage buffer.

Waivers will be granted on a case-by-case basis (see process below). The Military Housing Office (MHO) Director along with the PM have the authority to approve a waiver, but they do not have the authority to deny a request. If the MHO Director and PM cannot come to an agreement, the request will be forwarded to the Marine Corps Installation Command and the Managing Member for resolution.

Marine Corps Wounded Warrior and EFM Waiver Process (includes members of other Services residing in Marine Corps privatized housing)

- 1. Wounded Warriors and sponsors of EFM families are notified by housing communications that they may be eligible for an exemption to the RECP if they have a unique electricity consuming condition related to their Wounded Warrior status or EFM enrollment.
- 2. The Wounded Warrior or sponsor requests a waiver by completing the RECP Waiver Form and submitting it to the MHO.
- 3. The form letter allows the sponsor to provide EFM documentation (page 5 of DD Form 2792), with validation from the EFM coordinator that a requirement for electricity consuming equipment exists. Wounded Warriors must complete the Waiver Form and return it to the MHO. No additional forms are needed.
- 4. The Wounded Warrior or sponsor must provide sufficient information so that a determination as to whether the WW or EFM family is clearly required to consume substantially more electricity than the average resident can be made. Broad statements such as "I must use a humidifier," or "I am required to use a powered nebulizer," are by themselves insufficient. To be effective, the request should be substantiated by objective data and details such as a list of specific electric equipment that the WW or EFM family requires how frequently the equipment must be used, and information about its power consumption demands.
- 5. The MHO notifies the member of the final decision. In the event that the MHO Director and/or PM recommends disapproval of a request, the disapproval recommendation will be forwarded to the Marine Corps Installation Command and Managing Member for final decision.